



## 2014 M.I.R.A Bay Mills 250 Recap

The 2<sup>nd</sup> race of the 2014 MIRA season was in Brimley, MI. The track was on the frozen bay and was scheduled as a one day event. A winter storm blew in and ended up closing the Mackinaw Bridge preventing a majority of the teams from getting to the event. The race was postponed until Sunday when the winter weather subsided enough to get some racing in.



Throughout our hot laps and heat races we tried to stay warm and avoid frost bite. The temperature barely got above 0°F all day. We struggled to keep our track lubrication system from freezing up in the bitter cold and ruining our track and hyfax. The hard lake ice was a little challenging to hook up on and was a little rough due to some of the ice heaves.



## Sprint Class Results

- Pro Open
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - #05
  - DNF - #5
    - Crash
- Pro Mod Shootout
  - DNS - #5
- Pro Am
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Place - #5



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The #05 sled had a good holeshot in the Pro Open final again this weekend heading into the 1<sup>st</sup> corner in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. The race officials stopped the race before the first lap was complete though due to the #5 sled hitting a hay bale on the exit of corner #2 because of the low visibility. The race was restarted and the #05 sled was able to get a better jump on the competition and motored into the first corner in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. The blinding snow dust made it difficult to pass. The #05 held its position and finished the final in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Kevin and the #5 sled were okay after the run in with the hay bale but we did not get the sled fixed in time for the Pro Mod shootout as the steering arm had to be replaced.



The crew came through again and got the sled fixed and ready to run again for the Pro Am mini enduro. The Pro Am was a struggle because of the visibility. The corner markers and hay bales were hidden from sight until you were within mere feet of them. It was impossible to spot a line through the corner to make a move for position. The field slowly spaced out around the track. The #5 sled finished 4<sup>th</sup> never really having a chance to advance position. Due to the terrible visibility the 250 lap enduro was canceled by the MIRA race officials for safety reasons.