

TORO – Texas Off-road Racing Organization
Round 3 – Storrie Farm (BSGP) – Denton, Texas

FRANKLIN CHECKS OUT!

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Round 3 action of the Tucker Rocky/MSR/Answer/ProTaper-sponsored Texas Off-road Racing Organization (TORO) was at Brian Storrie's family farm in Denton, Texas just outside the Dallas/Fort Worth area. The land had received considerable moisture for months leading up to the race so the rains the week of proved a bit too much for the lower areas of the property making them sloppy for the 374 racers who came out in the cold, wet conditions to get in some winter racing before the holidays.

In Pro action Sunday it was Cole Kirkpatrick taking the holeshot and the early lead with Haydn Franklin a close second and Cole's younger brother, Cameron in tow.

"Cole and I were right together taking two different lines through a mud section, when I passed for the lead," said Cycletown South/KTM/MSR-sponsored Franklin. "I wasn't sure what happened to him, but I couldn't concern myself with it - I just stayed focused on putting time on the rest and never looked back."

Only a couple miles in, the older Kirkpatrick's throttle cable broke removing him from the competition.

Franklin continued, "The track suited my riding style and enduro experience well and being on the 2010 KTM 250XC from Cycletown South couldn't have been better! I was putting in some error-free laps and felt great on the new bike!"

Franklin's lead increased substantially when Cameron Kirkpatrick cooked his rear brakes a couple laps in and went on "avert crisis" mode to keep Cameron Ishmael and Brian Storrie from passing before the brakes came back to him. He was able to hold them off to take second with Ishmael and Storrie behind at the checkered.

With three races in the books, Franklin is four up in series points over Cameron Kirkpatrick.

In Ladies Pro action it was House of Horsepower/Baker Boys of OKC/ScottUSA – sponsored Kerrie Swartz putting in a solid ride and finishing a close second to Ashley Crouch.

"I've been feeling much better about my riding over the past few months. I caught Crouch on the third lap - we were tire-to-tire through the motocross section and slimy woods section. As we came out on the grass track, I made the pass for first," Swartz said. "I tried to ride smart and put some distance on her, but she closed the gap when I got stuck behind a guy who crashed on some roots in a single-track section in the back. I still held the lead, until just before

the end when I slid out in a mud hole. She took the inside and made the pass. When I got up, my handle bars were going one way and the bike was going the other,” laughed Swartz.

A very encouraging performance by Swartz who has finished second to Crouch most races since the Ladies Pro class was developed last year.

In other action, the +50C class saw the “man with two first names,” John Johns, capture his second win to put him out front of Tim Kohls and Rob Woodard with four rounds to go.

RESULTS - RACE 3

AA: 1. Haydn Franklin (KTM); 2. Cameron Kirkpatrick (KTM); 3. Cameron Ishmael (Kaw); 4. Brian Storrie (KTM); 5. Troy Sanford (KTM)

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

HEAVY A: 1. Daulton Atterberry; 2. David Lucas; 3. Ryan Woodard (KTM); 4. Todd Slavik; 5. Brian Pierce (Yam)

HEAVY B: 1. Jett Higgs; 2. Jason Sinclair (KTM); 3. Scotty Willingham (Kaw)

HEAVY C: 1. Riley Smith (Yam); 2. Nathan Swaim (Hon); 3. Carter Reed; 4. Nick Fennell (Hon); 5. Josh Brewer (Hon)

LITE A: 1. Cheyenne Harmon; 2. Chris Storrie (KTM); 3. Brian Montgomery (KTM); 4. Dalton Green (Kaw); 5. Sam Gaines (KTM)

LITE B: 1. Deven McManaman (KTM); 2. Jake Hensley (KTM); 3. Thomas Ramos; 4. Landon Landry (KTM); 5. Scott Morgan (Hon)

LITE C: 1. Hutton Woods; 2. Wyatt Callahan (Kaw); 3. Ethan Werchan (KTM); 4. Larry James (Kaw); 5. Logan Ama (Kaw)

+30 A: 1. Allan Swartz (Yam); 2. Rick English (KTM); 3. Ryan Griffith (KTM); 4. Scott McCarns (KTM); 5. William Toombs (Yam)

+30 B: 1. Michael W Ashley, Jr (Hon); 2. Kenneth Crawford (Yam); 3. David Powell (KTM)

+30 C: 1. Jason Hammond (Kaw); 2. Shane Hammond (Hon); 3. Ian Powell (Kaw); 4. Butch Werchan (KTM); 5. Mike Bailey (Suz)

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

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

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

+40 B: 1. Scott Chidester; 2. Brian Dunn (KTM); 3. Kevin Freeman (KTM); 4. Paul Brooks (Yam); 5. Kevin Beale (Hon)

+40 C: 1. Dave Sabella (KTM); 2. Tim Doogs (KTM); 3. JD Bagley (Yam); 4. Steve Campbell (Yam); 5. Rick Nowlan

+45 B: 1. Marty Ishmael (Kaw); 2. William Wilky (KTM); 3. James Otto (Kaw); 4. Mike Sullivan (KTM); 5. Mark Coetzer (Yam)

+45 C: 1. Mark Atterberry (Hon); 2. David Schmidt (KTM); 3. Joe Tanner (Suz); 4. Dean Kellogg (Hon); 5. Doug Gilles (Yam)

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

+50 B: 1. Mike McManaman (KTM); 2. Jon Kolbensvik (KTM); 3. John Hesse (KTM); 4. Bill Loftin (Yam); 5. John Byus

+50 C: 1. John F Johns (KTM); 2. Tim Kohls (Hon); 3. Rob Woodard (KTM); 4. Brian England (Hon); 5. Mike Wood (KTM)

+60: 1. Bob Miller (KTM); 2. Richard Wilson (KTM); 3. Andy Anderson (Yam)

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

LADIES B: 1. Ariel Deen (Suz); 2. Danielle Slawson (KTM); 3. Chantel James (Hon)

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

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

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

MINI A: 1. Mark McKinney (Kaw); 2. Logan Teter; 3. Caleb Wright (Hon); 4. Dillon Green (Kaw); 5. Zack Watson (Suz)

MINI B: 1. Justin Bailey (Hon); 2. Hunter Barnes (Kaw); 3. Wyatt Callahan (Kaw); 4. Trenton Threadgill (Hon); 5. Blake Breton (Hon)

MINI C: 1. Drew Higgins (KTM); 2. Keaton McElroy (Kaw); 3. Erik Wilky (Hon); 4. Morgan Michalka; 5. Mason Michalka (Suz)

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

PW 50 C: 1. Michael Vrzak (KTM); 2. Preston McBride (KTM); 3. Nate Duncan (KTM); 4. John Gentry (KTM); 5. Braxton Burns

PW 65 A: 1. Mason Michalka (Suz); 2. Jacob Bailey (KTM); 3. Morgan Michalka (KTM); 4. Michael Anderson (KTM)

PW 65 B: 1. Jason Norman (Cobra); 2. Brendan Griner (Kaw); 3. Bobby Wallace (KTM); 4. Destiny Slawson (KTM); 5. Cole Reaves (KTM)

PW 65 C: 1. Brandon Warford (Kaw); 2. Tyler Whitten (KTM); 3. Tyler Kohls (KTM); 4. JP Hoffman (KTM); 5. Seth Hopkins (KTM)

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