

Moss and Ford race to first career A main finishes on June 24

By Mike Weber

Two drivers, "The Enforcer" Terry Moss, and Dave Ford recorded their first career A main wins, and sportsman division leader Tim Williams posted a fifth straight top-five A main finish in the Heckman Trucking sponsored race Saturday, June 24, at River City Speedway. Tricia "Great" Brittain of St. Helens, topped sportsman qualifying for the first time ever, posting a time trial of 15.82 seconds on the quarter-mile clay oval track.

In the Baxter Auto Parts modified main, Gannin Thomas of St. Helens, notched his second win this year after overtaking Deer Island's Stephen Kaptur on the third circuit and then led the remainder of the 40-lap race with his Generation Transmission open-wheel style modified racer. Portland's Ray Elwess was runnerup, followed by St. Helens drivers Jeremy Martin, Sean Fox and Portland's Marc Sayre.

"I've won two of the last four, so that's pretty good, but I'm really not too concerned about my position in the points," said Thomas. "I'm having an enjoyable season and it's sure much more fun when you're able to avoid mishaps and without having people bumping into your car. I had to spend all my spare time last week working on the car to just repair the damage from the last race (June 17)."

Ford, from Troutdale, started on the front row of the Reser's Fine Foods sportsman main and led all the way with his DVS Machining Chevrolet Monte Carlo to notch his first win in the series. Williams, of Scappoose, took third in his Alliance Automotive Camaro behind runnerup Jesse Freeman of Wilsonville. Brittain was fourth in both the dash and heat and she took eighth in the main for a fifth straight top-10 finish in the Competitive Edge Sign & Design Monte Carlo.

"I had another good day, the car is running great and I'm sure glad to be leading the point standings after the first five races," said Williams. "I actually gained a little edge tonight on the second (Brittain) and third (Rodney Cook) place drivers after finishing ahead of both of them in each race (dash, heat, main). I've had a fantastic season so far, so I'll

just keep my fingers crossed and I hope that my good luck continues all year."

Moss started on the pole position of the 50-lap street stock main and led from start-to-finish with his Cage Off-Road Motorsports/AI's Transmission Chevy Malibu to post the first A main win of his four-year career. Moss, who earned a \$500 prize, was followed closely throughout the 50-lap race by a trio of determined frontrunners. Moss, from St. Helens, won by a car length over Sandy's Chris Hallberg, with the Nusom brothers of Gresham, Curt (3rd) and John (4th) also very close.

"I was planning to compete only a couple of times this year, because I couldn't enter the first three races, since I was in Virginia at the FBI National Academy for job related training exercises," said Moss, a St. Helens police officer. "Paul Liner stepped in and volunteered to compete as my co-driver, but the car wasn't even in racing condition when I left in April. Paul is an expert driver though, he set up the car, he put everything together and made some minor adjustments so that it would be ready when I returned home and it was running just perfect tonight. After a ninth place division finish last season, my goal is a top-five finish this year and I think I'll have a good shot at it."

Vancouver's Joe Cherington maneuvered up from an eighth place starting spot in a 16-car field to capture the mini stock A main. Cherington, the defending series champion, notched his third win with the C's Machine Shop Datsun. Portland's Ben Palmer was second, followed by Warrenton's Mark Guindon, Jared Hanson of Portland and Brad Beehler of St. Helens.

Vancouver's Stacey Fordyce notched a third straight victory as she won the women's main in the All-Star Sports Bar Monte Carlo.

