

Naida wins the Battle, Dalman the War

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Auburn, Mi. In front of a near standing room only crowd in Auburn, Michigan; the Speed Pro Season Championship feature was picked up by Dain Naida of Belleville, MI. The Engine Pro ASCS Sprints on Dirt Presented by ARP season championship race held at Tri City Motor Speedway Saturday evening was an incredible finale for the 2012 season.

Gregg Dalman of Bellevue MI captured the 2012 SOD championship after 13 years of competing in sprint cars, this was his first ever championship.

A field of 28 winged sprint cars made the second appearance of the season at the racey 3/8 mile oval. The outside front row starting Naida raced hard with pole sitter Jared Horstman the first handful of laps before 2012 champion Dalman made an incredible pass for the lead on lap nine. After hard contact with a lapped car on lap 18 Dalman dropped back to fourth and Naida inherited the lead. Dalman suffered some front end damage, mainly to his nose wing. However this didn't slow the driver of the Fausey Racing 49t as he battled his way back to second and was closing on eventual winner Naida as the checkers flew.

In Tri City victory lane Naida thanked the dedicated crowd who enjoyed the show on a very chilly night and thanked the Tri City staff who promised that the feature would start earlier

than normal and it did with a 9:00 PM push off of the 20 car feature field! The Belleville driver thanked Miles Hill and Glenn Styres, along with the hard working crew that got him to victory lane.

Dalman brought his car back out to Tri City victory lane where he was officially introduced as the 2012 Engine Pro ASCS Sprints on Dirt Presented by ARP Champion. He thanked his dedicated crew and sponsors and was very happy to state that this was his first championship in 13 years on sprint car competition. The veteran driver will be honored at the 2012 banquet on Friday evening November 2.

The top five finishers of the evening for the Engine Pro ASCS Sprints on Dirt Presented by ARP feature were—Naida, Dalman, Jared Horstman, Jamie Collard and Ryan Ruhl, who started 16th.

Heat race wins were captured by Dalman, Dustin Daggett, Ryan Grubaugh and Naida, the Brodix Heads dash went to Shawn Dancer and Andy Teunessen took the B-main victory. Veteran driver Jim Lingar had a nasty flip in his heat race the car was done for the evening, however the veteran Indiana driver was okay.

Engine Pro ASCS Sprints on Dirt Presented by ARP Results-

Saturday September 22, 2012

Tri City Motor Speedway—Auburn, MI

Car Count 28

Heat Races (Top 16 in passing points transfer to the “A” Feature)

Engler Machine and Tool Heat Race #1 (8 laps): 1. 49t Gregg Dalman 2. 7x Jamie Collard 3. 21t Troy Chehowski 4. 27k Ryan Kirkendall 5. 22t Tank Brakenberry DNS 2t Ralph Brakenberry, 81L Keith Love

Allstar Performance/Comp Cams Heat Race #2 (8 Laps): 1. 2m Dustin Daggett 2. 49 Shawn Dancer 3. 7 Darren Long 4.16 Ryan Ruhl 5. 10s Jay Steinbach 6. 16c Greg Wheeler 7. 70 Jim Lingar

Butlerbuilt Seats Heat Race #3 (8 Laps): 1. 00 Ryan Grubaugh 2. 5 Keith Dempster 3. 2G Joe Geibe 4. 88 Mike Daggett 5. 46 Robert Huiskens 6. 20A Andy Chehowski 7. 26 Davey Brown DNS

Hoosier Tire Heat Race #4 (8 Laps): 1. 07x Dain Naida 2. 17 Jared Horstman 3. 10 Brett Mann 4. 31 Andy Teunessen 5. 89 Chris Pobanz 6. 1 Chad Blonde 7. 4 Eric Smith

B-Main (Top four finishers transfer to the A-Main)

Engine Pro B-Main (10 Laps): 1. 31Andy Teunessen 2. 10s Jay Steinbach 3. 16c Greg Wheeler 4. 46 Robert Huiskens 5. 20A Andy Chehowski 6. 81L Keith Love 7. 1 Chad Blonde 8.4. Eric Smith 9. 22T Tank Brakenberry 10. 26 Davey Brown- DNS 2T Ralph Brakenberry, 70 Jim Lingar

Brodix Heads Fast Car Dash (4 Laps): 1. 49 Shawn Dancer 2. 10 Brett Mann 3. 7 Darren Long 4. 2G Joe Geibe

Engine Pro ASCS Sprints on Dirt Presented by ARP "A" Feature

"A" Feature (30 Laps): 1. 07x Dain Naida 2. 49t Gregg Dalman 3. Jared Horstman 4. Jamie Collard 5. 16 Ryan Ruhl 6. 00 Ryan Grubaugh 7.2m Dustin Daggett 8. 5 Keith Dempster 9. 7 Darren Long 10.88 Mike Daggett 11. 31 Andy Teunessen 12. 49 Shawn Dancer 13. 10 Brett Mann 14. 21t Troy Chehowski 15. 46 Robert Huiskens 16. 10s Jay Steinbach 17. 16c Greg Wheeler 18. 2g Joe Geibe 19. 27k Ryan Kirkendall 20. 89 Chris Pobanz

Engine Pro Lucky Dog: Joe Geibe

Tri-City On For Saturday

The season finale today at Tri-City Speedway is on as scheduled. Pit gates open at 3:00.

