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## SPARCO FALL FLING FRIDAY RESULTS

For the third day in a row, more and more racers have been driving through the gates of Bristol Dragway for a chance to win big at the Sparco Fall Fling presented by Optima Batteries.

Wednesday's Yukon Gear & Axle-sponsored \$15,000-to-win race had 323 making the first round. Yesterday's Racepak race, the number increased to 383. And for today's ATI Performance Products-sponsored race, the purse is increased with a whopping \$50,000 going to the winner and so are the racers. The weather couldn't have been any nicer and partly for that reason, 390 cars made the first round call. The main reason though was the 'Fling brand where the customer comes first. Besides the purse, over \$50,000 in hardcore products are randomly awarded directly to racers. And the awards are not simply a gift certificate or piece of paper but rather the products themselves.

"There aren't enough thanks we could offer everyone who made the trip here and have helped to make this event run as smoothly as it has," echoed the sentiments of both copromoters Peter Biondo and Kyle Seipel.

Moving along in the program, at the ladder round nine remained: Stephen "Champ" McCrory; Spring Fling winner Bug McCarty, Door Car Shootout winner Jeremy York, one of the "voices" of the 'Fling, Jared Pennington, also a Spring Fling winner; Darren Lotts, Tuesday's Dragster Shootout winner Troy Williams Jr.; former NHRA world champ Kevin Brannon; Kyle Cultrera; and finally Josh Lueke. Four door cars left to do battle with the dragsters.

Survivors of that round included Williams, McCrory, McCarty, Luedke and York; three door cars and two dragsters. The door cars hung tough in the quarters with McCarty and York sliding through to the semis with Williams defeating McCrory with a .002 reaction time that gave him the bye run at three cars, assuring it would be a door car versus dragster final.

In the semis, McCarty fouled away his chances with a -.001 red-light. Unfortunately, York hurt his engine on that run and was unable to return for the final to give the newly crowned IHRA Top Dragster world champion Williams a \$50,000 payday to add to his resume of wins.

"I feel so bad for Jeremy," said Williams, "and I didn't want to win that way. I have to thank FTI Transmissions, Steve Schmidt, Mickey Thompson Tires, and all my sponsors for the great support they give me."

The final run of the day was the Brodix Best Package Award for the door car and dragster with the best package all week. It turned out to be a battle of age versus youth, with 74-year old TC Smith and 30-year old "Nasty Nick" Hastings. At the finish line, it was proof that old age and treachery can still beat youth and exuberance with Smith taking home a set of Brodix SR20 cylinder heads.

Next up... Day Last, JEGS Saturday, the final day of a great week with another \$20,000-to-win payday for some lucky racer. As has been the tradition of every 'Fling event for the last eight years, MotorManiaTV.com is on hand, sponsored by JEGS and Hoosier Tires to stream the event live to anyone on the world wide web. Visit www.bracketraces.com.