



Round Two: Nisswa, Minnesota

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Cor PowerSports continued their season with the second round of the series in Nisswa, Minnesota for the Nisswa 100. This would mark the first terrain race of the season as the series just came off the lakes of Ottertail last weekend. Last year at the inaugural Nisswa 100, the course was the roughest of the season so teams were expecting similar conditions this year. The race course entails a combination of rough ditch sections and wooded trails. The course came out to be a 54 mile course with the Pro and Semi Pro divisions running two laps making it a 108 mile course for them. All other classes ran one lap each day with results based on their total times.

The first race of the day contained the Pro Vet 35+, Pro Factory Women's, Sport Stock Improved, Junior 14-17, and Junior 14-17 Girls classes. Sleds left the line one at a time 15 seconds apart at 9:02 AM. Conditions were overcast with flat light to start out the day at a windy 13 degrees. After 52 miles, Aaron Christensen was out front of the Pro Vet 35+ class with a time of 54 minutes 58.747 seconds. In the Pro Factory Women's class, Lydia Sobeck led the pack by only 36 seconds over Savannah Landrus. The Sport Improved class was a close battle with the top six being all under one minute. Kyle Paradis led the way after day one by only 4 seconds over Jakob Olson in second, Keagen Houser 11 seconds out of the lead in third. In the Trail class, Adam Brandt led the way over his brother Stuart after day one by 1 minute 54.879 seconds. In the Vet 30+ class, Michael Neeley clocked in fastest at 1:00:32.671. In the Junior 14-17 class, Jaxon Hammer clocked in first after one lap 20 seconds over Brady Wadena in second. Finally in the Junior 14-17 Girls class, Katie Clark was out front with a day one time of 1:12:49.858.

The second race of the day was the Pro Open and Semi Pro Improved finals. It warmed up to 17 degrees with the wind still blowing. These racers ran two laps with a mandatory fuel stop after the first lap. Sleds took off into the ditches 15 seconds apart with the race being scored by time. After lap one, Zach Herfindahl ran his fast lap of the race (and the fastest race of the entire weekend) clocking in at 54:29.784 on his Arctic Cat. Behind him was Arctic Cat teammate David Brown with a time of 54:44.581. Clocking in third was Aaron Christensen (55:54.432), fourth was Justin Tate (55:54.707) and fifth was Marshall Busse (56:54.747) all on Polaris machines. In the Semi Pro Improved class, Cross Country rookie Matt Lamourea, who just made

the transition from Snocross, clocked in fastest with a time of 56:42.660 on his Ski-Doo. In second after lap one was Derick Krug (58:56.008) and sitting in third was Boe Bunke (59:57.544) both on Polaris. Riders took their fuel stops after clocking in the first lap so lap two times appeared slow due to the stops. Zach Herfindahl's lap two time was 56:42.660 including a fuel stop which was enough to earn himself another Pro Open win in 2023 with a total time of 1 hour 51 minutes 12.444 seconds. Justin Tate ran a fast second lap (57:16.748) which took him all the way up to second place with a total time of 1:53:11.455 (1 minute 59.011 seconds behind Herfindahl). In third was David Brown with a total time of 1:53:46.891 on Arctic Cat, fourth was Dan Revering (1:54:42.929), and rounding out the top five was Aaron Christensen (1:54:48.108) both on Polaris. In the Semi Pro Improved class, Matt Lamourea kept his blistering pace and won the class with a total time of 1:57:32.287 on his Ski-Doo. Lamourea beat out his competition by 4 minutes 28.626 seconds. Coming in second was Evan Peppel on his Polaris with a total time of 2:02:00.913. Rounding out the podium was Boe Bunke on Polaris (2:04:32.913), in fourth was Dalton Halvorson (2:05:12.619) and in fifth was Cooper Kangas (2:05:29.172) both on Ski-Doo.

