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MSXC Halftime Report

Okay, the Superbowl is over and the biggest halftime show is in the books. Although it was good, bring back Paul McCartney with a little live music and singing next time please. (IMO)

The 32nd MSXC Winter series is at the halfway point also, with six races down and six to go. Last years champion **Shane O'banion**, currently sits atop the points in the overall, with **Dustin Gibson** in second. **Gibson** is only four points back. **Shane** sports that #1 plate at all the races well!



Shane Obanion

Sitting in third place in the overall is **Dillon Phelps**.

In the A classes, **John Chaille** is leading Heavy A,(no thats not according to his waist size...or is it?) because possibly his relative/son **Evan Chaille** is first in light A. That would make sense, it seems that younger versions of us are a tad lighter.

In the Vet A class **Derek Bratcher** is in the lead but not for long. **Jeff Cowan** and **Ryan Morphew** are knocking on his door. **Bratcher** is down on the sidelines healing up from a scary injury, a broken neck. Get well soon **Derek**, we miss you!

In the Senior A, **Greg Elrod** and **Josh Scott** are in a nice battle.

The Super Senior A class has **Jeff Griffin**, **James Fleming** and **Mark Wood** in the hunt. It seems when Wood races, he usually wins.



In the Masters group, (the class with guys who sound like they could receive some form of government assistance), **Mark Guy** is having no problem mastering his class. Experience pays off here I guess.

In the B classes **Ryan Watson** leads the 250B followed by **Paul Ward**. The light B division has **Jake Froman, Hunter Hutchinson** and **Tyler Harris** involved in a great battle and all three are former MSXC youth racers. Really, most riders in this class raced a season or two in the youth series.

In the Golden Masters **Robert Berg** and **Paul Michaels**, (two guys who are definitely eligible for Government assistance), are fighting cane and nail, so to speak. Speaking of experience and well deserved respect, in the 60 plus class **Ron Dye** is undefeated. We can only hope we are still racing at 60 plus!



In the Masters B, We have **Alan Staples, David Lambreth** and **Ricky Miller** in first, second and third respectively.

Lambreth is one of the original MSXC guys from 31 years ago. Good to see him still enjoying the series he helped found!

The C classes, which make up most of the racers on a Sunday morning , the leaders are **Brett Iott**, (250C); **Reggie Wulff**, (200 C); and **Ben Ellis**, (4 Stk C).



Vet C has **Johnny Rye** in the lead. In Senior C, the duo of **Darrell McManaway** and **Robbie Mattingly** are dicing it out for the championship. And last but definitely not least in the Super Senior C class, **Thomas Higdon** and **Jeffrey Frizzell** are having fun in first and second.

Round 7 is Sunday Feb. 12th at Hazard Hill in Van Leer Tennessee. Come out to the farm and dress warm!

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