

Christian Bird Scores a Top Five in the Pro Kart Challenge at Buttonwillow

BUTTONWILLOW, Calif. — June 30, 2010 — Team Full Throttle (TFT) driver, Christian Bird, drove his #324 shifter kart to a fourth place finish at the Pro Kart Challenge on June 26 at Button-willow Raceway Park in Buttonwillow, Calif.

The 16-year-old driver qualified in third and had the speed to stay in the top three all day. “The top three were all really close in times and I knew that I had the speed for a win,” said Bird.

In the first heat, the track temperature rose nearly 10 degrees from 85 to 95, making the track greasy and Bird’s car loose. This dropped him back to fifth. The team tightened up the kart for the second heat and this put him on a charge in the fourth spot. He was right behind second and third when his left rear rim had a failure and the tire went flat. This forced Bird to the rear of the field for the main.

In the main feature, he raced hard and got up to fourth. But by the time he had broken free of traffic it was too late. The leaders had checked out and the fast driver would settle for a finish in the fourth spot.

“I loved the track and had a great time,” said Bird. “Hopefully next race we can find a win. I’d like to give special thanks to Alimos for their trackside support, and George Tavares for building our mo-tor.”

About Christian Bird

Christian Bird is a 16-year-old racer from Grand Junction, Colorado. Currently racing G.P. Race Karts for A.J. Noud and Rocky Mountain Kartworks with support from Woodforce in two different series, Christian is also a part-time racer in the U.S. Legends Car Series.

Christian is a member of the Team Full Throttle NASCAR Driver Development Program, and repre-sented by Team Full Throttle LLC of Mooresville, N.C. Visit his website at www.christianbirdracing.com.

About Team Full Throttle

Team Full Throttle (TFT) is a Charlotte, N.C., based driver development program that specializes in all areas of personal and professional development, including leadership, teamwork, and communi-cations as well as marketing, promotion and on-track driving skills. TFT is currently comprised of over 20 racers who reside and race in all regions of the country.

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