

“A late start turns into the best racing surface in 2010”

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As the sun went down on Saturday, August 28th, we should have been running hot laps but with the temperature change and the additives in the racetrack, that was not the case. We were several hours running the track in but it made for the smoothest and tackiest track in the entire 2010 season at Pennsylvania's toughest bullring. We had 73 teams in the pits patiently waiting for the call, "Let's go boys, its time to race". As we were able to begin hot laps around 10:30pm, it made for a late night but the action was intense.

First on the grid was the Street Stock division. Sixteen cars were lined up in two heat events. Tim Brindle (#45) and Dave Brown (#110) were victorious as the top 4 finishers in each event re-drew for their feature starting positions. Brown and Ryan Sager (#22) sat on the front row. Brown command from the drop of the green until he seen the checkered on lap 18. Sager and Brindle battled early for the 2nd position. On lap 2, Jesse Snyder (#22x) slid sideways as he tried to avoid a tanlge with the current points leader, Bill Henney (#50). Henney was able to keep control. Brown led the field back to green for the restart. Henney began to put the pressure on Khi Swanger (#88) for the 4th position. Brindle was running 3rd as Henney and Swanger followed. The yellow appeared again on lap 3 as Danny Atherton (#19) lost control in turn 4. Brown, Sager, and Henney were the top 3 on the restart. Brown began to pull away as the battle heated up behind him. On lap 5, Brindle, Harry Smith (#5) and Alex Boozel (#182) became tangled in turn 2 taking some hard hits. Brown would again restart the field. Sager had his sights set on Brown until Henney decided to battle for 2nd. Henney would claim the spot and now set out to run down Brown. The third caution would arrive when Atherton, Greg Moore (#97), Keith Russel (#65k), and Rich Swope (#7) got together in turns 3&4. As the green waved again, Brown was still in command with Henney trailing. The battle heated between Swanger and Brian Duffy (#38) for the 3rd spot. Duffy began to gain ground on the front runners of Henney and Brown as the yellow appeared again. Sager lost control and spun in turn 2. On the last restart, Brown began to feel the heat from Henney and Duffy. Snyder wanted to claim the 4th spot over Swanger but couldn't make the pass. Brown claimed the victory with Henney, Duffy, Swanger, and Snyder rounding out the top five.

LAP LEADERS: Brown 1-18

CAUTIONS: 4 – laps 2, 5, 9, 14

HARD CHARGER: #38 Brian Duffy

With only 3 Crate Late Models signed in , there was still great action in the 12-lap feature event. Joe Moyer (#53) claimed his first victory at Hesston Speedway. Tim Snare, Jr. (#99) gave everything he had the last few laps as he pressured Moyer for the top spot. Roger Laughlin (#53x) was 3rd. The event was caution free.

As the points battle heated up in the Limited Late Model division, 17 teams signed in to give it their all. Winners of the 2 heat events were Matt Parks (#15p) and Rick Singleton (#99*). Singleton redrew the pole position for the feature event. Grant Adams (#64) joined him on the front row. With the drop of the green, Singleton took command but the yellow arrived on lap 1 as Eric Irvin (#87), Derek Byler (#5*) and Rance Garlock (#19) became tangled on the exit of turn 2. As a complete restart was in order, Singleton again took command running the middle groove and would not relinquish. Adams began to feel pressure from Kyle Wiser (#34) for the 2nd position but Wiser couldn't make the pass. Randy Wible (#35) looked to the inside of Wiser for the 3rd position. After the contact on the first lap, Byler didn't have the handling he preferred and retired on lap 3. Singleton had now pulled away from the field. Tim Smith, Jr. (#39) was up to the 4th spot as Wiser began to fade. Adams was still hanging on to the 2nd position as Wible and Smith were coming strong. On lap 12, the yellow arrived as Wiser made contact with Curtis Heath #71. Heath spun in turns 3&4. Singleton took the green on the restart with Adams, Wible, Smith, and Daniel Cornman (#3) trailing. Wible was able to take command of the 2nd spot over Adams. Adams slides high in turns 1&2 which allowed Smith to take over the 3rd spot. Smith now set his sights on Wible. Smith made the pass and tried to reel in Singleton with 2 to go. Singleton claimed the victory with Smith, Wible, Parks, and Cornman rounding out the top 5.

CAUTIONS: 2 – laps 1, 12

LAP LEADERS: 1 – Rick Singleton (99*) laps 1-20

HARD CHARGER: #66 Justin Kann

The 305 Sprints made their second appearance at Hesston Speedway on Saturday night with 20 entries. Mike Wagner (#55) and Logan Walters (#10) claimed the heat event victories. A heads-up, 20 lap feature event was on the grid. Wagner and Walters paced the field to the green. Wagner took the early command and would not look back. Walters and Jim Kennedy (#7) trailed in the 2nd and 3rd spots respectively. Only 1 yellow flag would wave on lap 8 for left front

flat on the machine of Joe Zap (#33z). Zap retired for the night. Wagner took the checkered as Walters, Kennedy, #17, and Reed Thompson (#6) rounded out the top 5.

LAP LEADERS: Mike Wagner (55) laps 1-20

CAUTIONS: 1 – lap 12

HARD CHARGER: #47 Erin Statler

Please come join us for the last race of the 2010 season. Sunday, September 5th with bring the Limited Late Model Showdown #5 - \$1000 to win – along with the Street Stocks, Hobby Stocks, 4-cyl Mini Stocks and the PennMar Vintage cars. We will be working on our 2011 schedule of events this fall and are sure to bring great events for the new and improved Hesston Speedway. Hope to see you there and as always – “GO FAST, TURN LEFT, AND HANG ON ‘TIL THE CHECKERED FLIES!”