

## **Hamilton Wins First KOTW National Race; Extends WSSCS Points Lead**

November 21, 2015 – Madera, Ca – Thirty winged sprint cars from all parts of the US and Ct at Madera Speedway Friday night in the start of the 4<sup>th</sup> and final leg of the King of the Wing (KOTW) Season. This is the 1<sup>st</sup> of 3 races for the KOTW National Sprint Car Series west coast swing. Three champions will be decided Sunday evening at Kern County Raceway Park. The Western Sprint Car Series (WSSCS) will crown their inaugural champion and the KOTW National Series will crown a west coast region Champion and an overall series Champion.

Sierra Jackson and Jojo Helberg held top spots in the 2 practice sessions, but Monroe, Washington's Robert Beck pulled out the fastest qualifying lap with a 12.740 lap. Jackson was 2<sup>nd</sup> quick followed by Eric Humphries, Bryan Warf and Helberg.

The top 20 qualifiers were locked into the main as long as they finished on the lead lap of their 8 lap heat. Four heat races were run clean all cars started and finished without incident. Veteran racers Kevin Feeney, Richie Larson, Anthony Simone and 15 year old Rookie Justin Segura were the heat Race winners. This was Segura's first national KOTW race. He ran with the Western Sprint Car Series last week in Stockton, Ca as a warm up to this weekend's races.

Ten cars competed in the 12 lap B-Main with the top 4 finishers transferring to the A- Main. Feeney, Kyle Vanderpool, Tom Baker and Mike Stutsman were the top finishers and earned a spot at the back of the 40 lap feature event.

Beck drew a 10 pill for the invert putting Bobby Santos on the pole for the main. National Series point's leader Aaron Pierce was outside front row. On the start the field bunched up in turn 1 and Pierce spun to the infield bring out the first of several caution flags for the night. Pierce was relegated to the rear of the field. Davey Hamilton Jr assumed the outside pole position.

Hamilton, vying for the WSSCS Championship wasted no time in going for the lead as the cars crossed the strip completing the first official lap he was in the lead. National series point's leader Pierce worked his way up to 15<sup>th</sup> before being involved in another caution and restarting in the rear. He managed to work his way back through the field and finished 8<sup>th</sup>.

Both series continues tonight with the Kingdom Racing King of the Wing National Sprint Car Series at Irwindale Speedway, Irwindale, CA , This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive year the King of the Wing National series will run on the fast half mile paved oval. Jojo Helberg set an all-time record, 14.149, in the 1<sup>st</sup> KOTW race held at this track last November.

The "King of the Wing" Series is designed to work with all teams, promoters, fans and sponsors, to strengthen pavement Winged Sprint Car racing from coast to coast, working directly with all existing pavement Sprint Car Series. Long term plans for the Series are to provide a competitive rules package that can apply to all Sprint Cars and create race events that truly allows the promoters and racers to build bigger venues, show the sponsors and fans the world's fastest short track cars, and to promote some of the best short track drivers competing head-to-head no matter what part of the country they are from or what Series they run on a regular basis. This is the only pavement Sprint Car Series that features competitors from all across the United States and Canada.