

## NASTE Season 2015 – Race #5

December 7, 2014

Autumn Hills, Milwaukie, Oregon



Sunday December 7<sup>th</sup> was the day for racing in the hills. Rico and Kelly Locati hosted the fifth race in the NASTE 2015 Point Series Championship. Racing at the Hills is a special treat as Kelly lays out a food spread equivalent to anything you might see at a Greek wedding! After we had all filled our stomachs we got serious about racing. Ok, maybe semi-serious.

Rico had brought out some old favorites for us to maneuver around the tight and twisty Autumn Hills course. For the first round of two minute heats we raced Nino Mercedes. The Mercedes were somewhat loose in the traction department, so fast laps required a fair amount of judicious applied throttle! Even at that the racing was extremely close, with Rico taking the overall lead after the first round. The second round flag dropped on the 4F cars (Famous Fickle Fiats of Fate). The 4Fs are notoriously famous at Autumn Hills for providing an exceptional challenge and extreme fun! For this race the little Fiats were unusually well behaved and rewarded it's admirers with quick lap times.

At the end of the day it was Monte Saager in the number one spot with the overall win. Thomas Flood backed up his last NASTE Challenge win with another win here at Autumn Hills. Thomas is on a tear this season, so far winning every Challenge race he has attended! Some of the race highlights included Tracy Flood's smooth and consistent driving which got him a third place finish overall. Dana Denton a long time racer friend from the eighties made it out to see what the NASTE thing was all about. Victoria Saager had a strong finish with the Fickle Fiats showing her skill on the Autumn Hills layout. And John Fisher had an excellent run with the Mercedes. All in all, it was a great day of racing in the hills!

Here are the final results:

<b>Race No. 5 - Autumn Hills - NASTE Challenge</b>	<b>Round 1</b>	<b>Round 2</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Season Points</b>
Thomas Flood	25.9	26.7	52.6	20
John Fisher	26.8	25.5	52.3	19
Mitch Brooks	25.3	25.8	51.1	18
Victoria Saager	24.8	26.1	50.9	17
Tyler Petrequin	25.2	25.3	50.5	16
June Petrequin	24.3	25.3	49.6	15
Todd Flood	24.7	23.9	48.6	14
Perry Petrequin	24.6	22.9	47.5	13

<b>Race No. 5 - Autumn Hills - Experts</b>	<b>Round 1</b>	<b>Round 2</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Season Points</b>
Monte Saager	26.9	28.9	55.8	20
Rico Locati	27.7	27.8	55.5	19
Tracy Flood	26.5	28.2	54.7	18
Bill Bostic	26.5	28.0	54.5	17
Bryan Trachsel	25.4	28.9	54.3	16
Terry Abbott	26.1	27.2	53.3	15
Gary Gossett	25.4	27.8	53.2	14
Dorothy Abbott	24.7	25.4	50.1	13
Dana Denton	25.0	24.5	49.5	12