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2013 Husqvarna ACU British Sprint Enduro Championship, Rnds 1&2

Daryl Bolter (KTM) and Matti Seistola (Husqvarna) secure Elite class victory at rounds one and two of the Husqvarna ACU British Sprint Enduro Championship at Chavenage Farm.

Enjoying near prefect weather conditions the 2013 Husqvarna British Sprint Enduro Championship got off to an exciting start at Chavenage Farm, Tetbury, Gloucester. Utilising the venue's flowing terrain, event organisers GMC Events delivered a challenging cross-country style course that mixed high-speed 'motocross' style sections with technical woodlands and rolling grassy hills.

Elite

Setting the fastest time on the first of eight special tests, KTM's Tom Sagar controlled the Elite class race lead early on during round one. Losing time on the opening test Seistola soon found his rhythm and began to reduce the deficit to Sagar. Working his way into the lead at the end of lap four, Seistola looked on course to claim the win until disaster struck on the final special test.

With his bike developing a fuel pick-up issue, the Finn was left stranded and lost control of the lead. Gaining ground on his rivals as the day wore on, Bolter overtook a slowing Sagar and then capitalised on Seistola's misfortune to claim a surprising win. With Sagar slipping back to second position, Husaberg's Jamie McCanney posted the fastest time on the final test to snatch third position in the Elite class away from TM's Jordan Rose. With Rose fourth, Honda's Jamie Lewis completed the top five.

Determined to make amends for his previous day's bad luck, Seistola attacked round two from the start of special test one. Opening up a nine-second advantage over McCanney, the Husqvarna rider continued to build on his race lead as the day progressed. Claiming five of the day's seven special tests, Seistola ended round two as the winner.

Setting the fastest time on laps three and four, McCanney improved on his previous day's result of third to end round two as runner-up to Seistola, while also claiming the overall victory for the weekend. Chasing McCanney home for third, round one winner Bolter completed the top three to leave Chavenage Farm as the championship leader. With Lewis finishing fourth, Lee Edmondson (Honda) rounded out the top five.

Under 23

In the Under 23 category, Husqvarna's Jack Rowland delivered a dominant display of riding to secure a terrific double win. Setting the fastest time in all of the day's eight special tests, Rowland comfortably topped round one. Behind him, Scot Neil Chatham (KTM) fended off a

tough challenge from TM's James Dent to claim the runner-up position. With Dent finishing third, Yamaha's Ryan McLean and Frazer Flockhart (KTM) completed the top five.

At round two Rowland was again the class leader and easily took the U23 class win. Showing great form in his first outing at the BSEC, Husqvarna's Adam Reynolds finished as runner-up to Rowland. Improving on his fifth place result from round one, Flockhart ended his day in third. Dent slipped back to fourth position with Chatham completing the top five.

Under 19

The Under 19 class witnessed two different winners at Chavenage Farm. Setting times that would have seen him place inside the top ten of the overall classification, Kawasaki's Joe Wootton secured a massive four-minute margin of victory over TM's Josh Gotts. With Gotts second, Scott Altass (KTM) held off Andrew Bull (KTM) to place third. With Bull ending his day in fourth position, Harvey Dark (KTM) completed the top five.

Determined to repeat his winning result from round one, Wootton led early during round two until disaster struck on lap five. Loosing over six minutes following a crash, the Kawasaki rider dropped back to an eventual 11th place result. With Wootton out of contention, Husqvarna's Rob Johnson took control of the race led and secured the win. Finishing 36 seconds behind Johnson, Gotts claimed his second runner-up result of the weekend. Bull recorded his first podium result of the series with third place while Altass and Dark rounded out the top five.

125cc Youth Cup

In the highly competitive 125 Youth Cup class, KTM's Brad Freeman recorded two very convincing wins. Setting a pace that his rivals struggled to match, Freeman easily topped round one by almost three minutes. Husaberg's Lee Sealey followed him home for second position with Jack Staines (KTM) placing third. Jon Hunt (Husqvarna) narrowly beat fifth placed Charlie Frost (KTM) to end his day in fourth.

