



## **DOMINION RIVERROCK FESTIVAL BRINGS THE PROS TO RICHMOND FOR MULTI-DISCIPLINE CYCLING RACE**

*BMX Rider Keagan Nelson Beats Last Year's Champ on  
Custom Dirt Track for Red Bull Berm Burners*

**Richmond, VA (May 16, 2015)** – Richmond's high temperatures were not the only thing providing heat to the Dominion Riverrock Festival on Saturday. The multi-discipline cycling race Red Bull Berm Burners returned for the second year in a row and BMX riders swept the competition in 2015 with professional BMX competitor Keagan Nelson taking the 2015 championship title. The race puts professional cyclists from all disciplines on a compact dirt track, built to test riders' core abilities and technical skills.

First competing in a three-lap heat qualifying round, sixteen riders from over six bike disciplines advanced to the finals in a bracketed head-to-head single-elimination format. In the final round, Keagan edged out returning two-time champion and friend Victor Behm. Andrew Townsend pumped the doubles to finish third and round out the podium.

"I've put in many hours and it's paid off. This competition is what I work towards," said Nelson. "I put my all into everything I ride."

History was made with the debut of Team USA BMX cyclist Arielle Martin-Verhaaren going up against 90s BMX legend Brian Foster, whose experience in dirt jumping cannot be matched. "It was fun hanging out with some old friends and finding the line between fast and sketchy," said Foster.

BMX racing, track cycling, and motocross were all influential in the design of the cutting-edge dirt course. The race is open to 20' BMX and 26' and 29' mountain bike wheels with both rigid and suspension frames, along with all other bike disciplines. An open amateur race will also be held on May 18 for riders 15 and over.

**Results:** 1. Keagan Nelson (BMX) 2. Victor Behm (BMX) 3. Andrew Townsend (BMX)

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