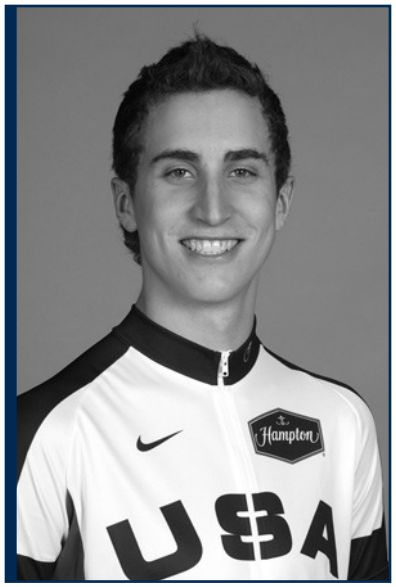

TAYLOR PHINNEY

Birthdate 6-27-90

Height 6'4"

Weight 180 lbs

Place of Birth Boulder, Colo.

Hometown Boulder, Colo.

Residence Boulder, Colo.

Pro Team/Sponsors Slipstream/ Chipotle presented by H30 (USA)

Education Boulder High School

Website/Blog
www.web.mac.com/taylor.phinney

Career Highlights

- 2007 Junior World Champion, Time Trial
- 1st place – 2008 UCI Track World Cup, Los Angeles, Individual Pursuit
- 1st place – 2007 USA Cycling Track National Championships, Individual Pursuit
- 1st place – 2007 Le Tour de l'Abitibi International
- 1st place – 2007 Le Tour de l'Abitibi International, Stage 2
- 1st place – 2007 Le Tour de l'Abitibi International, Prologue
- 2nd place – 2007 Le Tour de l'Abitibi International, Stage 4
- 2nd place – 2007 Tour du Pays de Vaud, Stage 1
- 3rd place – 2007 Le Tour de l'Abitibi International, Stage 6
- 3rd place – 2007 Le Tour de l'Abitibi International, Stage 7
- 4th place – 2007 UCI Track World Cup, Beijing, Individual Pursuit
- 8th place – 2008 UCI Track World Championships, Individual Pursuit
- 9th place – 2007 UCI Track World Cup, Sydney, Individual Pursuit

Personal

Taylor Phinney exploded onto the track cycling scene with a vengeance in 2007. At the age of 17, he captured an elite national title in the men's individual pursuit in his first-ever track race. Since then, he's ascended the international ranks, capturing a World Cup gold medal in January of 2008 and nearly winning the overall World Cup title.

Already an accomplished cyclist on the road with a junior world championship under his belt in the time trial, Taylor's early success is a result of talent, intelligence and genetics. His mother, Connie Carpenter-Phinney, was the first-ever Olympic gold medalist in the women's mass-start road race, an event that was first held at the Los Angeles Games in 1984. His father Davis was an Olympic bronze medalist in the team time trial, also in 1984, and is one of only 10 Americans to ever win a stage of the Tour de France. Taylor credits his parents for building his confidence and character, and cites them as his most important support structure.

Despite his parents' legendary status in the sport, Taylor didn't possess an interest in competitive cycling until he took a family vacation to the Tour de France. Shortly thereafter he found himself competing in the North Boulder Criterium, the same event that caused his father to fall in love with the sport three decades earlier.

Off the bike, Taylor enjoys skiing at terrain parks, playing video games, doing flips on the trampoline and hanging out with his friends and girlfriend.

Points of Interest

- Taylor lived in Italy for three years while his parents ran a European bike touring company. He's also fluent in Italian.
- Taylor is related to Olympic medalist gymnasts Paul and Morgan Hamm. Their grandfather was Taylor's great, great uncle.
- In addition to her gold medal in the 1984 Olympic Games, Taylor's mother Connie also competed in speed skating events at the 1972 Olympic Winter Games. She's also a former world champion in Taylor's event – the individual pursuit.

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