



A fantastic weekend at Mallala for the first round of the Cafnix series. This was my first time at the track, I had a lot of fun and got down to some good times.

We were not able to do the Friday practise as I had to be 15. We went straight into qualifying 1 on Saturday to learn the track and get to know the race line. I found the track to be a technical track and a very hard braking track. At the end of the session I started to get used to the track.

In qualifying 2 I was feeling a lot more comfortable on the bike and with the track than qualifying 1. I was able to concentrate on getting faster and using the right line around the track. I was able to do a time of 1.23.672 and that put me fifth on the grid.

In the first race I got a good start and was able to get into turn 1 in fourth. I was getting held up by a 650 for the first two laps but then went flying past under brakes at turn 5 on the third lap. I soon pulled a gap and finished in second and with an 8 second gap after a 10 lap race.

In race 2 I got a bad start and fell back to sixth off the line. I passed two riders under brakes at turn 1 and then was behind the 650 again. I was struggling to pass him because he got away down the straights. On the fifth lap I went pass him under brakes and moved into second at turn 5. I pulled a gap of 2 seconds each lap and on the last lap did a new PB of 1.18.352. I finished second overall for the TT races on Saturday.



On Sunday there was another two qualifying sessions. I used the first qualifying to get back into the rhythm I had on Saturday. I went faster in qualifying one then I did in the second qualifying with a time of 1.18.762. In qualifying 2 I did a 1.19.112. With this time I would get second spot on the grid for all the races on Sunday.

There was three 6 lap races on Sunday and the first race was a good race to start the day. I got a good start and was in second by turn 2. I tried to stay with the Ducati 656 but the speed of the bike was too fast for me to keep up with on the 125. I finished in second with a big gap of over 10 seconds from third and with a time of 1.18.987.

In race 2 I got a bad start and fell back to fourth but recovered one place at turn one and moved back into second at turn 2. I was not having a good race I kept missing apexes and ran off at turn 1 on the third lap. I still finished with a time of 1.18.629 and in second place.

In the last race for the weekend the lights went out quick and I was ready and got a good start. By turn 2 I was in the lead I knew it wouldn't last long, and it didn't as the Ducati 656 came passed out of turn 2. I stayed with him for a lap and did a PB of 1.18.254 on the second lap. I had an 11 second gap over third and finished second for the race and for Sunday.

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