

Maxwell Tops Honda Dominated Podium at ASBK Phillip Island

Honda riders dominated the podium at round six of the Australian Superbike Championships held at a rainy Phillip Island, with Demolition Plus GAS Honda's Wayne Maxwell taking away a hard earned round win after an intense on track battle with compatriot rider Bryan Staring (Cougar Bourbon Honda).



Maxwell retained his position in the series with a 2-1 race finish, opposite to Staring's 1- 2 finish, ultimately putting the two riders in exactly the same overall position as when they fronted for the event.

Series 2008 Champion Glenn Allerton pulled up the rear with 34 points to make it an all Honda podium.



Maxwell and his Team hit their pace early on showing incredible speed on the CBR1000RR during a wet qualifying session.

"We were about three seconds ahead of everyone else early on in qualifying, and we were in good shape for race one," said Team Manager Geoff Winzer.

"Unfortunately we had some issues with grip and Wayne had to pull out all stops to finish where he did."

"We softened the bike up for Sunday's race but still didn't get the grip we had hoped for. I could see the determination on Wayne's face though. That was some incredible racing on Sunday with the lead constantly changing, and we could just tell he wasn't going to settle for anything other than first."



Maxwell who said he was hoping the weekend would have put him closer to the pointy edge of the championship, goes to the final round at Symmons Plains, Tasmania, November 12 -14, 2010 on 192.5 points to Staring's 211.



"We didn't have the opportunity to test at the Island prior to this weekend so we missed out a bit there on valuable track time," Wayne said.

"Things improved as the weekend went by though. It just took us to the second race to get where we needed to be and I knew I had to win to keep Championship alive."

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