The last race of the day was the first half of the Sport Stock, Classic, Expert 600 Limited, Masters 40+, Masters 50+, Junior 10-13, and Junior 10-13 Girls classes. These racers completed one lap on day one similar to how race one of the day competed. In the competitive Sport Stock class, which had 26 entries, Kyle Paradis led after day one with a time of 1:05:59.860. In Masters 40+, Jamie Line led by 3:40 over Jon Arneson. In Masters 50+, Jon Arneson was leading the pack of nine riders with a time of 1:12:20.060. Ryan Derrick was out front of the Classic class with a time of 1:21:53.317. The Expert 600 Limited class was a very close battle after day one with Jaxon Hammer fastest by only 2.856 seconds over Aaden Olson. Trig Anderson led the Junior 10-13 class with a time of 1:19:04.014 and Reese Novacek, who sat in third in Junior 10-13 sat in first of the Junior 10-13 Girls class with a time of 1:22:27.267.

Sunday brought warmer temperatures and a clear blue sky with the sun shining! At the start of race one, it was 30 degrees with little to no wind! The day started with the first heat finishing off their racing weekends running the second half of their merged times. In the Pro Vet 35+ Class, Craig Ritzinger was the only racer to complete the course so he won the class with a total time of 2:16:49.404. In the Pro Factory Women's class, Lydia Sobeck kept up her fast pace and won the class on her Ski-Doo with a total time of 2:13:50.851 over Mckenna Cloose on her Arctic Cat in second (2:16:14.714). Finishing in third was the Polaris racer Savannah Landrus with a time of 2:17:18.617. In the Sport Improved class, Kyle Paradis took the win with a total time of 2:07:13.650. In second with a time of 2:08:24.472 was Chance Ogle on his Polaris. Rounding out the podium for Sport Improved Stock was Cole Bernlohr with a time of 2:11:03.868. In the Trail class, Adam Brandt kept the lead and took the win with a time of 2:11:29.671 over Drew Beeson who moved into second (2:19:16.233) and Stuart Brandt in third (2:22:09.884). Michael Neelet took the win in the Vet 30+ division (2:08:46.475) over Adam Brandt with his same time listed above. The Junior 14-17 class always delivers a good show and this weekend was no exception.

Elliott Clark came from a fourth place position after day one to win the race on day two with a time of 2:16:34.540. Coming in second was John McGuire with a time of 2:18:51.760 both riding for Arctic Cat. Rounding out the podium was Jaxon Hammer on his Polaris (2:26:08.176). Finally in the Junior 14-17 Girls class, Katie Clark was the only to finish making her the winner of that class with a time of 2:44:31.775.

Race two of the day started around 10:50 AM and it was up to 31 degrees! This race was the Pro Factory Stock and Semi Pro Factory Stock final. Like race two yesterday, these racers competed in two laps with a mandatory fuel stop between laps. The course was rougher than day one so times were expected to be slightly longer. Sleds took off 15 seconds apart one at a time. Dan Revering, who started second, quickly made the on track pass for the lead early on in the race. Last round winner, Zach Herfindahl, started in the back of the Pro class but picked his way through the pack quickly. After one lap, Zach Herfindahl was the fastest time on his Arctic Cat with a lap time of 1:00:22.946. Dan Revering clocked second as he ran in clean air out front on his Polaris only 3 seconds behind Herfindahl (1:00:25.236). Clocking in third on lap one was Justin Tate on Polaris, only 9 seconds out of first (1:00:31.912). In fourth was Marshall Busse on Polaris (1:01:45.744) and in fifth was David Brown on Arctic Cat (1:04:03.673). For the Semi Pro division, Jesse Hallstrom clocking in first with a time of 1:05:20.076 on his Ski-Doo. Coming in second was Derick Krug on his Polaris (1:06:38.287), third was Bradon Wolter on his Polaris (1:08:50.748), fourth was Travis Muller on his Cat (1:08:59.629) and rounding out the top five after lap one was Cole Boyd on Polaris (1:09:33.069). After a fuel stop and another lap around the course, Revering had created a gap from the rest of the pack. Dan Revering was the first to cross the finish line and is currently undefeated as he picked up the Pro Factory Stock win at the Nisswa 100. His winning time was 2:01:58.931. Coming in second 26 seconds back was Zach Herfindahl with a time of 2:02:24.092. Rounding out the Pro Stock podium was Justin Tate with a time of 2:03:57.182. Marshall Busse placed fourth (2:06:07.899) and Taylor Bunke placed fifth (2:10:51.399) both on Polaris machines. In the Semi Pro Stock division, Jesse Hallstrom remains undefeated in 2023 and picks up another overall win on his Ski-Doo with a total time of 2:14:45.467. Coming in second was Derick Krug (2:17:12.305) and rounding out the podium was Brandon Wolter (2:20:12.673) both on Polaris. Cooper Kangas came in fourth on his Skidoo (2:21:05.754) and in fifth on his Arctic Cat was Travis Muller (2:21:42.567).

