



**THE ARMED FORCES
CYCLING CLASSIC**



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ELEVATE/KHS'S WILLIAMS STEALS VICTORY IN FINAL SECONDS

Arlington, Va. – Sunday's final pro race came down to the wire once again, keeping fans engaged from start to finish as different riders went off the front with impressive individual and group efforts. However, in the final lap of the race, Corey Williams of Elevate/KHS and John Murphy of Holowekso | Citadel p/b Hincapie Sportswear led a sprint that was able to overtake the three-man breakaway that looked to have a solid chance of filling the podium.

In a photo finish, Williams crossed the line first, showcasing his incredible sprinting talent. Murphy, a former USA National Criterium Champion, took second with Kevin Goguen of CRCA/Jamison Capital – Cannondale in third.

Overall, Sunday's men's race was a mix of spectacular individual efforts and team gamesmanship. 303 Project's Griffin Easter took off with more than twenty laps left in the competition and maintained his lead for quite a few laps before rejoining the peloton. His solo performance earned him the Most Heroic Rider Award in the Crystal Cup, and opened the door for his teammate, Austin Stephens, to join the three-man break that nearly bested the field in the overall finish.

UnitedHealthCare also made an attempt to defend their title and position yesterday's winner, Eric Marcotte, for a weekend sweep but they could not hold back Elevate/KHS and Corey Williams.

The Armed Forces Cycling Classic Crystal Cup is part of a weekend-long event that showcases high energy, spectator-friendly bike races. Sunday's event features a Challenge Ride and kids' race in addition to the men's and women's pro races.

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