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## **Two Championships – Two Runners-Up and One Third Place for Huber Motorsports Piller's Polaris Racing**



With top flight racing action, Team Huber Motorsports Piller's Polaris Racing capped a very successful 2018 CSRA Rockstar Energy Snowcross Series on Easter Weekend at Horseshoe Valley Resort in Barrie, Ontario. When all was said and done in the championship finals, Dave Joanis clinched the Pro Open title, with RJ Roy finishing the season in a close runner-up position. It was a nail-biter to the very last race on Sunday for the teammates, with Joanis coming out of the championship fray ahead of Roy, who had the championship within his grasp as the day began – albeit with only a three-point margin over Joanis.



In the Pro/Am Women's class, Alexxa Callan deftly nailed down the championship, claiming her 10<sup>th</sup> final win of the season to clear the task. It was her third pro title, and the first one for Huber Motorsports in Pro/Am Women. Alexxa's brother Cale Callan did the family, and the team, proud by picking his way from fifth in the Pro Lite points – going into the Easter Weekend – to finish the championship in a noteworthy third place overall.

Nathan Bles, in his first year of Snow Bike competition, snagged runner-up behind Yannick Boucher. Bles actually won seven finals to Boucher's six. Boucher made up the 23 points difference – which saw him claim the championship – with better overall heat results.



The triple-header weekend started off on a positive note for the team's four sled drivers and lone snow bike rider. In Pro Open action on Friday, RJ Roy and Dave Joanis sped their way to 1-2 finishes respectively in the final aboard their explosive Polaris 600R sleds, after nailing down 2-1 and 1-2 results in their heat races.



Cale Callan, who snared 4-2 heat results, grabbed a respectable fifth place finish in the Pro Lite final. Alexxa Callan remained invincible in the Pro/Am Women's class, handily recording a clean sweep on the day: 1-1 in her heat races and a resounding win in the final. In the Snow Bike division, Nathan Bles totally dominated his heat races to then go on and take top spot on the podium in the final.

On Saturday only Joanis made it to the Pro Open podium. After recording 2-4 finishes in his heat races, Joanis battled in the final with Jake Weir and Dylan Hall for the win. When the checkered flag was waved, however, Joanis found himself trailing the duo across the finish line in third place.

Points leader RJ Roy, meanwhile, would have to take satisfaction with sealing the top five in fifth place.

The Porcupine, ON native contained the damage, however, by scoring 3-2 results in his heat races, actually increasing his lead on the scoreboard over Joanis from one point to three. Dylan Hall, who has been Joanis and Roy's main competition for the championship over the course of the season, found himself 43 points down from Roy at the end of the day.

In Pro Lite action, Cale Callan improved on his Friday results by nailing down third place in the final. In his heat races, the Phelpston, ON resident finished 2-5. This moved him from fifth in the points chase to fourth, 15 points down from third place Dylan Barnett.



Alexxa Callan convincingly recorded her ninth win of the season in the Pro/Am Women's class final. Not surprisingly, the Minesing, ON native made it another clean sweep day with the first place finishes she hammered down in her heat races. Even if she didn't show up at the start line for Sunday's races, with a whopping 132 points lead to her credit, Callan was assured the championship title.



Nathan Bles ended up echoing his win from the previous day in the Snow Bike class final. With the extra points earned for his 2-1 results in his heat races, the Bayfield, Ontario native managed to narrow down the gap between himself and scoreboard leader Yannick Boucher to 32 points.

On the morning of the third and final day of action, Huber Motorsports Piller's Polaris

Racing was poised to leave Horseshoe Valley Resort as repeat winner of the Pro Open Championship, which they won in 2017 with Colby Crapo. It was only a question of which one of their drivers would do the honours: third in last year's title hunt Dave Joanis or two-time Pro Lite Champion RJ Roy, competing his first year in the premier class.

With solid wire-to-wire 1-1 heat results on Sunday, compared to Roy's 3-3, Joanis was suddenly looking at his first Pro Open Championship crown. It would all come down to the final. If Joanis finished ahead of Roy, the title was a done deal for the Cochrane, ON native. If not, Roy would follow up his 2016/2017 Pro Lite titles, both for Huber Motorsports, with the heavy hitters championship.

When the long-anticipated final of the year got underway, Joanis and Roy found themselves in fourth and fifth respectively going into turn 1. By the second lap they moved ahead one position. On lap three Joanis had already installed himself in second place, where he would finish. Roy, meanwhile, took till the end of lap three to maneuver into third place. With some five seconds behind his teammate, the Porcupine, ON native was unable to put himself into a position to stick a pass on Joanis. And that's all she wrote ... The championship belonged to Joanis!

In Pro Lite action, an inspired Cale Callan snared 1-2 heat results. But despite getting the holeshot in the final, he had to bow to Tyler Billings who quickly took over the lead. Considering Billings was not a points threat for a top five overall season finish, however, Callan settled into second place for the rest of the race. All he had to do was keep Dale Barnett behind him to wrap up the season in third overall. Not only did Callan successfully do this, he also kept in his rear-view a persistent Isaac St. Onge, who was already well positioned to claim the championship title.

Alexxa Callan, meanwhile, ended the season the way she started at Round 1 in Rouyn Noranda, with a clean sweep of the heat races and a win in the final. Callan reigned supreme all season long, with only one loss on the record books in Valcourt, where she finished second in the final.

Nathan Bless continued to impress on day three of the long weekend, again taking victory in the final, after storming his way to 1-1 results in his heat races. Archrival in the series, Yanick Boucher, however, did what he had to do to secure the championship. He finished 2-2 in his heat races and second in the final. On Friday under the lights the Hearst, ON native had answered Bles's 1-1-1 results with 2-2-2. On Saturday Boucher kept his cool by nailing down 1-3-2 finishes in response to Bles's 2-1-1 finishes.

