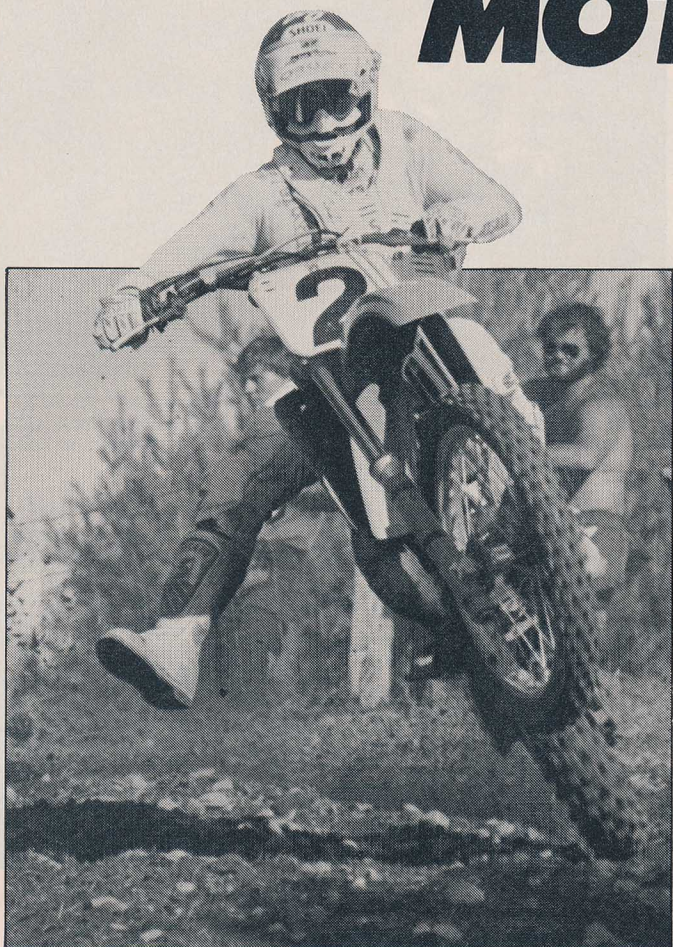




# NATIONAL MOTOCROSS WRAP-UP

NO SURPRISES

*Lechien, Ward & Glover take the gold*



**Jeff Ward** skated off with the 250 crown after taking second overall aboard his Mike McAndrews-tuned KX at the Washougal National. Jeff won the first moto, then took a conservative third place in the final race to clinch the title.

**Broc Glover** snagged the Open class title for Yamaha with a win at the Binghamton, New York, National. Glover sat out the last two rounds due to a wrist injury but still finished far ahead of David Bailey.

**B**y the time the National motocross show rolled into Washougal, Washington, for the final round of the outdoor series, the AMA's 125 and 500cc National Champs had already been crowned.

Broc Glover became the season's first titlist when he won the Open trophy at the Binghamton, New York, round, and Ron Lechien grabbed 125 class honors with a victory at Millville, Minnesota. The only thing the Washougal fans really got to see was the final, no-holds-barred battle for the coveted 250cc crown.

### THE LAST PICTURE SHOW

Nineteen eighty-five could have been Johnny O'Mara's year. The Team Honda rider moved from the 125 class to the 250s this season, and he already owned one title aboard 250 class machinery—the indoor Supercross crown.

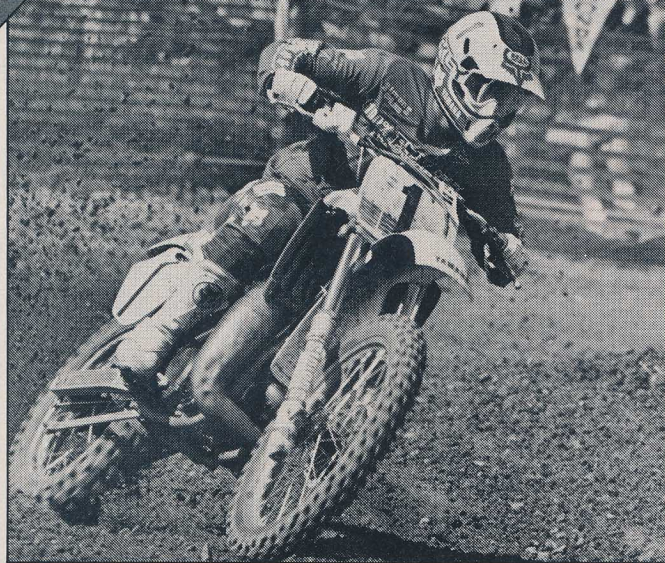
Rick Johnson started the '85 season with the number one plate in the 250 class. Even with the increased competition that the new season would bring, Ricky had already proven beyond a doubt that he was capable of running with and beating the best of the other factories' bikes and riders.



