



NLSA Points Race Heats Up in August

Greg Cybulski, WINNIPEG, MB (August 12, 2009) August's summer temperatures are going to heat up when the Northern Lightning Sprint Association rolls onto the track at Red River Co-op Speedway as part of another action-packed program this Saturday, August 15th at 3:00pm. Manitoba's premier dirt track racing facility, located just south of Winnipeg on Highway 75, will feature the high-flying Sprints as well as 4 and 8 Cylinder Enduros.

The 2009 points race is heating up as no less than seven teams battle their way to become the very first NLSA Champion. Roland Bernard has an 11 point lead on his nearest competitor Darren Pallen, while Amber Balcaen is third in points with a narrow 3 point lead over Jennifer Carlson and Dave Sobczak who are both tied for fourth place. Also in the hunt is Eric Guyot in sixth, followed by Bob Charney.

The points race appeared to be a two horse race between Bernard and Pallen, however, Lady Luck had other ideas as both competitors suffered early exits in their last outing on Thursday, July 30, which allowed the rest of the teams to make up valuable ground and stay within striking distance of the leaders. Many of these teams have shown marked improvement since their first race in June and they are now in a position to make a run for the NLSA Championship. Five races remain on the Northern Lightning Sprint Association 2009 racing schedule and with a logjam of teams trying to overtake Roland Bernard, the best racing is yet to come.

Northern Lightning Sprint Association Points as of August 13, 2009.

Roland Bernard 261
Darren Pallen 250
Amber Balcaen 243
Jennifer Carlson 240
Dave Sobczak 240
Eric Guyot 230
Bob Charney 229
Bob Saindon 178
Tyson Hiebert 157
Chris Unrau 140
Chris Bouwman 84
Jeff Laurin 43
Allan Dayman 16

About the Northern Lightning Sprint Association:

Created in September of 2008, the Northern Lightning Sprint Association is a rapidly growing organization committed to the creation and maintenance of safe, fast, fun, and affordable open wheel racing. Many of the organization's members are dedicated to helping charities such as the Children's Hospital Foundation and Cancer Care of Manitoba. More information can be found at www.nlsprints.com