RIVER CITY SPEEDWAY RESULTS - JUNE 17, 2006

Sportsman - Fast Time: Dave Ford, Portland 15.70. Trophy Dash: Don Jenner, Vancouver. Heat 1: John Fordyce, Vancouver; Aaron Chappell, Portland; Todd Newton, Portland. Heat 2: Tommy Elstoen, St. Helens; Josh Cernac, Scappoose; Rodney Cook, Rainier. Heat 3: Tricia Brittain, St. Helens; Tim Williams, Scappoose; Jenner. B Main:

Fordyce; Ron Williams, Longview; Danny Asher, Portland; Elstoen; Newton. A Main: Cook; Tim Williams; Brittain; Doug Hurley, Castle Rock; Larry Lemmons, Toledo; Bryan Collins, Portland; Rob Duncan, Scappoose; Dave Pfaff, Portland; Ford; Jesse Freeman, Wilsonville.

Modified - Fast Time: Shawn Dorie, St. Helens 14.50. Trophy Dash: Mike Graham, Portland. Heat 1: Rudy Chappelle, St. Helens; Curt Nusom, Gresham; Jim Midwood, Portland. Heat 2: Stephen Kaptur, Deer Island; Greg Greer, Rainier; Rob Sjogren, Portland. Heat 3: Marc Sayre, Portland; Graham; Sean Fox, St. Helens. B Main: Chappelle; Nusom; Sam Jeffers, Scappoose; Midwood; Dorie. A Main: Fox; Greer; Chappelle; Jim Potter, Portland; Kaptur; Ray Elwess, Portland; Nusom; Sayre; Norm Miller, Portland; Gannin Thomas, St. Helens.

Street Stock - Fast Time: Curt Nusom 15.79. Trophy Dash: John Nusom, Gresham. Heat 1: Herb Thomas, St. Helens; John Haagenson, Portland; Terry Moss, St. Helens. Heat 2: Brett Eakins, Washougal; Jereld Strawn, Portland; Jeff Lovell, Portland. Main: Curt Nusom; Strawn; John Nusom; Lovell; Mark Reser, Beaverton; Haagenson; Charlie Culpepper, Portland; Moss; Jacki Graham, Portland; Brad Nusom, Gresham.

Mini Stock - Fast Time: Scott Beaudoin, Portland 16.50. Trophy Dash: Ben Palmer, Portland. Heat 1: Mark Beehler, Sr., St. Helens; Josh Kelsey, Portland; Michael Beaudoin, Portland. Heat 2: Jared Hanson, Portland; Mark Beehler, St. Helens; Tristan Judkins, Portland. Heat 3: Marie Sayre, Portland; Scott McMullen, Deer Island; Brad Ruth, Washougal. B Main: Judkins; Hanson; Richard Dubois, Portland; Kathy McMullen, Deer Island; Beaudoin. A Main: Joe Cherington, Vancouver; Mark Guindon, Warrenton; Eric Lindquist, Portland; Hanson; Justin Russell, Portland; Scott McMullen; Bill Hoekstra, Vancouver; Bob Wallace, Portland; Judkins; Palmer.

PHRA Dwarf Cars - Trophy Dash: Greg Long, Cornelius. Heat 1: Rick Adams, Hillsboro; Jimmy Pavel, Molala; Chris Abshire, Portland. Heat 2: Long; Corey Esteban, Gaston; Butch Stone, Hillsboro. Heat 3: Richard Petty, Scappoose; Jim Dunn, Amboy; Jack Mires, Washougal. B Main: Rian Mc-

Vae, Scappoose; Richard Whiteman, Tigard; Charles Millar, Gresham; Keith Steenslid, Gresham; Ed Asman, Salem. A Main: Esteban; Petty; Long; Adams; McVae; Stone; Whiteman; Millar; Dunn; Mires.

Women's Division - Fast Time: Celeste Hardesty, St. Helens 15.96. Trophy Dash: Kathy Griffin, Scappoose. Heat: Stacey Fordyce, Vancouver; Janell Schlaht, Portland; Pam Graham, Portland. Main: Fordyce; Hardesty; Graham; Linda Holland, Portland; Schlaht; Brenda Hurley, Castle Rock; Griffin; Teia Thomas, St. Helens.

