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Rider: Paul Whibley Team: AmPro Yamaha Bike: Yamaha YZ450 F

Result: 3rd



Another great start, nabbing the hole shot for the second time in as many races and leading the early going. The mud holes at this track always give the leader board a good shake up and the same was true over the first few laps this year with five or more riders taking their turn up front. Once the fastest way through or around the mud holes are established the lead changes less often. Myself and the KTM duo of Charlie Mullins and Kailub Russell settled in as the lead group but everyone else was not too far back. Charlie and I were left at the front when Kailub collided with a lapped rider mid race.

After the gas stop Kailub clawed his way back up near the front and with two laps to go dropped the hammer and took the lead. I was behind Charlie in third and could see Kailub starting to go. I couldn't get past to give chase and if I did I'm not sure I would have had anything for Kailub who was riding extremely well.

Over the last lap I searched for a way around Charlie but couldn't make it happen. I kept getting forced into bad lines as I tried to make my way around some traffic and then in one of the last mud holes I tried an outside line in an attempt to put a move on Charlie. It didn't go so well, going down and losing any chance of taking second.

Both Charlie and Kailub rode great races and I have to be happy with third this time. We still have the points lead going into the third round at Steel Creek North Carolina in two weeks.

1st: Kailub Russell 2nd: Charlie Mullins 3rd: Paul Whibley

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