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Seneca Allegany Resort and Casino

Salamanca, NY

Upstate Shakeup

The road trip continues for Warnert Racing and the ISOC series, making the stop in Salamanca, NY. Mother Nature was not kind leading up to this weekend, resulting in the smallest track of the season thus far. The scene would be set for close quarters racing and quick lap times, flanked by the always boisterous NY fans. The theme of the weekend would be the starting line. Your performance there would make or break the night. The weekend would be filled with new winners, podium shakeups, and a mixed bag of results.

Friday: Jordan Lebel is coming off back-to-back winning weekends, and would look to stand on the box once again. Jordan would run P3 in his first two rounds of Triple crown racing, with the top three riders repeating their results. In round 3, Lebel would take P4, which would secure him an overall result of P3 for the evening! Although not standing on the top of the box, another trip to the podium is a sure sign of a good night. Topi Posti would not have the same fate. In round 2 of Pro Lite qualifying, a rider got into the side panel of Posti's sled. Over the next few laps, to no one's knowledge, the belt guard had been dented and was slowly delaminating the drive belt. In the middle of the rhythm section, the belt finally gave way, sending Topi over the bars and the sled tail-over-teakettle. This would be the end of Topi's night as he would not have enough points to qualify for the final.

Naeli Lebel was also in pursuit to keep her podium streak alive. After solid qualifying, Naeli would notch P4 in the Pro Women's Final. Thankfully the weekend was not over, and there was room for improvement. Dylan Lebel would have to start his Sport final from the back row. Fortunately he was able to make the best of the situation and end his night P6.

Saturday: Jordan Lebel would not have quite the same fortune as he did in the previous evening. In the first round of Pro Triple Crown, Jordan's ski would get interlocked with another rider on the start, making this night an uphill battle. Lebel was able to claw back to P7. He would follow up in round 2 with P4, and end the night with P7, giving him an overall result of P5. Jordan remains in third in the season points standings. Topi Posti had similar results. A black flag from a judgment call in round 1 would set the tone for Topi's night and would finish P12 in the Pro Lite Final.

Naeli Lebel was able to keep her podium momentum alive. After a hard fought battle, she initially ended the night with a bronze medal in the Pro Women's Final. After some deliberation from the ISOC officials, I received a call late Saturday night being informed that Naeli would be awarded her first win in the Pro Women's class! The top two riders were penalized positions for on track infractions, giving Naeli P1 in the record books. This result puts her just 8 points out of 3rd place in the season standings. Dylan Lebel would again have to start from the back row in the Sport Final. This time he would not be as fortunate on the start, he would end his night P12. To end this press release on a high note, the Weapon arrived in NY with good news in the form of an A on his Math exam. Well done, D-Man!

The team will take a well deserved weekend off, where they will regroup and eventually head to Sioux Falls, SD. The event will be held in a different location from last year, but should surely attract the same crowd we enjoyed last season. Thanks to all of our sponsors and fans for the support over this two week road trip out east!



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St. Cloud, Minnesota-based Warnert Racing is the premier team in professional snocross racing and one of the sport's pioneering "superteams." The team is modeled after the most successful auto racing operations, managing the day-to-day operations of snocross racers, including sponsorship, transportation, marketing, sled set-up, driver development and technology development.