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## **HILL CONTINUES WINNING WAYS, WILSON CLAIMS FIRST**

Olympian Rina Hill backed up her outstanding ITU World Cup win in New Zealand last weekend to take out Race 2 of the Gatorade Queensland Tri Series this morning at Robina. Sandgate's, Dan Wilson claimed the men's open category proving a liking for this course winning the same event last year and recording his first victory of the season.

A record 1170 athletes took part in the event today, another record for this venue, continuing the upward trend in the series.

The series offers three different distances catering for all ages and abilities - first timers and weekend warriors to world champions.

37 year old Hill has produced fantastic form at the back end of the year placing fifth at the Noosa Triathlon, winning the final round of the ITU World Cup and notching up two wins in this series.

"I wasn't going to do this event but my training partner (Jamie Simmonds) was keen and wanted some company and it was a good excuse to take my two kids to the beach afterwards," said Hill after the race.

Hill lead from start to finish with youngster Courtney Dutton of Bridgeman Downs making a name for herself after finishing third at Raby Bay and second today. Dutton is one of the youngest ever athletes accepted into the Queensland Academy of Sport. Melissa Trimms rounded out the podium.

Bronze medallist at the World Under 23 championships Wilson was pushed all the way today snatching victory by just 3 seconds from Samuel Betten. Ryosuke Yamamoto was just off the pace today but picked up third place, he is currently training under Col Stewart on the Gold Coast before heading over to take part in the upcoming Asian Games.

"It's good to get back into racing, I had to work hard today against a good field and always happy to get a win," said Wilson.

The program included The LOOK Enticer Triathlon which 'enticed' a great field who completed a 200m swim, 5km cycle and 2km run. The ideal distance for the novice to compete individually, or one of the many teams that had a go. First male home in the Enticer was Jake Winter of Toowoomba and Maddison Dutton, Bridgeman Downs.

The day also included the Kool Kids Triathlon, covering short distances that any child could manage making it a fun experience - 100m swim, 2km cycle and 400m run. The quickest kids over the course in the Under 10 category, Ben McKenzie of Redland Bay and Brittany Dutton, Bridgeman Downs. Under 12, Tom East of Buderim and Carlie Tucker, Scarborough.

If you missed the first two events don't worry there are still 5 enormous events to come at your favourite locations and venues.

The third and final race for 2006 will return to Raby Bay, December 17, we hope to see everyone having a hit out in the traditional Christmas bash.

## Results

### Male

1.	Dan Wilson	Sandgate	41:54
2.	Samuel Betten	Clear Mountain	41:57
3.	Ryosuke Yamamoto	Japan	42:01
4.	Hideo Fukui	Japan	42:21
5.	Brett McKeown	Mermaid Waters	42:36

### Female

1.	Rina Hill	Samford Valley	46:56
2.	Courtney Dutton	Bridgemena Downs	48:14
3.	Melissa Trims	Taigum	48:23
4.	Jessica Large	Helensvale	48:36
5.	Skye Nicholas	Rothwell	50:05

## The Program

Race 3 17 December - Raby Bay

Race 4 21 January - Robina

Race 5 11 February - Caloundra

Race 6 22 April - Raby Bay



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