

Despite the warm temperatures, Cor Powersports headed back to Naytahwaush, Minnesota for the 56th annual Snodeo 200. The ice held up well throughout the week and we were given the clear to go racing! Saturday morning welcomed us with 30 degree temperatures but a wind kept the air chilled. Racing was underway at 9 AM with the first race of the day being the two lap Pro Open and Semi Pro Improved qualifier. This would determine the order for the head up final later in the day. After two fast laps, Boe Bunke (Polaris) was the number one qualifier in Pro Open with a two lap time of 14:39.102 seconds. Qualifying second was Alex Hetteen (Polaris) 0.596 seconds behind Bunke. In third was Ross Erdman (Polaris) 0.743 seconds back, fourth was Paul Brown (Arctic Cat) 4.567 seconds back, and Zach Herfindahl (Arctic Cat) in fifth 9.710 seconds back. In the Semi Pro Improved class, Keagen Houser (Arctic Cat) was fast qualifier at 15:29.502. Cooper Kangas (Ski-Doo) came in second 4.884 second back. Third was O'Ryan Bosek (Polaris) 5.052 seconds back, fourth was Jon Arneson (Arctic Cat) 12.598 seconds back and Luke Van Lyssel (Polaris) was fifth quick 13.167 seconds back.

The second race of the day was the Sport Improved two lap qualifier. Taking the top qualifying spot was Collin Grover (Polaris) with a two lap time of 15:36.898. Second quick was Brady Wadena (Arctic Cat) 5.780 seconds back. Third was Jakob Olson (Polaris) 9.500 seconds back, fourth was Anakin Bosek (Polaris) 11.382 seconds back and rounding out the top five was Draycen Byfuglien (Polaris) 17.955 seconds back.

Race three was the first two day overall format classes. The next few classes would run both days with their results based on combined time after both days. In the Classic class, Collin Grover (Polaris) held the lead after day one by only 5.945 seconds! In the Junior 14-17 class, Brady Wimpfheimer (Arctic Cat) had a comfortable 25.746 second lead over second. In Junior 14-17 Girls, Katie Clark (Arctic Cat) also had a healthy lead of 26.266 seconds over second. In Masters 50+, Todd Severson (Arctic Cat) led by only 7.064 seconds over second. In Vet 30+, Adam Brandt (Arctic Cat) had a small lead of only 2.002 seconds over the second place sled.

In race four, the Junior 10-13, Junior 10-13 Girls, and Junior Transition 8-12 classes battled it out on their first day of racing. In Junior 10-13, Luke Fredman (Polaris) held the lead by 15.150 seconds. In Junior 10-13 Girls, Kynsie Diesen (Arctic Cat) led after day one by 19.345 seconds. In Junior Transition 8-12, Mikey Roy Jr. led by 2 minutes 38.413 seconds!

Race five was ran as a heads up race and scored with a motocross style format. These classes would run two heads up races, one each day, and the best average finish over the two races would be the winner. Each class started in their own line and got their own green light to start. First to get the green was the Pro Bet 35+ class. Then the Expert 600 Limited class was given the green and finally the Pro Factory Women's class. After an action filled race one, Justin Tate (Polaris) took the win in the Pro Vet 35+ class with Jon Arneson (Arctic Cat) in second and Craig Ritzinger (Ski-Doo) in third. In the Expert 600 Limited class, Brady Wimpfheimer took the win in race one over Bennett Iverson in second and Axle Amsden in third all on Arctic Cat. In Pro Women, Unity Gausen (Polaris) won race one with Mckenna Cloose (Arctic Cat) in second and Leah Bauer (Polaris) in third. All three of these classes ran their second moto on day two for an over average result.

Race six was back to the two day timed format. In the Masters 50+ class, Jon Arneson (Arctic Cat) led after day one by 19.506 seconds. In the Trail class, Kyle Grover (Polaris) held a healthy lead of 1 minute 15.056 seconds.