The last race of the day was the remaining classes who ran their second day of racing; Sport Stock, Classic, Expert 600 Limited, Junior 10-13, Junior 10-13 Girls, Masters 40+, and Masters 50+. Sleds were sent out one at a time 15 seconds apart again for this heat. As crews were sending out the Junior 10-13 riders, there was a medical emergency out on the course and we stopped sending sleds out at this point. About half the racers in Junior 10-13 class were already on the course and half were at the starting line. In the Sport Stock class, Chance Ogle claimed the win with a time of 2:18:52.100. In second was Kyle Paradis (2:20:16.959) and in third was Max Bollesen (2:21:55.653). In the Masters 40+ class, Jamie Line took the win with a time of

2:26:20.069. Jon Arneson came through second (2:28:12.069) and Jamie Smart in third (2:31:06.545). In the Masters 50+, Jon Arneson was victories with the time listed above, Jamie Smart came in second with the time listed above and Mike Carver rounded out the podium (2:33:32.031). In the Classic division, Paul Votava took the win with a time of 3:05:02.181 over Ryan Derrick. Elliott Clark walked away with a second win of the weekend winning the Expert 600 Limited class with a time of 2:34:25.605. In second was Jaxon Hammer (2:35:30.833) and in third was Stuart Brandt (2:36:34.769). Due to this, the Junior 10-13 classes were only scored off of day one results. In the Junior 10-13 class, Trig Anderson took the win (1:19:04.014), Rielly Clark came in second (1:20:30.519), and Reese Novacek placed third (1:22:27.267). Reese also entered in the Junior 10-13 Girls class and placed first with her time listed above. Charlie Kangas placed second (1:41:13.682) and Kynsie Diesen placed third (1:41:41.444).

After two round of racing, here is how the championship points standings sit for the top classes.

Pro Factory Stock

- 1- Zach Herfindahl 99 points
- 2- Dan Revering (-1)
- 3- Wes Selby (-6)
- 4- Taylor Bunke (-23)
- 5- David Brown (-28)

Pro Open

- 1- Zach Herfindahl 110 points
- 2- Aaron Christensen (-19)
- 3- Wes Selby (-29)
- 4- Dan Revering (-38)
- 5- David Brown (-44)

Semi Pro Factory Stock

- 1- Jesse Hallstrom 96 points
- 2- Evan Peppel (-6)
- 3- Derick Krug (-10)
- 4- Cooper Kangas (-10)
- 5- Brandon Wolter (-14)

Semi Pro Improved

- 1-Boe Bunke 88 points
- 2- Aiden Johnson (-13)
- 3- Cooper Kangas (-15)
- 4- Brandon Wolter (-16)

5- Jesse Hallstom (-17)

Pro Factory Women

1-Mckenna Cloose 193 points

2- Savannah Landrus (-17)

3- Gabby Hallstrom (-34)