



## TOUR DE TOONA RIDERS TO WATCH



### **Scott Moninger (USA)** **HEALTH NET PRESENTED BY Maxxis**

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Scott is last year's International Tour de Toona defending champion and a strong all around rider who is well suited for stage races. He currently has over 251 career victories, making him one of the most successful active racers in the U.S. to date. In 2005 he was honored by VeloNews as the North American Male Cyclist of the Year. Look for Scott to be a strong contender to finish in the top three if not on the top spot of the podium for the second year in a row.



### **Greg Henderson (NZL)** **HEALTH NET PRESENTED BY Maxxis**

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Greg is a sprinting specialist who most recently won two of the three races in this year's Commerce Bank Triple Crown of Cycling in June and as of press time is ranked second overall on the NRC overall point's standings. Henderson may be riding in support of fellow teammate Moniger but will surely be looking to win a stage as he did last year when he won stage #7 in a sprint finish.

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### **Chris Baldwin (USA) TOYOTA UNITED PRO**

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Chris is the current National Time Trial Champion and a solid all round rider. Look for Chris to possibly take the opening prologue and defend the race lead all the way to the end. Chris won this year's Tour of the Gila in New Mexico in this manner and has one of the strongest domestic pro teams in the country to back him up. If he does relinquish the leader's jersey look for him to finish high on the overall general classification since he is sure to be in the thick of the action.



### **Juan José Haedo (ARG) TOYOTA UNITED PRO**

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Jaun is a sprinting specialist and a serious threat to win any sprint finish in America. His fast finishing speed earned him two stage wins in this year's prestigious Tour of California, as well as a stage win in the 2006 San Dimas Stage Race. Look for Juan to be a threat in stage #7, the Waste Management Broad Band Criterium, where he surely will be in the hunt to use his explosive finishing kick. He will most likely not be a candidate to take the overall victory but keep an eye open for Jaun to take a stage win or two.

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### **Sergey Lagutin (UZB)** **NAVIGATORS INSURANCE CYCLING TEAM**

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Sergey is the current Uzbekistan National Road Champion and a consistent all around rider. He most recently finished second overall in the Canadian stage race the Tour de Beauce and won the overall title of the Commerce Bank Triple Crown of Cycling. As of press time he currently stands seventh overall on the NRC overall points standings.



### **Mark McCormack (USA)** **COLAVITA OLIVE OIL-SUTTER HOME WINERY**

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Mark is a consistent rider who has an around ability and is well suited for stage races. Last year he won stages #1 and #5 of the International Tour de Toona on his way to an eventual second place finish overall. He is a former USPRO Road Champion a title he won back in 2003, and has been a professional cyclist since 1992. Look for Mark to once again be a strong contender and possibly move just one step higher on the podium this year.

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