

AAS Weekly Series Debuts Modifieds, Street Stock, Bombers

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The All American Speedway 2011 season began for the Late Models two weeks ago but Saturday night marked the first all-division NASCAR Whelan All American Points race and the fans came out in numbers to cheer on their favorites, The Saturday night regulars in the Modifieds, Street Stocks and Bombers all debuted their new equipment to begin the new season. In the past few years the Modifieds have stolen the show with big fields and close racing. With a packed field of some very nice racecars the Modifieds once again put on a great show with solid talent and close racing. The Street Stocks and Bombers are also displaying some of the fastest race machines on the west coast and possibly the toughest competition the two classes have ever seen. Rarely do you see the support classes at any track be so close, however All American Speedway hosts a close competition on a weekly basis drawing in competitors for these two divisions from all directions.

The NASCAR Late Models ran their second points race with a field of 12 cars. In qualifying, No. 8 Jason Romero had a blazing fast time of 13.668 seconds just missing the track record with Matt Scott in second with a time of 13.705 seconds. No. 50 Gary Glenn 3rd, Shannon Mansch 4th and No. 27 John Moore your fast five. In the Trophy Dash, Gary Glenn outside front row, had contact on the opening laps which dropped pole sitter Mansch back a few spots giving an easy victory to Glenn. Romero was second, Mansch and Scott the trophy dash finishing order. The 100-lap feature with a four invert left Mansch and Glenn leading the field to start the race. Gary Glenn took the top spot on the start and stayed in P1 for 11 laps. Romero started 4th and the fastest running car made his way up to the second spot by lap 3. On Lap 12 Romero made his way to the front of the field while the No. 50, No. 35 and No. 11 car were all stacked up battling it out for the second position. Glenn and Scott swapped the 2nd position a few times thus letting No. 11 Juan Pitta to gain the 3rd spot over Gary Glenn on lap 38. Juan Pitta and Matt Scott continued to battle out for the second position. The two drivers put on a show as they traded paint and ran side by side until Pitta captured the position for good. By lap 81 only four cars were on the lead lap. Rookie driver No. 88 Dylan Hutchison slowly moved up to the 5th position taking it away from John Moore. Jason Romero cruised to a 7.993 second lead, Juan Pitta Second, Matt Scott third, Gary Glenn fourth and Dylan Hutchison your top five. Late Models ran all 100 laps under green with all cars finishing without damage.

Modifieds had the largest field of the night with 20 cars. In qualifying Winters also grabbed fast time of 13.856 seconds followed by No. 29 Dan Jinkerson, No. 68 Cody Thompson, No. 43 Nick Lyons, and No. 5 Jason Bamberg your fast five. In heat one, Dan Jinkerson ran away with a 2.604 second victory over No. 17 Tyler Wentworth. In Heat two, No. 28 Jim Miller had a successful victory over No. 8 Andy Field. Only three cars made it to the trophy dash with the win going to Jim Miller, Andy Field second and Dan Jinkerson 3rd. In the main, Nick Lyons lead the first 12 laps until on lap 13 Scott Winters grabbed the number one position and completed the race with the first 2011 Modified Victory. On lap 24 the leaders came up on lapped traffic of the No. 98 Keegan Walmer, contact sent Walmer spinning in turn 4, on the same incident, Cody Thompson was involved in a scary wreck in turn 2 ending the night for Thompson. On the restart the field had a smooth finish to lap 40 with Scott Winters claiming the first victory in 2011 followed by Dan Jinkerson, Nick Lyons, Andy Field, and Tyler Wentworth completing the top 5.