One thing is certain, like his teammates in the snowcross classes, Bles gave everything he had to give and proved himself a force to be reckoned with by snaring seven final wins. Garnering a second place overall championship finish in his rookie snow bike season was no mean feat.

Everyone at Huber Motorsports Piller's Polaris Racing and the team's invaluable sponsors extend a huge shout-out to Dave Joanis, RJ Roy, Cale Callan, Alexxa Callan and Nathan Bles. Congratulations to all and thank you for making the 2018 CSRA Rockstar Energy Series one for the record books and a lot of fond memories.

## **Results Rounds 6/7 – Barrie, ON**

### ***Mystic Lubricants National – Friday (March 30)***

#### Pro Open

- 1 RJ Roy (POL)**
- 2 Dave Joanis (POL)**
- 3 Dylan Hall (ARC)
- 4 Jake Weir (ARC)
- 5 Ryan Hunt (SKI)

#### Pro Lite

- 1 Tyler Oomen
- 2 Taylar Lightfoot (ARC)
- 3 Dylan Barnett (SKI)
- 4 Scott Vandeborne (SKI)
- 5 Cale Callan (POL)**

#### Pro/Am Women

- 1 Alexxa Callan (POL)**
- 2 Rebecca Ramsay (SKI)
- 3 Stephanie Willis (SKI)
- 4 Nikella Callan (ARC)
- 5 Julia Morgan (SKI)



Snow Bike

- 1 Nathan Bles (HON)**
- 2 Yannick Boucher (HUS)
- 3 JR Wazny (HON)
- 4 Pat Burke (Hon)
- 5 Mike Island (YAM)

*Dayco National Finals – Saturday (March 31)*

Pro Open

- 1 Jake Weir (ARC)
- 2 Dylan Hall (ARC)
- 3 Dave Joanis (POL)**
- 4 Taylor McCoy (SKI)
- 5 RJ Roy (POL)**

Pro Lite

- 1 Isaac St. Onge (SKI)
- 2 Tyler Oomen (ARC)
- 3 Cale Callan (POL)**
- 4 Tyler Billings (ARC)
- 5 Taylar Lightfoot (ARC)

Pro/Am Women

- 1 Alexxa Callan (POL)**
- 2 Rebecca Ramsay (SKI)
- 3 Stephanie Willis (SKI)
- 4 Nikella Callan (ARC)
- 5 Julia Morgan (SKI)

Snow Bike

- 1 Nathan Bles (HON)**
- 2 Yannick Boucher (HUS)
- 3 JR Wazny (HON)
- 4 Pat Burke (HON)
- 5 Mike Island (YAM)

*Dayco National Finals – Sunday (April 1)*

Pro Open

- 1 Jake Weir (ARC)
- 2 Dave Joanis (POL)**
- 3 Dylan Hall (ARC)
- 4 RJ Roy (POL)**
- 5 Ryan Hunt (SKI)





Pro Lite

- 1 Tyler Billings (ARC)
- 2 Cale Callan (POL)**
- 3 Isaac St. Onge (SKI)
- 4 Dylan Barnett (SKI)
- 5 Taylar Lightfoot (ARC)

Pro/Am Women

- 1 Alexxa Callan (POL)**
- 2 Rebecca Ramsay (SKI)
- 3 Stephanie Willis (SKI)
- 4 Nikella Callan (ARC)
- 5 Julia Morgan (SKI)

Snow Bike

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- 4 Pat Burke (HON)
- 5 Stuart Hunt (HON)



**Rockstar Energy CSRA Snocross Series Final Points**

Pro Open

- 1 Dave Joanis (POL) 1073 pts**
- 2 RJ Roy (POL) 1062**
- 3 Dylan Hall (ARC) 1023
- 4 Jake Weir (ARC) 966
- 5 Taylar McCoy (SKI) 942

Pro Lite

- 1 Isaac St. Onge (SKI) 1126
- 2 Scott Vanderborne (SKI) 1036
- 3 Cale Callan (POL) 1019**
- 4 Dylan Barnett (SKI) 1018
- 5 Jordan Desjardins (SKI) 1007

Pro/Am Women

- 1 Alexxa Callan (POL) 1096**
- 2 Rebecca Ramsay (SKI) 958
- 3 Stephanie Willis (SKI) 879
- 4 Nikella Callan (ARC) 868
- 5 Julia Morgan (SKI) 721



Snow Bike

- 1 Yannick Boucher (HUS) 1175
- 2 **Nathan Bles (HON) 1152**
- 3 JR Wazny (HON) 882
- 4 Brenden Bishop (YAM) 456
- 5 Pat Burke (HON ) 440

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**About Piller’s – A Proud Heritage:** In 1957, Wilhelm Huber opened a small butcher shop in Waterloo, Ontario using family recipes and traditional European meat processing methods to provide his customers with authentic, great-tasting European deli meats. Two years later, his brothers Edward and Heinrich joined the company, which became Piller’s Sausages and Delicatessens Limited.

From those humble beginnings, Piller’s has become one of North America’s largest producers of European sausages and deli meats, famous for award-winning products such as Black Forest ham and air-dried salamis. To this day, after five generations of sausage makers, Piller’s still uses the same natural aging, curing, and smoking process that had customers lining up outside Wilhelm Huber’s butcher shop over 50 years ago. The company was acquired by Premium Brands Holdings Corporation in 2011 and is now known as Piller’s Fine Foods.

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