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Annual Parkview BTR Bike Criterium Has its Biggest Turnout Ever

On July 16th Western Michigan University and the Kalamazoo Bicycle Club presented the 6th Annual BTR Bike Criterium at the College of Engineering & Applied Sciences Parkview campus. The Park was buzzing with cyclists competing for prize money and placement. There was $6000 awarded to winners of the events and there was a total of 263 riders. The weather was warm and sunny and there was a special fun race for the kids attending that made this a great family event.

Left: Kathy Kirk, of the Priority Health Cycling team, leads other women’s race competitors through a turn at the BTR Criterium Bike Race at WMU’s BTR business park.

Right: Kid’s race competitors at the BTR Criterium Bike Race at WMU’s BTR business park receive last-minute instructions from volunteers.

Congratulations to the local finishers:

Category 3 - John Wunderlin, CMS Race Team, Kalamazoo 8th place.
Category 4 - Justin Sprung, CMS Race Team, 4th.
Category 5 - Joe Thomas, CMS Race Team, 1st. Nathan Sotherland, CMS Race Team, 3rd, & Jacob Kloss, Plainwell, 7th.
Junior Men - Matt George, Kalamazoo, 2nd, Dylan Gonda, CMS Race Team, Portage, 6th, & Nikolai Minka, Plainwell, 13th.
Junior Women - Charlotte Long, Priority Health Cycling Team, Augusta, 1st & Sarah Gonda, Kalamazoo Bike Club, Portage, 6th.
Master 35+ - Jason Young, East Hills Velo, Portage, 2nd.
Master 45+ - Houston Peterson, Flying Rhino Cycling Club, Kalamazoo, 1st, & Mike Jones, Venticus Cycling Team, Kalamazoo, 2nd.
Women 1/2/3 - Kathy Kirk, Priority Health Cycling Team, Kalamazoo, 8th, & Monica Tory, Fusion IT, Kalamazoo, 13th.
Women 4 - Charlotte Long, Priority Health, Augusta, 9th.

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Meet the New Staff Member From Development & Alumni Relations

Shams Khan
Engagement Manager

Degrees:
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M.A., WMU

Shams Khan brings a diverse set of skills to the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences through the Office of Development and Alumni Relations. Shams has been with WMU since 2002 and will facilitate all of CEAS’ Development and Alumni Relations needs. Please contact Shams if you have any questions or need assistance.

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Sunseeker Upcoming Events

The Sunseeker will be on display at the Gilmore Car Museum this Saturday, August 6, for the annual Red Barns Spectacular. There will be over 1000 vehicles on display, plus all the cars on exhibit in the barn. It starts at 8 am and goes until 4 pm. Admission is $9. For more information visit: Red Barns Spectacular Car Show.

On August 20, the Sunseeker will be in the Detroit area for the annual Woodward Dream Cruise. Sunseeker will be driven down Woodward avenue and also displayed at the WMU Detroit satellite campus. For more information visit: Woodward Dream Cruise.