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Race Ohio MX began with a small group of us (Scott Plessinger, John Walters and Rick Landis) seeing the increasing number of riders wanting to ride and or race in southern Ohio.

There was a need to bring the southern part of Ohio tracks back to the greatness again which so many people talk about. We gathered a group of promoters that fit our vision for the first year of racing.

This vision includes helping to promote the sport and consistency among the all of the tracks and promoters. This also includes new track designs with the ability to challenge all riding skill levels while maintaining safety, proper training of flaggers, proper watering, and track prep.

The most important aspect of our racing vision is to get riders in and out in a timely manner on race days. We decided to bring back the Buckeye Series in 2017. We have lofty goals involving a Spring Series for 2018 as well.

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BREAKING NEWS



CHILLITOWN TAKEOVER



CHILLICOTHE, Ohio—Race Ohio MX has taken over at Chillitown MX. The owners of Chillitown decided to call it quits after 10 years of promoting motorcross racing at the Chillicothe Fair Grounds.

The final curtain call. After 10 years in the making, the lead crew at CTMX have decided to step down.

Ten years ago an idea was planted to build and host Mx races in Chillicothe. At 30 years old I thought it would be a cake walk to plow some dirt up, build a couple ramps and watch the money roll in like high tide on Hurricane Chilli! Several years later I could write a book on how that is centuries away from the truth.

Ctmx arrived where it is today not from any one person, sponsor, racer or spectator. It's the fruit of several folks. Our core group at Ctmx always kept our heads high and our hands dirty. We literally shed blood, sweat and tears in this venture. We gave it everything we had. We never wanted to reinvent the wheel, we just wanted to shine her up a little bit. Always striving to find a way to "one up" our competition and give our cus-

tomers the feeling of getting your monies worth.

Our goal was to always supply a platform where the Mx community could come together and have an enjoyable weekend and experience. Have we succeeded many will ask. If you measure success on how a group of rookies can turn a flat field into a yearly destination for families all over the Midwest to come hang out, then yes, we succeeded beyond our imagination.

We were always ridiculed by the other tracks for our shortcomings and downfalls. Probably one of the toughest things to overcome is the feeling of insecurity when you think you're giving it your best. We called that motivation and used it wisely.

To the racers and families, thank you. I talked with several people this past weekend who never missed one of our thirty something races. Folks like Greg Evans or Big Mike always made it.

What does the future hold for Ctmx? First of all to dispel any rumors, this decision is solely within the current organization. The Ross County Fairboard along with the Commissioners have been 110 percent supportive. They took a huge risk on a five minute power point presentation and believed in us. They have been nothing but easy to work with. We are not going to jump right in and start removing the track or facility. We still have time on our lease, we will still keep the grounds cleaned up. There may be someone out there with the gumption we have seem to have lost here lately. We always said when we are not having fun, it will be time to move on. When it's not fun for us, the finished product will start to show a decline.

After last weekends event with the three moto format and pounding over 600 entries under the finish line, I think it's safe to say we came into this venture with nothing and finished with everything. It was a ten year battle and we came out on top TEAM! We won!

Thanks for all the memories, shall they talk about us for years to come.
So it was said, so it was heard!

Jeremy Forcum

Excited to announce that CTMX will continue under myself Scott Plessinger. I've taken things over from Jeremy Forcum and plan to carry on the success that his team had!

MOTOCROSS ACTION



NEW VIENNA, Ohio—On Saturday and Sunday, riders took to EastFork MX for a Buckeye Series Race.

Along with the practice day Saturday, riders and families were treated with many activities right after practice.

Kids were at the motophoto tent coloring pictures of MX riders and received a prize after they completed their coloring.



Adults and kids were having a blast participating in the pumpkin pie eating contest and pumpkin carving contest. After that fun, kids were able to dress up and go camper to camper trick-or-treating.

I must tell you, almost every camper in the place was passing out candy. The kids should have had full bags when they returned.



I've got some things planned for the next season and I know it's late but happy to be having the Halloween Moto Mayhem race on October 19/20!