Tri-City Schedule

The following schedule was released for Saturday at Tri-City.

<http://www.tricityracetrack.com/hot-action-scheduled-for-saturday-sept-22nd/>

Poirier Becomes the First Three-Time Canadian Nationals Champion

Ohswegen, ON – (September 15, 2012) – Steve Poirier became the first three time winner of the Canadian Sprint Car Nationals Saturday night at Ohswegen Speedway. Poirier battled back and forth for the lead with Dustin Daggett and pulled away for the victory.

After a false start sent the original front row starters back one row Jeff Cook would start on the pole of the 35-Lap feature with Poirer along side. Poirer jumped out front and led the initial circuit quickly stretching his lead as the third row duo of Dustin Daggett and Shane Stewart engaged in an early race battle for third as Shawn Donath held second.

On lap eight Stewart slid high on the track allowing Daggett to move into second just before the caution flew for a spin by Thomas Kennedy in in turn two. When the green came out again Poirer set sail but Daggett stayed in the hunt maintain second place.

Lapped cars now were playing a role as Poirer, Daggett and 3rd place Stewart had to pick their spots. Lap 16 saw Daggett pass Poirer for the lead but three laps later Poirer would retake the top position.

Daggett slipped up the track allowing Stewart by on lap 20 for second. Ryan Grubaugh would bring out the final caution for a spin in turn two on lap 31.

With several lapped cars between himself and Stewart, Poirer was not to be denied as he took the checkers ahead of Stewart, Huppunen, Chuck Hebing and Daggett

2012 Canadian Sprint Car Nationals
Ohsweken Speedway – Ohsweken, ON
Saturday September 15, 2012

Group Qualifications:

Qualifying Session #1: 1. 80 – Chris Steele, 13.308 (NTR);
2. 0 – Glenn Styres, 13.502; 3. 49x – Scott Kreutter, 13.615;

4. 53 – Joe Beaver, 13.658; 5. 35 – Jared Zimbardi, 13.814; 6. 57 – Charlie Sandercock, 13.815; 7. 51 – Bryan Howland, 13.851; 8. 67c – Steve Collins, 14.331; 9. 67 – Chris Durand, 14.693;
10. 2G – Joe Geibe, 14.808; 11.11z – Zach Zumpe, 14.905; 12. 5c – Connor Mahoney, 15.028; 13. 15 – Mike Ferrell, 15.468

Qualifying Session #2: 1. 28FM – Steve Poirier, 13.317; 2. 49 – Todd Hoddick, 13.464; 3. 17 – Jared Horstman, 4. 07x – Dain Naida, 13.585; 5. 21K – Lou Kennedy, Jr, 13.602; 6. 10 – Mitch Brown, 13.614;
7. 35R – Ron Blair, 13.658; 8. 5 – Keith Dempster, 13.804; 9. 89 – Robbie Stillwaggon, 13.851;
10. 19K – Paul Kinney, 13.852; 11. 1 – Sammy Reakes, IV, 13.975; 12. 4 – Eric Smith, 16.782; 13. 10B – Brandon Warner, NT

Qualifying Session #3: 1. 55 – Patrick Vigneault, 13.565; 2. 20K – Thomas Kennedy, 13.590; 3. 8B – Alain Bergeron, 13.907; 4. 31T – Andy Teunessen, 13.968; 5. 14H – Jim Huppunen, 14.078; 6. 22x – Shawn Donath, 14.112; 7. 90 – Matt Tanner, 14.137; 8. 16C – Greg Wheeler, 14.299; 9. 87 – Jason Barney, 14.359; 10. 3R – Shane Ross, 14.573; 11. 15aw – April Wilson, 14.990; 12. 31B – Bruce Dewick, 15.138; 13. 70 – Jim Lingar, 15.433

Qualifying Session #4: 1. 3g – Shane Stewart, 13.429; 2. 2 – Kyle Sauder, 13.719; 3. 00 – Ryan Grubaugh, 13.805; 4. 01 – Mikey Kruchka, 13.874; 5. 22H – Randy Hannagan, 13.977; 6. 25 – Michael Parent, 13.999;
7. 11 – Jamie Turner, 14.020; 8. 77x – Jessica Zemken, 14.028; 9. 33K – Kyle Patrick, 14.075; 10. 17J – Lance Yonge, 14.172; 11. 5m – Brad Malloy, 14.600; 12. 31 – John Burbridge, Jr, 14.765; 13. 52 – Jesse Costa, 14.794

