

TORO – Texas Off-road Racing Organization

Round 4 – D & J Ranch – Bonita, Texas

Chris Bach Dominates!

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Round four of the Tucker Rocky/MSR/Answer/ProTaper-sponsored Texas Off-road Racing Organization was held in Bonita, Texas; home of "The Sandbox." Landowner/Promoter, Dan Burch skillfully wove a 13.5 mile course through the treacherous deep sand, challenging all 367 racers who braved early morning low temperatures of 13-degrees to take on this physically demanding course.

In Saturday afternoon SMS Racing Pee Wee action, it was Jason Norman taking the win in the 50cc A-class, while Kyler Lowrimore edged out Justin Taylor and Andrew Garrett for his second win of the season in the 50cc B-class. Tristan Powell finished out in front of Colton Pratt and Cameron Harris to capture his first win in the 50cc C-class.

The 65cc A-class featured Nathan Wood getting the checkered flag just ahead of Ben Otto and Morgan Michalka. Morgan's brother, Mason Michalka took the win in the 65cc B-class ahead of Colten Inglet and Jacob Bailey, while Cole Reaves captured his first win in the 65cc C-class.

In Sunday Pro action TTF/Fastway-sponsored Chris Bach said, "Great race... just the way I like them. I jumped out in front and stayed there until the finish. This track is brutal with the sand. My race was fairly uneventful until the final lap when I had a get off and broke off a handguard, but other than that it was just a good day of racing on a great track." Bach was passing through on his way to an upcoming WORCS event in Arizona.

SMS Racing-sponsored Brian Storrie celebrated his 20 year anniversary of competing in the Pro class Sunday and at age 35 is the current standings leader.

Also in Sunday action, the highly coveted Maxim Motorsport-sponsored custom helmet in memory of Stephen Griner honoring the fastest A rider is up for grabs and the two front-runners are Heavy A rider, Colby Bolling and +40A fast man, Todd Slavik.

Slavik has an interesting background in racing.

"I have always had a motorcycle to ride since I was a kid," Slavik reflected. "My dad used to race in the 60's and 70's and racing had always been around my family. My mom was not too cool about me doing the moto racing though, so bicycles had to do." Slavik was a natural on a bicycle and turned Pro in 1985. He was known to his BMX fans as "The Cowboy" and remains on the "Top 50 BMX Pros of All Time" list to this day.

Of his transition to dirt bike racing he said, "I got my dad and brother involved in enduros around the early 90's. My last BMX race was in 95 and by that time I had been racing enduros for about a year or so. I bought Stephen Griner's 92 KTM and raced with my brother."

Slavik is also a very talented expert Trials rider and took a very impressive win at a Bulcher, Texas event Saturday prior to his win at TORO on Sunday.

Go to www.race-toro.org for more information on winter racing in Texas.

Results

AA: 1. Chris Bach (Kaw); 2. Cooper Bailey (Hon); 3. Caleb Ramsay (Kaw); 4. Derek Kemp (KTM); 5. Brian Storrie (KTM)

LDS AA: 1. Ashley Crouch; 2. Kerrie Swartz (Yam); 3. Sherri Stephens (Suz); 4. Jordon Milbauer (Hon); 5. Kalalynn Sellers (Suz)

HVY A: 1. Colby Bolling (Yam); 2. Troy Sanford (KTM); 3. David Widmer (Suz); 4. Jamison Gryder (Yam); 5. Casey Meyer (KTM)

HVY B: 1. Daulton Atterberry (KTM); 2. Chris Alcorn (Yam); 3. Aaron Lambert (Kaw); 4. Stephen Tucker (Kaw); 5. Jeffrey Harris (Kaw)

HVY C: 1. Derek Lambert (Hon); 2. Kevin McDonald (Suz); 3. David Coleman (Suz); 4. Cole Carpenter (KTM); 5. Colton Baird (KTM)

LITE A: 1. Tate Reynolds (KTM); 2. Dalton Green (Yam); 3. Brian Pierce (Yam); 4. Michael Bohrer (KTM); 5. Chris Chipman (Yam)

LITE B: 1. Hal Anderson Jr (Yam); 2. Jake Hensley (Kaw); 3. RJ Miller (Kaw); 4. Deven McManaman (KTM); 5. Sam Gaines (KTM)

LITE C: 1. Scotty Willingham (Kaw); 2. Josh Gagliardi (KTM); 3. Tyler Chidester (Yam); 4. Jimmy Turner (Kaw); 5. Mason Chumney (Suz)

30+ A: 1. Scott Bailey (KTM); 2. Richard English (KTM); 3. Ryan Griffith (KTM); 4. T.J. Tarver (Yam); 5. Scott McCarns (KTM)

30+ B: 1. Michael Ashley (Hon); 2. Jon Young (KTM); 3. Mee Sung Gillette (Hon); 4. Barri Mulkey (KTM); 5. Jeff Jackson (Hon)

