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LaVALLEE, PATTYN, MALINOSKI AND MORGAN WIN WINTER X GAMES 10 QUARTERFINALS

ASPEN/SNOWMASS, Colo. (Jan. 28, 2006) — WPSA PowerSports Snowmobile Tour professional riders **Levi LaVallee**, **Zach Pattyn**, **Robbie Malinoski** and **Blair Morgan** won their respective Snocross quarterfinal races Saturday at Winter X Games 10. The four, along with 12 other riders transfer into tomorrow's semifinal events, scheduled to start at 1:35 p.m. MST. The events will be telecast live on ESPN. The Snocross final is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 31 at 8:15 p.m. MST. The top four in each six-lap quarterfinal transferred to the next round of competition. Sixteen riders were eliminated.

LaVallee (No. 108 TEAM Industries/Polaris) won the first quarterfinal. **Shaun Crapo** (No. 3 Speedwerx/Arctic Cat), **Dave Allard** (No. 167 Blair Morgan Racing Team/Ski-Doo), and **Ryan Simons** (No. 129 Olah Racing/Arctic Cat) also transferred from the first quarterfinal. Pattyn (No. 99 Stud Boy/Ski-Doo) won the second quarterfinal, ahead of **Mike Island** (No. 8 Bud Light/Ski-Doo). Mike Schultz (No. 5 Avalanche Racing/Polaris) recovered from a hip injury suffered last weekend in the Polaris Park X National Snocross race to finish third, followed by **Garth Kaufman** (No. 48 Olah Racing/Arctic Cat). Malinoski (No. 194 Olah Racing/Arctic Cat) beat **Matthew Piche** (No. 518 Christian Brothers Racing/Arctic Cat) for the victory in the third quarterfinal. **T.J. Gulla** (No. 44 TEAM Industries/Polaris), who injured his tongue and the inside of his mouth in an off during last weekend's Park X event, was third, ahead of **Matt Boron** (No. 14 Outdoor Performance/Ski-Doo). Morgan (No. 7c Blair Morgan Racing Team/Ski-Doo) dominated the fourth quarterfinal, while **Ross Martin** (No. 837 Judnick Motorsports/Polaris) and **Jeff Arsenault** (No. 118 XP-S Performance Lubricants/Ski-Doo) finished second and third, respectively. Winter X Games rookie **Mathieu Morin** (No. 187 Formula XPS/Ski-Doo) nailed down the final transfer spot.

Riders eliminated in the quarterfinal rounds are:

- Brett Bender (No. 19 TEAM Industries/Polaris)
- Jason Boron (No. 14 Outdoor Performance/Ski-Doo)
- Aaron Christensen (No. 10 Fly Racing/Ski-Doo)
- Katejun Coonishnish (No. 101 Blair Morgan Racing Team/Ski-Doo)
- Kurtis Crapo (No. 9 Speedwerx/Arctic Cat)
- Dennis Eckstrom (No. 25 AMSOIL Synthetic Lubricants/Polaris)
- D.J. Ekre (No. 52 Christian Brothers Racing/Arctic Cat)
- Willie Elam (No. 130 Blair Morgan Racing Team/Ski-Doo)
- Tucker Hibbert (No. 68 Stud Boy/Arctic Cat)
- Steven Martin (No. 18 Dodge/Ski-Doo)
- Phil Johnson (No. 233 Kowalski Racing/Ski-Doo)
- Brad Pitlik (No. 90 Kowalski Racing/Ski-Doo)
- Carl Schubitzke (No. 96 AMSOIL Synthetic Lubricants/Polaris)
- Tyler Sedlmeier (No. 21 XP-S Performance Lubricants/Ski-Doo)
- Justin Tate (No. 28 Pirtek/Polaris)
- Steven Taylor (No. 2 Blair Morgan Racing Team/Ski-Doo)

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The next race for the PowerSports Snowmobile Tour, the Air Force Eastern National, is scheduled for Feb. 11 at Ralph Wilson Stadium in Orchard Park, N.Y. That event will be telecast on ESPN2 on Feb. 17 at 3 p.m. EST.

About the PowerSports Snowmobile Tour

The PowerSports Snowmobile Tour is North America's leading snowmobile racing tour and features the greatest show on snow. The Tour is North America's premiere form of Snocross racing, with its high-flying aerial displays, jumps, jolts and high-speed runs on short tracks throughout the United States and Canada. The Tour is sanctioned by the World PowerSports Association, North America's largest and most respected organizer and promoter of snowmobile racing on both the regional and national level.

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