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## **HAASE WKA Man Cup Daytona Report**

The HAASE racing team picked up the start of the 2010 season right where it left off from 2009....on the top step of the podium!

On day 1, returning WKA Triple Crown champion Mike Giessen, piloting his HAASE Ikon for MDR, qualified off pole. A very strong performance in the final showed Giessen leading the way early but in the end had to settle for a 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish.

In Komet Piston Port Sportsman, Brandon Jarsocrak piloted his HAASE Junior chassis to a 5th place finished for MDR.

In Yamaha Masters, four-time defending class champion Jeff Jewell piloting his HAASE Spirit for NKS continued to show how it's done. Jewell has been a dominant force since the creation of the class and sustained his reign at the front. Despite heavy challenges, Jewell was able to score the victory to begin his title defense in 2010.

In Yamaha Sportsman Heavy, Brandon Jarsocrak aboard his HAASE Junior chassis for MDR, took the pole position on the final lap of qualifying. Brandon also won his prefinal. In the final, Brandon would lead every lap except the last lap where contact would shuffle Brandon back to a 5<sup>th</sup> place finish.

On day 2, Jeff Jewell set out to prove he is a true "Master" in the Yamaha SuperCan Heavy class. Piloting his HAASE Spirit for NKS, Jeff would come up one lap short of a second win for the weekend after running down the leader. Jeff was the only driver to break into the 44 second bracket in the final.

In Yamaha Sportsman Lite, Brandon Jarsocrak aboard his HAASE Junior chassis for MDR would come up 0.028 seconds short of pole in qualifying. Brandon gave it his all in the final but contact between him and another driver would allow the leader to get away just enough and he would have to settle for 2<sup>nd</sup> on the track.

In Parilla Leopard, Mike Giessen aboard his HAASE Ikon for MDR qualified second to Indy 500 winner Dan Wheldon. In the final, Mike played cat and mouse with Wheldon until about the half way mark where he made his move for the lead and never looked back. Mike would go on to win by .886 seconds. Patrick Soares aboard his HAASE Nivola for MDR would finish in 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Congratulations to all HAASE drivers on their performances.

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