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RACE REPORT: 2026 TEXAS SPRINT RACING SERIES – FALL FINALE

Speedsportz Racing Park welcomes multiple first time winners to close out season

NEW CANEY, TEXAS (October 1, 2026) – The Texas Sprint Racing Series visited the place where the 2026 season began, returning to the Speedsportz Racing Park for the Fall Finale. The New Caney, Texas facility welcomed the International Kart Federation and Superkarts! USA competitors over the September 25-27, hosting the fifth and final round of the championship chase. Different from the opening weekend back in March is the direction of the 8/10-mile course, going in the counter-clockwise direction.

The headline KA100 Senior presented by Kart CRG USA began with Round Two winner Landon Skinner securing the fast time in qualifying with a lap of 54.830 to clear the 25-driver field by nearly two tenths. Second in the order was former series champion Peyton Phillips, who went on to win the opening two heat races before Santiago Duran came away with the top spot in the third heat race. Phillips and Skinner swapped spots on the front row to lead the field to the green flag for the 18-lap Final. Phillips led the opening two laps before Skinner took over the point. He led until lap 11 when Duran put on the challenge. The two drivers exchanged the lead for multiple laps until Skinner secured the position on lap 14. From there, Skinner led the remainder of the race, holding off Duran to record his second victory of the season. Duran was removed from the results following tech, promoting Rodrigo Polaya for a career best runner-up result. Phillips was third with John Burke fourth and Justin Music completing the top five.

Leading the weekend with the largest field of the event was Briggs 206 Senior presented by Kart Racing Solutions at 33 drivers. Bryce Frank led the way in qualifying with a time of 1:02.394, edging out two-time winner Carter Kilgo. Frank led all eight laps of the opening heat race before winning Heat Two on the final lap. Ragan Saville stepped up in Heat Three to grab the lead and the win, putting himself on the front row for the final along Frank in the pole position. Frank jumped out to the lead as Saville dropped to fourth over the opening lap. A charging Josey Chambers came up through the top five to take over the lead on lap seven. Camryn Reed was the next to lead, going to the point on lap 10 and showing the way until Saville worked up into the

lead position by lap 14. From there, Saville led the rest of the distance for his first victory of the season. Frank was a close second, only 53 thousandths off at the line with Reed in third. Gabriel McLeod advanced up to fourth late with Kelvin Xing into fifth.

Going into the weekend, Nicolas Orbezo was the only driver to win twice on the season in KA100 Junior presented by P1 Engines. He found himself in the fifth spot in qualifying after Round Three winner Easton Cox set the mark in qualifying with a 55.749 lap to edge out Alex Chandler and Clayton Stiles. Mason Barry however came away from a race-long battle for the win in the opening heat race. Orbezo suffered a poor finish in the opening heat but bounced back in Heat Two to win. He duplicated the performance in the final heat to earn a sixth place starting spot as Cox and Stiles started from the front row. It took Orbezo just seven laps to move up through the front five and into the lead. Cox, Round One winner Nathan Golseth, and Aston Wyatt all led at one point before Orbezo took over the top spot. Once in the lead, Orbezo showed the way to the checkered flag, securing his third victory of 2026. Easton crossed the line in second, however, a five-second penalty for incident responsibility dropped him out of the top five. This promoted Golseth to the second position ahead of Alex Chandler with Wyatt and Barry completing the top five.

Two-time Briggs 206 Junior presented by Orsolon Racing Texas winner Nicolas Orbezo opened up the series final with the fast time in qualifying. His time was better by five thousandths over Mia Johnson with Dean Gerrior in third. Gerrior was able to claim the win in the opening heat race with Alex Chandler and Clayton Stiles making it three different drivers with heat wins. Orbezo scored the pole position for the Final with Gerrior on the outside of the front row. Orbezo was able to lead the first 10 laps of the main event before retiring from top position with a mechanical issue. This promoted Stiles to the point, leading the rest of the distance to record his first victory of the season. Wyatt was second with Gerrior in third, recording fast lap of the race. Jenson Willander was fourth with Malek Mohamed in fifth.

The only sweep of the weekend came in the Hi5 Performance KA100 Master division. Martin Stone made his first start of the 2026 season, setting fast time in qualifying ahead of Round Three winner Daniel Howie. Stone completed a wire-to-wire performance, leading every lap of the three heat races and all 18 circuits in the Final for the perfect score victory. Howie was runner-up with fast lap of the race, ahead of Nathan Stewart. Former series champion Miguel Mier was fourth with Round Four winner Shane Burkett in the fifth position.

It was a near sweep in Mini Swift presented by Alan Rudolph Racing Academy by Mace Lejsek. After clearing the 13-driver field by over two tenths in qualifying, Lejsek grabbed the hat trick by winning all three heat races. Round Three winner Eyitayo Olisa started on the outside of the front row for the Final, jumping out to lead the first lap. Lejsek took the lead on lap two and saw Round Two winner Polo Santos follow through into second. They ran 1-2 up until the final lap. Santos was able to make a last lap pass for the lead, taking the checkered flag for his second victory of the season. Lejsek ended up second ahead of Alen Dzanic, Andrew Li Anastasio and Jaiden Jolivette.

A similar performance was completed in Micro Swift presented by Arcane Motorsports in the opposite format. Qualifying featured two drivers with the same fast lap at the top of the order with Rodolfo Garza and Maverick Reddick in his class debut both recording a lap of 1:00.296. Beau Wyatt, making his second start of the season, was eighth in the session. He worked his way up through the field and into the lead for the win in all three heat races, securing the pole position for the Final. Wyatt led all 17 laps of the main event for his first victory of the season. Reddick was runner-up in his class debut with Garza finishing third. Hayden Sampson and Cohen Scott rounded out the top five.

Multiple drivers were in the hunt over the weekend in Briggs 206 Cadet presented by Skeptic Motorsports. Sebastian Sampson recorded his first top qualifier honor of the season, edging out Round One winner Marshall Steves by 88 thousandths. Steves, Round Two winner Drew Blehm,

and Round Four winner Mikey Todd each won a heat race. Blehm and Steves earned the front row starting spots, but it was Todd jumping up from third to first over the opening lap. Todd led the first 15 laps before Steves grabbed the position away, leading the final two laps for his second victory of the season. Todd was only 45 thousandths off from stealing the top spot at the line. Blehm crossed the line in third, recording the fast lap of the race. Sampson was fourth with Mace Lejsek in fifth.

Jax McCollum was able to record his first victory in the Briggs 206 Kid Karts presented by GR2 Motorsports division. The weekend was a two driver battle early with Grayson Hollis securing fast time in qualifying ahead of McCollum. It was McCollum winning the opening heat before Hollis took the win in the final two heat races. Mostafa Mohamed started the main event from the third position and jumped to the lead. He led all 14 laps for the provisional victory until he was removed following tech inspection. This promoted McCollum to the top step of the podium. Santiago Salazar was second with Dallas Broussard in third. Hal Byrd and Grayson Hollis completed the top five.

The 2026 season came to an end for the Texas Sprint Racing Series with the championships calculated. The series hosted the championship award ceremony at Speedsportz Racing Park following the event podium ceremony. A complete championship recap will be released in the coming days to highlight those drivers finishing on the championship podium in their respective categories. More details can be found via the series website at texassprintseries.com and be sure to follow TSRS on Facebook and Instagram for additional details.