

Jess Roeder November 2006 Update

Going into the last national of the season, national # 94 Jess Roeder had one thing on his mind...keeping national # 94. The second half of this season has been getting progressively better week after week and going into the rescheduled Scioto Downs National Jess was confident of a good showing. When not on the national circuit, he rode every amateur race in a test and tune effort and made steady strides in the handling of his 750.

After qualifying Jess was only 25th fastest causing some concern. His bike felt fast and Jess thought he was faster than 25th. This would put him on the second row of the first heat and after 10 hard fought laps Jess finished 3rd behind Lima National winner Dominic Beaulic #30 and former series champion Joe Kopp #3. It would be a direct transfer onto the second row of the main event, securing his national number for yet another championship season.

Jess ran inside the top 10 for the first part of the race but eventually had to drop onto the groove from the cushion and would struggle for the rest of the race. He would have Rich King #80, Shawn Russel #28, Jake Johnson # 14 and others to contend with. Just past the half way flags Jess started to fade a little as he thought he may have developed a mechanical problem with the bike. After examining the bike and finding no problems, Jess now thinks that it was a combination of missing on the set up for the main and his difficulty in dealing with the changing track that was causing him problems. In the end Jess finished a frustrating 14th place.

The team was getting faster, and better results but unfortunately, things were winding down. One thing is for sure, you can bet that Jess Roeder will be back next year to take on the AMA Grand National title and he will be riding harder than ever. Jess would like to thank everyone that helped him develop a positive up-shift towards the end of the season. This list includes all of his great sponsors, his family, namely his brother and fellow competitor Geo, his friends James Hart, Dale Poths and Scott Clevenger, James for all his excellent set up advice, Dale and Scott for all their vital help at the track, his sensational girlfriend, timer and sandwich engineer Wendy McConnell and many others.

Both Jess and his brother Geo are working hard to get ready for the annual Roeder Racing Raffle and year end race party on November 18, 2006. The event will be held at Kalahari Resort & Waterpark in Sandusky, Ohio just minutes south from Roeder Harley-Davidson's Sandusky dealership on Rt. 250. Rooms are limited, so call 1-877-KALAHARI as soon as possible to make your reservation or contact Michele at the Monroeville Store (Tues-Fri, 9am-4pm) Phone: (419) 465-2546.

This pretty much brings the season to a close, I will continue to send you information and updates during the off-season. Again a BIG thank you goes out to all the friends, fans and sponsors for your support this year.

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