Race seven of the day was the heads up Sport Improved final who ran four laps. These results were based on who crossed the line first. After four laps of nail biting action, the classic sled pulled off the win over all the modern sleds! Collin Grover took the win on his Polaris with a four lap time of 31 minutes 20.141 seconds. In second place was Jakob Olson (Polaris) only 2.755 seconds out of the first place position. Rounding out the podium was Brady Wadena on his Arctic Cat 4.824 seconds out of the lead. In fourth was Tyler Brown (Polaris) 9.093 seconds back and rounding out the top five was Draycen Byfuglien (Polaris) who had a tip over while leading earlier in the race.

Race eight of the day was the heads up Semi Pro Final. These racers battled it out for six laps. Luke Van Lyssel took the early race lead but the top five sleds swapped positions every lap! After six laps of tight racing, Jon Arneson was able to claim the win on his Arctic Cat with a total time of 46 minutes 27.707. Finishing second on his Arctic Cat was Keagen Houser only 3.712 seconds out of first. Coming in third was early race leader, Luke Van Lyssel on his Polaris 9.943 seconds back. In fourth was O'Ryan Bosek on his Polaris 15.371 seconds back and in fourth was Cooper Kangas on his Ski-Doo 32.103 seconds back.

The final race of the day was the ten lap Pro Open heads up final. Sleds lined up in rows of five based on their qualifying times. All racers had to take a mandatory fuel stop before the white flag taking a minimum of two gallons of fuel. B. Bunke, Hetteen, Erdman, P. Brown, and Herfindahl took their positions on the front row and the green light flashed. Alex Hetteen took the early race lead on his twin pipe Polaris machine with Boe Bunke on his single pipe Polaris buggy on his tail. Erdman, Christensen, Herfindahl, and Paul Brown didn't let this duo out of sight. As Hetteen and B. Bunke slowly pulled away from the field, Boe Bunke made his way into the lead putting Alex Hetteen into second. Sleds began to fuel, mixing up the pack but the two front running waited until lap eight. Bunke and Hetteen pulled into the fuel area together. Hetteen had a guicker fuel stop and regained the race lead. Bunke followed him out of the fuel area but wasn't able to reclose the gap. After ten laps of chasing and being chased, Alex Hetteen earned the Pro Open win on his Polaris mod with a total time of 1 hour 12 minutes 53.937 seconds. Coming in second was Boe Bunke on his Polaris single pipe machine only 4.394 seconds back. Rounding out the podium on his Polaris mod was Aaron Christensen 1 minute and 23.837 seconds back. In fourth was Paul Brown on his Arctic Cat 1 minute 38.525 seconds back and in fifth was Ross Erdman 1 minute and 49,104 seconds out of the lead.

Sunday brought overcast skies but the win had died down. Racing got underway at 9 AM with race one being the Pro Factory Stock and Semi Pro Factory Stock two lap qualifier. After two quick laps, the defending Pro Stock champ, Zach Herfindahl, was the top qualifier on his Arctic Cat with a total time of 14 minutes 53.514 seconds. Qualifying second was Polaris racer Marshall Busse only 2.586 seconds off of Herfindahl. In third was rookie, Evan Peppel (Polaris) 3.705 seconds off the lead. Dan Revering (Polaris) qualified fourth 3.734 seconds back and Gunner Arlaud (Arctic Cat) fifth 6.691 seconds back. All 18 racers were within one minute of each other! In the Semi Pro Factory Stock class, Keagen Houser (Arctic Cat) was the top qualifier with a time of 15 minutes and 14.047 seconds. Qualifying second was Brandon Wolter (Polaris) 10.043 seconds back. In third was O'Ryan Bosek (Polaris) 13.699 seconds back, fourth was Cooper Kangas (Ski-Doo) 15.286 seconds back and in fifth was Lucas Vaadi (Polaris) 18.028 seconds back.

The second race of Sunday was the Sport Stock qualifier. After two laps, all 25 sleds qualified within one minute of each other! Coming out on top was the Arctic Cat of Brady Wadena with a time of 15 minutes 24.488 seconds. In second was Jon Arneson (Arctic Cat) 6.177 seconds back. Qualifying third was Collin Grover on his classic Polaris sled 10.160 back. In fourth was Jakob Olson (Polaris) 12.902 seconds back and in fifth was Tyler Brown (Polaris) 13.879 seconds back.

