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Rider: Paul Whibley

Team: N Fab, AmPro Yamaha Bike: Yamaha YZ450 F

Result: 1st



A terrible start had me playing catch up on the first lap of round two of the OMA series. I quickly caught the back of the main pack and had to settle there for a while with some dusty sections in the early part of the lap. At the big downhill and following hill climb I was able to make a couple passes. Then going down one of the rocky creek beds I moved passed Jimmy Jarrett and slotted in behind Jordan Ashburn. I knew we were coming to a dusty grass track section and I wanted to make a quick pass on Jordan if I could. Sliding up the inside in a turn I briefly had a pass made but Jordan quickly countered and retook the position. The next sweeping turn I just held it on a little longer and got the job done. I could see Nick Fahringer in the lead and pushed to latch onto him before he could run and hide. Following Nick for a lap, I took some time to look for opportunities to make something happen. On a slick hill climb coming out of the creek my 450 got a little better traction that his 2 stroke and the pass happened. Now in the lead I tried to put in some solid laps and do as Nick had planned and open up a gap all for myself. It slowly happened and over the next hour I built a solid minute gap.

After the fuel stop I worked to minimize any mistakes and just maintain the lead. Nick had a bit of a buffer over third place. But Jordan had a battle on his hands if he wanted to keep the final podium spot from Jason Thomas. The two came into scoring nose to tail for the final time with Jordan holding of Jason.

The new venue for the series provided a mixed bag of terrain. Some cool rocky creeks with some nice fresh trails, hill climbs and steep descents to challenge all.

1st: Paul Whibley

2nd: Nick Fahringer

3rd: Jordan Ashburn

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