

Bailey Motorsports Team Rocks the Podium in Shawinigan

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Last weekend, the team packed up and headed to Quebec to race at the SCMX Snowcross event in Shawinigan. We wanted our riders to get some more racing in before our first full event back on the CSRA circuit. Hopefully that will happen next weekend in Lindsay, ON if Mother Nature cooperates and snows for us.

There were a number of teams from Ontario that made the trip, and we were not disappointed. The event was well done, lots of riding time and the level of racing was competitive. The track was challenging, but our racers found their lines and were able to race to the front of their classes all weekend long.



This was the first event that Ryan was able to compete at on his Ski Doo 600RS and was looking good during the practice session on Friday, setting some fast lap times. Unfortunately during morning practice on Saturday he had a hard crash that would keep him from riding at 100% the balance of the day. Sunday he would rest and not compete on his sled.

Ryan went out for both his Snowbike Motos and was able to race to a 2-1 finish, taking first overall on the day. He following up on Sunday with 1-1 and the overall again. Really getting comfortable on his Husqvarna Yeti bike.



We also had Brooklyn, Dakota and Hailey there to race this weekend and what a weekend they had. The Karkoulas sisters earning 6 podium finishes! All three have been putting in the time at

our practice track at The Compound and you could tell as they were flying out there, hitting some big doubles and pounding through the rhythm sections. Great to see all three out in the track at the same time in the Women's class.









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RYAN HUNT





Decided to travel to Quebec for the SCMX snow cross series for the weekend to get in some racing! Glen, Ryan and Hailey and myself all packed up the race trailer and decided to go racing

for the weekend. Finally being able to ride a different track, and actually be able to compete was much needed. The track layout was much like other SCMX series tracks, lots of rhythm sections and a few big jumps. Felt good most of the weekend, and finally being able to go on a race pace on both the sled and the bike! Finishing the weekend off with some good rides on the sled and taking both wins in the snow bike class Saturday and Sunday. Looking forward to getting racing in the CSRA series and seeing how we can compete in the championship race!



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Brooklyn then achieved a 3rd in her Sport Lite 2 class, heat 1, seeing her lead the majority of the race. She repeated that finish and was elated to stand on the 3rd place podium spot in this category. Her dad was quick to drop an excited text back home to mom saying "BK is back!" Brooklyn commented on the race weekend that it was the, "First weekend of the year and it was definitely one to remember. With a solid day of practice on Friday and 2 successful days of racing on Saturday and Sunday. Coming out of the weekend with 2 third place finishes in dames, 1 win in the dames class, and a podium in sport lite I am very happy with my performance."



<mark>5 🗆 1</mark> DAKOTA KAR



In Dakota's Jr 14-15 Dakota rode really well in her heats in the Junior 14 to 15 class and achieved a 5th place finish in the final.

On her race weekend Dakota had this to say,
"I had a great race weekend in Shawinigan. The track was really
cool and had some big jumps. Overall this weekend I earned
myself 3rd and 3rd in the Dames 1 class and the Dames 2 class."



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HAILEY BELANGER



Hailey on her return from Quebec happily commented that, "Well I had my first experience racing outside of the CSRA series! There are differently some fast riders in SCMX series! It was an awesome experience racing against everyone!

I had some good starts and was able to hold off Kim Tremblay In the dame 1 on Sunday! I was probably the youngest in the class, but was able to hold my own placing 5th in both dame 1 and 2 both days. In my junior 10-13 class I struggle a bit

but I'm definitely going to go home and practice a few thing to better prep myself for next time!"



Missing from the weekend was Yanick Boucher, he was making his way to Aspen to prepare for X games that will start Jan 23. Yanick will compete on Saturday the 25th, in the Snow Bike Cross against the best in the sport. You can catch the racing live on ESPN.

Watch us on Social media to catch up on what the team is up to.

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