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AMA / Mid-South Cross Country Winter Hare Scramble Series

Round 10: Hazzard Hill

ALLEN TAKES THE FIFTH

BY DEBBIE ALLEN

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The tenth round of the Mid-South Cross Country Hare Scramble Series found a few Team Green Monsters nesting in the podium. In Vanleer, Tennessee, several racers from the Fred Andrews Racing team tore into the Hazzard Hill trails and made their way into the winner's circle. **P. A. Allen [151]** and **Scott Watkins** battled throughout the entire race with Andrew's Cycle backed **Brett Zofchak** in the lead.

Off the start, Zofchak got the holeshot with the rest of the AA pack following him into the woods. Allen meandered in second place while Watkins suffered a dead last start due to a rock infested path. Shortly thereafter, the three of them hooked up and pulled away from the rest of the AA class.

They freight trained most of the race. Team Green Kawasaki / Moose / Pro Circuit supported Zofchak was leading while Watkins was in second and Allen rode consistently in third for the first two laps. The next lap team Thor / Smith / Maxxis sponsored Watkins and Allen started to swap back and forth between second and third place.

"I got a second place start and just kind of took it easy and went from second to fourth and fourth to fifth," said Allen. "After a while I decided that I didn't want them to win, so I passed them. I got by them both because of lappers getting in their way."

While going up Hazzard Hill, Zofchak [Left] had no problems whatsoever. He was fast and smooth however Watkins was living on the edge, literally. His problem was not getting up the hill, but it was a lapper who stalled directly in front of him. Luckily, he made it to level ground; but unfortunately, Watkins [Pictured Below] was stuck in a deep rut in between trees and spectators until the lapper got his bike started.



Since Allen was directly behind him and still at the incline, he made fast tread marks toward the middle line, sending spectators flying everywhere. Then on the

last lap, less than a mile from the finish, Allen grabbed the lead, finished in first place, and took home his fifth Mid-South Overall Championship.



Zofchak said, "I thought the track was really good. It was fun and I had a good time. I'd really like to thank all of my sponsors like Andrews Cycles, Moose, and Pro Circuit for helping me."



“I like riding with these guys because I know I can trust them,” said Watkins. “We’ve been practicing and riding for a good while, so it’s good that we can come out here and have a good time racing and pushing each other into faster paces. I’m happy with the outcome. This is my first Mid-South in quite a while, so riding with this five-time champion was really great.”

My Own Race:

Tristan Redferrin 4th Place Overall

Tristan Redferrin [312] had an awesome ride. He made all the right moves winning the 250 A class and then charging into fourth place in overall.

Sean Gentry 9th Place Overall
B rider, **Sean Gentry**, shined in ninth place in overall. Not only was he the winner of the 250 B class, but he passed all but three racers in the A classes.

Geoffrey Vermilyea 10th Place Overall

Geoffrey Vermilyea had another win in the Light A class. He is closing the gap between him and Logan Chilman making it interesting for the last two races held in Tennessee and Kentucky.



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IOTT EDGES WILLIAMS

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After several bitter cold and wet races, the Mid-South Youth riders finally found some dry and decent weather for racing. The nice change made it easier for those who raced the tenth round of the Mid-South Cross Country Winter Hare Scramble Youth Series. It was like breathing new air for **Brett Iott** as he tamed the Hazzard Hill course with his Yamaha, Mid-South Motoplex support ride.

He battled all season long with point's leader **Jacob Oliver** and Kawasaki mounted **Dylan Majors**. Iott took charge on the first lap and was still in the lead after lap one was complete. **Michael Williams** passed Oliver on lap two and began to close in on the leader, but it was not enough to win the race.

Iott [259] won with Williams following closely and Oliver taking a strong third place. Majors, second in the point's

battle, found his way into fourth place and KTM mounted **Logan P'Pool** rounded out the top five.

With two races to go, the top three riders all have a chance to win their first Mid-South Hare Scrambles Championship. The last few races Iott came on strong, counting his third win thus far. Oliver topped out the first half with four wins and Majors has two. This battle can only strengthen as the season comes to an end.

In the Junior A class, Sarge's Cycles **Tanner Byarly** grabbed the holeshot with Kawasaki mounted **Michael Huddleston** and KTM rider **Devin Walker** both breathing down his neck. They stayed that way for four laps until Walker bounced off a tree and busted both his cases and his toe. In a lot of pain, Walker pulled off the track on lap four and wisely called it a day.

"I'm not sure how I got tangled up with the tree," said Walker, "but my foot sure hurts."

Out front the battle ensued now with **Byarly** and **Huddleston**. They held tight until the last lap when Huddleston fell off the pace and handed the win over to a hard fighting Byarly. With **Walker** bowing out early, this left **Jeremiah Bowman** in the third spot and KTM riders **Josh Nicewinter** and **Cody Christensen** moving into fourth and fifth.

Bowman said, "The track was rocky and rooty-snooty, but I love it that way!"

With six wins, Byarly needs one more win to get his first Mid-South AMA Hare Scrambles Championship. Mathematically, **Huddleston** is still in the equation and his hunt for first place has not been subtracted by any means.

In the Pee Wee 7-8 class, Moose sponsored **Jacob Pyne** bested "**Cowboy Sam**" **Thurman** for his third win of the year and locked up second place in the point's championship for himself. **Zack Kirchoff** put in a fine ride for third place with **Eli Holbrook** coming in fourth and KTM rider **Tony Landers** landing in fifth.

Perhaps the best race of the day was in the Pee Wee 4-6 class. **Abbie Lee**, from Bedford, Indiana, showed the boys how it's done. She took the win from second place finisher **Carson Land** because she was tired of seeing big brother **Austin** get all the glory. For Hazzard Hill, **Abbie** was the top **Lee** finisher on the day!