



WILD ACTION OUT WEST

July 3rd, 2006 – Calgary, Alberta. Calgary race fans were treated to one of the best Superbike battles in recent history at round 3 of the Parts Canada Canadian Superbike Championship series. The defending winner of last year’s Calgary race, Clint McBain, looked like he was about to repeat his last year’s results as he battled with Jordan Szoke for the entire 20-lap race. McBain on his Team Suzuki Blackfoot Racing GSX-R1000 grabbed the lead off the start and held it for the majority of the race. Anytime Szoke managed to get by McBain, the Suzuki rider would respond back and retake the lead. On the last lap however, Szoke managed to get by McBain one more time and was just able to hold off Clint as they crossed the finish line. Clint’s teammate, defending Superbike Champion, Francis Martin would cross the stripe in 4th place, adding valuable points to his championship defense.



McBain on the Superbike Podium



Pro600 action with McBain and Martin

The Pro600 race saw the Team Suzuki Blackfoot Racing pilots’ battle for podium positions the entire race. McBain got the early lead on his GSX-R600 but a hard charging Lacombe overtook Clint on lap 2. From then on it looked like the two Suzuki riders, McBain and Martin would hold on to the two remaining podium positions. Tom Kipp had other ideas though and on the last lap, he was able to squeeze by Martin, moving Francis to 4th while McBain maintained his 2nd place at the finish. McBain is now just 1 point behind Szoke in the Pro600 championship race as they head to Mosport for rounds 4 & 5.

The Amateur 600 race lived up to its action packed reputation with red flags and disqualifications. Brett McCormick crossed the finish line first but due to a fuel shortage, his bike was unable to perform the mandatory post race dyno runs to verify compliance with the 118 horsepower limit. With McCormick being disqualified, it moved Suzuki riders Dany Jourdain from St-Jean Richelieu, Quebec; Mark Carmichael from Langley, BC and Ross Millson from Hamilton, Ontario into 2nd, 3rd and 4th positions respectively behind winner, Karl Daigle. Millson, in noticeable pain, put in a gritty performance on Sunday after coming back from a spectacular crash during qualifying on Saturday. Dany Jourdain is now 3rd in the championship points with Millson holding down 2nd.



Dany Jourdain enjoying his 1st podium interview this year



SV Cup Podium – Winner – Glenn in the center with 2nd place Grande to his right and 3rd place Bagshaw to his left

The Suzuki SV-Cup

race saw a change in the podium order for the first time this year. Paul Glenn from Milton, Ontario put his Turn-2 sponsored Suzuki SV650 on the top of the box and claimed his first National win. Martin Grande, who finished 3rd in rounds 1 & 2 crossed the finish line in 2nd place and celebrated his finish with another harmonica performance to the delight of the Calgary fans. Dave Bagshaw from Kincardine, Ontario maintained his presence on the podium this year with a 3rd place finish.

The Parts Canada Superbike Championship series action now moves to Mosport, Ontario for the Double-header rounds on July 15th and 16th.

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