When I heard that chillitown mx was done I knew a lot of people would be at a loss just because this is one of Ohio's greatest mx facility, so I contacted Jeremy and talked about taking it over and that was it we worked on a deal and moved forward and this is where we're at having a race soon!

We plan to run the same programs that the original CTMX crew ran and build it up even more! Going to try and do some track changes before this event and next season full make over!

Our crew is super excited about this and ready to get things rolling! The only thing we won't be doing for this event is pre-registration but will have it for future events!

We are looking forward to meeting new faces and keeping mx great in Ohio! Thanks to everyone that is involved in making all of this happen!

See you all soon!
Scott Plessinger





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Race Results

Class: Open A

	Moto 1	Moto 2
Ezra Hastings	1	1
Michael Williard	2	3
Brock Hanson	4	2
Ryan Neff	5	4
Codi Adams	3	DNF

Open B

	Moto 1	Moto 2
Griffin Maxwell	1	2
Dew Minton	3	1
Cameron Minton	2	3
Zack Zizzo	4	5
Tristen Binz	6	4
Zachary Goddard	5	7
Dalton Whitaker	7	6
Nathan Bethel	9	8
Haydn Sutherland	8	10
Brandon Siroki	10	9
Caleb Davis	11	11
Kane Hickman	DNF	12
Brandon Landis	DNF	DNF

85 Jr. (9-11)

	Moto 1	Moto 2
Evan Schröder	1	2
Caden Weinszichr	5	1
Preston Ross	4	3
Landen Mayberry	3	4
Breman Puckett	2	6
Matthew Wolfe	7	5
Colten Waites	6	7
Gavin Covert	9	8
Levi Manley	8	9

85 Sr. (12-15)

	Moto 1	Moto 2
Paxton Lipinski	1	1
Austin Weinszichr	2	2
Caden Walton	4	3
Landon Mefford	3	5
Landen Hill	5	4
Carson Mayer	6	6
Aiden Honeyman	7	DNF

250 C

	Moto 1	Moto 2
Chase Manson	2	1
Collin Sage	3	2
Cameron Ferrell	4	3
Aiden Wells	5	4
Noah Dewitt	7	5
Donovon Davis	6	6
Alex Holtsberry	8	7
Logan Hatfield	11	8
Talon Koger	9	11
Brenden Kelly	1	DNF
Tylor Steinbrugge	10	12
Ethan Fox	14	9
Cameron Beam	13	10
Thomas Winger	15	13
Michael Blair	12	16
Jared Schuster	16	14
Zayd Beckington	17	15

50+

	Moto 1	Moto 2
Mike Morgan	1	1
Robert Sparks	2	2
Ted Gilbert	3	3
Mike Blair	4	4
Lowell Mason	5	5
Mark Price	6	6
Randy Karn	8	7
John Caupp	7	9
Charles Nitz	9	8
Dan Jolly Sr.	11	10
Mark Ziepfel	10	DNF

50 Sr.(7-8)

	Moto 1	Moto 2
Justin Shuff	2	1
Gavin Abboud	3	2
Trenton Burton	1	5
Jonathan Sporing	5	3
Lucas Hodges	4	4
Logan Sparks	6	6
Levi Birt	8	7
Izaiah Sigler	7	8
Kaylee Mayberry	9	9
Carson Williard	10	10
Jimmy Jarrett	12	11
Levi Weeks	13	12
Braidyn Steinburgge	14	13
Owen Bailey	11	DNF



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Race Results - continued

Class: 50 Jr. (4-6)

	Moto 1	Moto 2
Blaze Wolfe	1	1
Ryder Terry	2	2
Zeke Utz	3	3
Chance Litchfield	4	4
Colt Whitaker	5	5
Gunner Reynolds	7	6
Bensyn Levan	6	7
Easton Gray	8	9
Aidin Mcfarland	12	8
Camden Branham	10	10
Reagan Mayer	9	11
Colten Branham	11	13
Logan Holland	13	12
	14	14

