

TigerTeam Racing Takes a Top 20 Finish at Fontana



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At the Fontana AMA Superbike double-header, TigerTeam Racing's Jeff Tigert came back from an incident on the warm-up lap in Race One to take a 17th place finish in Race Two.

Tigert's finish – which matched his 17th place qualifying effort – was a bit of a let down following his recent wins in AFM and WSMC competition. Despite being up to 10 mph down in the trap speeds, Tigert managed to qualify right behind former factory rider Larry Pegram and only three spots down on Erion Honda rider Kurtis Roberts.

“Qualifying went really well – but even with the kit motor we were way down on the trap speeds,” Tigert admitted. “It's just so frustrating, working so hard, getting in a good position, only to get taken out by someone in the second turn on the first lap.”

After a late night that saw Tigert and his crew get his Marin Cycleworks CBR1000RR back into running shape, Tigert took the grid for race two, making his way past the 1000cc Suzukis of Tony “The Tiger” Meiring and former 750 Supersport champion Jimmy Moore en route to his 17th place finish.

“I'm okay with it,” Tigert explained. “But the bike didn't quite feel the same, and according to the dyno, it wasn't running the same. I was just a fraction of a second behind Pegram in qualifying, and he managed to finish 10th. That just makes me think of how much better I could have finished if everything went the way we planned it.”

The next event on the TigerTeam Racing schedule is the third round of the AMA Superbike championship, which will be held on May 13-15 at Infineon Raceway – Tigert's home track.