

TORO – Texas Off-road Racing Organization

Round 2 – Bowie MX – Bowie, Texas

Runaway Win for Cole Kirkpatrick!

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Round 2 action of the Tucker Rocky/MSR/Answer/ProTaper-sponsored Texas Off-road Racing Organization (TORO) held at Bowie MX in Bowie, Texas had its own unique challenges for the 418 racers participating. Promoter Gary Vieth's eight mile course gave riders rock-filled tight woods, small elevation changes and gullies to navigate through with several different line choices to allow passing. The course finished up near camp with a motocross track that flowed into an enduro track, which provided great spectating and a chance for riders to be zeros or heroes in front of their fans!

"Bowie is a race location I really enjoy," said KTM/Moose/Enduro Engineering-sponsored Cole Kirkpatrick, "The trails are littered with small rocks and it keeps you on your toes."

Kirkpatrick had a good start, third going into the woods then made quick work of Troy Sanford to move into second behind Matt Crouch. Shortly after, Crouch lost his brakes and waived Kirkpatrick by and on to a very convincing win over the talented field of eighteen Pro riders.

Kawasaki West/MSR/SMS Racing-sponsored Caleb Ramsay moved into second and stayed there to the finish.

After a first lap crash moved Cycle Shack of Lubbock/KTM/Moose-sponsored, Cameron Kirkpatrick way back in the field, he battled back to find himself within striking distance of third place, Haydn Franklin.

"For most of the last lap all I could do was ride behind Franklin and hope he made a mistake," said, the younger Kirkpatrick, "As we were closing in on the end of the final lap I was thinking a pass on the motocross track was going to be my only option when all of the sudden he had some misfortune as I caught a glimpse of what looked like a pretty painful spill. It's never the way I want to beat somebody, but at the end of the day, that's racing."

Cycletown South/KTM/MSR-sponsored, Franklin quickly cleaned up his yard sale and raced Cameron Ishmael through the enduro section to the flag to hold onto fourth place with Ishmael rounding out the top five.

Two rounds in, Franklin has a one point lead in the series points over Cameron Kirkpatrick. "Dead last off the start and wadding it up at the finish sure didn't help me add to my lead in the series points," mused Franklin, "its frustrating, but better than being a point down."

In Ladies Pro action, Texan Tucker Rocky/Silkolene/Fastway-sponsored Ashley Crouch (Matt's younger sister) had only a seven second lead on Kerrie Swartz of Oklahoma on the first lap.

Crouch built her lead to 45 seconds at the end of the four lap event. Both put in solid performances with consistent lap times throughout.

The +30A class saw Kerrie's husband, Allan Swartz pick up the win with Scott Bailey and Jeff Van Matre rounding out top three in the class.

The amateur race saw Tim Doogs, Roger Anderson and Dave Sabella battle it out in the +40C class in a close race until Doogs pulled away on the final lap to take the win with Anderson and Sabella trailing respectively.

RESULTS - RACE 2

AA: 1. Cole Kirkpatrick (KTM); 2. Caleb Ramsay (Kaw); 3. Cameron Kirkpatrick (KTM); 4. Haydn Franklin (KTM); 5. Cameron Ishmael (Kaw)

LADIES AA: 1. Ashley Crouch (Kaw); 2. Kerrie Swartz (Yam); 3. Hannah Otto (KTM); 4. Jordon Milbauer (Hon); 5. Danielle Mulkey (KTM)

HEAVY A: 1. Todd Slavik (KTM); 2. Ryan Woodard (KTM); 3. Brian Pierce (Yam); 4. Danny Cooksey (Kaw); 5. Mark Weeks (Hon)

HEAVY B: 1. Brandon McQueen (KTM); 2. Chris Alcorn (Yam); 3. Kevin McDonald (Hbg)

HEAVY C: 1. Robert New (KTM); 2. Nathan Swaim (Hon); 3. Riley Smith (Yam); 4. Nick Fennell (Hon); 5. Pete McElvain (KTM)

LITE A: 1. Andrew Smith (Yam); 2. Joseph Sutherland (KTM); 3. Cheyenne Harmon; 4. Chris Storrie (KTM); 5. Justin Johnson (Hon)

LITE B: 1. Doug Davis (Kaw); 2. John Short; 3. Deven McManaman (KTM); 4. Jake Hensley (KTM); 5. Larry Goodson (Yam)

LITE C: 1. Carter Hanthorn (Suz); 2. Larry James (Kaw); 3. Frank Watson II (Yam); 4. Ryan Harrington (Suz); 5. Decker Addy (Yam)

+30 A: 1. Allan Swartz; 2. Scott Bailey (KTM); 3. Jeff Van Matre (Yam); 4. Rick English (KTM); 5. William Toombs (Yam)

+30 B: 1. Kenneth Crawford (Yam); 2. Michael W Ashley, Jr (Hon); 3. Dempsey Addy (Yam); 4. David Powell (KTM); 5. Ed Landry (KTM)

+30 C: 1. Jason Hammond (Kaw); 2. Shane Hammond (Hon); 3. Jessica Parker (KTM); 4. Mike Bailey (Suz); 5. Jason Penneman (KTM)

