



### MT.TREMBLANT'S "UPS & DOWNS"

**June 4<sup>th</sup>, 206 – Mt-Tremblant, Québec.** The breath-taking setting for round 2 of the Canadian Superbike Championship didn't come without challenges for Suzuki riders. With weather conditions on Saturday causing qualifying to be cancelled, it meant grid positions for the Pro 600 and Pro Superbike race would be set based on points standing from round 1.

This put Team Suzuki Blackfoot Racing star, Clint McBain and Rider's Choice Team Suzuki pilot; Matt McBride in 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> positions respectively for the Superbike final since they both had DNF results at Shannonville. Defending Champion, Francis Martin would start the Superbike race on the front row but would be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> row for Pro 600 based on his Shannonville results.



Martin sets up for turn 1 at Le Circuit Mont Tremblant



A clear track ahead for McBain at the start of the Pro600 race

In the Superbike final, Martin put his Team Suzuki Blackfoot Racing GSX-R1000 out front for the early laps of the race before Szoke managed to get by the Rock Forest native. Martin and Szoke broke away from the rest of the field with Martin looking to pass Szoke in the closing laps. Lappers can either work in your favour or against you and as it turned out, this worked against Francis on the final laps as he crossed the finish line in 2<sup>nd</sup> place behind Szoke. McBain, starting from 14<sup>th</sup> position, recorded the fastest lap time in the race and had worked his way up to 5<sup>th</sup> place before sliding off the track on lap 10. Matt McBride, who started in 15<sup>th</sup> position, was able to advance his Riders Choice Team Suzuki GSX-R1000 up to the 6<sup>th</sup> place position by the end of the race. Martin's 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish also puts him in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Championship standings.

Starting on the front row in the Pro 600 class, McBain would again record the fastest lap in the race on his Team Suzuki Blackfoot Racing GSX-R600 but came up short at the finish with Szoke getting the win. McBain's teammate, Martin would cross the stripe in 5<sup>th</sup> place while Riders Choice Team Suzuki pilot, Matt McBride took 8<sup>th</sup> place and Bowmanville native, Zenon Nelson bringing his GSX-R600 home in 10<sup>th</sup> place. McBain leaves Tremblant with a solid 2<sup>nd</sup> place standing in the Pro 600 Championship and will compete in a 300KM Endurance race next weekend at the Suzuka Circuit in Japan.



Ross Millson and crew now lead the Amateur 600 class



Repeat performance – SV Cup L to R Bagshaw, Bushv & Grande

Ross Millson on his Turn2 GSX-R600 would love nothing better than another chance at the last lap in the Amateur 600 race at Tremblant. Leading the race from lap 7 of the 10-lap race, Millson missed the "last lap" flag and McCormick squeaked by him on the last lap to take the win. Millson can take some consolation with his 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish in the fact he now is leading the Amateur 600 championship points standings. Suzuki GSX-R600 mounted riders Carmicheal and Jourdain brought their bikes home in 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> place respectively to give Suzuki riders 3 of the top 5 finishing spots.

Suzuki SV Cup action wrapped up the day's activities at Mt. Tremblant with another exciting race. Round 1 winner, Robert Busby split from the rest of the group to take his 2<sup>nd</sup> win of the season with Bagshaw, Grande and Glenn battling for the other 2 podium positions. Martin Grande, who set the fastest lap time in the race got by Paul Glenn in the final laps to take 3<sup>rd</sup> while Dave Bagshaw held onto 2<sup>nd</sup> place. The finishing order of the top 3 was identical to the Shannonville round with Busby, Bagshaw and Grande on the podium and Grande giving us another performance with his harmonica.

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