Class: 14-24

	Moto 1	Moto 2
Drew Minton	2	1
Griffin Maxwell	1	2
Zack Zizzo	3	3
Bryan Cornett	4	4
Michael Deak	5	5
Donavon Davis	8	6
Zane Walters	7	7
Kane Hickman	6	DNF
Brandon Landis	DNF	DNF

Class: 25+

	Moto 1	Moto 2
Jason Henninger	1	1
Nathan Bethel	2	2
Rockey Parsons	3	3
Richie Robinson	4	4
Justin Michael	5	5
Brantley Ford	7	6
Justin Witteman	6	DNF

Super Mini (12-16)

	Moto 1	Moto 2
Owen Ferrell	1	1
Carson Mayer	2	2
Aaron Waters	3	3
Landen Parker	4	4
Mason Wright	5	5
Brandon Blair	6	6

50 Shaft PW

	Moto 1	Moto 2
Baylee Aresnault	1	1
Keegan Schoen	2	4
Kanaan Stone	5	2
Axel Nohrer	3	5
Easton Gray	4	6
Christopher Stanley	10	3
Blake Abboud	7	7
Reagan Mayer	6	8
Aiden Mcfarland	8	9
Hunter Gorman	9	10
Brantley Wilson	11	11
Lincoln Wagers	12	12
Anna Chmiel	13	13

125 B/C

	Moto 1	Moto 2
Brett Heidorn	1	1
Dominick Mcfarland	2	2
Bryan Jenkins	3	3
Edward Sullivan	4	4
Troy Thacker	5	5

25+ A

	Moto 1	Moto 2
Michael Willard	1	DNF
Codi Adams	2	DNF

30+

	Moto 1	Moto 2
Jason Henninger	1	1
Richie Robinson	2	2
Justin Michael	3	3
James Hill	5	4
Austin Jones	4	5
Adam Baker	6	6
Devin New	7	8
Nick Holmes	10	9
Brandon Flessinger	8	11
Sean Barber	13	7
Shaun Rieske	12	10
Bill Schoen	9	13
Dwight Voltz	11	12
Jerry Blair	DNF	DNF

50 Open

	Moto 1	Moto 2
Gavin Abboud	1	1
Jonathan Spring	2	3
Izaiah Sigler	5	2
Lucas Hodges	3	4
Logan Sparks	4	5
Blaze Wolfe	7	6
Levi Birt	6	7
Ryder Terry	10	8



Race Results - continued

50 Open	Moto 1	Moto 2
Chance Litchfield	9	9
Carson Willard	8	11
Kaylee Mayberry	15	10
Jimmy Jarrett	13	12
Gunner Reynolds	12	14
Levi Weeks	11	15
Bensyn Lavan	14	13
Camden Branham	16	17
Christopher Stanley	19	16
Keegan Schoen	17	18
Colten Branham	18	19
Brantley Wilson	20	20
Owen Bailey	DNF	DNF

85 Open	Moto 1	Moto 2
Paxton Lipinski	1	1
Austin Weinsziehr	2	2
Owen Ferrell	5	3
Evan Schröder	4	4
Caden Weinsziehr	3	5
Caden Walton	6	6
Landen Mayberry	7	7
Matthew Wolfe	8	8
Landon Mefford	9	9
Aaron Waters	10	10
Aiden Honeyman	11	DNF

Womens 12+	Moto 1	Moto 2
Alyssa Guy	1	1
Justus Blair	2	2
Samantha Laderer	4	3
Megan York	3	4
Kloey Wesco	5	5

250 A	Moto 1	Moto 2
Ezra Hastings	1	1
Brock Hanson	2	2
Mason Steed	3	3

250 B	Moto 1	Moto 2
Cameron Minton	1	1
Tristen Binz	2	2
Zachary Goddard	3	3
Haydn Sutherland	5	4
Dalton Whitaker	4	5
Matthew Caupp	7	6
Brandon Siroki	6	7
Caleb Davis	9	8
Bryan Cornett	8	DNF



