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CHAMPIONSHIPS AND VICTORIES FOR OTK PRODUCTS AT SKUSA WINTER SERIES

Three titles and 10 victories at series finale in Homestead

HOMESTEAD, FLORIDA (February 17, 2021) – The 2021 Superkarts! USA Winter Series was closed out at the AMR Homestead-Miami Motorplex presented by MG Tires on the February 12-14 weekend. Several competitors and teams representing the OTK product line were in Homestead, Florida for the final two rounds of the championship series, competing in seven of the nine categories that were offered at the event. OTK secured at least one victory in all seven classes on the weekend, earning a total of 10 wins, 29 podium finishes and 52 top-five results over the two days of racing.

The X30 Master class saw OTK take the top-five positions on both days, led by long-time Tony Kart driver Renato Jader David (Orsolon Racing). The 2020 ROK Cup Superfinal champion secured his fourth straight SKUSA Winter Series title on the weekend, sweeping the two rounds of racing to extend his win streak to 11 races. In total, Renato has won 13 of the 16 main events in the four years of the series. Miguel Mier (Crosslink Competition / Exprit) finished second in his series debut for 2021, edging out William Isais (International Racing / Tony Kart) with Luis Cordeiro (Piquet Sports / Tony Kart) and Michael Auriemma (Orsolon Racing / Tony Kart) completing the top-five. It was Isaias finishing second behind Jader David on Sunday, with Cordeiro joining them on the podium in third. Ariel Castro (AM Engines / EOS) entered the event on Sunday, driving to fourth with Auriemma duplicating a fifth-place finish.

OTK grabbed both victories in the KA100 Junior category with one driver - Collin Lloyd (T1D Racers / Tony Kart). Lloyd dominated the main event on Saturday to win by more than six seconds and was named winner on Sunday to sweep the top step of the podium on the weekend. Chase Hand (Rolison Performance Group / Kosmic) placed second on Saturday and was the provisional winner Sunday until a pushback bumper penalty dropped him to third. Four straight podium results over the four rounds helped Hand earn the class championship in his series debut. Sebastian Wheldon (JC Karting / Kosmic) was third and fourth on the weekend with Luke Welcome (VMotorsports / Tony Kart) and Cole Kleck (Arcane Motorsports / Redspeed) each recording a fifth-place result.

Both main events in the X30 Junior division were won by OTK with two different drivers. On

Saturday, local driver Leonardo Hassan (Medstep Racing / Tony Kart) came away with the victory for his first at the series. Jeremy Fletcher (Benik / EOS) was third with Rowan Gill (Mike Doty Racing / Kosmic) in fifth. Sunday's win was a great performance by Paul Bocuse (Speed Concepts Racing / Redspeed) with a wire-to-wire victory, giving OTK three wins by three different drivers in the category. Donovan Bonilla (Orsolon Racing / Tony Kart) earned his first series podium with a third-place performance with Noah Baker (Supertune / Tony Kart) and Fletcher completing the top-five.

Two drivers were able to secure breakthrough wins in the Senior division. Connor Zilisch made his SKUSA X30 Senior debut on the weekend, and by Sunday, he was the driver to beat. Zilisch (Nitro Kart / Tony Kart) scored the victory ahead of fellow Senior rookie Thomas Annunziata (Team Ferris Racing / Tony Kart). Zilisch and Annunziata finished fourth and fifth on Saturday. Ryan Norberg (Rolison Performance Group / Kosmic) put in a consistent run over the four rounds once again, placing second and third at the finale to secure a third-straight series championship. Diego Ramos (REM / Kosmic) grabbed a third-place podium in his series debut Saturday with Sebastian Montoya (Team Montoya / Tony Kart) driving to fourth on Sunday.

Thomas Annunziata (Team Ferris Racing / Tony Kart) was performing double duty on the weekend, breaking through with his first series victory in KA100 Senior. After earning Hard Charger award on Saturday due to an engine malfunction, Annunziata shined on Sunday with a victory in Round Four. Fellow Senior rookie Aiden Levy (Team Felon / Tony Kart) grabbed his first podium with a runner-up finish. Nolan Allison (Rolison Performance Group / Kosmic) had two top-five finishes on the weekend, placing third on Saturday and fifth on Sunday. Hannah Greenemeier (Rolison Performance Group / Kosmic) added a fourth-place finish in Round Three for OTK.

Oliver Wheldon (JC Karting / Kosmic) was able to secure his first series victory in the Mini Swift division this past weekend. The 2020 Winter Series Micro Swift champion won Round Three ahead of Luis Umana (Supertune / Tony Kart). On Sunday, Wheldon added a runner-up finish as Sebastian Garzon (Orsolon Racing / Tony Kart) joined him on the podium. Karsyn Walters (Supertune / Tony Kart) drove to fifth place both days. Brazilian Augustus Toniolo (Rolison Performance Group / Kosmic) shined for OTK in the Micro Swift category. Toniolo nearly claimed the victory on Saturday, placing second, but on the following day, Toniolo celebrated his 10th birthday with his first series victory.

Superkarts! USA competition continues with the launch of the 12th season for the SKUSA Pro Tour next month. The SKUSA WinterNationals will take place on March 26-28 at the NOLA Motorsports facility in New Orleans, Louisiana. Drivers looking to compete with the most popular kart brand in the world or purchase OTK karts and components can contact their local OTK USA dealer. Head to www.otkusa.com for a complete list of dealers and details on the entire brand roster.