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## Wellard enjoys more success with the ladies

Following on from the success of the Wellard Australian women's team at the International Six Day Enduro, another female young gun has now sported the Wellard livery on the domestic victory dais.

Thanks to support from Wellard, Jess Gardiner joined the Ballards Wellard Yamaha Enduro Team at the start of the year and in extreme conditions during the opening 2 rounds of the Australian Off Road Championship (AORC) finished second in the women's section in Round 2 – missing first place by a mere 1.6 seconds.

The result was even more gratifying given that Jess is just 17 years old, and was competing in her first senior event.

The Port Macquarie opening round was a true test for rider and machine, with conditions described by even the most hardened of riders as “extreme”.

In the first round, Jess was running at the pointy end of the field before casing a rock in a deep rut and holing her crank cases. The loss of time in 'Band-aid' repairs dropped her back to fifth place.

In round 2, she jumped on board a borrowed Yamaha WR 450F and finished only marginally behind last year's AORC women's winner Jemma Wilson in second place – marking an exciting start to the season and providing plenty of promise of big things to come.

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