**Ron Lechien** wrapped up the 125cc title with a win at the Millville National in August. It was the first National title for Lechien, and it may well be the last 125 National title. The AMA has proposed dropping the 125s from National class status for 1986.

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**Johnny O'Mara took his HRC250 Honda on a late-season winning spree. Johnny won the final round at Washougal and tallied enough points to beat Rick Johnson for the 250cc runner-up spot in the overall points standings.**

◀ **After carrying the Number One plate in the 250 class in 1985, Rick Johnson will have to settle for a higher digit in '86. Rick was in the hunt most of the season but his overall points tally fell short in the end.**



**David Bailey was as smooth as ever, but wasn't able to overcome Broc Glover's early season points lead. When Honda realized that Bailey was out of contention for the Open Class title, they stacked the 250 class at Washougal with Bailey and teammate Ron Lechien. The plan went like this: Honda's Johnny O'Mara could still have won the 250 title at Washougal, but only if he won both motos and Kawasaki's Jeff Ward finished no better than fifth overall. With both Bailey and Lechien running interference for O'Mara, Johnny's title chances were substantially better. O'Mara did his part, winning the National overall, but both Lechien and Bailey finished behind Ward's second place tally. Ironically, the tactic cost Bailey his seemingly secure second-place finish in the Open Class series. Yamaha rider Eric Eaton scratched his way past David in the points chase by winning the Washougal National to take second behind Broc Glover in the final 500cc results.**



**Bob Hannah surprised a lot of people by taking the 250 win at the Millville National. Bob finished the season in fourth and will race the outdoor series again in '86.**

Bob Hannah may have been another year older, but no one was willing to write the Honda rider out of the script all that quickly. Bob ripped off yet another Daytona Supercross win early in the season, proving he still had the speed to win when he wanted it badly enough.

And while riders like Jeff Hicks, Scott Burnworth, Jim Holley, Brian Myerscough and Danny Storbeck would all prove capable of running at or near the front of the 250cc pack, the title would eventually fall to Team Kawasaki's Jeff Ward after the best quarter-liter title fight in years. □



Joe Salkowski

**Suzuki pilots George Holland (27) and Erik Kehoe were the only riders who managed to spend a significant amount of time in front of Ron Lechien. Holland won the opening round of the 125 series in Gainesville, while Kehoe took his first National win at Mt. Morris.**

**FINAL 1985 125cc NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP  
MOTOCROSS POINTS STANDINGS**

1. Ron Lechien, El Cajon, CA ..... 417
2. Erik Kehoe, Granada Hills, CA ..... 378
3. George Holland, Kerman, CA ..... 362
4. A.J. Whiting, Sherman Oaks, CA ..... 288
5. Rick Ryan, San Jose, CA ..... 271
6. Eddie Warren, Clio, MI ..... 257
7. Keith Bowen, Cypress, CA ..... 250
8. Guy Cooper, Stillwater, OK ..... 235
9. Larry Brooks, Pasadena, CA ..... 207
10. Mark Barnett, Lawley, AL ..... 183

**FINAL 1985 250cc NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP  
MOTOCROSS POINTS STANDINGS**

1. Jeff Ward, Mission Viejo, CA ..... 446
2. Johnny O'Mara, Gardnerville, NV ..... 428
3. Rick Johnson, El Cajon, CA ..... 381
4. Bob Hannah, Carson City, NV ..... 359
5. Brian Myerscough, Calimesa, CA ..... 253
6. Jim Holley, Northridge, CA ..... 251
7. Jeff Hicks, Atwater, OH ..... 247
8. Danny Storbeck, San Antonio, TX ..... 227
9. Steven Burdette, Chelmsford, MA ..... 166
10. Scott Burnworth, El Cajon, CA ..... 147

**FINAL 1985 500cc NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP  
MOTOCROSS POINTS STANDINGS**

1. Broc Glover, El Cajon, CA ..... 379
2. Eric Eaton, Tacoma, WA ..... 316
3. David Bailey, Axton, VA ..... 314
4. JoJo Keller, Plymouth, MA ..... 244
5. Billy Liles, Fairburn, GA ..... 228
6. Michael Fisher, Santee, CA ..... 223
7. Mark Murphy, Ft. Myers, FL ..... 222
8. Scott Manning, San Bernardino, CA ..... 217
9. Alan King, Troy, MI ..... 204
10. Kevin Foley, Longwood, FL ..... 198