

"I'd rather switch than fight."

"I'm Bruce McDougal. I ride motocross. In fact, I was runnerup in the AMA National 125cc Series last year, riding for Somebody Else. And I'd probably still be riding for Somebody Else except for a new Yamaha called the YZ125 Monocross. I ran against that bike in the last two Nationals of last year and I got beat both times.

"If you can't beat 'em, join 'em. And that's just what I did. I'll be riding the YZ125 this year. And I'll tell you something about that Yamaha monoshock: You can just lêt the other guys fight for the smooth line. You take the fastest line, I don't care how terrible it is. You have 195mm of front stroke, and over six inches of rear stroke going for you. You don't feel the bumps. You run away.

"Same thing with the rough sweepers. You don't shut the YZ125 off. You take it through in third or fourth. Practically flat out. You have that long travel going for you. You have that single shock keeping your rear wheel right in line. You're not sliding, or high-siding. You're not fighting the bike. You are running away.

"Jumps are a joy. The YZ125 comes down straight, and it comes down soft. Torque is excellent. The YZ125 has the same close-ratio six-speed box as the factory racers. And it has over 20% more horsepower—than the bike I ran against last year. The YZ has

more everything right up and down the line.

"Would I buy a YZ125 Monocross? Sure. I'd rather win than lose."



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