

# Western Region Motocross Rnd 1

Rnd 1 was Held at Monza Park Ballarat, this year we were surprised with perfect weather unlike the 50mm last year, the new track change was way better towards the last few corners said by a few, it made for faster flowing races and gave opportunities to make passes before the finish line.

2011 also lead the way for compulsory transponders, there are a few to catch onto the idea of purchasing their own, but after time it will be the common thing to have when racing MX.

With all results linked from our [www.gmcc.net.au](http://www.gmcc.net.au) web site under mylaps results and on [www.motorcyclingvic.com](http://www.motorcyclingvic.com), it is good to see GMCC nearly have a rider compete in all classes. Stand out riders for Geelong where **Callum Norton** (65A & 85A), **Mitch Landy** (85BW A), **Dillion Johnson** (65 B) all taking 3 straight wins for the day. Well done boys.

Our younger riders are stepping it up big time on the 50's with **Harry West** putting down a 2<sup>nd</sup> overall place and **Layla Norton** pushing hard to finalize a top 4 position for the day. Geelong MX racers are doing a great job supporting the local Western Region Series, A Grade Open was fast to watch, **Corey Vanderlei** pushed Thomas Alexander hard but could only manage placing 2nd while **Alister** and **Hugh Lewis** testing their speed to keep in close view of the front runners. New comers to the B Grade Open Class are **Davis Johnson** with a sketchy first moto and a Stella 2nd moto comeback with a 2<sup>nd</sup> place, this left Davis pumped for the 3<sup>rd</sup> while **Michael Madden** was also in the thick of things and managing to get a 3<sup>rd</sup> in the first moto and finishing off his day with a 4<sup>th</sup> overall and producing a holeshot.

The A and B Open combined always makes for an interesting start especially when the track is dusting up, **Davis Johnson** unfortunately had a racing incident that left him counting the birdies flying around his head, Western Regions series Photographer “Bernadette” and Davis Mummy “Julie” ran quick to respond to the riders that went down, **Davis** walked away with more damage to the CRF than anything else.

A grade Lites Class was impressive watching Portland's fast boy Thomas Alexander not gaining any points in the 1<sup>st</sup> moto, this gave a good start to the session to SMCC **Tom Ovens**, but that ended quick in the 2<sup>nd</sup> moto when **Tom** and Thomas had a great battle to the end leaving Tom to take the 22 points, by the 3<sup>rd</sup> moto things were getting tricky, the sun was out and the track was drying quick if you didn't manage to get a good start it was hard to make any sort of safe pass, Adam Coles ran a consistent 5,6,6, this should definitely put fire in his belly, **Raine Fenemor** on board the KX put in a not so happy performance in his likings for the day not gaining any points in the last moto I'm not sure what happened there, we have 6 rounds to go in the series and we will see **Raine** put in some faster motos..

Us old blokes in the Vets are still out there for some stupid reason doing what we love the most, riding race bikes, Our one and only prez **Frank Cambria** had a good start to the year with 2 podiums and taking 3<sup>rd</sup> overall, **Jamie Madden** in the Over 45s looks to take home some plastic if he stays consistent throughout the year, **Frank** and **Jamie** would have had a great laugh seeing me taking two soil moisture samples with my face in the 1<sup>st</sup> moto on the same corner, I was quick to redeem myself for the rest of the day and put in some smooth motos and gain back some major points.

Rnd 2 in Horsham will see some fitness improvements from all riders to represent Geelong Motocross club and do their best, good luck to all those competing for yourself and most of all the Geelong Motocross Club.. Cheers for now see you in Horsham. **Alex Dunscombe**.

