

# CRIPPS SEARS & PARTNERS

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## Cripps Sears Gentlemen and Ladies pass the test at Eton

Friday the 29<sup>th</sup> of June saw three intrepid Cripps Sears's teams embark on the King Sturge Property Triathlon. Held at Dorney lake, Eton, this consisted of a 750m swim, a 20km bike ride and a 5km run.

Aptly named Three Dears, Three Cheers and Three Beers for Cripps Sears, The Three Dears team consisting of Nicola, Lucy and Katie were first off and off to a great start when the commentator stated that the team had the best name in the 19 female team line up, go the Ladies!!

After a speedy swim in the freezing cold Eton school rowing lake, Nicola handed the baton over to Lucy who nobly fought some strong head winds to complete the 4 cycle laps around the rowing lake. Katie looked nervously on as Lucy completed her 4<sup>th</sup> lap before heading out on the run course. Overcoming a slight confusion over the exact route, Katie zipped around the course giving the team a respectable overall time for the ladies event.

The men's teams had to wait until after lunch before competing, during which we experienced a torrential downpour, before the sun eventually broke out and it became a beautiful day.

Mike and James got into the water for their respective teams and suffered a slight delay while various men who were not wearing the right coloured swimming caps had to be removed from the swimming pack. The rest of the team members looked on from the shore at the freezing swimmers, secretly happy that they were not doing the swimming leg. James secured a sterling swim time and Mike fought bravely through the pack to respectable conclusion.

Then onto the bike, Andrew and Mark headed out onto the course, a closely fought competition but one which saw Andrew creep up to beat Mark's time. Sadly though, neither could beat Lucy's amazing time in the bike leg of the ladies race. Finally The Beers were into the running leg; Craig had a good start leading the two teams. Using a unique and obviously highly tuned Australian running style there was sadly no chance for Nick of the Three Cheers to catch him up. Nick ran the course valiantly in great time but Craig lead the Three Beers for Cripps Sears, James, Mark and Craig to victory!!! Well done also to The Three Cheers, Mike, Andrew and Nick, needless to say the Three Beers also beat you to the beer tent, but I guess that was only to be expected!!

A great day was had by all, and good to see many of our friends and clients there too, Well done everybody!

