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Ben King wins USA Cycling Professional Road Race National Championship

Greenville, S.C. (Sept. 19, 2010) – **Benjamin King** (North Garden, Va./Trek-Livestrong) pulled off one of the most dramatic wins in the 25-year history of the USA Cycling Professional Road Race Championship. The 21-year-old held an early race break to win the 115-mile Greenville Hospital System USA Cycling Professional Road Race Championship and become the first rider under the age of 23 to win the event against some of the sport's top pros.

"We were going pretty hard at the beginning there," said King. "Once I was solo I had nine minutes; I was thinking about a lot of motivators. I was praying pretty hard after Paris Mountain and my prayers got answered."

Alex Candelario (Reno, Nev./Kelly Benefit Strategies) and **Kiel Reijnen** (Boulder, Colo./Jelly Belly p/b Kenda) outsprinted the 12-man chase group 1:34 minutes later to grab the silver and bronze medals respectively.

"I couldn't believe how slow we were going on the first lap," said Reijnen. "The fact that Ben King had the Trek-Livestrong colors on I think guys thought the RadioShack team would help with that chase. When one big, strong team isn't motivated it really demotivates the field. (The finishing circuits) were awesome. Coming through that start/finish line you could hear the roar. Greenville is a great place for nationals."

King, the current USA Cycling U23 Road Race National Champion, and his breakaway companions **Daniel Holloway** (Morgan Hill, Calif./Bissell) and **Scott Zwizanski** (Mill Valley, Calif./Kelly Benefit Strategies) took off in the first of three, eight-mile opening circuits around downtown Greenville. With the peloton content to let the youngsters go so early in the nearly five-hour contest, the trio continued to build the gap to more than 15 minutes mid-way through the race.

It wasn't until the third of four, 22-mile laps up and around Paris Mountain that the USA Cycling Professional Criterium National Champion Holloway and Zwizanski began to fall off the pace. King, fresh off the *Tour of the Future* with USA Cycling's National Development Program, continued solo up the long climb with the powerful peloton bearing down.

Heading into the closing downtown circuits a lead group of around 22 riders, including yesterday's time trial national champion **Taylor Phinney** (Boulder, Colo./Trek-Livestrong), reigning road race national champion and hometown favorite **George Hincapie** (Greenville, S.C./BMC) and former Tour de France stage winner **Levi Leipheimer** (Santa Rosa, Calif./RadioShack) mobilized and moved inside three minutes of King. Familiar with the art of staying away, King, who won the USA Cycling U23 Road Race National Championship earlier this summer and the 2007 USA Cycling Juniors Road Race National Championship in similar fashion, dug deep to hold off the advance in the final 12-kilometers.

"L'Avenir (Tour of the Future) had everything to do with it," explained King. "I was riding the front every single day. That's what I think I'm good at - doing the dirty work."

King is the first rider under the age of 23 in the event's 25-year history to win the professional road race national title.

Thousands of fans lined the course for the finish as well as all of the day's festivities, including 750 charity riders participating in the Stars-and-Stripes Challenge, more than 150 in the kid's race and dozens contesting the U.S. Handcycling Series criterium.

Following the race [USA Cycling announced plans to return the event to the City of Greenville](#) for the next two years.

"We as an organization are committed to finding the best course and best conditions for the riders," stated USA Cycling CEO Steve Johnson. "The riders like it and community support has been remarkable. (Greenville provides a) world-class course with high-quality event management and a wonderful community spirit."

Visit [USA Cycling's photo gallery](#) to view photos from the event. Photos courtesy USA Cycling/Casey B. Gibson.

USA Cycling Professional Road Race National Championship [RESULTS](#)
Greenville, S.C.
Sept. 19, 2010

Place	First	Last	Time	Team
1	Benjamin	KING	4:44:56.9	Trek Livestrong
2	Alex	CANDELARIO	4:46:30.9	Kelly Benefit Strategies
3	Kiel	REIJNEN	4:46:31.0	Jelly Belly presented by Kenda
4	Christopher	HORNER	4:46:31.2	RadioShack
5	George	HINCAPIE	4:46:31.3	BMC
6	Shawn	MILNE	4:46:31.7	Team Type 1
7	Matthew	BUSCHE	4:46:31.9	RadioShack
8	Taylor	PHINNEY	4:46:32.8	Trek Livestrong Jamis/SutterHome presented by C
9	Andy	GUPTILL	4:46:35.2	Columbia High Road SpiderTech presented by Planet
10	Craig	LEWIS	4:46:35.2	Kenda presented by Geargrinder
11	Lucas	EUSER	4:46:35.2	Team Type 1
12	Jacob	RYTLEWSKI	4:46:35.5	BMC
13	Scott	STEWART	4:46:35.5	UnitedHealthcare presented by M
14	Brent	BOOKWALTER	4:46:35.9	UnitedHealthcare presented by M
15	Chris	BALDWIN	4:46:36.0	Kelly Benefit Strategies
16	Maxim	JENKINS	4:46:36.1	RadioShack
17	Neil	SHIRLEY	4:46:36.2	Garmin Slipstream
18	Jason	MCCARTNEY	4:46:36.5	RadioShack
19	Andrew	TALANSKY	4:46:36.5	RadioShack
20	Levi	LEIPHEIMER	4:46:37.0	Jelly Belly presented by Kenda
21	Carter	JONES	4:46:37.4	BMC
22	Christopher	BUTLER	4:46:37.7	Team Type 1
23	Chris	JONES	4:46:50.4	Garmin Slipstream
24	Timothy	DUGGAN	4:49:33.9	Mountain Khakis fueled by Jitte
25	Oscar	CLARK	4:53:06.3	