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School Boy (1) 12-16	Moto 1	Moto 2
Brett Heidorn	1	1
Chase Mason	2	2
Nolan Wright	3	3
Bryan Jenkins	4	4
Troy Thacker	5	5

40+	Moto 1	Moto 2
Robert Sparks	1	1
Mike Morgan	2	2
Kevin Perkins	3	4
Timothy Stump	5	5
James Hill	4	6
Matt Joslin	6	7
Tod Gilbert	12	3
David Wesco	7	8
Brian Shonebarger	8	9
Brett McKeever	11	10
David Kenny	10	11
Dave Puckett	9	12



Race Results - continued

Open C	Moto 1	Moto 2
Collin Sage	1	1
Cameron Ferrell	3	2
Noah Dewitt	4	3
Alex Holtsberry	7	4
Adam Baker	5	6
Joshua Lintner	6	7
Donovon Davis	8	8
Michael Blair	10	10
Anthony Garcia	16	5
Zane Walters	13	9
Edward Sullivan	11	11
Tylor Syeinbrugge	9	13
Brenden Kelly	2	DNF
Sean Barber	12	12
Cameron Beam	15	14
Brett Hardyman	14	15
Nick Holmes	18	16
Zachary Jolly	17	DNF
Logan Hatfield	19	DNF
Talon Koger	20	DNF
Nicholas Grunnan	21	DNF

65 jr (7-9)	Moto 1	Moto 2
Colten Waites	1	1
Benjamin Brashear	2	3
Preston Ross	6	2
Landon Holland	5	4
Justin Shuff	5	4
Bailey Walker	7	6
Xander McCorkle	10	7
Gavin Abboud	9	8
Preston Mefford	8	9
Braxton Gorman	12	11
Trenton Burton	3	DNF
Levi Manley	13	12
Levi Birt	14	13
Aidden Foist	18	10
Tyson Wauler	15	14
Holden Baker	16	15
Lucas Hodges	11	DNF
Landon Rueb	17	17
Jordyn Mitchell	19	16

65 sr (10-11)	Moto 1	Moto 2
Caden Weinszichr	1	1
Brennan Puckett	2	2
Wyatt Worthington	4	4
Kristopher Wagers	3	5
Connor Bussey	7	3
Ethan Cerqua	5	6
Lily Howard	6	8
Jarred Griffith	DNF	7

50 oil inj	Moto 1	Moto 2
Zeke Utz	1	1
Kanaan Stone	2	2
Alex Hohrer	3	3
Baylee Aresnualt	4	4
Zander Brock	6	5
Blake Abboud	5	6
Hunter Gorman	7	7
Brentley Wilson	8	8
Lincoln Wagers	9	DNF

SchoolBoy 2 (12-14)	Moto 1	Moto 2
Tristen Binz	1	1
Matthew Caupp	3	2
Aiden Wells	5	3
Dominick Mcfarland	4	4
Brenden Kelly	2	DNF

65 Open	Moto 1	Moto 2
Preston Ross	1	2
Colton Waites	2	3
Caden Weinsziehr	5	1
Benjamin Brashear	3	4
Kristopher Wagers	4	7
Preston Mefford	8	8
Wyatt Worthington	7	9
Xander Mccorkle	6	10
Landon Holland	12	6
Justin Shuff	15	5
Braxton Gorman	9	11
Aidden Foist	10	12
Gavin Covert	11	13
Tyson Wassler	13	14
Ethan Cerqua	14	15
Landon Rueb	16	DNF

Girls (7-12)	Moto 1	Moto 2
Bailey Walker	1	1
Josie Shuff	2	2
Jordyn Mitchell	3	3
Lily Howard	4	4



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Buckeye Series

POINT LEADERS



Prestin Willard	48
Kaylee Mayberry	47
Kyelar Frame	44
Bensyn Levan	43
Carson Patton	40
Aiden Goff	35
Keegan Schoen	28
Landon Rueb	21
Izaiah Sigler	20
Carson Blair	20
Christopher Stanley	20
Lucas Hodges	18
Jordyn Mitchell	16
Ian Rankin	16
Blaze Wolfe	15
Tripp Baker	10
Camden Branham	9
Brantley Wilson	7
Chase Mock	5
Colten Btanham	5
Connor Hogan	4
Logan Holland	2
Jackson Edwards	0
Liam Ziepfel	0

