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Team Jimmy John's Podiums in Pro-Lite at Canterbury Nationals

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The prestigious Canterbury Park was the scene for round 3 of the AMSOIL Championship Snocross Series, held just outside of Minneapolis, Minnesota this past weekend. The event, presented by Jimmy John's Gourmet Sandwiches, produced record crowds, which came to witness the world's best snocross athletes during a rare winter with virtually no snow. Thanks to the work of track officials and powerful snow guns, the facility held its reputation for producing one of the most challenging courses on the ISOC circuit, and the local media took full advantage of the chance to broadcast images of snow to a public frustrated with a dry and snowless winter.

Friday's grandstand packed **Pro-Lite** qualifying brought both Watkinson (#173) and Ellis (#106) to the final. Ellis had finished 4th and 2nd in his heat races securing him an 8th place qualifying spot on the front line and Watkinson sat 7th—after placing 3rd and 2nd during his earlier rounds. At the start, Ellis pulled an explosive holeshot and led 13 laps of the 15 lap race. Ellis abruptly slammed into a mogul and lost his grip with just a lap and a half to go, leaving him with a frustrating 5th at the finish line. Watkinson finished the race 9th after a difficult start.

On **Saturday** both Pro-Lite riders again advanced to the front row of the main with strong placement in their qualifying rounds. Looking to redeem himself from Friday's disappointment, Ellis had a strong pull at the start, intensely battling in close contact with the leader for the full 15 laps—giving him a 2nd place podium position in front of 1,000's of screaming crowds.

During **Friday** night's **Pro-Open** rounds, Mathieu Morin (#14) advanced to the final with a 6th place front row start —after taking a 5th and 1st in his heat races. He ran a fast paced competitive race and finished with a respectable 4th overall.

In round 1 of **Saturday's Pro-Open** qualifying Morin finished his first lap in 2nd place, when he tangled hard with other riders and popped his shoulder. He DNF'd that first round and took a 5th in round 2—sending him to Last Chance. Morin dominated the LCQ, handing him a back row start for Saturday's Pro-Open final. He had a rough mid-pack start, got pushed off track in the middle of the grueling 22 lap race and repositioned himself for a final 8th place finish. After 3 rounds Morin holds 10th overall in points with 6 more rounds to go.

Team Jimmy John's heads to Eagle River January 20-22 to defend its 2010 snocross Pro Open title at the famed World Championships. You can watch the NBC Sports broadcast of the Canterbury National presented by Jimmy John's Gourmet Sandwiches on Sunday, February 5th at 5 p.m. EDT. For pictures and more info, please visit our website at www.teambossracing.com

