

Willow Springs Recap

Posted by capt squid - 17 Jul 2014 21:54

Five hardy 944 Spec racers ventured into the July heat to tackle Willow Springs. Jim H, Tom A, John N, Jim R and Jeff W from Arizona. Jeff is a very good driver and all around good guy. Like the rest of the Arizona group, Jeff fit right in with the SoCal group.

Saturday's race started with the first 4 positions all on the same qualifying second. Jim H took the lead until a Spec Miata spun out in nine forcing Jim into the dirt to avoid contact. The pack passed him and he had to play catch up. Jim H dogged Jim R for three laps before making a pass. He then caught Tom and John who were battling for the lead. The 3 of them fought it out with several lead changes. I could not catch up and had to watch. It looked like Tom had the race in the bag until his trans popped out to gear to let Jim H and John by. I caught Tom on the last lap and he beat me to the finish by half a car. Jeff was still learning the track as it was his first time at Willow. The finish order was Jim H, John and Tom.

Sunday started with a practice and then an early race. I got a killer start and lead the first half of the race with Jim H on my rear bumper or door. We had a great race. Tom, John and Jeff fought it out behind us. The finishing order was Jim H, Jim R and John.

You can view my Sunday video at www.youtube.com/squidmobile1

For those of you who could not make it, you missed some great racing.

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Re: Willow Springs Recap

Posted by joeblow - 18 Jul 2014 09:44

Out of curiosity what are the 944Spec cars doing for lap times (big willow)?

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Re: Willow Springs Recap

Posted by capt squid - 18 Jul 2014 20:55

We were doing 1:39s in 100 degree heat

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Re: Willow Springs Recap

Posted by jivenjim - 18 Jul 2014 22:02

sat race:

Put 5 on Grid. And Robert and Raffi even came by for Sat Race to watch. (with their gorgeous 951)

What a fun weekend. Was Hot but not crazy hot. I didn't even plug in the cool suite. Sat had insane battle for lead with lots of change ups and close finish!

Must watch both to end.

youtu.be/qoAf3QONtCs

sun race:

youtu.be/BdXGfywZgiY

awesome battle! Richmond drove Great! As usual Capt Squid and I ran alot of 2x2 corners.

Great having Jeff up and he sure came to speed on Sunday with only 2 days on track!

See ya at Laguna Seca Next week!

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Re: Willow Springs Recap

Posted by tcomeau - 19 Jul 2014 14:58

Pretty close racing, guys. Wish I could have gone.

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