50 Sr.(7-8)	Points
Sam O'Leary	188
Jonathan Sporing	169
Levi Birt	131
Logan Sparks	127
Justin Shuff	125
Jimmy Jarrett	117
Owen Bailey	110
Carson Williard	88
Levi Weeks	80
Braidyn Steinburgge	78
Gavin Abboud	64
Kaylee Mayberry	52
Prestin Willard	46
Kyelar Frame	40
Aiden Goff	38
Carson Patton	36
Landon Rueb	29
Trenton Burton	20
Ian Rankin	18
Lucas Hodges	16
Tipp Baker	16
Carson Blair	16
Connor Hogan	14
Izaiah Sigler	13
Jackson Edwards	12
Liam Ziepfel	10
Jordyn Mitchell	10
Cody Crump	0

50 Open	Points
Sam O'Leary	167
Jonathan Sporing	154
Logan Sparks	150
Levi Birt	103
Owen Bailey	102
Chance Litchfield	100
Ryder Terry	100
Justin Shuff	97
Carson Willard	97
Jimmy Jarrett	94
Gunner Reynolds	84
Gavin Abboud	67
Levi Weeks	64

65 jr. (7-9)	Points
Landon Holland	180
Benjamin Brashear	167
Sam O'Leary	150
Bailey Walker	139
Xander Mccorkle	102
Colton Waites	95
Levi Birt	86
Braxton Gorman	82
Preston Mefford	70
Cruz Willard	70
Jimmy Nessler	63
Justin Shuff	52
Carson Farmer	47
Cayden Elliott	44
Landon Rueb	41
Preston Ross	40
Gavin Abboud	29
Aiden Goff	28
Justin Yelton	26
Jordyn Mitchell	26
Levi Manley	25
Tyson Wassler	24
Case Stillings	22
Logan Sparks	22
Reed Bodie	15

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85 jr. (9-11)

Points

65 jr. (7-9)

Points

Camden Plyes	11
Ian Rankin	11
Trenton Burton	10
Brody Way	9
Aidden Foist	7
Holden Baker	5
Lucas Hodges	4

65 sr. (10-11)

Points

Connor Bussey	177
Brennan Puckett	153
Caden Weinsziehr	120
Wyatt Worthington	114
Kristopher Wagers	70
Gavin Covert	50
Austin Archer	47
Landen Mayberry	38
Benjamin McHale	37
Nixon Baker	30
Matthew Wolfe	20
Ethan Cerqua	15
Cameron Ropp	14
Lily Howard	14
Michael Randall	14
Jarred Griffith	13

85 sr. (12-15)

Points

Landen Hill	151
Carson Mayer	151
Aidan Honeyman	128
Landon Mefford	90
Jonathan Yelton	75
Caden Walton	73
Austin Weinsziehr	72
Justin Stalling	69
Brayden Winstel	67
Jeremy Hossfeld	41
Landon Piccirillo	40
Jack Winland	40
Ryan McCullough	32
Landen Parker	26
Paxton Lipinski	25
Chase Simpson	22
Bryce Morgan	15
Max Birt	13
Christian Dewitt	11

KTM Unveils 2020 SX-E 5 Mini Electric Bike

Will this be the electric dirt bike that changes racing?

October 23, 2019



In action, the 2020 KTM SX-E 5 electric mini doesn't look much different than its premix-burning brother, the 50 SX. *Courtesy of KTM*

By Mark Kariya

There's no denying that KTM is at the pinnacle of dirt bike racing in most facets of the sport, and now the company is attacking the electric-bike segment by starting at the bottom: bikes for kids.

There have been other electric-motor-equipped bikes both big and small, of course; even KTM has two previous offerings in the Freeride E-XC and Freeride E-SX, but those seemed to be tentative steps into the electric world. KTM is banking on the projection that the 2020 SX-E 5 will attract those with kids just starting out, and who wish to have a bike that'll grow with them.