26	Tim	FARNHAM	4:53:10.3	Adageo Energy
27	Joey MAYNES	ROSSKOPF	4:53:10.6	Mountain Khakis fueled by Jitte
28	Andy	JACQUES	4:53:12.4	Bissell Pro Cycling
29	Ted	KING	4:53:12.5	Cervelo Jamis/SutterHome presented by C
30	Tyler	WREN	4:53:12.6	UnitedHealthcare presented by M
31	Adrian	HEGEVARY	4:53:13.6	Bissell Pro Cycling
32	Frank	PIPP	4:53:13.6	Bissell Pro Cycling
33	Paul	MACH	4:53:59.4	Bissell Pro Cycling Kenda presented by Geargrinder
34	Philip	GAIMON	4:53:59.5	Mountain Khakis fueled by Jitte
35	Matthew	COOKE	4:53:59.5	Kelly Benefit Strategies
36	Jesse	ANTHONY	4:55:22.1	Jamis/SutterHome presented by C
37	James	DRISCOLL	4:57:02.9	UnitedHealthcare presented by M
38	Bradley	WHITE	4:57:02.9	BMC
39	Jeffry	LOUDER	4:57:02.9	Fly V Australia
40	Phil	ZAJICEK	4:57:03.0	Garmin Slipstream
41	Peter	STETINA	4:58:58.0	UnitedHealthcare presented by M
42	Morgan	SCHMITT	4:58:58.0	Bissell Pro Cycling
43	Ian	BOSWELL	4:58:58.0	Jelly Belly presented by Kenda
44	Jeremy	POWERS	4:58:58.0	BMC
DNF	Chad	BEYER		RadioShack
DNF	Bjorn	SELANDER		Garmin Slipstream
DNF	Steven	COZZA		Garmin Slipstream
DNF	Caleb	FAIRLY		Garmin Slipstream
DNF	Danny	PATE		Garmin Slipstream
DNF	Daniel MAYNES	HOLLOWAY		Bissell Pro Cycling
DNF	Ben REILLY	JACQUES		Bissell Pro Cycling
DNF	Cody	O		Bissell Pro Cycling
DNF	Kyle	WAMSLEY		Bissell Pro Cycling
DNF	David	WILLIAMS		Bissell Pro Cycling Jamis/SutterHome presented by C
DNF	Nicholas	FREY		Jamis/SutterHome presented by C
DNF	John	SIMES		Jamis/SutterHome presented by C
DNF	Frank	TRAVIESO		Jamis/SutterHome presented by C
DNF	Sergio	HERNANDEZ		Jelly Belly presented by Kenda
DNF	Brad	HUFF		Jelly Belly presented by Kenda

DNF	Sean ULDEN	MAZICH	Jelly Belly presented by Kenda
DNF	Bernard	VAN	Jelly Belly presented by Kenda
DNF	Dan	BOWMAN	Kelly Benefit Strategies
DNF	Guy	EAST	Kelly Benefit Strategies
DNF	Reid	MUMFORD	Kelly Benefit Strategies
DNF	Scott	ZWIZANSKI	Kelly Benefit Strategies
DNF	Robert	BUSH	Kenda presented by Geargrinder
DNF	Chris	MONTELEONE	Kenda presented by Geargrinder
DNF	Nicholas	WAITE	Kenda presented by Geargrinder
DNF	Scottie	WEISS	Kenda presented by Geargrinder
DNF	Andrew	BAKER	Mountain Khakis fueled by Jitte
DNF	Thomas	BROWN	Mountain Khakis fueled by Jitte
DNF	Mark	HEKMAN	Mountain Khakis fueled by Jitte
DNF	William	HOFFARTH	Mountain Khakis fueled by Jitte
DNF	Eric	SCHILDGE	Mountain Khakis fueled by Jitte
DNF	Scott	TIETZEL	Mountain Khakis fueled by Jitte
DNF	Alex	BOWDEN	Team Type 1
DNF	William	DUGAN	Team Type 1
DNF	Ken	HANSON	Team Type 1
DNF	Eric	BENNETT	Adageo Energy
DNF	Adam	CARR	Adageo Energy

Find more information on the [Greenville Hospital System USA Cycling Professional Championships](http://www.usacyclingchampionships.com) on the event's official web site at www.usacyclingchampionships.com.

About USA Cycling

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