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Canterbury Park

Shakopee, MN
Frostbite Crescendo

Warnert Racing and ISOC made its way to Canterbury Park in Shakopee, MN for the “Daytona of Snocross”. The equalizing factor of the weekend was the -25 degree wind chills that would test riders, and showcase the passion of the Snocross fan base. When you have been racing for 24 seasons, there are days, rounds, and weekends that will inevitably not go your way. The perseverance to keep moving forward and adapting is what separates good from great. This weekend was one of those weekends.

Friday: The triple crown format is back for the Pro class. In the opening round Jordan Lebel had to start in the back row, where his biggest opponent on the track was visibility, finishing P11. This would compound into another back row start, but Jordan was able to make his way up to P5. However, a slobberknocker of a wreck, crashing about as hard as one could without sustaining serious injury was the result. Crossing the finish line and getting back to the trailer was the main objective by the end of the race. In round 3, the battered Lebel just needed to end the night without further damage, he would finish P9 and an overall result of P13.

Topi Posti had great qualifying in Pro Lite and was poised for success in the Final. From the start, Topi ripped a holeshot and sent it into the first corner contending for the lead. An overzealous Posti came in a bit hot, and ended up overshooting the corner to the outside of the berm. Having to rejoin the race in last place, he was able to make his way up to P8.

Naeli Lebel was consistent in Pro Women’s qualifying. In her final she had a great start and filed into P4 with a comfortable gap behind her where she would ultimately finish the race. Dylan Lebel had a similar result. In his Sport final he would take a 5th place finish to end the night.

Saturday: A sore Lebel would throw his leg over his sled in hopes to improve from the previous evening's results. Little did he know it was going to get worse before it got better. In his first round, Lebel would get tangled in the air with another rider on the opening lap. A very scary spot to be in as he seemingly fell from the sky, managed to not get landed on, AND get back on his sled? From dead last Jordan laid down some of the fastest laps of the night and worked his way up to P8. In round 2, Lebel would finish P7 and the frustration was setting in. In the 3rd round an

explicitly motivated Jordan Lebel was dangerous, and was the man to beat. He ripped a holeshot and gapped the field for the round 3 win! This result however was not enough for an overall podium, giving him a P4 result to end the weekend. Jordan Lebel currently sits in 6th place in the Pro points championship.

Just like Lebel, Topi Posti has his own business to take care of. After smooth and confident qualifiers, Topi would get a nice start in the Pro Lite final. After a few battles throughout the race, Topi would cross the line in a photo finish in the fight for second, but ultimately getting beat and awarded P3. Nonetheless it was a podium result and a great confidence boost that both Topi and the team needed after an aggravating weekend of crashes and frostbite. This result moved Topi into 3rd place in the Pro Lite points championship.

Nalie Lebel would get in a wreck off the start of the Pro Women's final. With a cracked visor, snow packed helmet, and at the back of the pack she was able to claw her way up to P6 to end the weekend. "The Weapon", also commonly referred to as Dylan Lebel, put a beat down on the Sport class in the Final. D-Man went wire to wire in his second Sport final win of the season!

After a frustrating start to the weekend, we are proud of the resolve the team showed to end the trip to Canterbury on a positive note. This is critical as we head to Deadwood, SD in two weeks for a showdown in the bullring at Days of '76 Rodeo!



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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.