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GUTISH WINS AMA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE AT THE 2019 TKO EXTREME ENDURO

Tennessee Knock Out Overview:

Location: Sequatchie, TN

Beta Factory Race Team Results:

- Rachel Gutish had an amazing race this weekend taking home her first national championship title!
- Max Gerston finished out the extreme enduro event in 8th place while competing in the stacked Pro class.
- Morgan Tanke put forth a great effort ending the day just shy of the women's pro podium in 4th place.
- Gutish's next event will be at round 6 of the <u>National Enduro Series</u> on August 25th in Wellston, OH. Gerston's next event will be at the 7th round of the <u>West Hare Scramble Series</u> on September 1st in Stillwater, OK. Tanke's next event will be at the 6th round of the <u>National Hare & Hound Series</u> on August 24th in Panaca, NV.

RACHEL GUTISH

Bike: 200 RR

"I am so thrilled to have finally won my first national championship! So much time and effort goes into making a dream like this a reality, and even then there's no guarantees. The 2019 TKO women's final was one of those rare races when everything goes perfectly. I got a fantastic start, stayed smooth and consistent lap after lap, and controlled the race from beginning to end. I was racing against the most talented field of women to ever line up at the Knock Out, and I couldn't be happier with my results and performance! I'm so glad I could bring home a national championship for Beta after the series of injuries and setbacks I fought through earlier this season!"





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MAX GERSTON

Bike: 300 RR

"TKO this year was a lot different then years past! With no rain leading up to the race it made for a dry and rough race with higher speeds. Although it was as technical, the intensity was brought to another level. After a long day of racing I ended up 8th in the final. It's not exactly what I was hoping for, but the stacked field was on it! My 300 RR was working great."

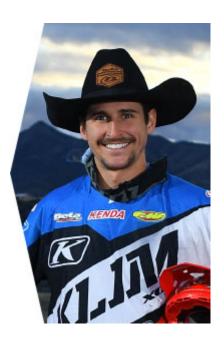




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MORGAN TANKE

Bike: Xtrainer

"I felt really good going into the TKO. I had a good qualifying time on Friday which put me in a good starting spot for round 1 on Saturday. TKO 1 started out good and I was trying to ride smart and conserve energy for the final main event race later on that day. I made a small mistake sending me over the bars and aggravated an old wrist injury. I was still able to finish the 19 mile course and qualify for the main. The main event started out great for me and I was charging in second place catching up to the leader for a majority of the race. All of the rocks and rough terrain started taking its toll on my wrist that I injured early that day and I just couldn't hold on. Unfortunately, I dropped off the pace ending up in 4th for the day. It was a frustrating day for me, but I'm ready to rest up and come out swinging for next weekends NHHA."





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