

Tight Battles at Shannonville Shootout

Long-Circuit Layout Sees The Highest Shannonville Turnout In Recent Memory

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Shannonville, June 1st & 2nd, 2006 – Race Ontario's second event of the 2006 season was a rousing success! Rain greeted the 90+ competitors but this did nothing to dampen the racing spirit.

ONTARIO CHALLENGE CUP

Bruce Gregory was first in two out of three races, bowing to Jim Harrison in the Porsche in the third. Nick Majors, in his brand-new Viper, had two second place finishes and a 3rd. Karl Thomson swept GT-A on the weekend as did Frank Blanchet in GT-D and Diane Dale in GT-C. Scot Nicol took 1st on Saturday in GT-B with McDougall and Chalvardjian rounding out the class victories.

ONTARIO FORMULA FORD CHAMPIONSHIP

The Shannonville Shootout marked the start of the highly anticipated OFFC Championship. Twenty four cars came out and the race is on for the coveted IRL test for the winner of the season.

In A-Class, Matt White won the season opener and 2005 champion Shane Jantzi was 2nd in this wet race. Sunday the sun returned and so did Jantzi, to the top of the podium that is, after battling with White who took second on this day. Glyn Walters swept B-Class.

ONTARIO TOURING GT CHAMPIONSHIP

The championship is already hot and this weekend's hour-long enduro race only added fuel to the fire!

Alan de Wolfe, in his Eurotech Racing T-1 class BMW qualified P5 and was running great until a cylinder head blew and ended his day early. T2 competitor Perry Iannuzzi was also running well in the Mad Macs Sentra until a tempermental rad hose sidelined him too.

Andrew Wojteczko in his Lexus, fresh from Mid-Ohio's Speed World Challenge Touring Car race a couple of weeks ago, took off from P1 and Scott Nicol in his Civic in P2 and never looked back. Dave Pratte took victory in his Discovery Auto Collision Civic in T2, followed closely by the team of Bearss and Young and the Octane Motorsports MINI of Alain Lauziere. GT class saw the Xirpodis car at the top of the podium followed by Karl Thomson and Sasha Anis.

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Mario Urbano in his Formula Renault took one of each of the podium positions over the weekend. Neal Stansby had two second place finishes and Manuel Gutierrez had two 1st place finishes and a 3rd.

VINTAGE/HISTORIC

Doug Durrel in his 'Kiki' car dominated A-Class and Joe Lightfoot took two out of three victories in B-Class. Richard Poxin took the top of the podium in his second two races in class, John Sanbrook took the other victory. Saturday's winner John Sanbrook couldn't stop Rick Rose in both races on Sunday though.