What Makes The KTM SX-E 5 A Child's Electric Dirt Bike?

Yes, since kids often outgrow things almost before said things are a week old, the SX-E 5 is designed with quite a bit of adjustability in mind. Take seat height, for example. Its standard setting is a hair under 27.5 inches, but that can be taken down in two increments to 25.7 inches. Need it lower still? No problem. A suspension lowering kit from KTM Hard Parts gives you that option with a minimum seat height of 22 inches

There's no fuel tank. Instead, a polymer "element" provides the foundation for the bodywork—much of it shared with the 50 SX—and a place for the instrument panel that shows ride mode selected and charge remaining. In addition, the ele-



ment has secondary mounting points on the frame/subframe to drop seat height about an inch. *Courtesy of KTM*

2020 KTM SX-E 5 Battery Range

Under an aggressive, faster rider, KTM says the SX-E 5 battery will last 25 minutes or so, depending on conditions. (For races that are 30 minutes or longer, this will be an issue, possibly requiring the use of a less powerful ride mode.) *Courtesy*



of KTM

That adaptability continues, of course, with the 5-kilowatt motor that gets its power from a pack containing 84 separate lithium-ion battery cells. Six ride modes are available, thus allowing the owner to tailor power characteristics to rider ability from beginner to advanced. An instrument panel where the gas cap would be on a petrol-burner lets you know which mode is employed. Further, these modes can be saved to a dongle located underneath the seat, thus inhibiting the chance of "someone" changing it without

permission. Naturally, with an electric-powered machine, two questions come up immediately: 1) how long does the battery last, and 2) how long does it take to charge up?

Maintenance requirements should be reduced in comparison to a gas-powered bike, and fully charging the battery pack is claimed to take just 70 minutes. *Courtesy of KTM*



KTM says in the mildest beginner mode, the rider can enjoy more than two hours of excitement while the full race mode provides about 25 minutes—all depending on riding conditions, of course. (For longer races—like the 30-minute ones in AMA Youth Hare & Hound Nationals—this is an issue and could require changing to a less powerful ride mode at some point during the event.)

2020 KTM SX-E 5 Charger

A universal (110/230-volt) 900-watt quick charger plugs directly into the battery pack and will restore 80 percent power in 45 minutes at 25 amps, and full power in an hour and 10 minutes based on the quick-charging spec of 5 amps and 230 volts. KTM claims the motor is both dust- and waterproof to make it essentially wear- and maintenance-free as well as practically silent.

The engine bay has a decidedly different look from the 50 SX with the electric motor/battery pack unit in there. Other than that, the SX-E 5 is very similar, from the WP suspension to the bodywork, wheels, brakes, overall feel, and graphics. *Courtesy of KTM*



The rolling chassis remains very familiar to those used to the 50 SX, though it's slightly different in order to accommodate the unique dimensions of the electric motor and battery pack. WP provides its suspension, an air-spring Xact 35 fork in front and Xact shock for the PDS rear. Listed wheel travel is 8.1 inches in front and 7.3 in back, with KTM saying there's adjustability at both ends.

Maxxis tires come standard as do Formula's wave-style brake rotors. The Neken handlebar is a tapered aluminum unit as on big bikes. Bodywork and graphics mimic those of the full-size, fuel-burning SX-F models so not only will young riders more quickly identify with the Orange Brigade, but they'll be introduced to KTM ergonomics at an early age.

2020 KTM SX-E 5 Price

And don't worry if you prefer the sound and feel of a regular gas-fed engine; the \$4,349 two stroke 50 SX and \$3,849 50 SX Mini will remain alongside the \$5,049 SX-E 5 in KTM's lineup



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Q & A
By Lonnie Stinson

Conversation: Regan Duffy



Youthful talent on his 2019 Manjimup 15,000 victory, presented by Maxima Racing Oils.

