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

Result: 1st



Super hot and humid conditions cooked the track at Millfield Ohio. The trail was fairly hard pack and dry although there was still some moisture in the tight Penton section and a couple of rocky creek beds that the trail looped through.

With the wave of the green flag the race was underway and again the Vortex Ignition powered YZ450 proved the machine good for starts and I grabbed another hole shot. I set out on a conservative pace on the first lap, learning the track, and expecting someone to come blazing past but after a lap I still had the lead. On the second lap I could hear a two stroke behind me on some sections of the trail that looped back on itself. I later learned from Katherines' pit boards that Rory Mead was giving chase but about 20 seconds back and closing. After the fuel stop Rory had closed it down to about 7 seconds.

I was told during the pit stop that there were 3 more laps to go. Still feeling pretty good I upped the pace and began to reopen the gap on Rory. I was able to push my lead out to around 2 minutes by the time the flag came out. Rory tried to fend off Kailub Russells' attacks over the last couple of laps but had to bow to Kailub as they exited the MX track for their final lap.

We now head into the summer break from GNCC racing. Holding the points lead by a slim margin over Kailub, the race for the 2012 championship will resume at Unadilla on the 16^{th} of September.

1st: Paul Whibley 2nd: Kailub Russell 3rd: Rory Mead

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