

## NASTE Season 2016 – Race 9

April 17, 2016

Autumn Hills, Milwaukie, Oregon



On April 17 the racers met up at Rico Locati's Autumn Hills Raceway in Milwaukie for the ninth race of the 2016 season. Round one of the race had Fly Porsche GT1s on the starting grid. Although the cars performed quite well they proved to be a handful on the challenging course. Both the Novice and Expert divisions struggled somewhat with the cars, but still turned in some impressive lap totals. After the racers had put the Fly Porsches through their paces they were removed from the track.

And then.....there they were on the start line. Yes, it was the return of the Flying Fickle Fiats of Fate! A pair of Ninco's finest.....ok maybe not quite their finest, but it was a pair! There is no way these cars should be this much fun, but on the Autumn Hills track the Fiats RULE! Both Novice and Expert racers thrashed the little Ninco Fiats with the finesse seen only in destruction derby's! But the Fiats love to be thrashed and in return reward the driver with lap totals beyond belief! The excitement provided by these cars on the twisty tight Autumn Hills course is the reason for their popularity. When it was all said and done Dominic Locati recorded his first win in the Novice Division followed by June Petrequin in second and Victoria Saager in third. Rico Locati recorded the win in the Expert Division with AJ Locati taking second and Bill Bostic placing third.

When the IROC racing was finished, racers brought out their NAK-Spec Scalextric Trans Am cars to compete in the final NASTE Trans Am Cup race of the season. Monte Saager scored the win, with Bill "borrowed car" Bostic placing second, and Jeff Fields third. This concludes the season for the NASTE Trans Am Cup. Next year we will be looking at another class to replace the magnetic traction cars which were somewhat of a disappointment to race.

A race at the Hills is seldom without a fantastic spread of food and once again Kelly put together a wonderful feast for the racers.

Here are the final results:

<b>Race No. 9 - Autumn Hills</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Round 1</b>	<b>Round 2</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Season Points</b>
Rico Locati	XP	48.4	48.7	97.1	20
AJ Locati	XP	47.8	47.1	94.9	
Bill Bostic	XP	47.0	46.1	93.1	19
Monte Saager	XP	45.3	47.7	93.0	18
Bryan Trachsel	XP	45.5	47.3	92.8	17
Terry Abbott	XP	44.7	44.8	89.5	16
Al Christensen	INT	43	41.7	84.7	15
Dorothy Abbott	INT	41.6	42.8	84.4	
Mitch Brooks	XP	42.2	42.1	84.3	14
Jeff Fields	INT	42.8	40.9	83.7	13
Dominic Locati	NOV	35.5	41.2	76.7	
June Petrequin	NOV	35.5	40.9	76.4	
Victoria Saager	NOV	35.1	40.3	75.4	

<b>Trans Am Race No. 5 - Autumn Hills</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Season Points</b>
Monte Saager	XP	61.0	7
Bill Bostic	XP	58.7	6
Jeff Fields	INT	56.9	5
Rico Locati	XP	55.3	4
Dominic Locati	NOV	55.0	3
Mitch Brooks	XP	53.4	2
Al Christensen	XP	51.3	1