



MOVISTAR YAMAHA'S PRESERVICE IN MOTEGI PAYS OFF WITH CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS

Movistar Yamaha MotoGP® rider Valentino Rossi showed his fighting spirit on Sunday at the Twin Ring Motegi circuit in Japan. It earned him 4th place and valuable championship points, putting him in close contention for the battle for second in the championship standings. Teammate Maverick Viñales had a challenging start to the Motul Grand Prix of Japan, but with his typical determination took 7th position, so he can continue to fight for 2nd and 3rd place in the final three rounds of the 2018 MotoGP® World Championship.



RYAN VILLOPOTO CLAIMS 3RD PLACE PODIUM IN RED BULL® STRAIGHT RHYTHM EVENT

Multi-time Champion and Yamaha marketing partner Ryan Villopoto claimed 3rd place at this weekend's Red Bull® Straight Rhythm in the 250 Division held on a half-mile straight track in Pomona, California. This was the 5th year of the event featuring all 2-stroke machines with the 250-class featuring some of the best racing of the night including Villopoto finishing 3rd on his Pro Circuit®-built YZ250™.



BROCK HEGER WINS LOORS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP IN HIS YXZ1000R™!

Maxxis®/JM2/Weller/Yamaha driver Brock Heger claimed his 2nd consecutive Lucas Oil® Off Road Series Production UTV National Championship at the Wild Horse Motorsports Park in Chandler, Arizona this weekend aboard his YXZ1000R. Heger led most of the race when a misstep caused him to lose two positions, however his 3rd place finish was enough for Brock to claim a dramatic 2nd consecutive Championship for the young driver.



6 YAMAHA RIDERS CLAIM WINS AT PONCA CITY AMATEUR MX EVENT

This weekend's Moto Playground Ponca City, Oklahoma Amateur Motocross event saw 6 Yamaha riders claim victory in this important event for future racing stars. Beginning with Cycle Trader/Rock River's Carter Halpain who won the premier 250A class with 1-1 moto scores and followed Triangle Cycles/Monster's Jordan Jarvis who claimed the women's 12+ also via 1-1 moto finishes. Braden Walther won 250B and Gizmo Mods Colton Eigenmann the 450B class, Addison Emory IV won Collegeboy, and finally Merge Racing's John Short claimed the Open Pro Sport Class.