

STEVE LEIVAN ~ 2014 Race Report

Event: Round 6 TSCEC (Texas Enduro); Callisburg, TX; December

Bike: 2014 KTM 250 XC

Result: 1st AA

Info: We were treated to amazing conditions (again!) this past weekend for the Barteau Ranch TSCEC event. This was the first enduro on this property and the Red River Dirt Riders did a great job of laying out a fun and challenging event. There was plenty of tight fresh cut stuff along with creek beds and steep drop offs and climbs. The "perfect" conditions didn't hurt anything either.

There was a slight mist falling during the first two sections but it really just made it better. I rode pretty good in the first test, but with no warm up section, I got pretty tight a couple of miles in. My bike was also running very lean (because of the temperature) so I had to preserve it in the fast sections. We were back at the truck after the first two sections so I made some jetting adjustments and the bike was perfect after that.

My biggest stumble of the day was in test three when I lost the front end on a goofy off camber uphill turn. It took me forever to get going again and that was my worst section of the day. Test four and seven were the longest of the day (10 and 12 miles) and also the most technical. Obviously, those were my favorites.

Overall, I had a really good ride and it was a very fun event. I won the "AA" class and finished seventh overall - behind some very talented riders.

The highlight of the event was having my sister ride her first ever enduro and having my dad line up again. They rode together with Steph's husband Jarod, and her boy Colton. They all seemed to have a good time as well, and it was awesome having them out there. Now I need to keep them doing it!

Results (O/A): 1. Wiesenfels KTM 2. Ingram KTM 3. Fahringer HUS 4 Kirkpatrick KTM 5. Higgins KTM 6. Franklin KTM 7. LEIVAN KTM 8. Ingram YAM 9. Bailey YAM 10. Bailey YAM

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