Qualifying Session #5: 1. 2M – Dustin Daggett, 13.759; 2. 27H – Tom Huppunen, 13.927; 3. 16 – Ryan Ruhl, 13.935; 4. 13 – Kevin Ward, Jr; 14.022 5. 45 – Chuck Hebing, 14.268; 6. 51L –

Lee Ladourceur, 14.330; 7. 5D – Dave Dykstra, 14.344; 8. 42W – Rick Wilson, 14.402; 9. 30 – Adam West, 14.563; 10. 71 – Travis Cunningham, 14.674; 11. 94 – Stan Zanchin, 14.859; 12. 67x – Gord Bennett, NT

Qualifying Session #6: 1. 7x – Jamie Collard, 13.930; 2. 49 – Shawn Dancer, 14.146; 3. 5b – Justin Barger, 14.252; 4. 10L – Jeff Cook, 14.442; 5. 7c – Dylan Swiernik, 14.585; 6. 98 – Joe Trenca, 14.589; 7. 36 – Mike Stelter, 14.737; 8. 10T – Tommy Wickham, 14.774; 9. 19 – Mike Woodring, 14.904; 10. 9nz – Harvard Daniels, 15.310; 11. 43 – Scott Sherk, 15.337; 12. 4z – Joel Lehman, 16.786

Heat Race #1 (10 Laps): 1. Glenn Styres, 2. Brian Howland, 3. Jared Zimbardi, 4. Scott Kreutter, 5. Chris Steele, 6. Charlie Sandercock, 7. Connor Mahoney, 8. Chris Duarnd, 9. Joe Baever, 10. Zach Zumpe, 11. Joe Giebe, 12. Steve Collins, 13. Mike Ferrell. (First three finishers transferred to the A-Main)

Heat Race #2 (10 Laps): 1. Steve Poirier, 2. Thomas.Kennedy, 3. Jared Horstman, 4. Todd Hoddick, 5. Mitch Brown, 6. Dain Naida, 7. Robbie Stillwaggon, 8. Keith Dempster, 9. Paul Kinney, 10. Ron Blair, 11. Sammy Reakes, IV, 12. Eric Smith. DNS: Brandon Warner (First three finishers transferred to the A-Main)

Heat Race #3 (10 Laps): 1. Shawn Donath, 2. Jim Huppunen, 3. Patrick Vigneault, 4. Jason Barney, 5. Thomas Kennedy, 6. Alain Bergeron, 7. Greg Wheeler, 8. Andy Teunessen, 9. Shane Ross, 10. Bruce Dewick, 11. April Wilson, 12. Jim Lingar. DNS: Matt Tanner (First three finishers transferred to the A-Main)

Heat Race #4 (10 Laps): 1. Shane Stewart, 2. Jessica Zemken, 3. 00 – Ryan Grubaugh, 4. Michael Parent, 5. Kyle Sauder, 6. Randy Hannagan, 7. Lance Yonge, 8. Kyle Patrick, 9. Jesse Costa, 10. Brad Malloy, 11. John Burbridge Jr, 12. Mikey

Kruchka, 13. Chris Turner. (First three finishers transferred to the A-Main)

Heat Race #5 (10 Laps): 1. Dustin Daggett, 2. Chuck Hebing, 3. Ryan Ruhl, 4. Tom Huppunen, 5. Lee Leadouceur, 6. Kevin Ward, Jr, 7. Rick Wilson, 8. Stan Zanchin, 9. Adam West, 10. Dave Dykstra, 11. Travis Cunningham. DNS: Gord Bennett. (First three finishers transferred to the A-Main)

Heat Race #6 (10 Laps): 1. Jeff Cook, 2. Jamie Collard, 3. Justin Barger, 3. Dylan Swiernik, 4. Mike Stelter, 6. Tommy Wickham, 7. Joe Trenca, 8. Harvard Daniels, 9. Scott Sherk, 10. Joel Lehman, 11. Shawn Dancer. DNS: Mike Woodring (First three finishers transferred to the A-Main)

B-Main #1 (12 Laps): 1. Todd Hoddick, 2. Dain Naida, 3. Mitch Brown, 4. Charlie Sandercock, 5. Paul Kinney, 6. Chris Steele, 7. Ron Blair, 8. Sammy Reakes, IV, 9. Keith Dempster, 10. Robbie Stillwaggon, 11. Scott Kreutter, 12. Joe Beaver, 13. Connor Mahoney, 14. Zach Zumpe, 15. Joe Geibe, 16. Eric Smith, 17. Chris Durand. DNS: Steve Collins, Mike Ferrell, Brandon Warner. (First two finishers transferred to the A-Main)

