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### Impressive start for Guy Giroux and BMW G450X in FMSQ

Giroux leads both extreme-cross and enduro-cross championships in FMSQ

Whitby. Two races into the 2009 FMSQ Enduro Championship series, BMW Motorrad Canada Motorsports factory rider Guy Giroux leads both the extreme-cross and enduro-cross championships.

After a hard-fought race in miserable rain-soaked conditions, Guy rode the BMW Motorrad Canada Motorsports G450X to 1<sup>st</sup> place with a dramatic half-lap lead in the highly technical extreme-cross race in the FMSQ season-opener in Granby, Quebec on May 9. He followed this performance in similarly challenging conditions on the Sunday, May 10 enduro-cross race, pounding through endless mud-holes and generally gruesome terrain to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> – some 6 minutes ahead of the 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher.

At round 2 of the FMSQ in Beauce, Quebec, on May 31, on a fast, yet slippery track, Guy again encountered miserable weather, including hail, but nevertheless, in his inimitable "banzai" style, rode the BMW G450X to a 1<sup>st</sup> place finish in the enduro-cross event.

"The bike was just awesome both on the trails and the grass, with excellent power!" enthused Guy, adding, "Not bad for a dual-sport bike!", also commenting: "The first two races were a great test for both the BMW and me! I am really looking forward to the next race which is a really fast course where the BMW will feel right at home!".

As the FMSQ series ramps up for round 3 in Ferme-Neuve, Quebec, on June 27-28, Guy holds a 7 point lead over 2<sup>nd</sup> place Michael Metcalf (KTM). The next three weeks will be spent in training and

further testing and tuning of the BMW Motorrad Canada Motorsports G450X.

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Guy will have a formidable schedule for the balance of the season as he will be riding the BMW Motorrad Canada Motorsports G450X in seven out of the remaining eight races in the FMSQ schedule, while simultaneously competing in the brand-new 8-race Canadian Enduro Championship starting on July 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> in Blairmore, Alberta. Incredibly, he'll also find time to compete in some Motocross events on "spare" weekends, and the Montreal Supercross. Not only riding, Guy is also his own "team manager, truck driver and mechanic."

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The BMW G450X Enduro, fully street-legal, yet designed for "hard-core" off-road competition, went on sale in Canada in the fall of 2008.

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