

Speed and Sunshine at Silver City for Points Race # 4

The racetrack was sizzling with excitement and the roar of engines as over 170 cars signed in for Points Race #4, a highly anticipated event that turned an ordinary weekend into a high-octane spectacle. The heat on the track was matched only by the soaring temperatures, as drivers battled fiercely creating a day of unforgettable racing moments.

Logan Thibeault, a 7-year-old from Southington, dominated the Junior classes by securing wins in both Junior Honda and Junior 160. When recounting the Junior Honda race, which was nearly cut short due to the number of wrecks and cautions, Thibeault said, "I'm glad we got through that race. It was long and difficult, and I'm happy I won."

Thibeault also shared his excitement about the Junior 160 race, saying "I love being able to take the lead from position 2 on the start." Logan's ability to seize the lead from the outside position was a rare and impressive feat, adding to the day's many memorable moments. When reflecting on the race, Thibeault said, "Battling with Peter Grady for the lead" was by far his favorite part of the race, as it was for all spectators and handlers alike.



Peter Grady Celebrating in Victory Lane
After his Junior Animal win

Among the standout performances was Peter Grady, age 8 from Berlin, CT, who secured his first victory of the season in the Junior Animal division. Grady's triumph was a testament to his determination and skill. After the race, Grady excitedly said, "That was a tough race! I'm glad I was able to send it into victory lane." His victory was celebrated with hugs, cheers, and a bunch of high-fives as friends and family gathered around him following the race.

For the senior drivers, the intensity of the races continued to escalate under the scorching sun. Landon Morgan, a 12-year-old from Marion, Massachusetts, secured a win in his Senior Honda car. The crowd erupted in cheers as he crossed the finish line, a moment Landon will cherish forever. "Grabbing the checkered flag" was a special memory, he said with a smile.

Taylor Henion, age 11 from Southbury, CT, emerged victorious in the Senior Animal race over the weekend. The dramatic last lap was the highlight for Taylor, who summarized his race day by saying, "The food" was his most memorable moment of the weekend. His lighthearted comment contrasted the serious competition on the track that was happening at Silver City all day long.

Jake Fattibene, a seasoned 13-year-old racer from Sandy Hook, CT, showcased his skills and determination by winning both the Unrestricted Animal and Heavy World Formula divisions of the weekend. Jake expressed his preference for the Heavy World Formula race, saying it is his favorite car due to the setup and handling. Despite having to start 8th in the Unrestricted Animal heat race, Jake's tenacity saw him work his way to the front.



Taylor Henion Celebrating
After His Victory in Senior Animal

Fattibene expressed his gratitude to his father, Dean Fattibene, and Thomas Reeves for their guidance and support, stating, "I want to thank my dad for all the time he spends with me working on cars and Thomas Reeves for previously helping me!" He also cherished the memory of "hanging out with Trigg Hazelwood and friends at the track and goofing around," making the weekend even more special.

Aubry Wasko had a stellar weekend, winning the Heavy Honda and Heavy 160 divisions. Reflecting on her Heavy Honda victory, she said, "My favorite part of winning Heavy Honda was knowing I didn't have the fastest car in the field but being smart and timing my pass for the lead at the right time."



Jake Fattibene Celebrating His Second Victory of the Day



Aubry Wasko After Winning Heavy Honda

In the Heavy 160 race, Aubry's confidence in her car's performance was clear, as she led all 30 laps to secure the win. However, her day wasn't without challenges. During the Unrestricted Animal race, a mistake at the start resulted in a strike against her, forcing her to start from the 10th position. Nevertheless, Aubry battled her way back to a commendable 2nd place finish.

Johnny Morgillo, Silver City's Race Director, offered a glowing endorsement of the day's success. "When I came back to Silver City, I knew I wanted to see the level of competition return to what it was in the late 90's - early 2000s. After this weekend, I can say with confidence that this has been achieved." Morgillo continued, "Every division was stacked with competition this weekend. It makes me proud to see how far some of these kids have come and how collectively, they've made Silver City such a force. It's really something special."

The day was a showcase of talent, tenacity, and the thrill of racing. The heat on the track was more than just the temperature; it was the fiery spirit of competition and the determination of these young racers. Each race told a story of struggle, strategy, and triumph, leaving spectators on the edge of their seats and racers with memories they will cherish for a lifetime.

As the sun set and the engines cooled, the friendship among the racers was evident. The bonds formed off the track were just as important as the rivalries on it, creating a sense of community that underscored the race day. The weekend's races were not just about speed and skill but also about the joy of sharing these experiences with friends and family, making Points Race #4 a sizzling success in every sense.

Silver City Quarter Midget Club will be taking a two-week hiatus from racing as we gear up for the Eastern National Grands, set to take place at the track from Thursday, June 20th to Saturday, June 22nd.