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Legends & Heroes to Honor Moto Great & 1979 AMA Motocross Rookie, Donnie Cantaloupi, at Oakland SX!

January 25, 2012 ~ Merced, CA: Donnie Cantaloupi made a big impact in the Northern California Moto World in the early 1970's. He started his racing career on a Steen's Hodaka racing with moto legends, Danny Chandler and Brad Lackey. In 1977, Donnie secured his first sponsorship with FMF Racing to include a Yamaha ride. With the support of his sponsors, Donnie dominated the Golden State Series and held the CMC #1 plate for the 1978 season. The AMA Rookie of the Year award went to Mr. Cantaloupi in 1979 as he continued to dominate on the moto battle fields of America.

Two years later, Donnie teamed up to train with soon to be World Champion, Brad Lackey, as the champ got ready for his Euro Wars to capture the world title. Team training with Lackey helped Donnie secured the overall win in the 500cc class for KTM during the Trans Am series at RedBud in 1983. That same year, Cantaloupi won the Super Bowl of the World in Genoa, Italy. He continued his racing career with a factory Husky ride until 1985, when a severe race injury damaging his arm ended his racing career.

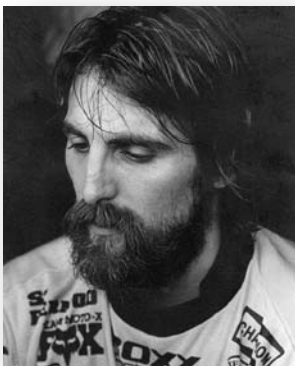


Donnie Cantaloupi

"Donnie and I trained quite a bit at the end of 1981, beginning of 1982, preparing for our race season. He was a great training partner who helped me greatly in my assault on the 1982 World Championship. His "Never Give Up" attitude in our training sessions was one reason why I did so well that year! I give him thanks for that!" American's First 500cc World Motocross Champion, Brad Lackey remembers.

Donnie will be at the Legends & Heroes display at the O.co Coliseum in Oakland, CA on Saturday, January 28th from 3-4pm for a "Meet & Greet" with the fans.

Stop on by and join in on the fun!



World Champ, Brad Lackey

About the Tour

The Legends & Heroes Motocross Tour is a professional historical display and time-line of Americas greatest motorsport. The tour includes the machines and the champs of Motocross. The project was conceived by a dedicated group of Motocross Enthusiasts who, over the years, have discovered the value of the rich 40+ years of Motocross legacy and its impact on the American motorsports history. "The dedication and passion of the sport has brought the Legends & Heroes Motocross Tour to the next level of sharing this legacy, the history of the machines and men, as well as the women of Motocross. The history of the Classic Iron and its' champions is a dynamic model ever changing. We see this rich history as a great learning lab for all ages" according to Alex Moroz the tours managing partner.