

## **Eric Storz Trials Newsletter, April 2010**

Sorry for the long silence since last year. As you may or may not know, in November 2009 I had a big crash while cross training on my trials bicycle and I suffered multiple facial fractures that required a complicated surgery and an extended hospital stay. While the recovery was difficult and lengthy, I am now back riding my motorcycle again and feeling really good.

I have also switched motorcycle brands for the upcoming season and I'm very happy to be riding for the Gas Gas USA Lewisport Team. The new 2010 Gas Gas 280 Pro really suits my riding style. I've been training with fellow team member Cody Webb (#2 ranked US Pro) and working hard to improve my strength and riding technique. I have ridden two trials since my injury and things are going pretty well. At the recent El Trial de Espana event, I finished in second place on Saturday, missing the win by one point. I made a good start in the Sunday Exhibition event, but a costly error (stalling my bike in section three) pushed me back into 5th for the day.

I'm really looking forward to the start of the 2010 AMA-NATC National Championship, which will begin in Oklahoma on the first weekend in May. My brother Neil will be my Minder and my Dad will be twisting the wrenches.

I truly appreciate your support and I promise to keep you updated as the season unfolds. Hope you enjoy the attached photos from the 2010 El Trial de Espana by Don Williams.

Thank you all for your continued support. Eric Storz

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