

Race Report

Team EmTek Racing

Zwartkops National 3 March 2012

Great weather greeted all competitors and fans as Friday Morning dawned on the first national Wesbank Super series event of 2012.

With a full field of Superbike and Supersport competitors the weekend promised a feast of close racing, which started off with 1st free practice on Friday morning.

Team EmTek Racing was represented by Robert Portman in the Superbike class and Simon Bezuidenhout in the Masters. Our lady rider Janine Mitchell was unable to compete as she is still recovering from ankle surgery and should be back for the next round in Cape Town.

On Friday we received forks and a rear shock on loan from Chris Leeson as our race kit had not arrived yet from Italy, we installed the suspension and went out for 1st practice with no set up data whatsoever. Rob completed the session and we decided to return to using the standard forks as we had data for them. 2nd and final free practice went according to plan, with Marco from race delivering our rear suspension in time for the final session of the day.

Saturday qualifying saw Rob qualify 7th and Simon 11th but 2nd in his class.

Both races were won by David Mc Fadden on the awesome ZX10R Kawasaki with Rob finishing a credible 7th and Simon 3rd in the Masters.

As the day ended we had collected valuable data for the next round in Cape Town and as we complete our test schedule and Rob gets more confidence on the 1000cc we are confident that he will soon be challenging podiums.

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