

Nyquist Wins, but His Thoughts Are With Murray

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BALTIMORE, June 22 -- The BMX dirt event finals at the Dew Action Sports Tour's Panasonic Open came to a dramatic end Friday night at the [Camden Yards Sports Complex](#), with the final standings coming down to the last three riders.

But all three athletes were more concerned with the health of fellow rider Stephen Murray than their third and final run of the night or placement on the podium.

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Ryan Sheckler is aiming for his third Dew Action Sports Tour Cup; he is off to a good start after winning the skate park event with a 90.25 overall score. (Photos By Pouya Dianat -- The Washington Post)

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Nate Adams wins the **FMX event** but the story is Blake "Bilko" Williams who is carted off the course after crashing.

Notebook: The BMX park finals run an experimental and entertaining format Sunday as the closing event of the Dew Tour's Panasonic Open.

Action athletes begin another season under suffocating expectations.

PANASONIC OPEN

Where: Camden Yards Sports Complex, Baltimore.

When: Thursday - Sunday

TV: Saturday-Sunday, 4-6 p.m., WRC-4.

Tickets: Adults, \$15; 12 and under, \$5.

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Murray was taken to a hospital by ambulance after he crashed in his second run.

"When Murray crashed we were all up there going: 'Should we ride? Should we stop?' " event winner Ryan Nyquist said. "I think we all just decided we should go on. You're worried about winning, but I just hope he's okay."

Nyquist, who crashed on his first run, entered his third in sixth place, but with the final scores being an average of a rider's best two runs he had the chance to make up the difference.

One of the most well-known names in BMX dirt, Nyquist threw three difficult tricks, giving himself a first-place average of 89.42.

Cameron White and [Chris Doyle](#) finished second (88.42) and third (88.25), respectively.

Sheckler Wins

Ryan Sheckler started on the road to his third consecutive Dew Action Sports Tour Cup in skateboard park.

Sheckler, who entered the finals behind Austen Seaholm and Rodolfo Ramos, earned the highest score of all individual runs in the final with a 91.75. Scores in the 12-rider finals were the average of two run scores and two jam session scores. Sheckler finished with a 90.25 overall score, more than four points better than second-place finisher Greg Lutzka.

Dundalk native Mathieu Therres, who was seeded No. 12 heading into the final round, finished fifth with a 77.67 overall score in his first appearance on the tour.