

2006 SOUTHLAND MX CHAMPS

BIRCHWOOD STATION 18/19th Feb.

Another great weekend, good weather, an awesome venue and entries up by nearly 50 to 230, making it the biggest stand alone MX event south of Chch. in the last year. Plus \$3300 prizemoney, 48 trophies, sashes, certificates and lots of spot prizes thanks to generous motorcycle shops, kept everyone happy.

We were honoured to have Justin McDonald (Timaru Honda) riding. At 20 yrs old he looked faster than ever, clearing out on the rest of the seniors in every race.

A couple of mistakes by Brent Scammell (Winton) saw Dean Bond (Balclutha) take two wins in the Vets. Unfortunately a pile up in this class meant the demise of a couple of riders including David Latta (Balclutha) who would have been up front as well.

James Duthie (Timaru Honda) dominated the 12-16yrs Junior Lites, but only 2 points separated the next three after two days racing. Bodie Mowat (Timaru) was second, then Jeff Wilson (Dunedin) and Bill Horrell (Cromwell).

Dylan Miles first and Nick Shore second, (both Timaru Honda), put on a great show in the 13-16yrs 85cc's, both capable of running near the top nationally. Local Ryan Armitage (Invercargill) really stepped up to get amongst them, finishing third, ahead of another good ride from Matthew Harrington (Winton).

In the 11-12yrs 85cc's it all came down to the last race, only 4 points separated the top three at the end. Isaiah McGoldrick (Rangiora) finishing ahead of Sam O'Callaghan and fast improving Campbell King (both Honda Otago).

Crowd favourite, 8-10yrs 85cc's flier, Courtney Duncan (Honda Otago) scored maximum points in every race, except one, where she came from dead last, after an off, passing sixteen boys to finish third. Locals Josh May (Tuatapere) and Zac Robertson (Otautau) were strong in second and third respectively.

The minis had a fun weekend as well, each year it has been the start of a racing career for a number of potential champions!

A big thank-you to all our sponsors, who got great mileage from race commentator Tevor Meikle, who did a wonderful job all weekend. We do our best to provide a good event, so if you haven't checked it out, how about it next year – the track is being disced and will be resown – so the surface should come up really well next time.

Larry Mouat

RESULTS

Minis Unclutched

1 st	Kate Harrington	Gore	147 pts
2 nd	Madison Latta	Balclutha	133 pts
3 rd	Boyd McPherson,	Dunedin,	117 pts

Minis Clutched

1 st	Reon Buchanan	Cromwell	136 pts
2 nd	Sam Cuthbertson	Dunedin	129 pts
3 rd	Riley McPherson	Dunedin	119 pts

Junior 8-10yrs 85cc –

1 st	Courtney Duncan	Palmerston	145 pts
2 nd	Josh May	Tuatapere	133 pts
3 rd	Zac Robertson	Otautau	124 pts

Junior 11-12yrs 85cc –

1 st	Isaiah McGoldrick	Rangiora	135 pts
2 nd	Sam O'Callaghan	Cromwell	133 pts
3 rd	Campbell King	Dunedin	132 pts

Junior 13-16yrs 85cc –

1 st	Dylan Miles	Amberley	119 pts
2 nd	Nick Shore	Timaru	113 pts
3 rd	Ryan Armitage	Invercargill	100 pts

12-16 Junior Lites

1 st	James Duthie	Christchurch	122 pts
2 nd	Bodie Mowat	Timaru	91 pts
3 rd	Jeff Wilson	Dunedin	91 pts

Vets –

1 st	Brent Scammell	Winton	119 pts
2 nd	Dean Bond	Balclutha	114 pts
3 rd	Dean Vietch	Dunedin	96 pts

Pro Lites –

1 st	Justin McDonald	Christchurch	125 pts
2 nd	Jared Pyke	Timaru	106 pts
3 rd	Brendon Gow	Queenstown	101 pts

Pro Senior –

1 st	Justin McDonald	Christchurch	125 pts
2 nd	Jay Nelson	Alexandra	110 pts
3 rd	Lachie Columb	Queenstown	98 pts

Feature Races.

13-16 85cc –

1 st	D Miles		
2 nd	N Shore		
3 rd	Matthew Harrington	Winton	
4 th	Vincent Radish	Port Chalmers	
5 th	Lockie Lott	Tuatapere	

12-16 Junior Lites –

1 st	J Duthie		
2 nd	B Mowat		
3 rd	J Wilson		
4 th	Bill Horrell	Cromwell	
5 th	Ryan Turner	Dunedin	

All In Senior –

1 st	J McDonald		
2 nd	J Nelson		
3 rd	Benjamin Kyle	Balclutha	
4 th	B Gow		
5 th	J Pyke		
6 th	Richard Affleck	Invercargill	
7 th	B Scammell		
8 th	Greg Baynes	Invercargill	
9 th	Justin Shaw	Invercargill	
10 th	Wayne Dyet	Wanaka	