

Long Savors Cherry Victory



Darren Long won Friday night's feature at the Cherry Raceway. - T.J. Buffenbarger Photo

T.J. Buffenbarger, FIFE LAKE, Mich. (June 18, 2010) – Darren Long won Friday night's Engine Pro ASCS Sprints on Dirt presented by ARP feature Friday night at Cherry Raceway. Long took advantage of the weekend off from the Lucas Oil ASCS National Series to head north and take advantage of starting from the pole and drove away from the rest of the field on the recently revamped $\frac{1}{4}$ -mile layout at Cherry utilizing Gaerte built chassis and engine for JG Motosports.

"We've kind of struggled at times on the road, so this win is good for me and the team," said Long in victory lane. "We've had a lot of bad luck this year, so hopefully that is starting to turn around."

Long and defending ASCS Sprints on Dirt champion Brett Mann started on the front row for the feature event. Long pulled away while Mann lost second position to Joe Bares. While Bares chased after Long for the lead, Mann found himself under

pressure from the charge of Dain Naida. Naida arrived late to the track after blowing up a transmission in his tow vehicle. After starting 10th Naida disposed of Mann for third and then ran down Bares for the second spot in slower traffic.

Even with Naida's charge Long set sail with a perfect line on the bottom of the speedway and cruised to the victory over Naida, Bares, Mann, and Gregg Dalman.

Both heat race events were won on last lap passes courtesy of Bares and Ryan Grubaugh. Dalman won the Fast Car Dash.

Engine Pro ASCS Sprints on Dirt presented by ARP Results
Friday June 18th, 2010
Cherry Raceway – Fife Lake, MI

Heat Races (Top 16 in passing points transfer to the "A" Feature)

Engler Machine and Tool Heat Race #1 (8 Laps): 1. 91 – Joe Bares, 2. 26 – Gary Fast, 3. 3g – Darren Long, 4. Robert Huisken, 5. 23 – Ben Rutan, 6. 14 – Ryan Davis, 7. 21 – Matt Lumbert, 8. 55 – Kirk Cheney

Lane Automotive/Comp Cams Heat Race #2 (8 Laps): 1. 00 – Ryan Grubaugh, 2. 19 – Brett Mann, 3. 49t – Gregg Dalman, 4. 22 – Aaron Shaffer, 5. 6n – Dain Naida, 6. 07 – Jake Stebner, 7. 187 – Gavin Hunyady, 8. 70 – Jim Lingar.

Total Seal Fast Car Dash presented by Gaerte Engines (4 Laps): 1. 49t – Gregg Dalman, 2. 91 – Joe Bares, 3. 3g – Darren Long, 4. 00 – Ryan Grubaugh.

Engine Pro ASCS Sprints on Dirt presented by Victor Reinz "A" Main Event

"A" Feature (25 Laps): 1. 3g – Darren Long, 2. 6n – Dain Naida, 3. 91 – Joe Bares, 4. 19 – Brett Mann, 5. 49t – Gregg Dalman, 6. 23 – Ben Rutan, 7. 00 – Ryan Grubaugh, 8. 22 – Aaron Shaffer, 9. 46 – Robert Huisken, 10. 07 – Jake Stebner,

11. 14 – Ryan Davis, 12. 26 – Gary Fast, 13. 187 – Gavin Hunyady, 14. 70 – Jim Lingar, 15. 21 – Matt Lumbert. DNS: 55 – Kirk Cheney

Hard Charger: Naida (+8)

Engine Pro ASCS Sprints on Dirt presented by ARP Point Standings (Top Ten): 1. Ryan Grubaugh 895, 2. Dain Naida 890, 3. Gregg Dalman 838, 4. Ben Rutan 803, 5. Robert Huisken 778, 6. Gavin Hunyady 759, 7. Dustin Daggett 725, 8. Aaron Shaffer 686, 9. Ryan Ruhl 564, 10. Brett Mann 520.