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K&N SPRING FLING GALOT – FINAL DAY RESULTS

While the partying went late last night at the Sparco Racer Appreciation Barbeque, it certainly must have overflowed into the pit area of last night's \$50,000 winner, Dalton Pearsall. One more day of a \$20,000-to-win Wiseco Pistons Saturday race prevailed but not before some housekeeping in the form of a Church Service and the patented Fling Family Photo, a group shot of just some of the entrants and their family and crew.

Yesterday also crowned the Brodix Best Package Award winner between the best door car package and best dragster package from Wednesday through Friday, where the winner received a new set of SR20 heads from Brodix. At the 2017 Fall Fling at Bristol, the two combatants at that event, were Nick Hastings in his door car and Numidia Dragway (PA) regular T.C. Smith in the dragster. Smith bested Hasting for the heads and the irony of that event wasn't lost here. The two fighting it out for the heads at this event were Nick Hastings once again and Brian Reklaitis, another Numidia Dragway regular. If that wasn't enough, the car Reklaitis was driving was a former T.C. Smith car. Once again, the dragster prevailed and Reklaitis brought another set of heads home to northeast Pennsylvania.

As for the race itself, the JEGS Pro 32 class drivers were absolutely vicious all week, in some cases with packages even better than some Super Pro cars. Today, the final of that class was between two former NHRA world champions in Dan Fletcher and Lee Zane with Fletcher getting the nod to move into the next round of Super Pro where he was dispatched by another champion in his own right, former 'Fling winner Tommy Plott.

Round six with 16 cars left, Shane Carr defeated Johnny Ennis. John Taylor Jr. took out Jon Siegel. Mark Siegel defeated Howie Adams. Troy Williams got the best of Frank Duplisses Jr. Kevin Brannon took out Larry Ericksmoen, Larry Martin beat Leon Tynes Sr. Mike Daymude defeated Tommy Plott and finally, Junior Foley defeated Shane Maddox to close out the round.

Quarterfinals, the survivors moving into the semis were Williams, Siegel, Brannon and the lone door car of Martin. Semifinals and it was Williams over Martin and Siegel over Brannon.

Throughout the weekend, a Swear Jar was instituted for those losing and using... questionable language. It started at the Spring Fling Million in Las Vegas and was resurrected here, In Vegas, over \$1,200 was raised and donated to Racers for Christ. Here at Galot, \$2,139 was raised on behalf of every racer who unselfishly donated to ArmedForcesRacing.org, an organization which helps with recreational therapy for veterans, a big THANK YOU goes out to each and every one.

For the final, after over 5,000 runs made in five days, it was down to the last two, Troy Williams Jr. with a slight reaction time advantage over Siegel, which was enough to propel Williams to his second Spring Fling win.

The last award of the weekend was the Todd's Extreme Paint MVP Award voted on by Spring Fling officials and given to the best performer of the weekend. In his very first 'Fling appearance, Larry Martin used numerous late round appearances including a final day semifinal finish to easily earn the award.

"This is the first time we attempted to have a pre-entry type of race," said co-promoter Peter Biondo, "and we did it to maximize the experience of our friends, our customers. We're thrilled to be able to have it all work out. But none of this would work without you the racers. We know you have options and we're happy you chose to spend your time with us. Thank you. Next up on the 'Fling schedule is the Fall Fling at Bristol Dragway, September 18-22 and we look forward to seeing each of you again."

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