The third race brought the Junior 14-17 classes, the Vet 30+, Masters 50+, and Classic classes back on the track for their second day of racing. After a solid two days of racing in the Classics class, Collin Grover took the overall win on his Polaris with a total time of 47 minutes and 5.096 seconds. Coming in seconds was Kyle Grover and in third was Glen Arlaud. In the Junior 14-17 class, Brady Wimpfheimer put together a strong showing and took the win on his Arctic Cat with a time of 50 minutes 11.169 seconds. In second was Bennett Iverson on his Arctic Cat and in third overall was Axle Amsden making it an all Arctic Cat podium. In the Junior 14-17 Girls class, Katie Clark showed speed and took the overall win with a time of 51 minutes 1.603 seconds. In second was Taylor Cloose and coming in third was Rachel Wimpfheimer making it an other Arctic Cat sweep. In the Masters 50+ class, Jeff Mckay took the win on his Polaris with a time of 48 minutes 15.997 seconds. In second was Tommie Quam and taking third was Paul Votava. In Vet 30+, Adam Brandt took the win on his Arctic Cat with a total time of 49 minutes 39.184 seconds. Coming in second was Jared Christensen on his Polaris.

Race four was back to the Junior classes with the 10-13 and 10-13 Girls along with the Transition 8-12 class. The young Polaris racer of Luke Fredman had a strong running this weekend taking home the Junior 10-13 class. Coming in second was Rielly Clark (Arctic Cat) and in third was Cole Prusak on his Polaris. In the Junior 10-13 Girls class, Kynsie Diesen took another win this weekend on her Arctic Cat with Charlie Kangas in second on her Ski-Doo and in third was Madyson Landin on her Polaris. In the Junior 8-12 Transition class, Brently Iverson took the win on his Arctic Cat with Aidan Jurina in second on his Arctic Cat in second and Gavin Gruhot in third on his Polaris.

Race five was the second moto for the Pro Factory Women's, Pro Vet 35+, and Expert 600 Limited class. In the Expert 600 Limited class, Brady Wimpfheimer went 1-1 for a first overall on his Arctic Cat. Bennett Iverson went 2-2 on his Arctic Cat for a second overall and going 3-4 for a third overall was Axel Amsden on his Arctic Cat. In the Pro Vet 35+ class, it was pretty straight forward. Justin Tate went 1-1 on his Polaris for first overall. Jon Arneson went 2-2 for second overall on his Arctic Cat and Craig Ritzinger went 3-3 for a third overall on his Ski-Doo. In the Pro Factory Women's class, the results were a lot tighter. Leah Bauer was the first to cross the line on day two (moto two) but she missed a marker on the course which is a one minute penalty. This put Leah Bauer from first to fourth which made her overall results a 3-4 for a fourth overall. After having a solid day two of racing was Reese Novacek (Polaris) going 5-2 for a third overall. Placing second overall was Unity Gausen (Polaris) going 1-3 in her motos. And taking the overall win in the Pro Factory Women's class was Mckenna Cloose going 2-1 on her Arctic Cat.

The final race that was based on time for the weekend was the Masters 40+ and Trail class. After two days of racing, Jon Arneson (Arctic Cat) took the win with a time of 47 minutes 52.326 seconds. In second was Jeff Mckay (Polaris) and in third was Glen Arlaud (Arctic Cat). In the Trail division, Kyle Grover (Polaris) took the win with a time of 47 minutes 59.685 seconds. In seconds was Paul Votava (Arctic Cat) and in third was Paul Sillerud (Arctic Cat). Race seven on the day was the heads up Sport Stock final. This class has been competitive all weekend long with the top sleds all being within seconds of each other. Wadena, Arneson, Grover, Olson, and Brown all took their starting spot on the front row. Brady Wadena got out to the early race lead on his Arctic Cat with a slew of sleds behind him. Wadena held the lead after one lap with Arneson in tow. It didn't take long for Collin Grover to make his way into third place on his classic Polaris sled which showed speed all weekend long. While Arneson chased Wadena around the course, Grover was closing in on the duo.. After six laps, Jon Arneson was able to get by the youngster of Brady Wadena to take the Sport Stock win with a total time of 30 minutes 32.6 seconds. Wadena finished second both on Arctic Cat only 1.637 seconds out of firth and rounding out the podium was Collin Grover on Polaris only 4.082 seconds back. In fourth was Draycen Byfuglien (Polaris) 26.745 seconds back and in fifth was Tyler Brown (Polaris) 46.304 seconds back.

