

Will Eli Tomac bring the World Cup back to where it belongs?



With **Eli Tomac** showing awesome speed in the last couple of Nationals, he may just be the rider to bring the Cup back home.

Faithful followers of the United States Grand Prix know the history of the World Cup! For those of you who don't, Glen Helen's own Bud Feldkamp challenged Youthstream's President Guiseppe Luongo back in 2010 for the bragging rights to which group of riders was the fastest. . . the established International GP riders or the upstart fast boys from America. That first year the cup went to Luongo (and Europe) with Anthony Cairoli's USGP victory at Glen Helen. It has been with Luongo on European soil ever since, as no American has yet to win the MXGP of the USA at Glen Helen.



The actual World Cup Trophy was consigned by Bud back in 2002 to highlight the World Cup Race, a very successful event that was organized in a seven-day span to replace the ill-fated Motocross of Nations that was cancelled at the very last minute by the organizers of

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Comp Park. The World Cup took on a des Nations flavor, with the winning team being Australia (Chad Reed, Michael Byrne, and Craig Anderson) edging out the American team (Tim Ferry, Sean Hamblin, Kyle Lewis).



(Giuseppe Luongo, YS Pres – Bud Feldkamp, GHR Pres – Wolfgang Srb, FIM Pres)

The World Cup languished with Bud until 2010, when he and Luongo brought the GP circus back to America. Cairoli's victory sent the Cup back to Europe with Luongo. The USGP resumed at Glen Helen in 2015, with good-natured banter flowing between Bud and Luongo, but in the end Luongo once again took the World Cup back to Europe as Romain Febvre edged out Josh Grant and Cooper Webb for the top podium spot.

With a huge commitment from Monster Energy and other American teams (Pro Circuit, Rockstar Husky, Troy Lee, and others), this year's upcoming (Sept 10-11) Monster Energy USGP will feature Eli Tomac, Weston Peick, Justin Barcia, Adam Cianciarulo, Joey Savatgy, Chad Reed and others lining up with Tim Gajser, Tony Cairoli, Romain Febvre, and the amazing Jeffrey Herlings, Max Nagl, and the rest of the International MX stars! You will not want to miss this event. . . tickets are available online at glenhelen.com.