At round two, Freeman once again topped the 125 Youth Cup standings though this time Sealey closed the gap to finish within one-minute of the KTM rider in second position. Staines claimed another top three result with third while Hunt and Frost rounded out the top five.

Expert & Expert Vet

In the hotly contested Expert class Kawasaki mounted Brad King topped the standings at round one. Placing just 20 seconds behind King, Sherco's Scott Austin was second with Charlie Evans (KTM) in third. Richard Ely (KTM) and Max Hembroke (KTM) completed the top five.

At round two Ely was the rider to beat and took the Expert class win. With King finishing as runner-up to Ely, Hemborke placed third. KTM's Dan Beaven improved to fourth position while Austin dropped back to fifth.

In the Expert Vets category, TM's Carl Tiley secured the overall win. KTM's Andrew Reeves finished second overall with Geoff Walker (Husaberg) completing the top three.

Clubman & Clubman Vets

Peter King (TM) claimed the Clubman Vet class win at round one with Darren Jones (KTM) and Dai Beer (KTM) completing the top three. Tim Cotton (Husaberg) was the winner at round two with King and Jones finishing in second and third place respectively.

In the strongly supported Clubman class, Beta's Lee Green beat Richard Holmes (KTM) and Chris Bennetto (KTM) to win round one. With Green topping the standings at round two Mark Denslow (KTM) Holmes competed the top three.

Women

Katie Walker (KTM) secured two convincing wins in the Women's class. Behind her Hannah Styles (Husaberg) finished second at both rounds while Liz Childerley (KTM) completed the top three.

The Husqvarna ACU British Sprint Enduro Championship continues with round three in Saints Well, Mid Wales on May 26.







Results – Husqvarna ACU British Sprint Enduro Championship

Round One

Elite

1. Daryl Bolter (KTM) 1:14:20.40; 2. Tom Sagar (KTM) 1:14:22.46; 3. Jamie McCanney (Husaberg) 1:14:32.00; 4. Jordan Rose (TM) 1:14:39.77; 5. Jamie Lewis (Honda) 1:15:36.12...

Under 23

1. Jack Rowland (Husqvarna) 1:06:50.22; 2. Neil Chatham (KTM) 1:09:48.18; 3. Jame Dent (TM) 1:10:10.84; 4. Ryan McLean (Yamaha) 1:10:13.24; 5. Fraser Flockhart (KTM) 1:10:15.77...

Under 19

1. Joe Wootton (Kawasaki) 1:07:14.79; 2. Josh Gotts (TM) 1:10:57.34; 3. Scott Altass (KTM) 1:12:21.60; 4. Andrew Bull (KTM) 1:12:24.46; 5. Harvey Dark (KTM) 1:12:52.98...

125 Youth Cup

1. Brad Freeman (KTM) 1:08:05.62; 2. Lee Sealey (Husaberg) 1:10:48.85; 3. Jack Staines (KTM) 1:12:12.52; 4. Jon Hunt (Husqvarna) 1:12:34.25; 5. Charlie Frost (KTM) 1:12:43.85...

Expert

1. Brad King (Kawasaki) 1:10:39.97; 2. Scott Austin (Sherco) 1:10:59.97; 3. Charlie Evans (KTM) 1:11:03.43; 4. Richard Ely (KTM) 1:11:20.90; 5. Max Hembroke (KTM) 1:11:52.52...

Expert Vets

1. Carl Tiley (TM) 1:12:32.13; 2. Andrew Reeves (KTM) 1:13:28.63; 3. Gary Barker (KTM) 1:17:40.17; 4. Geoff Walker (Husaberg) 1:18:44.95; 5. Sam Jones (KTM) 1:19:51.83...

Clubman Vets

1. Peter King (TM) 1:20:51.88; 2. Darren Jones (KTM) 1:26:18.86; 3. Dai Beer (KTM) 1:27:00.04; 4. Richard Williams (KTM) 1:30:01.78; 5. Richard Holland (KTM) 1:31:34.69...