+35 B: 1. Brad Warren (KTM); 2. Dale Richter (Hon); 3. Barri Mulkey (KTM); 4. Chad Deen (Suz); 5. Rodney Forbis (KTM)

+35 C: 1. Rob Ledoux (Yam); 2. David Millhollon (Suz); 3. Troy Anderson (Hon); 4. Clint Kelley (KTM); 5. Mark Baird (KTM)

+40 A: 1. Erik Nielsen (Kaw); 2. Kevin Ruckdeschell (KTM); 3. Mark Slawson (KTM); 4. Randy Green (Kaw); 5. Darin Shirley (Hon)

+40 B: 1. Scott Hopkins (KTM); 2. Brian Dunn (KTM); 3. Scott Chidester (KTM); 4. Bill Wright (Hon); 5. Doug Richard (Yam)

+40 C: 1. Tim Doogs (KTM); 2. Roger Anderson (KTM); 3. Dave Sabella (KTM); 4. Mike Cross (KTM); 5. Greg Stanfield (KTM)

+45 B: 1. Marty Ishmael (Kaw); 2. Dale Atterberry (Kaw); 3. Michael Wood (KTM); 4. James Otto (Kaw); 5. William Wilky (KTM)

+45 C: 1. Mark Atterberry (Hon); 2. David Schmidt (KTM); 3. Dean Kellogg (Hon); 4. Clint Duncan (Kaw); 5. Larry Gilles (Hon)

+50 A: 1. Glen Boyett; 2. Andrew Cooksey (KTM); 3. Larry Hunter (KTM); 4. Archie Taliaferro (KTM); 5. Ronny Donald (KTM)

+50 B: 1. Greg Blackstone (Yam); 2. John Hesse (KTM); 3. Mike McManaman (KTM); 4. Gary Cavender (Yam); 5. Cameron Petty (KTM)

+50 C: 1. Larry New (KTM); 2. Tim Kohls (Hon); 3. John F Johns (KTM); 4. Nelson Newton (KTM); 5. Brian England (Hon)

+60: 1. Richard Wilson (KTM); 2. Bob Miller (KTM); 3. Dwight Leatherwood (KTM); 4. Frank Leivan (Yam); 5. Don Cannon (KTM)

LADIES A: 1. Jordon Milbauer (Hon); 2. Sherri Stephens; 3. Angela Wilky (KTM); 4. Mackenzie Michalka (Suz); 5. Taylor Vrzak (Kaw)

LADIES B: 1. Danielle Slawson (KTM); 2. Chantel James (Hon); 3. Ariel Deen (Suz); 4. Hattie White (KTM); 5. Lily Otto (Hon)

LADIES C: 1. Tiffany Vardell (KTM); 2. Sammie Jo Shearin (Kaw); 3. Jackie Barrington (Hon); 4. Sarah Clark (Kaw); 5. Amanda New (Hon)

LADIES +30 B: 1. Shannon Kancir (KTM); 2. Connie Green (Hon); 3. Laura Rafael (Yam)

LADIES +30 C: 1. Beverly Koffman (KTM); 2. Melody Pyland (Hon); 3. Tonya Aylor (Yam); 4. Carol Benson (Hon); 5. Karen Hatton (Hon)

MINI A: 1. Dillon Green (Kaw); 2. Caleb Wright (Hon); 3. Nicholas DiMauro; 4. Aston Pounds (Kaw); 5. Zack Watson

MINI B: 1. Hunter Barnes (Kaw); 2. Justin Bailey (Hon); 3. Blake Breton (Hon); 4. Matthew Hatton; 5. Cameron Lane (Hon)

MINI C: 1. Drew Higgins (KTM); 2. Colten Inglet (Kaw); 3. Ben Otto (Kaw); 4. Erik Wilky (Hon); 5. Mason Smith (Hon)

PEE WEE 50 B: 1. Colby Lindsey (KTM); 2. Colton Pratt (Yam); 3. Seth Hopkins (KTM); 4. Conner Coughlin (KTM)

PEE WEE 50 C: 1. Preston McBride (KTM); 2. John Gentry (KTM); 3. Connor Addy (KTM); 4. Michael Vrzak (KTM); 5. Nate Duncan (KTM)

PEE WEE 65 A: 1. Hunter Budd (Cobra); 2. Ben Otto (Kaw); 3. Jacob Bailey (KTM); 4. Grant Kersey (Kaw); 5. Michael Anderson (KTM)

PEE WEE 65 B: 1. Daniel Dowd Jr. (Kaw); 2. Jason Norman (Cobra); 3. Tandem Ditzel (Kaw); 4. Jordan Cartwright (KTM); 5. Bobby Wallace (KTM)

PEE WEE 65 C: 1. Travis Jenkins (Kaw); 2. JP Hoffman (KTM); 3. Tyler Whitten (KTM); 4. Tyler Kohls (KTM); 5. Jake Mason (Kaw)

JR. BEGINNER: 1. Joseph Anderson (Suz); 2. Blakeley Knight (Hon); 3. Kevan Anthony (KTM); 4. Ethan Moore (Yam); 5. Jake Taylor (KTM)