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Photos by Rich Harmer Photography of Brooklyn Park, Minnesota

National Straightline Snowmobile Racing held the “Fastest Show on Ice” on Lake Menomin in Menomonie, Wisconsin for the second race of the NSSR Super Series. Temperatures ranged from -5 to +15 degrees F with winds varying from 5 to 10 mph and from the Northwest to Southwest during the day. The track was aimed straight South. The Stage was set for the Guinness World Record Attempt sponsored by ProLine Performance and Bellman Oil.

Mr. Dick Gokey, President of International Snowmobile Racing (ISR), was on hand to witness the runs of each of the contestants and verify the timing system for proper placement. The Pro Track was plowed and shaved for a distance of 5500 feet at 75 feet wide and timers were placed at 1000 feet and 1320 feet. Two timing systems were used to record numbers for the 1320 foot distance. The normal NSSR Class System was run at the 1000 foot mark.

Racer entries included nearly 100 on the Pro track and over 40 on the Fun Run track for over 600 passes. Five Records were broke and included Ryan Doberstein of Competition Sports Equipment (CSE Racing) setting the Stock Turbo Four Stroke Record on his 2009 Artic Cat Z1 machine at 108.270 mph and Shanon Disch on the CPR Simons Yamaha bumping up the Improved Stock Four Stroke Record up to 159.409 mph in 1000 feet. Over 500 fans were on hand to witness the history in the making.

Background: The Official Guinness Record is currently set at 172.2 mph on a single engine sled by Chris Hanson of Minnesota on his Anderson Lay Down Mod in Canada. A pending Guinness run was made in 2009 at North Bay Ontario at 190.0 mph in 2000 feet by Tom McConkey on his DNE powered Lay Down Mod. Guinness does not establish records for snowmobiles in distance, but on different surfaces with absolute records. A snowmobile was further defined when asked for clarification as: “A vehicle whose sole form of propulsion is a track at the rear and which runs on a ski or skis at the front. The rider should sit astride the machine and steering should be via handlebars.”

The NSSR Record for the quarter mile run was set in 1989 at 190.308 mph for a competition that was held in International Falls, Mn by Marv Jorgenson on his triple mercury engine JAWS 3. He then backed it up with a run at 189 mph and well within the 2% requirement of NSSR. This record currently stands as the official quarter mile record for a multi engine snowmobile at NSSR.

Final Entrants for the 2010 Guinness Run included Fast Eddie Ensor on his 2009 Busa Mod and tuner Glenn Stickels of RPM Specialties made the trip from Sheridan, Illinois; Jack Henricks of Henricks Racing out of Rhinelander, Wisconsin came on his One Stop Performance (OSP) Yamaha along with OSP owner Jim McKeown; Paul Groth, driver, along with Owner Jim and Bernie Warning debuted the “Frozen Assets” Turbo V8 powered machine out of New Lenox, Illinois; and Justin Durand of Rice Lake, Wisconsin with Glen Hall to assist on his black beauty Turbo powered VMax 4.



The Guinness Runs were held at 4 different times during the day. Paul Groth, the famous Bud Sno King driver, in Frozen Assets was put on the ice for the first time on Friday for testing and over powered the ice with its twin turbo V8. The crew worked hard to overcome some traction issues and posted a best run at 110.83 mph at the 1000 foot mark. Paul vowed to get the bugs worked out and return to Forest Lake, Mn. Justin

Durand made a pass in the Super Mod Class on Saturday on the Turbo VMax 4 to over boost and blow out the crank seals putting him on the trailer for the rest of the day. The Guinness Runs were intense with Fast Eddie Ensor and Jack Henricks going head to head in each round. Round 1 took off with Ed Ensor posting a 177.777 mph run in the quarter while Jack and the OSP team made adjustments after posting a 171.769 mph pass in 1000 feet in the Pro Max Class. Round 2 heated up with Jack Henricks posting a 183.439 mph pass and Ed Ensor then overcoming with a 184.615 mph pass, both in the quarter mile. Round 3 gained more excitement with racers and fans at attention with Fast Eddie running a 188.646 mph pass followed by the Henricks OSP Yamaha at 178.881 mph. Round 4 was even more intense as the racing action was closing in on a fantastic sunset and a full day of racing action. All the racers and fans gathered as Jack Henricks led the round by blasting out a fantastic run at 189.473 mph on the OSP Yamaha and securing the lead as Fast Eddie prepared to make his last pass. Eddie Ensor took off with a roaring powerful blast and full boost only to have the motor stall at about 300 feet out. The 189.473 mph Record Run will be submitted to the Guinness World Record if the pending 190.0 mph run is not approved in the near future, as all the documentation is being assembled per their guidelines.

The racing action was over with the winner of the Guinness Record Run and the Top Speed of the Day set by Jack Henricks on his OSP powered Yamaha! Jack Henricks will be listed as the fastest of the fastest on a single engine machine with a Top Speed of 189.473 mph in the quarter mile at NSSR!

This NSSR Super Series event in Menomonie, Wisconsin was hosted by Rod's Performance Shop of Durand, Wi., along with the Country Inn and Suites and Pember Excavating of Menomonie. A big thank you to the National Speed Run Group (NSRG) of Minnesota who provided the use of their timing equipment and Owner Andy Bray with daughter Carlie who ran the Fun Run Track record keeping. Legend George of Kenosha, Wi. provided a fantastic sound system for the event. A special thanks to the Menomonie Fire and Rescue for providing Safety and EMT services for this event, along with the cooperation of the City of Menomonie, the Dunn County Sheriffs Office, and the Wisconsin DNR. All you racers and fans can get your photos of the racing action from Rich Harmer Photography.

NSSR welcomes you to our next event on Saturday February 13th in Forest Lake, Minnesota. We would like to thank all our sponsors who make these races possible! See www.racenssr.com for more information on results and upcoming events.