

3/11/08 -- MSU CYCLISTS TAKE TOP THREE SPOTS IN FIRST COLLEGIATE RACE

COLLEGE STATION, Texas – The Midwestern State University Cycling Team dominated the first collegiate race of the season on Saturday, taking the top three spots in the Men's A race at the Tunis-Roubaix Road Race outside of College Station.

Colt Trant, a graduate student in kinesiology who is in his second year as a Mustang, won the race by 45 seconds in a solo breakaway that lasted for the last 11-mile lap of the 66-mile race that included both paved and dirt-road sections.

Trant was followed across the line by Jason Short, a freshman from Palmdale, Calif., who also got off the front of the field on the last lap and finished 15 seconds ahead of a sprint for third place. That sprint was won by Alex Boyd, a sophomore from Papillon, Neb., who is the defending collegiate road race national champion. In addition, Collin Davis, a kinesiology graduate student from Lindale, Texas, took seventh place.

In other results, Tyler Henderson, a senior from Wichita Falls, won the Men's B race in a solo breakaway. His lead over the field was six minutes at the end of the race. Senior Laura Whittle of Belleville, Ill., also finished fourth in the Women's A race.

A total of 19 MSU cyclists competed at the race sponsored by Texas A&M. The Mustangs' next collegiate race weekend is April 5-6 when they travel to Austin for a competition jointly sponsored by the University of Texas and St. Edward's University.