

RACER RESIN

NORTH AMERICA 2010 NATIONAL FINAL RESULTS

The 2010 Racer Resin North America Championship was run at Great Traditions in Philadelphia on Saturday, 11/20/10. 20 racers from several states participated in the event, each driver running four 10 minute segments on the Carrera layout. Drivers used handout Slot.IT 21.5k motors with pre-installed 12t pinions. Drivers could use inline or sidewinder configurations, however all opted for sidewinder. Tires were a choice of handout Slot.IT S1 or S2 silicones.

The Racer Ferrari 312p was as usual, the most popular car of choice. But the final results showed 5 different Racer models in the top 5, a testament to the building and driving skills of the top 5, since the bodies vary significantly in weight and aerodynamics. Qualifying was run to seed drivers with similar lap times together. Sam Barbose was top qualifier with his Porsche 935K, followed by Dave Davis and Joseph Rosales, both driving Ferrari 312p cars.

First to complete their four 10 minute segments was Martin Dixon, taking the initial lead with 312 laps. A few drivers later, the first non-Ferrari 312p showed up driven by Bob Kuss, who took over the lead with 324 laps. Bob was the first driver to post at least 80 laps on each lane, including a race high 82 on the white lane. As Bob completed his run on the inside gutter white lane, it was the only segment with 4 different Racer model cars on the track at one time - Porsche 935k, Ferrari 312p, Ferrari Spyder 275, and Ferrari 250LM.

The next few rotations decided the race. Tom Pintchuck and Dave Davis had some close racing, running several laps door to door and showing excellent car control with clean passes back and forth. Davis finished his four segments just track segments ahead of Bob Kuss, with same total of 324 laps.

Sam Barbose rotated in after Davis, and the high expectations everyone had for the top qualifier were immediately met, when Sam ran 82 laps on gutter red lane, furthest distance around the track and matching the high lap total on any lane to that point. Sam continued the hot pace and put up a race high 83 laps on the blue lane, for a total of 329 laps and the overall lead. Even more impressive is Sam fought through some issues with power surges that caused some unpredictable deslots.

James Drayton from Maryland had a very impressive run with the only Alfa Romeo in the field, and Paul Coppin from Michigan had a very consistent run with his Ferrari 312p, but nobody could catch Sam, who is the 2010 Racer Resin North America Champion. Congratulations to Sam, a well deserved victory after finishing 2nd in a couple of other North America Finals last year.

Four of the top 5 used Third Eye controllers, 3rd place finisher used a DiFalco. The top 4 finishers won a limited edition Racer Resin Ford P68 specially made for Great Traditions. The 5th place finisher, Tom Pintchuck, won a beautiful custom crafted wooden car case, graciously donated as a prize by Cloverleaf Raceway from Michigan. And equally important, there was some great racing coupled with lots of fun and sportsmanship, which keeps folks coming back for more.

Special thanks to Rich Shanfeld for once again putting on a great North American Final, this is the 2nd year of the Racer Resin North America Championship, last year's winner was Adam Mashike

from Michigan. Rich's wife Lisa kept the racers fed with plenty of food from the grill and other snacks, so thanks go to her as well. Also thanks to Sam Barbose, Sr. and Jim Connelly for lots of behind the scenes support work, including helping with managing qualifying. Also thanks to Bas Slabbers for some of the photography (the better looking pictures with the watermark below).

RESULTS:

01.	Sam Barbose.....	329,	Porsche	935k
02.	Dave Davis.....	324,	Ferrari	312p
03.	Bob Kuss.....	324,	Ferrari	250LM
04.	James Drayton.....	323,	Alfa Romeo	33/3
05.	Tom Pintchuck.....	321,	Ferrari	Spyder 275
06.	Robert Holt.....	321,	Ferrari	312p
07.	Paul Coppin.....	317,	Ferrari	312p
08.	Joseph Rosales.....	315,	Ferrari	312p
09.	Art Roberts.....	313,	Ferrari	312p
10.	Martin Dixon.....	312,	Ferrari	312p
11.	Bob Cantin.....	311,	Ferrari	312p
12.	Mike Rossbach.....	311,	Ferrari	312p
13.	Mike Stott.....	310,	Ferrari	312p
14.	Adam Mashike.....	308,	Ferrari	312p
15.	Dave Wickham.....	305,	Ferrari	312p
16.	Carl Bergen.....	303,	Ferrari	312p
17.	Dan McCollum.....	300,	Ferrari	312p
18.	JJ Artfitch.....	300,	Ferrari	312p
19.	Lawrence Jordan....	299,	Ferrari	312p
20.	Arron Moore.....	275,	Ferrari	312p