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# MORGAN TANKE WITH A 2ND PLACE PODIUM AT ROUND 8 OF THE NATIONAL HARE & HOUND SERIES

## National Hare & Hound Round 8 Overview:

Location: Lucerne Valley, CA Beta Factory Race Team Results:

- Morgan Tanke had a 2nd place finish in the Women's Pro class and is currently in second place for the series points standings.
- Chance Fullerton finished just shy of the overall podium in 4th place and is currently in 4th place in the series points standings.
- Joe Wasson finished in 5th place at round 8 and is currently in second place in the series points standings.

#### **MORGAN TANKE** Bike: 250 RR Race Edition

"The 100's MC put on a rough course for this weekends NHHA and that's just how I like it. The first loop was short and fast. I came through the pits 2 minutes behind second place, got a splash of fuel and the Beta crew straightened the front end of my bike out. Onto the next loop. I was charging with everything I had to make up the time that I had lost on loop one, fortunately I made up enough time that I caught 2nd place and made a pass right before the beginning of pit 2. Then, I left pit 2 and was charging toward the finish. I went as fast as I safely could through an unexpected section of rocky technical terrain and ended up with a 19 minute gap from 3rd place. I made a last ditch effort to close the gap on first place but unfortunately it wasn't enough to catch up. I'm ready to charge into the last and final round of this years NHHA series back in my home turf of Lucerne valley!"





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#### CHANCE FULLERTON Bike: 430 RR

"I had another good run at this weekends Hare & Hound! I was running top 3 most of the day but came home with a 4th. Getting closer and closer with every ride and I'm excited to see my hard work pay off. Thanks to everyone for the help! Only one round left so time to give it our all!"





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#### JOE WASSON Bike: 430 RR

"Round 8 was a real bummer! I was battling with the top 5 guys and everyone was super close. Unfortunately I missed a check point in the dust, but luckily Dalton Shirey noticed I missed the check because he saw it on the right side of the course. I didn't see it and I went passed him in the next Little Rock section I heard him yelling that I missed the check! So, I turned around and went back and had to find it which cost me about 5 minutes. At that point the top guys were gone. I worked my way back and caught 4th but wasn't able to make it happen! Really bummed at this mistake because it ultimately set me farther away from a championship! Oh well... one round to go and anything can happen!"





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### **GNCC Round 11 Overview:**

Location: Mount Morris, PA Beta Factory Race Team Results:

- Rachel Gutish placed 4th in the WXC class and is currently seated in 10th place in the series points standings.
- Mike Witkowski had a DNF and is currently in 2nd place in the XC2 class for the series points standings.

# Bike: 200 RR

"While I still missed the podium by ten seconds, this was the most competitive I have been at a GNCC since I blew out my elbow. After struggling badly in this series all year, I finally felt like myself again and really believe things are looking up! I have one more shot this season at putting that 200 up on a GNCC podium, and I'm going to make the most of it!"





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#### MIKE WITKOWSKI Bike: 300 RR

"Going into the Mason Dixon GNCC we had very little rain and I knew it was going to be very dusty. My Beta 250 RR got me the jump off the line and I grabbed the XC2 hole-shot. I played a smart race and stayed out front and was feeling strong. This was my first time actually leading but to lead for the first three laps was something I haven't done. We took a pit stop on lap 2 but I ended up blowing by the pit as my crew didn't signal me in to pit. I was full of excitement going into my last three laps of the race and ready to finish off the race with a win. Unfortunately going into my 4th lap of the race my motor sucked up some dirt and I was not able to finish the race. Even though I let up on speed I was still leading XC2 and managing the race well, but things happen sometimes that are out of anyone's control. Its very frustrating as I know we had that one, and it would have been our first win, but we cant live in the past. We must move on and keep working hard leading into these last two GNCC's! "





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