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ROCKSTAR ENERGY HUSQVARNA FACTORY RACING'S ZACH OSBORNE TAKES HIS FIRST CAREER MOTO VICTORY AT HIGH POINT NATIONAL!

ANDERSON AND POURCEL FINISH 2ND AND 6TH IN 450, DAVALOS FINISHES 16TH IN 250

The Rockstar Energy Husqvarna Factory Racing team had a great day at the High Point National, held at the High Point Raceway in Mount Morris, PA, on Saturday, the first east coast round of the 2016 AMA Pro Motocross Championship. Despite a rough, rutted track, the team earned two pole positions with both Zach Osborne and Jason Anderson earning the fastest qualifying times in their respective classes, and teammate Christophe Pourcel posting the second fastest time in the 450 class. History was then made with Zach Osborne earning his first career moto win in the 250 class.

High Point is one of Zach Osborne's favorite races of the season, and his confidence in the track showed as he posted the fastest qualifying time during the 250 practice sessions. He was in the top-five at the start of the first 250 moto and made the pass for the second-place spot in lap two. Looking solid, he navigated his Husqvarna FC 250 into the lead around the halfway mark and held strong to the finish. The victory marked his first career moto win. He pulled a top-five start in the second moto and fought up to fourth by the checkered flag. The 1-4 finish gave him second overall on the day.

"Today was a step in the right direction," said Osborne. "It was an awesome day. I was fastest in practice, got off to a really good start in the first moto, and ended up winning. It was my first ever AMA national moto win. I got off to a good start in the second moto but then made some mistakes right off the bat. I ended up fourth, so I went 1-4 for second overall. It moved me up to fifth in the championship, and I'm feeling good for Muddy Creek. It's awesome to get the monkey off my back and win a moto and just be moving in the right direction. I'm really happy."

Jason Anderson earned the fastest qualifying time in the 450 class at High Point, and was looking to redeem himself after being unable to finish the previous race at Thunder Valley due to altitude sickness. He got a great start in the first moto and immediately started going after the race leader. He was third by the end of the first lap, and made the pass for second in lap two. A quick tip over in lap two put him back a few positions, but he came back with a vengeance as he remounted farther back in the top-10 and started battling riders for the remainder of the ride. He made the pass for fourth during the fifth lap, moved to third in lap 10, and held strong to the finish. He was in the top-10 at the start of the second moto and was into third by the end of the first lap. He stayed consistent and eventually finished the race in third. The 3-3 finish gave him second overall on the day.

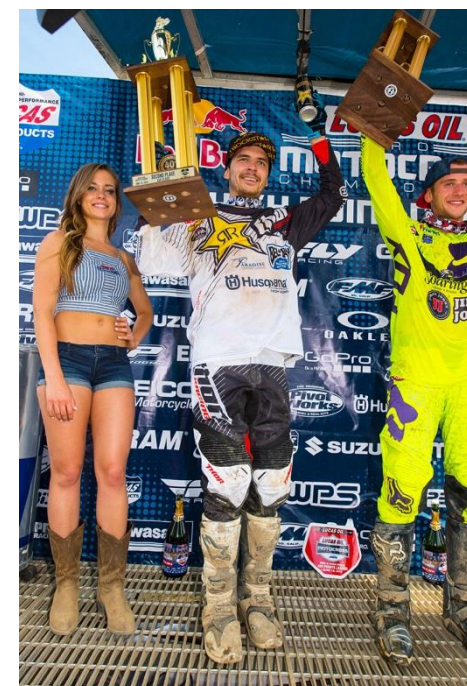
"I came in this weekend ready to go," said Anderson. "I qualified first in both practices, which is cool – I've never done that. The motos went pretty well. I got a good start in the first moto then just tried to make my way through. I ended up falling, then I fell again, but I ended up coming back to third, which is good. I started behind Kenny in the second moto and just kind of stayed behind him in the same pace for three laps, but then Tomac went by me."



Zach Osborne earned his first career moto win at the High Point National on Saturday



After posting the fastest 250 qualifying time and finishing second overall he is currently fifth in 250 rider point standings



Jason Anderson earned the fastest qualifying time, two podiums and second overall at High Point

We were all right there for a good twenty minutes. I've got some work to do. I really want to be riding with those guys. It's pretty hot outside and I've got a little bit of a cold, plus I had altitude sickness at the last race that I've been trying to recover from."

A treacherous track didn't faze Christophe Pourcel as he earned the second-fastest qualifying time during 450 practice. After a top-10 start in moto one, he held to his position and continued to fight. He battled teammate Jason Anderson and eventually found his way into fifth by lap five. He took one more spot eventually finished fourth. He got a top-10 start in 450 moto two and stayed consistent to finish ninth. The 4-9 finish gave him sixth overall.

"I was second-fastest in qualifying so that showed I had some speed," said Pourcel. "I was battling with Jason for a while, and felt good all day. I had a great first moto and finished fourth, then finished ninth in the second moto so I ended up with sixth for the day. I'm excited for next weekend at Muddy Creek."

Martin Davalos started in the back of the pack in the first 250 moto he started making his way through the field to overtake 12th by the halfway mark. He knocked off three more positions to finish the race in ninth. He second moto wasn't as productive. He was 10th in the first lap before pulling into the mechanic's area. He finished the race 34th, giving him 16th overall on the day.

"I had a rough day," said Davalos. "I'm just going to focus on coming back strong next week at Muddy Creek."

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High Point MX Results:

250 Class:

1. Joey Savatgy
2. **Zach Osborne – Rockstar Energy Husqvarna Factory Racing**
3. Cooper Webb
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16. **Martin Davalos – Rockstar Energy Husqvarna Factory Racing**

250 Class Rider Point Standings:

1. Joey Savatgy – 166 points
2. Cooper Webb – 146 points
3. Jeremy Martin – 142 points
4. Alex Martin – 136 points
5. **Zach Osborne – Rockstar Energy Husqvarna Factory Racing - 121 points**
6. Aaron Plessinger – 116 points
7. Austin Forkner – 109 points
8. R.J. Hampshire – 79 points
9. Adam Cianciarulo – 72 points
10. Mitchell Oldenburg – 70 points
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14. **Martin Davalos – Rockstar Energy Husqvarna Factory Racing – 61 points**

450 Class:

1. Ken Roczen
2. **Jason Anderson – Rockstar Energy Husqvarna Factory Racing**
3. Marvin Musquin
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6. **Christophe Pourcel – Rockstar Energy Husqvarna Factory Racing**

450 Class Rider Point Standings:

1. Ken Roczen – 193 points
2. Eli Tomac – 152 points
3. Ryan Dungey – 131 points
4. Cole Seely – 116 points
5. **Jason Anderson – Rockstar Energy Husqvarna Factory Racing - 113 points**
6. Marvin Musquin – 104 points
7. Trey Canard – 97 points
8. Justin Barcia – 92 points
9. Josh Grant – 88 points
10. **Christophe Pourcel – Rockstar Energy Husqvarna Factory Racing – 76 points**



Christophe Pourcel was second fastest during 450 timed qualifying practice



Martin Davalos had a rough day at High Point and is focused on coming back strong next weekend at Muddy Creek

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