



NATHAN WOODS RULES

BIG SKY XC Win Breaks Point
Leader's Lock On Top Of Podium

Although he is comfortably in the points lead for the AMA West Hare Scrambles Championship, Brian Garrahan won't have a perfect season in 2010.

Nathan Woods, a member of the AMA Team USA Trophy Team for the International Six Days Enduro, put his Husqvarna in the winner's circle at round 6 of the series in Big Sky, Mont.

Rain pounded an already technical course laid out for the event, tagged the Klim Big Sky XC. Garrahan took the early lead, but had to pit mid-race due to brake problems. That allowed Woods to build up a big lead and pull away.

At the end of the three-hour race, only eight racers were on the lead lap.

"On the final lap, I came together with a lapper and we both crashed," remarked Woods. "After that, I became more cautious and backed off a little bit in order to finish the race in one piece and take home the win.

"It feels great to put the Husaberg on the top step of the podium. We have been working really hard to develop the bike into a great race bike and I feel like we have made huge leaps and look forward to finishing on the podium more frequently this season," Woods said.

In its second year, the Big Sky XC is already earning a reputation as one of the biggest off-road events in the West. Despite the wet conditions, several hundred riders came out for the opportunity to race on the ski slopes of the Big Sky Resort in southwestern Montana and enjoy the amenities of the resort.