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Sportsman - Fast Time: Tricia Brittain, St. Helens 15.84. Trophy Dash: Jon Gillett, Rainier. Heat 1: Doug Hurley, Castle Rock; Mike Harrison, St. Helens; Joe Bosso, Jr., Portland. Heat 2: Bryan Collins, Portland; Larry Lemons, Toledo; Ken Bryan, Toledo. Heat 3: Dave Ford, Troutdale; Tim Williams, Scappoose; Rodney Cook, Rainier. Main: Ford; Jesse Freeman, Wilsonville; Williams; Cook; Collins; Aaron Prettyman, St. Helens; Lemons; Brittain; Harrison; Bryan.

Modified - Fast Time: Ray Elwess, Portland 15.35. Trophy Dash: Sean Fox, St. Helens. Heat 1: Sam Jeffers, Scappoose; Todd Hardesty, St. Helens; Larry Benson, Kelso. Heat 2: Greg Greer, Rainier; Marc Sayre, Portland; Stephen Kaptur, Deer Island. Main: Gannin Thomas, St. Helens; Elwess; Jeremy Martin, St. Helens; Fox; Sayre; Kaptur; Benson; Greer; Curt Nusom, Gresham; Ray Cota, Vernonia.

Street Stock - Fast Time: Jereld Strawn, Portland 16.01. Trophy Dash: Chris Hallberg, Sandy. Heat 1: Don West, St. Helens; John Haagenson, Portland; Rick Rehanek, Scappoose. Heat 2: Terry Moss, St. Helens; Curt Nusom; John Nusom, Gresham. Main: Moss; Hallberg; Curt Nusom; John Nusom; Mark Reser, Beaverton; Brett Eakins, Washougal; Haagenson; Tom Zywicki, Portland; West; Rob Williams, Vernonia; Strawn.

Mini Stock - Fast Time: Scott McMullen, Deer Island 17.20. Trophy Dash: Joe Cherington, Vancouver. Heat 1: Adam Beehler, St. Helens; Mark Beehler Sr., St. Helens; Josh Kelsev, Portland. Heat 2: Brad Ruth,

Washougal; John Mayfield, La Center; Mark Beehler Jr., St. Helens. Heat 3: Jared Hanson, St. Helens; Marie Sayre, Portland; Rick Beehler, St. Helens. Heat 4: Ben Palmer, Gladstone; Cherington; Scott Beaudoin, Portland. C Main: Marc Sayre; Cherington; Tristan Judkins, Portland. B Main: Ruth; Judkins; Adam Beehler; Hanson; Brad Beehler, St. Helens. A Main: Cherington; Palmer; Mark Guindon, Warrenton; Hanson; Brad Beehler; Sayre; Rick Beehler; Eric Lindquist, Portland; Ruth; Judkins.

Women's Division - Fast Time: Celeste Hardesty, St. Helens 16.21. Trophy Dash: Kim Lemmons, Toledo. Heat: Linda Holland, Portland; Tricia Prettyman, St. Helens; Stacey Fordyce, Vancouver. Main: Fordyce; Brenda Hurley, Castle Rock; Hardesty; Kathy Griffin, Scappoose; Prettyman; Teia Thomas, St. Helens; Lemmons; Holland; Tiffany Winebarger, Corbett.

Elkins is named Dairy Princess

Columbia County chapter of the Oregon Dairy Women's Association is proud to announce the Columbia County Dairy Princess Ambassador, Ashley Elkins. Elkins is 18 years-old and a 2006 graduate of Rainier High School. She has been involved in 4-H showing dairy cows and as a camp counselor. She is the daughter of Dave and Millie Elkins of Rainier. Elkins works at the Coffee Break in Longview, Washington, but is interested in a career as a paramedic.

Look for Princess Ashley and the Columbia County Dairy Women at various activities across the county this summer and fall, serving delicious milk shakes, floats, sundaes, ice cream, and of course, ice cold milk.



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