Clubman

1. Lee Green (Beta) 1:14:35.08; 2. Richard Holmes (KTM) 1:17:24.45; 3. Chris Bennetto (KTM) 1:18:09.57; 4. Kyle Jacobs (Gas Gas) 1:18:34.35; 5. Jesse Say (KTM) 1:18:35.08...

Women

1. Katie Walker (KTM) 1:10:43.00; 2. Hannah Styles (Husaberg) 1:16:23.06; 3. Liz Childerley (KTM) 1:24:35.27

Round Two

Elite

1. Matti Seistola (Husqvarna) 1:02:58.36; 2. Jamie McCanney (Husaberg) 1:03:37.94; 3. Daryl Bolter (KTM) 1:04:00.84; 4. Jamie Lewis (Honda) 1:04:48.52; 5. Lee Edmondson (Honda) 1:07:04.56...

Under 23

1. Jack Rowland (Husqvarna) 56:39.37; 2. Adam Reynolds (Husqvarna) 58:33.74; 3. Fraser Flockhart (KTM) 59:00.18; 4. James Dent (TM) 59:39.32; 5. Neil Chatham (KTM) 59:46.15...

Under 19

1. Rob Johnson (Husqvarna) 59:00.79; 2. Josh Gotts (TM) 59:36.93; 3. Andrew Bull (KTM) 1:01:25.70; 4. Scott Altass (KTM) 1:02:04.83; 5. Harvey Dark (KTM) 1:02:13.93...

125 Youth Cup

1. Brad Freeman (KTM) 57:57.50; 2. Lee Sealey (Husaberg) 58:55.24; 3. Jack Staines (KTM) 1:00:32.99; 4. Jon Hunt (Husqvarna) 1:01:06.51; 5. Charlie Frost (KTM) 1:02:08.18...

Expert

1. Richard Ely (KTM) 59:15.04; 2. Brad King (Kawasaki) 59:49.73; 3. Max Hembroke (KTM) 1:00:31.82; 4. Dan Beaven (KTM) 1:00:34.60; 5. Scott Austin (Sherco) 1:00:47.51...

Expert Vets

1. Carl Tiley (TM) 1:01:14.37; 2. Andrew Reeves (KTM) 1:03:19.69; 3. Geoff Walker (KTM) 1:03:26.38; 4. Gary Baker (KTM) 1:05:30.60; 5. Neil Bowker (Honda) 1:09:37.90...

Clubman Vets

1. Tim Cotton (Husaberg) 1:07:11.47; 2. Peter King (TM) 1:08:53; 68; 3. Darren Jones (KTM) 1:12:48.52; 4. Dai Beer (KTM) 1:15:21.43; 5. Richard Holland (KTM) 1:16:33.80...

Clubman

1. Lee Green (Beta) 1:04:21.18; 2. Mark Denslow (KTM) 1:06:13.59; 3. Richard Holmes (KTM) 1:06:57.55; 4. Kyle Jacobs (Gas Gas) 1:07:19.22; 5. Donovan Pearce (KTM) 1:08:01.35...

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1. Katie Walker (KTM) 1:10:43.00; 2. Hannah Styles (Husaberg) 1:16:23.06; 3. Liz Childerley (KTM) 1:24:35.27

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Rnds 1&2 - April 6/7 Chavenage Farm, Gloucester

Rnd 3 - May 26 Saints Well, Mid Wales

Rnds 4/5 - July 6/7 Llangrove, near Monmouth

Rnd 6 - August 4 Westwood, near Sheffield

Rnds 7&8 - August 31/Sept 1 Chacombe, near Banbury

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About the BSEC

The Husqvarna British Sprint Enduro Championship is the UK's newest off-road motorcycle race series, promoted and organised exclusively by GMC Events Ltd. Enduro is one of the world's longest standing off-road motorcycle disciplines, the motorcycle equivalent of car rallying. Sprint enduro is an exciting new rider, spectator, and media friendly discipline that delivers simple to understand, day-long, enduro racing action. The series caters for the best enduro talent in the UK.

About Husqvarna

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