Fresh from taking a stunning victory at the prestigious 2019 Manjimup 15,000 in Western

Australia, MotoOnline.com.au sat down with Regan Duffy (Raceline KTM Thor) for this latest edition of Conversation, presented by Maxima Racing Oils.

Congratulations on winning the Manjimup 15,000 – the youngest-ever ride to do it – that must be pretty special for you...

It's been a dream of mine since I was four years old, so for it to finally come true, I'm ecstatic. It's just awesome.

Coming into the weekend, did you think you had a realistic shot at winning? Especially at your age and the guys you were stacked up against.

For sure, I thought I had a chance. I wasn't certain though – I just had to see how the day played out, and now that I've won – the youngest-ever to win it – I'm just so glad to get it done.

The CDR Yamaha guys were here on their own bikes, and that really helps at a track like Manjimup, but what was it like to beat those guys as well as Mellross and

Webster straight up?

Coming in I knew the factory CDR guys would be tough to beat, and I'm riding a bone-stock KTM 450 SX-F – there's no engine work or pipe, just suspension and different tyres. I've looked up to those guys my whole life, so to race them is awesome, and then to beat them is just even better again.

That last race, you obviously crashed at the first turn and were pretty much dead last. What was going through your head in the moment you remounted?

My teammate Hayden Mellross just washed out the front end right in front of me, I thought I was going to save it, but I just kept skidding into him and crashed. When I hit the ground, I just thought 'no, don't let it go like this'. I just knuckled down – I knew I had a shot at it, and after a couple of laps I knew I was gaining on the leaders. I was doing mathematics during the race [laughs] – if I could make up two seconds a lap, I'd be able to make up that 10-second gap. It worked out.



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There was so much emotion crossing the line, describe the feeling you experienced when you knew you won it...

I've thought about it forever, and I've always been like 'if I win Manjimup, I'm going to do a parade lap and then I'm going to blow my bike up' [laughs]. So I rolled around there – everyone was cheering – and I got to the top of Rock 'n' Roll Hill, wasn't looking where I was going and crashed, so I threw my hands up in the air and the crowd went wild. It was the best feeling ever. I did my speech on the podium, came back down and decided to go back to do a burnout – I went

up there and just fried the thing. Lucky I got the prize money, because now I have to pay for the bike [laughs].

Western Australians always get behind their own, especially at an event like this, and like I said before, it's probably been decades since a WA guy has won the Manjimup 15,000. The massive crowd was completely behind you, and they showed it...

Yeah, there were just thousands of people going mad – man, you just can't beat that feeling. Especially here – my favorite track, in front of my people, and they were just loving it.

You're leading the MXD category in the Pirelli MX Nationals at the moment, what do you think winning this event does for you career considering you just beat the best MX1 guys in the country?

I think it's a huge statement – this weekend there's first and second in the MX1 standings, and second in the MX2 championship – from this weekend, that puts me at the top of the MX Nationals. I've raced the best of the best, and there's only a few absent, but other than that, I'm not too sure what will come of it. I'm having a sick time with Raceline KTM Thor, so I'm just going to continue on.

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Buckeye Series Triple Crown at Chillitown

CHILLICOTHE, Oh—The newly acquired track in Chillicothe got to see it first Buckeye Series Race Ohio MX action Saturday and Sunday.

Over 650 riders from all over the state and adjoining states converged on Saturday and Sunday to compete for the Triple Crown Race. Adding to the excitement was the quad races.

Saturday morning started with some heavy fog and delayed the start of practice. The fog soon lifted and practice got underway. For some, it was the first time ever racing at Chillitown. For others, it was the same place but a different looking track.

Scott Plessinger and his crew did a few minor track modifications prior to the action.

Racing began with the quads and then went into the 50 classes.



Jason Henninger is shown above being interviewed after his exciting win in the 25+ class.

The action continued throughout the day Saturday with some hot action in the 50 class and quad races.

Saturday evening was filled with other activities. Many took to the costumes and went camper to camper trick-or-treating while others paraded around in their golf carts. Many come out to watch the Monster Energy Cup race on the big screen.



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