

Paul Kaiser sets new Summit Point lap records and wins both races

The “Spring Slam” started out with clear, cold weather and a track with a “patch work” of repairs at the end of the straight, the fast downhill right hander “shout”, part of the carousel, turn 9 on the back straight and turn 10 leading onto the main straight. And, it seemed to be slicker than the rest of the track. Well it didn’t stop Paul and John George from turning some really fast times in Qualifying on Saturday with a 1:24.538 and 1:25.146 respectively. Carl Thompson turned a 1:27.030 and Wayne Patterson was a 1:31.495. So the grid was set and it was going to be Paul and John fighting it out, swapping positions a couple of times, while Carl and Wayne tried to work their way up through the pack to chase them down (didn’t happen). In spite of slippery parts of the track Paul disappeared, breaking the lap record (for the first time over the weekend) turning a 1:23.882 – Paul says he didn’t do that on his own, but managed some great drafting in the process – NEW LAP RECORD THOUGH! John finished 2nd, Carl was third, and Wayne 4th.



Sunday dawned with nice clear weather, but with temperatures in the 40,s. Qualifying was relatively early at 9:10 (sort of cold track) and the race at 2:18. We had plenty of time for great “goodies on the grille” and discussions on how to go faster (mostly me and Wayne). Qualifying saw John George work his way into the # 1 grid position with a 1:25.139, Paul 2nd with a 1:26.001, Carl 3rd with a 1:28.379 and Wayne 4th with a 1:30.185. Needless to say there was some great racing with John and Paul so close. Paul got by John, and when another car got in between them it was Paul to the checkered flag. In the process, he broke his new lap record set on Saturday turning a 1:23.839. John finished 2nd with a best time of 1:24.681, Carl 3rd with a 1:27.603, and Wayne 4th with a 1:30.440.



So, it was a great weekend and fun was had by all – more so by the guys up front. Now it is time to get ready for the next gathering in June at BeaveRun.