NASTE Season 2015 – Race #2 October 11, 2014 Penguin Point Raceway, Hillsboro, Oregon



Monte & Victoria's Penguin Point hosted the second round of the NASTE 2015 racing season. We had a very good turnout with 17 racers showing up to compete on the very tight and technically challenging course. Penguin Point is one of the toughest tracks on the NASTE circuit. This track rewards smooth and consistent driving. And if the first two races of the NASTE 2015 season are any indication it is going to be a tightly contested championship!

The second race this season at Penguin Point was as close as it gets. Thomas Flood is starting off his season in the NASTE Challenge with a win at Penguin Point putting him neck and neck with the winner of the last Challenge race Mitch Brooks. In the expert division there have been two different racers posting wins, both winning by the narrowest of margins. It is clear just from the first two races that all of the NASTE racers have improved their skills over last year.

For the first race Monte set out the Cartrix Grand Prix Legends cars. Beautiful cars, simple in execution. Leading the field in the NASTE Challenge group was Thomas Flood with a half-lap lead over Mitch Brooks, with John Fisher almost another lap back. While in thee Experts division Monte Saager just slipped past Bill Bostic to hold a one-tenth lap lead with Terry Abbott another two-tenths back. In fact four racers were on the same lap only six-tenths apart.

For the second set, it was Carrera Can-Am cars brand new, out of the box, with minor tire sanding and not one but two traction magnets! Oh lordy...

Happy to put the pedal to the metal racers improved their lap totals considerably. In the NASTE Challenge division Thomas Flood once again found the fast way around the track barely holding off the hard charge of Victoria Saager to take first place by two-tenths with David Harburg another two-tenths back in third.

Pulling out all the stops in the Expert division, Monte Saager put another six-tenths on the field with Bill Bostic in second and Terry Abbott again taking third. And once again racing was close with five drivers within two laps.

When both rounds were added together Thomas Flood claimed top honors in the NASTE Challenge with Mitch Brooks finishing second and John Fisher taking third.

In the Expert division Monte Saager managed to hold serve with Bill Bostic second and Terry Abbott third.

Thanks to Monte & Victoria for the most excellent pizzas and snacks! And of course a thank you goes out to Dorothy who always provides us with some of the best homemade candies on the planet!

Here are the final results:

Race No. 2 - Pengiun Point - NASTE Challenge	Round 1	Round 2	Total	Season Points
Thomas Flood	35.1	41.8	76.9	20
Mitch Brooks	34.5	40.5	75.0	19
John Fisher	33.6	40.9	74.5	18
Victoria Saager	32.4	41.6	74.0	17
David Harburg	32.4	41.4	73.8	16
Todd Flood	33.1	38.4	71.5	15
Sherry Trachsel	31.1	33.9	65.0	14
Cash	28.1	32.9	61.0	13
Race No. 2 - Pengiun Point - Experts	Round 1	Round 2	Total	Season Points
Race No. 2 - Pengiun Point - Experts Monte Saager	Round 1 37.8	Round 2 47.2	Total 85.0	Season Points 20
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Monte Saager	37.8	47.2	85.0	20
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