The next race on the schedule was the Semi Pro Factory Stock Final. They ran six laps with a heads up start, no fuel stops. Houser, Wolter, Bosek, Kangas, and Vaadi started on the front row of this one. The light flashed green and they were off across the lake. Van Lyssel, Bosek, Wolter, Kangas, and Houser were all duking it out up front throughout the entire race. Van Lyssel worked his way to the front with Bosek, Kangas, Wolter, and Houser all in tow. These five did not give each other much breathing room and kept the battle tight making for great racing to watch! After six laps, Luke Van Lyssel captured the win on his Polaris with a total time of 45 minutes 28.6 seconds. Crossing the line second was O'Ryan Bosek (Polaris) but due to hitting a course marker, he was penalized 30 seconds. With how tight the top sleds were, this put Bosek back to eighth place. Keagen Houser (Arctic Cat) was bumped into second 2.923 seconds out of first and Cooper Kangas (Ski-Doo) into third 3.314 behind the leader. In fourth was Brandon Wolter (Polaris) 4.202 seconds back and in fifth was Derek Kloety (Arctic Cat) 18.954 seconds back.

The final race of the weekend was the Pro Factory Stock Final. This race was 10 laps, heads up, with one mandatory fuel stop taking a minimum of four gallons. Herfindahl, Busse, Peppel, Revering, Arlaud, and Hallstrom took their starting spots on the front row. Pro rookie Jesse Hallstrom took the early race lead with Marshall Busse running second. Gunner Arlaud and Evan Peppel ran fourth and fifth early. It didn't take long for round one's winner Jesse Hallstrom to form a gap over the rest of the field. Busse was the only one who had Hallstrom in sight but he was pulling away quickly. Herfindahl, who was running seventh early, was running similar lap times to Hallstrom but was not running in clean air and trying to make passes through the pack which is never an easy feat. Sleds began to pull in for fuel while Hallstrom and Busse both stayed out until near the end. On lap eight, Hallstrom pulled into pit lane with Busse following him in. Busse had a quicker fuel stop than Hallstrom and the two pulled out of pit row almost side by side. This is what Busse needed to close the gap! Busse did get around Hallstrom for the lead but Hallstrom was able to get back around him. Coming into the checkered the two were neck and neck and it was anybody's race! However, just like last weekend, the Ski-Doo crossed the line first and the Pro Rookie, Jesse Hallstrom, is now a two time Pro Factory Stock winner. Hallstrom's total time was 1 hour 19 minutes 15.298 seconds. Marshall Busse (Polaris) finished with a strong second place only 0.567 seconds behind Hallstrom. Zach Herfindahl crossed in third, however, Herfindahl and both Bunke boys were penalized one position for not taking the minimum amount of fuel during their pit stop. This bumped Pro Rookie Evan Peppel (Polaris) into the third place position 8.164 second out of first, Herfindahl (Arctic Cat) into fourth 6.071 second back, and Dan Revering (Polaris) took fifth 27.319 second out of first.

The next round of racing was supposed to take place in Ironwood, Michigan on March 15-17th but unfortunately, the area was hit with a large amount of rain and thunderstorms this past weekend and melted the entire base layer of snow. This forced us to cancel the last race of the season and call it a year for this rollercoaster of a season. We would like to thank the community of Naytahwaush for allowing us two host two rounds of racing in 2024! We are excited to be back in 2025. Stay tuned for the release of the 2025 schedule Stay tuned for the release of the 2025 schedule March 15 at High Noon!!!



