

X 2000 EXPORT 'A'

ROUND 1

CANADIAN MOTOCROSS CHAMPIONSHIPS NANAIMO, B.C

The Wastelands, Nanaimo, BC
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Dubach and Hamblin Grab Top Honours

Nanaimo, B.C. – The first round of the 2000 Export 'A' Canadian Motocross Championships kicked off on Vancouver Island June 18 with great success. With top riders from Canada and the United States in attendance, full factory race trailers filling the pits, as well as the WIC Mobile Production unit on site, the level of professionalism has been elevated to that of world-class standards. Plus, Ford Trucks of Canada have stepped up to the plate this year as a presenting sponsor providing an involvement unprecedented in motocross.

These factors, combined with excellent weather and 6000 enthusiastic fans, made for the most successful Canadian National to date.

In the 250 class, Michigan native Josh Woods riding for Two Wheel Motorsports/Pro-Action/Kawasaki grabbed the overall win with 1-2 moto finishes. Three time World Four Stroke Champion Doug Dubach, riding for Gowland Motorsports/Fed-Ex/Pro-Circuit/Yamaha took second overall with a win in the second moto. An aggressive pass by fellow countryman Ryan Huffman in the first moto relegated him to sixth. Canadians Doug DeHaan and Blair Morgan riding under the Blackfoot Motorsports/Team Honda wing showed impressive speed placing third and

fourth overall for the day. After leading Dubach for much of the second moto, Morgan's results were mired by a flat tire late in the race.

The 125 class overall win went to Blackfoot Motosport/Team Honda rider Sean Hamblin. The young American swapped moto wins with B.C. native Darcy Lange riding for the Richmond Motorsports/Kawasaki team. The two traded the lead numerous times in the first moto to the cheers of the crowd, with Lange coming out on top. Hamblin's teammate Lance Rickard tallied an impressive third overall with 3-4 moto scores.

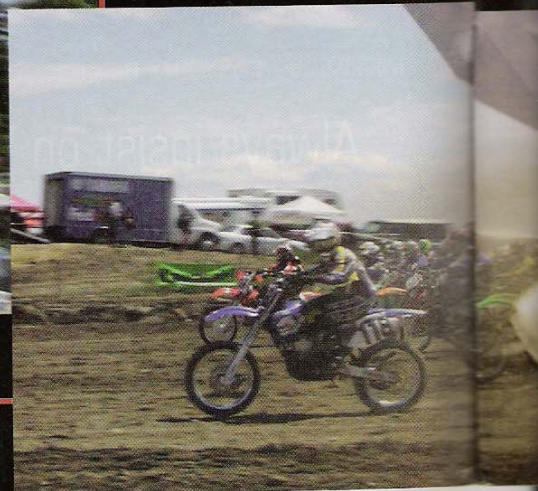


Kawasaki Canada/Richmond motorsports' Darcy Lange grabbed 2nd place overall for the day in front of the hometown crowd with 1-2 moto scores

Gowland Motorsports/Fed-Ex/Pro-Circuit/White Brothers/Yamaha rider Doug Dubach takes a moment to pose for photographer Chris Haddad



Hamblin & Lange survey the start



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