The Street Stock Division was on track and in qualifying, No. 08 Mickey Owens edged out Richard Poppert Jr., grabbing fast time of 14.849 seconds with only .008 seconds over Poppert. Dave Silva 3rd, No. 50 Chris Lambert 4th and No. 98 Byron Gonzales completed the fast five. Heat one, Richard Poppert Jr. stole the victory over Dave Silva. The top four drivers all made it

to the trophy dash to compete in a short four-lap competition. On the start Dave Silva took the lead and held it to win the dash, Richard Poppert Jr second, Byron Gonzales third, and No. 6 Spencer Emerson 4th. In the 30-lap main, tragedy struck on the start of the Street Stock Feature when No. 3 Colton Nelson went head-on into the wall causing a fire under the hood of his racecar. AAS Safety Officials quickly put the fire out and the driver was safe. After a quick track cleanup they had a complete restart and Dave Silva and Chris Lambert both battled it out for the top spot for the first five laps running side by side. Chris Lambert grabbed the position on lap five to lead the field until caution flew on lap 24 when No. 2 Mel Wilson and No. 1 Lonnie Leonard got together coming out of turn four causing both of them to go head-on into the front stretch wall under the flag stand. After the track was cleared and only six laps left, Chris Lambert and Mickey Owens battled to the checkered flag. Chris Lambert claimed the first Street Stock Victory for 2011 followed by Mickey Owens, Dave Silva, Richard Poppert Jr., and Byron Gonzales your top 5.

The Bombers had a packed field and 14 cars qualified in the Bomber division with Chris Paulson grabbing the pole position with a 15.851 second lap, closely behind Paulson was Dana Kelly with 15.901 seconds and Matt Camp 3rd quickest with 15.986 seconds. Leading the way in heat one was Chris Paulson and in heat two was the No. 50 Richard Perez. The top four drivers to make it to the dash were Dana Kelly, Richard Perez, Chris Paulson and Erick Ray. Erick Ray grabbed the lead for the trophy dash and held it for the win, Paulson 2nd, Perez 3rd and Kelly 4th. In the 35 lap final, Perez grabbed the lead on the start and to pace the field in the opening laps but fell back to the 10th position, this allowed Chris Paulson to take the lead on lap three. Paulson held the lead throughout the race to take the first Bomber Victory for 2011. Erick Ray fell back to the fourteenth position early but rallied making several passes to get back up front to finish 2nd. Dana Kelly was running consistently in the third position and stayed that way to the finish. Matt Camp had a solid fourth place run as well as Richard Perez in the 5th position.

Racing at AAS resumes next weekend with all four divisions back in action. 100 laps on tap for the Late Models with the Modifieds running 40 laps, and 35 laps for both the Street Stocks and the Bombers. More information about All American Speedway can be found at www.AllAmericanSpeedway.com. The Placer County Fairgrounds administration office is open for advance ticket sales Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm at 800 All America City Blvd. Roseville, CA. 95678, or contact the office at (916) 786-2025.

2011 All American Speedway Points Race #2 Results

Bombers 1. Chris Paulson, 2. Erick Ray, 3. Dana Kelly, 4. Matt Camp, 5. Richard Perez, 6. Michael Smith, 7. Wayne Hickok, 8. David Thompson, 9. Eric Bocksberger, 10. Denise Lambert, 11. Chuck Leek, 12. Keith Hopkinson, 13. Terry Thomas Jr., 14. Kenny Beaumont

Late Models 1. Jason Romero, 2. Juan Pitta, 3. Matt Scott, 4. Gary Glenn, 5. Dylan Hutchison, 6. John Moore, 7. Shannon Mansch, 8. Brian Keck, 9. Ron Chunn, 10. Michelle Nagai, 11. Stanislov Osterlund, 12. Cameron Millard, 13. Chris Scribner

Modifieds 1. Scott Winters, 2. Dan Jinkerson, 3. Nick Lyons, 4. Andy Field, 5. Tyler Wentworth, 6. Jason Bamberg, 7. Jim Miller, 8. Rick Anable, 9. Steve Cote, 10. Michael Ostrowski, 11. Bobby Runyan, 12. Don Swartz, 13. Casey Cavender, 14. Sal Lopez, 15. Keegan Walmer, 16. Mason Millard, 17. Cody Thompson, 18. Jim Badeker, 19. Mindy McCord, 20. Rick Avila

Street Stocks 1. Chris Lambert, 2. Mickey Owens, 3. Dave Silva, 4. Richard Poppert Jr., 5. Byron Gonzales, 6. Spencer Emerson, 7. Joe Dahl, 8. Travis Henry, 9. Mel Wilson, 10. Lonnie Leonard, 11. Colton Nelson