

2009 AMA Horizon Award Winner

In 1997, the AMA established an award that honored the outstanding rider in motocross, road race and dirt track. This award is designed to recognize riders who are about to move from the youth ranks into amateur racing and from the amateur ranks into AMA Pro Racing competition. Here are some of the past recipients:

- Ryan Villopoto
- Stevie Bonsey
- Mike Alessi
- Nick Cummings
- Jared Mees
- James Stewart
- Ben Spies
- Travis Pastrana
- Jason DiSalvo
- Roger Lee Hayden
- Nicky Hayden

Our own Northern California District 36 rider #33E, Mike "Mikey" Avila joins that elite group after a dominating performance this past week at the AMA Amateur Nationals in DuQuoin Illinois.

Stay tuned for a full report from Mikey that he's busy writing, as he and his Dad make the long drive home. You should also see his face in the upcoming Cycle News. Also, a big congrats to him sponsors: Micah Racing, AGV, Rocket Exhaust, Troy Lee and Dainese.

We'll have a full report out later, as this was one huge racing weekend. Not to let too much out of the bag, but it will cover how an automobile was involved in the AMA Superbike race yesterday at Seca, \$10 fines at the Nationals for having the wrong size water overflow can, Sammy Halbert's continued success, and way more.

Congrats Mikey!!!!

"Krumple"



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