

ACES Fundraiser Enduro
Athens MC Club Grounds
Athens, Ohio
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KTM/Sport Cycles Racing backed Josh Gaitten seized the opportunity to raise a few funds of his own as he topped a talented AA class that included Husaberg's Nick Fahringer and 2009 champ Robbie Jenks (also on a Berg) at the Appalachian Championship Enduro Series fund raising event. Along with Josh, all of the other ACES competitors will reap the rewards from this event, since the profits will go towards the annual banquet.

Kevin Brown and the Athens club took on the lion's share of the work with support from the other ACES clubs. KB even managed to coax former (and still) fast guy, Gene ONail out of retirement to help put together a few sections. Thanks to the beautiful spring weather, the riders were treated to a tough but manageable course with 100 of the 135 entrants finishing within their hour.

Gaitten shared the lead through the first two checks with Jenks and Wheelsports KTM mounted Trevor Kline as runner up Fahringer began his day with a burn and never recovered from that two point deficit. In the end, Gaitten had a burn of his own (perhaps he and Nick are getting a little rusty due to the NEPG format) but bested Fahringer by one point at checks 3 and 9 on his way to an impressive 14 point day while Fahringer dropped 16 and Jenks posted an 18.

Anthony Glasso put his Yamaha at the top of the A ranks, carding a 25 and edging out KTM mounted Brian Hollingshead on the emergencies. Hollingshead had held a 4 point lead going in to ONail's Millfield section. At 5.2 miles in length and consisting of new or long forgotten trail, it was the perfect spot for the first E check and the exact spot that Glasso needed to make his move. Thanks to an off ride by Hollingshead in this section, Glasso picked up 3 points including those all important emergency points. The Yamaha pilot cemented the win by picking up a minute at the second E check to tie the score at 25.

In the B class, KTM mounted John Yerkey made it a perfect two for two on the season as he posted a 34 to take the top honors over enduro newcomer Cody Meeks and his KTM. Cody has been a fixture on the southern Ohio hare scramble scene since his days in the micro class and it's always good to see those riders discover enduros.

Perhaps the biggest winner of the day was Nick (Flopper) Fisher as he not only won the set tires provided by series sponsor Kenda at each round but also won a set of Michelins from our newest ACES sponsor Caton's Cycles.

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	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
AA	Gaitten	Fahringer	Jenks	Judson	Kline
200A	Foust	Heinzerling	Coffman	Smith	Wright
250A	Hollingshead	Coe	Saving	Smith	Daniels
OpA	Jarvis	Graney	Cherry	Grimm	Adkins
VetA	Glasso	VanCise	Jarvis	Sims	Hatten
Sr.A	Ghearing	Ford	Shaffer	Knecht	Prettiman
SSA	Lederle	Wilson	Into	Smith	
200B	Meeks	Bidwell	Graves	Kline	Kitchen
250B	Chadwell	Geyer	Antle	Mills	Fisher
OpB	Patterson	Risdon	Rinaldi	Young	Jolly
VetB	Yerkey	Uhrig	Ingalls	Martucci	McLear
Sr.B	Kelley	Meyers	Risden	Matheny	Bentley
SSB	Brachna	Jarvis	Menhorn	Valdman	Anthony
C	Hoyle	Thompson	Balika	Clayton	Conolly