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**Sprint Car Veteran Sobczak Shoots for NLSA Win!**

**Greg Cybulski, WINNIPEG, MB (June 5, 2010)** For the second time in as many races, the Northern Lightning Sprint Association's feature was decided late in the race by a twist of fate. Starting from the pole position, Jennifer Carlson's #6 Lightning Sprint headed into the first turn with the lead, with Dave Sobczak's #17 in hot pursuit. Following Sobczak were 2009 NLSA points champion Roland Bernard, Darren Pallen, Amber Balcaen, Chris Unrau and Ryan Harms.

Tyson Hiebert, who had car troubles all night, started the feature but pulled off after the green flag had dropped.

The 12-lap feature was fast and furious as Carlson extended her lead over Sobczak.

With five laps remaining Amber Balcaen passed Darren Pallen to take over fourth place. With the laps winding down, it appeared that Jennifer Carlson was in control, however, the race leader was about to encounter lapped traffic.

With 3 laps remaining, Carlson had difficulties negotiating a pack of lapped cars and was slowed enough to allow Dave Sobczak to find the open lane to pass her for the lead. Amber Balcaen was again able to better her track position by passing Roland Bernard with two laps remaining.

When the checkered flag waved, it was Dave Sobczak winning his first feature of the 2010 Northern Lightning Sprint Association season.

Rounding up the top five was Dave Sobczak, Jennifer Carlson, Amber Balcaen, Roland Bernard and Darren Pallen.

In earlier action, NLSA heat races were won by Chris Unrau and Amber Balcaen.

The next Northern Lightning Sprint Association race is scheduled for Thursday, June 10 at Red River Co-op Speedway.

**Northern Lightning Sprint Association**  
**Red River Co-op Speedway, Winnipeg, Manitoba**  
**Thursday, June 3, 2010**

Heat 1

1. 27 Chris Unrau
2. 17 Dave Sobczak
3. 2 Roland Bernard
4. 6 Jennifer Carlson
5. 18 Ryan Harms
6. 5 Chris Sorin
7. 13 Kevin Kotowich

Heat 2

1. 10 Amber Balcaen
2. 4C Chris Bouwman
3. 11 Darren Pallen
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**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 <http://www.nlsprints.com>