AMA/NATC Nationals 2016 Recap

What an awesome year we had for AVTA members at nationals! Many accomplishments and memories were made during the long car rides, weeks of no showers, and tough events this year. I am so blessed to have been able to experience them with friends and loved ones. Competing in a nationals is nothing to brush off. It takes time, dedication, practice, and lots of stick-to-itiveness to successfully complete a day, let alone a series. The best of the best compete in nationals, and it's a great way to see where you stand compared to other tough competitors around the United States. I cannot be prouder of all who competed this year in nationals. Their hard work and bravery shines bright through their overall scores. Now without further ado, the results:

Florida:

- Round 1: Payden Campbell got 3rd place in Expert Sportsman (ES). This was his first time riding the ES line, and he was only 16 points away from first. Also keep in mind, the ES line is only two lines below the Pro line. I believe we will only see more great things out of Payden in the coming years. Greg Campbell got 3rd place in Senior Clubman, only one point away from first place. He lost second by cleans. Greg put on an amazing performance, and got a lot of attention from the other Senior Clubman. Marvin Edgington got 1st place in Senior 60 by a landslide. I don't think I need to mention how of great a rider we have in Marvin.
- Round 2: Payden, ES, received 5th place this round. He lost 4th place by cleans. Greg, Sr. Clubman, also received 5th place, and only 12 points away from first. Marvin received 2nd place in Sr. 60. Greg took 9th over the entire Clubman line and Payden took 8th over the entire Expert Sportsman line.

Tennessee:

- Round 3: Payden got 5th in ES losing 4th by cleans. Greg got 7th in Sr. Clubman, only 8 points away from first. Marvin got 2nd place in Senior 60.
- Round 4: Payden got 4th in ES; Greg got 8th in Sr. Clubman, again, only 8 points away from first. Marvin got 1st in Sr. 60.

Florida and Tennessee created the East Coast series. Payden received 5th overall in Expert Sportsman for the East Coast Series, Greg received 6th overall in Senior Clubman, and Marvin received 1st overall in Senior 60. Don't forget to congratulate all three riders for their great performances.

Oregon:

- Round 5: Dustin Land got 1st place in Expert Sportsman. He put on an amazing ride winning by a landslide. Marvin Edgington got 5th place in Senior 60, losing 4th by cleans. Dustin got 2nd overall for the Expert Sportsman line.
- Round 6: Dustin won 1st place in ES by over 20 points and received 2nd overall in the Expert Sportsman line. Marvin won 2nd place in Sr. 60.

Colorado:

- Round 7: Dustin won 1st place in ES with Payden Campbell in 4th. Dustin got 1st overall in the overall ES line. In Senior Clubman, Greg Campbell got 6th place, Tim Razey got 8th place, and Randy Black not finishing due to an injury. This event was Tim's first national event, and he performed so well. Marvin Edgington got 3rd in Senior 60 losing 2nd by 1 point and 1st by 3 points. Reid Malcom got 5th in Sportsman losing 4th by 1 point. This was also Reid's first nationals.
- Round 8: Dustin Land got 1st place in ES and 3rd overall in the ES line. Payden Campbell got 4th place, just 8 points away from 1st, and 8th overall in the ES line. Reid got 5th place in Sportsman. Greg Campbell got 3rd in Senior Clubman just 4 points away from 2nd and 12 points away from 1st. Greg also was 5th overall in the Clubman line. Tim Razey was 9th place in Sr. Clubman. Marvin Edgington got 3rd place in Senior 60, just 10 points away from 1st.

Oregon and Colorado created the West Coast series. Dustin Land received 1st place overall for the West Coast series in Expert Sportsman, and Payden Campbell received 7th overall in Expert Sportsman. Reid Malcom received 6th place in Sportsman, and Marvin Edgington received 3rd place overall in Senior 60 for the West Coast series. Greg Campbell received 6th place overall in Senior Clubman, and Tim Razey received 13th place overall in Senior Clubman for the West Coast series.

Unfortunately, these scores only tell half of the story. You cannot truly understand the accomplishments of these men by just their scores. You have to watch them practice and compete to experience the true success of each of our cherished riders. They have went against the best of the best and they have risen victorious in their own ways. As I said before, and I cannot say enough, I am so proud of everyone who competed in Nationals this year. As a club, we are so proud of the accomplishments of each and every one of our riders and the hard work they very rarely get credit for. I, as well as the club, look forward with excitement for next year's nationals and what fun and exciting adventures await our riders as well as the growth we will see in each of them. We congratulate each and every rider who competed. We are so proud of how amazing you all did this year. Keep up the great work so we can keep bragging about you!