NCS Race #1 Marana, Az.

By: Tony Evans

The first NCS Race of the year is in the books. I would like to thank the Arizona Gang for hosting the race at the Quarter Midget Track in Marana, Arizona. The race saw 17 entries with racers from Texas, Michigan, Nevada, California & Arizona.

The weather for the race was warm in the upper 80's, however, there was constant wind between 15 to 25 mph everyday. The racers did not let wind hamper the fun everyone was there to have.

The Race Program was run without problems. I would like to thank Kenny Brosh for the great announcing and scoring job. I would like to point out, he also raced for the first time in the Limited Sportsman class as well.

On Friday we started out the day with concourse, the judging was done by Beverly Scott and Jess Brosh. Thank you to the ladies for the great job they did.

After concourse and drivers meeting we did single car qualifying which set the order for the Qualifier lineups. Top qualifiers were Tony Evans in Sprint Car, Maggie Turner in Limited Sportsman, Mike Lubanovich in Super Truck, David Scott in Sportsman, & Jim Turner in Super Late Model.

The First round of Qualifiers were run with the top qualifiers from single car qualifying in each class taking wins in the first round of racing.

We then took a break for lunch, where everyone enjoyed Pizza which was arranged by Maggie Turner. Thank You Maggie.

The Second round of Qualifiers were then run with Joel Hughes winning in the Sprint Car class, Allen Lay winning Limited Sportsman, Mike Lubanovich winning Super Truck, Randy Brown winning Sportsman & Joel Hughes winning Super Late Model.

The racing in all of the qualifiers was very close with numerous lead changes taking place and not knowing who would win until the checkered flag fell.

On Saturday the day began with Mother Nature being a little nicer with the winds being lighter than the previous 2 days.

The Mains started with Sprint Car being the first to run. The Sprint Car race appeared to have a 2 car race between Joel Hughes and Mike Sadler. Just as they were approaching the pit stop Mike Sadlers car had the clutch break putting him out of the race. After pitting Joel Hughes and Tony Evans had a close race with Joel Hughes leading the way and taking the win.

The Limited Sportsman race came next and it turned out to be a very exciting race. The lead was exchanged numerous times with all 3 racers in a very close battle, with the final lead change coming on the next to last lap. Kenny Brosh spun coming out of turn four while trying to keep the other two behind him giving Allen Lay the lead to the finish.

Up next were the Super Trucks who as well put on great race. The first 40 laps were led by Mike Lubanovich with Jim Turner and Joel Hughes in tow. The rest of the race was led by Jim Turner with Mike Lubanovich trying everything to get back to the lead, but Jim Turner maintained and held on for the win.

With the Sportsman Race on the track Randy Brown elected to go to the rear on the start. When the green flag fell David Scott jumped into the lead from his first starting position and lead every lap of the race to take the win. The racing was exciting and ended with it being a 3 car battle to the finish.

The final Main event of the day was Super Late Model with Joel Hughes winning from the first starting position. The main saw several lead changes through out the race with Joel Hughes falling back then finally taking the lead for good on the 74th lap leading it the rest of the way for the win

The turnout was a bit light, as many of the West Coast racers were unable to attend the combined QSAC NCS Race and QSAC West points race. We were however, glad to have Mike Sadler from Texas, and Randy Brown from Michigan, in attendance.

In the end the racers received some very nice plaques from the track for concourse and their finishes in the Mains. WCM came on board and gave \$50.00 gift certificates to the winner of each class. Also given were awards from Bobs Motorsports to the top 3 finishers in each class. Larry Cross from Giant RC provided a \$100 gift certificate to the highest finishing Predator. Bill Scott provided QSAC hats to the last place finishers in each class. QSAC provided an award to the pole winner in each class.

I, on behalf of all the racers would like to thank all the sponsors for their support to QSAC NCS Race #1.

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The next NCS Race is May 24th & 25th at DFW Speedway in Burleson, Texas, hope to see you there !!!.