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SPARCO FALL FLING 500K HANSEN THURSDAY RESULTS

Day 3, Hansen Thursday and one day closer to the biggest and most exciting payday of the Sparco Fall Fling 500K presented by Optima Batteries, ATI Friday where one racer will walk away with a half-million dollar prize. But before that happens, there was another \$30,000-to-win race today.

New entries received a single time run and by 8:45, eliminations began. Yesterday due to the amount of cars, buy backs were eliminated. However today, redemption in the form of a buy back is available for those unfortunate to have not received a win light in the first round.

In addition to today's race and as part of the Fling's Bristol tenth anniversary celebration, any previous winners from any of the Fling brand events, will compete in a special Hoosier Tires King of the Flings race with free entry and the winner receiving an Ivey Hutto Golf Carts customized cart.

With racer representation from 36 states and the country of Canada, the Sparco Spring Fling 500K presented by Optima Batteries has also become an international affair with fans checking in on the MotorManiaTV.com live feed sponsored by Mickey Thompson Tires and JEGS. Interested fans have checked in on the live feed chat room from as far away as Australia and a number of European countries. The live feed will continue for the final two days, ATI Friday and JEGS Saturday.

Fling rules regarding the ladder round begins at 16 cars or less and in round seven, there remained ten; Nick Hastings, Leon Robertson, Ernie Humes, Vegas Million winner Peeps Pennington, Matt Grayson, Cody McDaniel, Mike Novitsky, Camryn Frederickson, Billy Leber and Steve Law.

Round seven and Novitsky turned on the red-light to advance Robertson and his door car. Vegas Million Dollar winner Pennington dispatched Leber to the trailer. Law defeated Grayson. "Nasty Nick" Hastings defeated Frederickson to move his door car into the quarterfinals. And finally, Humes used a 0.001 RT with his door car to defeat McDaniel and with that earned the bye run in round eight with five cars left.

Five cars, and for possibly the first time in big time bracket racing, the door cars outnumbered the dragsters for \$30,000-to-win. First up, "Nasty Nick" and another "nasty" racer, Peeps Pennington with his dragster. It was over before it got started when Hastings turned on the red-light while Pennington cut a perfect 0.000 RT which earned him the bye in the semifinals to move directly to another Fling final round. Law and Robertson faced off with the dragster of Law getting the win, while Humes took his bye run to move directly into the semifinals where he faced off with Law.

The semifinals weren't kind to door cars as the last remaining door car of Humes turned on the red-light to advance Law and his dragster to face off with Pennington.

Two cars left for \$30K and it was over rather quickly as Law turned it red by -0.003 to award Pennington with another Fling trophy, his second this year after his earlier win at the Vegas Million.

Still left to be decided was the Hoosier Tires King of the Fling. In all, there were 37 previous winners who made the first round. With some of the best racers in possibly the world, the final came down to Tommy Cable and Kevin Thorp with Thorp taking the win despite Cable's two perfect Reaction Times in the semis and final.

Next up is ATI Friday with a \$500,000 check going to the winner. For more info and results, visit www.bracketraces.com.

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