National Dragster Challenge Race at Atlanta Dragway

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Super Pro winner Mickey Morris and family

SUPER PRO – For Mickey Morris, it was a day of first, his 1st win this year, his 1st win in his Neal & Parks dragster but his 3rd Wally.

Mickey wanted to thank his dad & mom (Ricky & Kathy), wife (Jessica), daughter (Maci) and thanks to Pro Systems Carburetors.

Mickey Morris from Ellenwood, GA defeated Michael Bruce from Covington, GA in his Danny Nelson Race Craft dragster. Morris ran a 4.908 ET on a dial in of 4.88 at 141.76 mph and a 0.021 reaction time. Bruce ran a 4.887 ET off his dial of 4.87 at 141.95 mph and a 0.037 reaction.

Morris had a single run the semis and Bruce beat Robby Brown from Loganville, GA in his '01Chevy S-10 truck.

PRO – Chad Brewer adds to his impressive collection of Wallys.

Chad Brewer won his 10th Wally as Division 2 Championship 2016 reign comes to an end in a couple of weeks. Chad wanted to give special thanks to Headman Hasler Headers, Dickey Forrester and Tim Keeton of Hickory Flat Automotive.

Brewer defeated last week's winner, Wesley Tucker, Division 2 Stock Eliminator racer from Lawrenceville, GA in his high flying '68 Camaro. Brewer ran a 6.755 ET on a 6.75 dial in (dead on) at 98.76 mph and a 0.027 reaction. Tucker ran a 7.131ET off his 7.13 dial in (dead on) at 93.02 mph and a reaction of 0.046.

In the semis Brewer beat Wesley Cox from Reynolds, GA in his '71 Dart, and Tucker faced off against Woody Bryant from Bowman, GA in his '68 Camaro.

SPORTSMAN – Dickey Forrester has won track Champion 3 of the last 4 years in his '68 Camaro.

Forrester wanted to thank his wife Marilyn for her sacrifice while he is at the races.

Forrester from Hickory Flat, GA defeated Seth Bevins from Albany, GA in his '88 Camaro. Forrester ran an 11.719 ET on his 11.69 dial in at 113.83 mph and a reaction time of 0.044. Bevins ran a 12.164 ET off his 12.20 dial in (break out) at 109.02 mph and a 0.069 reaction.

During the semifinals Forrester went up against Russell Haskins from Marietta, GA in his '13 Mustang. Bevins had a single into the finals.

SUPER PRO BIKE – Jimmy Heisler from Woodstock, GA on his '00 Kawasaki, takes home the Wally.

In the final, Heisler defeated Tim Sutton the 2016 Track Champion. Jimmy wanted to thank his wife Eemon, Vanson Leathers, Motul Oil, Shorai, Matter Cycle Supply, Traxxon Dynamics, Brocks Performance, and Dragbike.com.

Heisler ran a 6.786 ET on a 6.77 dial in at 101.84 mph and a 0.096 reaction time. Sutton ran a 5.552 ET off a 5.53 dial in at 121.74 mph and a 0.124 reaction time on his '89 Suzuki.

Heisler had a bye one in the semis while Sutton defeated Jordan Autrey from Travelers Rest, SC on his '11 Kawasaki.

STREET ET BIKE – Randy Day from Anderson, SC takes home the Wally.

It was a battle of South Carolina when Day from Anderson defeated Jordan Autrey, the 2016 Points Champion, from Travelers Rest.

Day, on a Kawasaki, ran an 8.881 ET on his dial in of 8.86 at 142.01 mph and a reaction time of 0.024. Autrey, also on a Kawasaki, ran 9.344 ET on his 9.33 dial in at 143.70 mph and a 0.067 reaction.

In the semifinals Day beat Ken Ford from Lavonia, GA on a '00 Suzuki, while Autrey faced Randy Barnett from Colbert, Ga also on a Suzuki.

Sanctioned by the National Hot Rod Association (NHRA), Atlanta Dragway is located just off I-85 at Exit 149 in the Banks Crossing area of Commerce, Georgia. Information on all 2016 events may be obtained by calling the track office (706-335-2301) or logging on to www.atlantadragway.com.



Super Pro Bike Winner Jimmy Heisler and wife Eemon



Pro Winner and 2016 Track Champion Chad Brewer



Sportsman winner and 2016 Track Champion Dickey Forrester



Street ET Bike winner Randy Day

