

## HANSEN AND SCHULTZ WIN AT ATLANTA

**H**onda's **Donnie Hansen** and **Darrell Shultz** won national motocrosses on the rough, red-clay course of Road Atlanta. Hansen won both motos in the 250 cc class, and Shultz went 1-2 to win the 500cc class after first-moto victory **Danny Chandler** crashed in moto two.

Yamaha's **Rick Johnson** left the event with a 20-point 250cc championship lead despite finish 4-11 with problems.

Suzuki's **Kent Howerton** collided with Yamaha's **Jeff Hicks** while running third in moto two and broke his left leg, giving up the 500cc points lead to Shultz.

—Tom Mueller

## CUNNINGHAM LEADS NATIONAL ENDURO SERIES

**A**s the American Motorcyclist Association's 1982 National Enduro series reached the midpoint, Husky rider **Terry Cunningham** led the rest of the AA riders. Cunningham won overall honors at two of three California nationals, the Fool's Gold Run and the Buckhorn National. Combined with his win in the season opener in Georgia, that gave him a total of 128 points, 13 more than teammate **Mike Melton**, who won the Rattlesnake enduro in California.

Cunningham finished a close second in series points to eight-times champion **Richard Burleson** last season.

While Husqvarna continues to dominate, Kawasaki's **Jack Penton**, **Fritz Kadlec** and **Drew Smith** have made a strong showing also. Smith and Kadlec traded the lead in the early part of the season until Cunningham's wins in California.

—Brian and Ann Palormo



Photo by Brian Palormo

Terry Cunningham led the AMA National Enduro Series points at the season midpoint.

## HANSEN CLAIMS 250CC MX TITLE



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Donnie Hansen and his Honda won the 250cc National Motocross Championship by three points.

**Y**amaha's **Broc Glover** racked up a 2-1 to top the 250cc class and Honda's **Darrell Shultz** ran 1-2 in the 500cc class for overall honors in the 250/500cc National Championship MX Series at Colorado's Tech Track, but the story of the day centered around Yamaha's **Rick Johnson**, the 250cc points leader going into the round, and Honda's **Donnie Hansen**, who took second overall and edged Johnson for the 250cc title—by three points.

Hansen holeshot the first 250cc moto with teammate **Kenny Keylon** and Johnson in tow. Johnson had a 20 point lead going into the race, but seemed intent on all the glory as he blasted over the top of Keylon off a jump. The move was costly; Johnson destroyed his bike's front wheel when he landed and had to pit for a lap and a half. Hansen won, after a heavy dice with Glover, who took second. Suzuki's **Warren Reid** was third followed by Keylon.

Johnson finished 23rd.

Glover blasted the start in moto two and took his lead all the way to the finish, leading by 20 seconds at the flag. Hansen started second, and didn't put up much of a fight when Johnson came by near the 10-minute mark. It was the final race of the series and all Donnie needed to grab the crown was a safe finish. Hansen repassed Johnson later in the race, but Johnson returned the favor for an eventual second. Hansen took third, and along with it a storybook performance and the 250cc title.

Shultz led the first 500cc moto but teammate **Chuck Sun** passed him early in the race. Shultz retook the lead, and then had to repel the charges of Suzuki's **Alan King**. King got close but Shultz finished first. King was second, and Yamaha's **Mike Bell** passed Sun for a tight third, holding off Sun by inches through the last turn.

Bell took control of moto two but Shultz pounded past to once again lead. Then Sun got out front and traded the lead with Shultz. Sun won after Shultz ran out of steam during the final lap. Bell was third, King fourth.

—Tom Mueller

### Final Championship Points

1. Donnie Hansen	300
2. Rick Johnson	297
3. Broc Glover	294
4. Warren Reid	252
5. Kenny Keylon	248