30+ C: 1. Kenneth Crawford (Yam); 2. Joe Koster (Yam); 3. Ryan Shehan (KTM); 4. Greg Griffith; 5. Mark Scherer II (Suz)

35+ B: 1. Keir Coughlin (KTM); 2. Brian Dunn (KTM); 3. Grady Simmons (KTM); 4. Chad Deen (KTM); 5. Shawn Adams (Yam)

35+ C: 1. Herman Johnson; 2. Jason Bolling (Yam); 3. Dale Richter (Hon); 4. Jonathan Dunn (Yam); 5. Alan Vaughan (KTM)

40+ A: 1. Todd Slavik (KTM); 2. Randy Green (Hon); 3. Doug Dixon (KTM); 4. Kevin Ruckdeschell (KTM); 5. Mark Slawson (KTM)

40+ B: 1. Darren Rose (Hon); 2. Kelly Rickgauer (KTM); 3. Ronald Taylor (Hon); 4. Paul Brooks (Yam); 5. Monty Damron (KTM)

40+ C: 1. David Schmidt (KTM); 2. Christopher Brown; 3. Robert Smiley (Yam); 4. Tim Doogs (KTM); 5. Roger Anderson (KTM)

45+ B: 1. Marty Ishmael (Kaw); 2. Michael Vasily (KTM); 3. Stephen Powelson (KTM); 4. James Otto (Kaw); 5. Scott Armel (Yam)

45+ C: 1. Joe Tanner (Suz); 2. Walter Lee (KTM); 3. Michael Wood (KTM); 4. Mark Atterberry (Hon); 5. Quentin Bohrer (Kaw)

50+ A: 1. Mark Bergman (Hon); 2. Doug Taft (Kaw); 3. Larry Hunter (KTM); 4. Dan Burch (Kaw); 5. Glen Boyett

50+ B: 1. Cameron Petty (KTM); 2. Rick Dinwiddie (Suz); 3. Mr Nitro (KTM); 4. Bill Loftin (Yam); 5. William Martin

50+ C: 1. Greg Blackstone (Yam); 2. Mike McManaman (Kaw); 3. Jim Leuthesser (KTM); 4. Marc Eddy (Hon); 5. Roger Jackson (Yam)

60+: 1. Bill Fleming (KTM); 2. Bob Miller (KTM); 3. Tom McEelvain (KTM); 4. Jay Gentry (Yam)

LDS A: 1. Kacey White (Kaw); 2. Kate Strawbridge (Kaw); 3. Krystal Winders (KTM); 4. Shelley Dixon (KTM); 5. Crystal Akins (Kaw)

LDS B: 1. Ariel Deen (Hon); 2. Lillian Otto (Hon); 3. Taylor Vrzak (Kaw); 4. Candice McMillon (Hon); 5. Mackenzie Michalka (Hon)

LDS C: 1. Chantel James (Hon); 2. Tiffany Vardell (Hon); 3. Jackie Barrington (Hon); 4. Ariel Greene (KTM); 5. Sarah Clark (Yam)

LDS 30+ B: 1. Brandi Ing (Suz); 2. Tammy Jo Tarver (KTM); 3. Elena Thomas; 4. Laura Rafael (Yam); 5. Connie Green (Hon)

LDS 30+ C: 1. Angel Potts (KTM); 2. Melody Dooly (Yam); 3. Beverly Koffman (KTM); 4. Glenise Noland (Hon); 5. Liss Strawbridge (Hon)

MINI A: 1. Cheyenne Harmon (Suz); 2. Blues Henderson (Kaw)

MINI B: 1. Tanner Winders (KTM); 2. Dillon Green (Kaw); 3. Cody Coffey (Hon); 4. Zac Isakson; 5. Zachary Watson (Hon)

MINI C: 1. Caleb Wright (Hon); 2. Mason Dickinson (Yam); 3. Blake Breton (Yam); 4. Trenton Threadgill (Hon); 5. Hunter Barnes (Kaw)

P/W 50 A: 1. Jason Norman (Cobra)

P/W 50 B: 1. Kyler Lowrimore (KTM); 2. Justin Taylor (KTM); 3. Andrew Garrett (KTM)

P/W 50 C: 1. Tristan Powell (KTM); 2. Colton Pratt (Yam); 3. Cameron Harris (KTM); 4. Connor Coughlin (KTM); 5. Preston McBride (Hon)

P/W 65 A: 1. Nathan Wood; 2. Ben Otto (Kaw); 3. Morgan Michalka

P/W 65 B: 1. Mason Michalka (KTM); 2. Colten Inglet (Kaw); 3. Jacob Bailey (KTM); 4. Colton Tarver (Kaw); 5. Aaron Landers (KTM)

P/W 65 C: 1. Cole Reaves (KTM); 2. Jordan Cartwright (KTM); 3. Austin Hinkle (Kaw); 4. Jasiah Hawkins (Kaw); 5. Logan Nocktonick (Kaw)

JR. BEG: 1. Nate Duncan (Kaw)