B-Main #2 (12 Laps): 1. Michael Parent, 2. Lance Yonge, 3. Thomas Kennedy, 4. Jason Barney, 5. Kyle sauder, 6. Jesse Costa, 7. Alain Bergeron, 8. Brad Malloy, 9. Kyle Patrick, 10. Mikey Kruchka, 11. Greg Wheeler, 12. John Burbridge, Jr, 13. Bruce Dewick, 14. Andy Teunessen, 15. April Wilson, 16. Shane Ross, DNS: Jamie Turner, Randy Hannangan, Jim Lingar, Matt Tanner. (First two finishers transferred to the A-Main)

B-Main #3 (12 Laps): 1. Dylan Swiernik, 2. Lee Ladouceur, 3. Tom Huppunen, 4. Kevin Ward, Jr, 5. Mike Stelter, 6. Joe Trenca, 7. Stan Zanchin, 8. Harvard Daniels, 9. Adam West, 10. Scott Sherk, 11. Joel Lehman, 12. Tommy Wickham, 13. Rick Wilson, 14. Dave Dykstra, DNS: Travis Cunningham, Shawn Dancer, Gord Bennett, Mike Woodring (First two finishers transferred to the A-Main)

2012 Ohsweken Shootout (10 Laps): 1. Chuck Hebing, 2. Dain Naida, 3. Lee Ladouceur, 4. Chris Steele, 5. Randy Hannagan, 6. Ryan Grubaugh, 7. Scott Kreutter, 8. Sammy Reakes, 9. Ryan Ruhl, 10. Jamie Collard, 11. Glenn Styres, 12. Joe Beaver.

Little Feature (15 Laps): 1. Randy Hannagan, 2. Tom Huppunen, 3. Paul Kinney, 4. Mikey Kruchka, 5. Mike Stelter, 6. Sammy Reakes, IV, 7. Jesse Costa, 8. John Burbridge, Jr, 9. Adam West, 10. Joe Trenca, 11. Harvard Daniels, 12. Shane Ross, 13. April Wilson, 14. Connor Mahoney, 15. Andy Teunessen, 16. Kyle Patrick, 17. Jamie Turner, 18. Stan Zanchin, 19. Alain Bergeron, 20. Zach Zumpe, 21. Jim Lingar, 22. Keith Dempster, 23. Charlie Sandercock, 24. Robbie Stillwaggon, 25. Eric Smith, 26. Scott Sherk, 27. Kevin Ward, Jr., 28. Brad Malloy, 29. Joe Beaver, 30. Bruce Dewick, 31. Kyle Sauder, 32. Greg Wheeler, 33. Jason Barney. DNS: Joe Giebe, Joel Lehman, Dave Dykstra, Rick Wilson, Chris Durand, Tommy Wickham, Matt Tanner, Shawn Dancer. (Winner transferred to the A-Main)

Dave MacLeod Memorial Mr. Sprint Car Shootout:

Round one: Lance Yonge def. Chris Steele, Glenn Styres def. Lou Kennedy, Jr, Hannagan def. Dempster, Stillwaggon def. Kreutter, Howland def. Ruhl, Lee Ladouceur def. Ryan Grubaugh, Barger def. Beaver.

Round Two: Glenn Styres def. Chuck Hebing, Randy Hannagan def. Lance Yonge, Lee Ladouceur def. Robbie Stillwaggon, Bryan Howland def. Justin Barger,

Round Three: Lee Ladouceur def. Glenn Styres, Randy Hannagan def. Bryan Howland.

Final Round: Hannagan def. Lee Ladouceur

A-Main (35 Laps): 1. Steve Poirier, 2. Shane Stewart, 3. Jim Huppunen, 4. Chuck Hebing, 5. Dustin Daggett, 6. Jessica Zemken, 7. Bryan Howland, 8. Shane Donath, 9. Jeff Cook, 10. Jamie Collard, 11. Lee Ladouceur, 12. Jared Horstman, 13.

Dylan Swiernik, 14. Michael Parent, 15. Randy Hannagan, 16. Ryan Ruhl, 17. Dain Naida, 18. Lou Kennedy, Jr., 19. Todd Hoddick, 20. Ryan Grubaugh, 21. Mitch Brown, 22. Glenn Styres, 23. Chris Steele, 24. Thomas Kennedy, 25. Jared Zimbardi, 26. Lance Yonge, 27. Ron Blair, 28. Justin Barger, 29. Scott Kreutter, 30. Patrick Vigneault.

Night Before the Nationals Rained Out

Ohswegen, ON – (September 14, 2012) – The Night Before the Canadian Nationals has been cancelled due to a lingering rain shower that has been unrelenting this afternoon. The Ohswegen Shootout and Dave MacLeod Mr. Sprint Car Challenge has been added to the Saturday Canadian Nationals program.