

# **Giddeon Massie**

Birthdate: 8/27/81 Hometown: Colorado Springs, Colo. Discipline: Track Team: US National Team/Cody Racing Olympian: 2004 Website: www.usacycling.org

## Career Highlights:

Gold Medalist 2004 Pan Am Championships, keirin 2003 Pan American Games Gold Medalist, keirin 2003 Pan American Games Silver Medalist, sprint 2003 USCF National Champion, team sprint 2002 USCF National Champion, team sprint 2001 USCF U23 National Champion, sprint



## Introduction

Giddeon, a three-time World Championship Team member, competed in his first Olympic Games in 2004 as a member of the Team Sprint squad.

#### Personal

Giddeon attended Faith Christian Academy. He took after his father for the first part of his life by playing baseball from 1989-1994 until he discovered track cycling. The 23-year-old excelled off the bike as well, earning a musical scholarship from the U.S. National Band Association for his talent with the clarinet. He was contacted by countless colleges with scholarship opportunities.

#### Favorite Pastimes

When he's not on the bike, Gideon enjoys music, reading, automobiles, and playing basketball.

#### How He Got Here

Giddeon was born the son of a professional baseball player, so athletic ability came natural. He played baseball for a while, but took on a love for cycling while he was in the Air Products Development Program in Trexlertown, Pa. from 1991-1992. He began cycling in Trexlertown at age 9, and finished his junior career fifth in the world in the Olympic Sprint. He earned two national titles, and top finishes at the World Cup and the World Cup Championships. He went on to become a resident athlete of the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs.

#### Did You Know?

- Massie's father, Michael, played clarinet for 18 years and played semi-pro baseball
- Giddeon was one of seven athletes chosen to support the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency in a series of public service announcements with the theme, "My health. My sport. My victory. I compete clean."

# Latest Performance

#### <u>2004</u>

1st - Pan American Championships, keirin 2nd – USCF Elite National Track Championships, sprint 4th - UCI World Cup, Auguascalientes, Mexico, team sprint 8th - UCI World Cup, Manchester, Great Britain, team sprint 11th - UCI World Track Championships, team sprint

2003

USCF National Team Sprint Champion USCF National U-23 Sprint Champion Gold medal, Pan American Games, keirin Silver medal, Pan American Games, sprint 4th - World Cup Qualifier #1, Men's keirin 2nd - World Cup Qualifier #2, Men's keirin 5th - World Cup Qualifier #3, Men's keirin