Race Report: Nashville, TN, April 4, 2019



A new city in the Series brought with it an unexpected twist in the points. Justin Cooper, who finished third in the main at Nashville, still lies third in the rankings. However, the points gap has tightened and Justin is now just seven points off the Championship lead with two rounds to go. Mitchell Oldenburg, seemed to have the track dialled, but a crash in the main sent him to the back and he took a sixth-place finish.

Qualifying:

250 Practice 1 Group A:

Justin Cooper: 4th, 51.119

Mitchell Oldenburg: 2nd, 50.669

250 Practice 2 Group A:

Justin Cooper: 4th, 49.680

Mitchell Oldenburg: 5th, 49.818

Overall Best Qualifying times:

Justin Cooper's best time of 49.680 gave him the fourth overall qualifying spot. Mitchell Oldenburg qualified fifth overall, with a time of 49.818.



Heat Race 1:

By the end of the first lap, Justin Cooper was in fourth. He advanced into third, then began reeling in

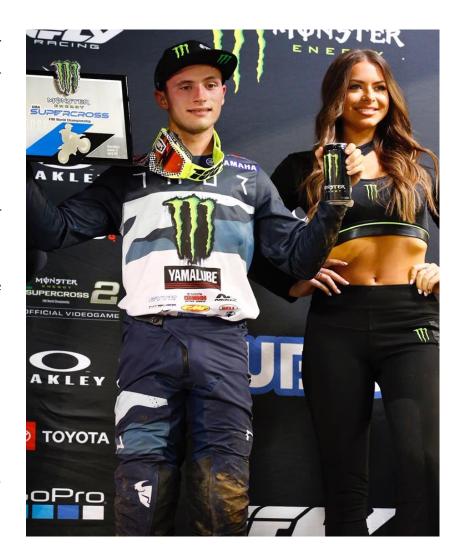
second. After many attempts, Cooper was not able to get by and finished third.

Heat Race 2:

Oldenburg's jump out of the gate was on point, however he got bottled out in the first turn and came out in eighth. Oldenburg made a strong come-back; making pass after pass until time ran out with him lying in thirdplace.

Main Event:

The Monster Energy/Star Racing/Yamaha of Justin Cooper took the holeshot, and Mitchell Oldenburg was third. Justin lost the lead and tried to take it back but ended up going down. He got back up in eighth. Oldenburg also had a crash on the first lap, which set him back to twentyfirst. Oldenburg had the track dialled and he made it all the way into fifth by the end of the race. Cooper redeemed as many points as he could and took a third-place finish.



Justin Cooper will go into the penultimate round, in third, with a seven-point deficit off the lead. Mitchell Oldenburg moves up one spot; from sixth to fifth.

		2019 RIDER PO	DINT STANDINGS	Total Points	. Minneapolis	- Arlington	- Detroit	. Atlanta	- Daytona Beach	· Indianapolis	· Nashville
POS.	#	NAME	HOMETOWN/BIKE	10	9	05	03	42	02	90	. 20
1	24	Austin Forkner	Richards, MO	151	26	26	26	21	26	26	
2	23	Chase Sexton	Clermont, FL	148	18	21	21	19	23	23	23
3	32	Justin Cooper	Huntington, NY	144	21	23	19	18	21	21	21
4	73	Martin Davalos	Tallahassee, FL	115	7	18	18	15	13	18	26
5	66	Mitchell Oldenburg	Godley, TX	105	17	17	16		19	19	17
6	26	Alex Martin	Clermont, FL	105	19	15	17	9	18	14	13
7	45	Brandon Hartranft	Brick, NJ	100	15	14	12	13	17	11	18
8	55	Kyle Peters	Greensboro, NC	98	13	16	15	2	16	17	19
9	37	Kyle Cunningham	Willow Park, TX	97	16	13	14	8	14	16	16
10	52	Jordan Bailey	Orlando, FL	76	14	11	8	6	12	13	12

The series moves to Denver, CO, on April 13, 2019, for the Western Region's penultimate round.



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