



Hello to all my friends and supporters!

March 2011

The racing season is in full swing! Remember I mentioned that I went to Blythe a couple times to practice driving the Focus Midget? Well, it paid off! I qualified 3rd in the season opener at Blythe and ended up getting 2nd place in the main. At one point in the race I realized I was gaining on the leader, and in my eagerness to run him down I changed my line. Since the car wasn't set up for that line, I ended up spinning myself out and was promptly sent to the back of the field with 11 laps remaining. I was able to work my way back to 2nd place by the end of the race. It was a great start for the 2011 season!

The very next weekend we set out for Havasu 95 Speedway. I was full of confidence until I started going backwards in Friday's practice sessions. We finally realized that my tires were shot. After putting on new ones, my times immediately dropped, and I was back on track. I qualified 4th on Saturday and started in the front of the field in the main. Unfortunately, the car was really tight, which kept me from being able to turn the car down in the middle and exit of the turns, and I quickly found myself being freight trained to the back of the field. That was a little embarrassing!

Jessica waiting for Tech after 2nd Place Finish !!!



The good news is that while we were on a caution – because someone crashed - I had time to think about what I needed to do in order to get the car to rotate in the corners. It came to me in the blink of an eye, and then the green flag came out. The only line I hadn't tried was right on the apron at the bottom of the track. As soon as I put the car down there, I got the rotation I needed to run fast times and made three passes in the remaining five laps to earn a 5th place finish. I learned a lot in that race and really had fun with it.

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As for news on my progress with the NASCAR S2 - let's just say it RAINED a lot in March. I was only able to get in the car three times with about four sessions each. I'm getting the feel for the car and improving in every practice session. Tim Huddleston, Jeff Schrader, and Joe Anderson have been really helpful with their coaching. The season opens April 9th at Toyota Speedway. I can't wait!

I have a race nearly every weekend in April, so I should have a lot to share with you at the end of the month. For those interested in more frequent updates, follow me on Twitter @ JessicaClarkJCR. Also, anyone interested in coming to a race should check my race schedule at <http://jessicaklarkracing.com/schedule.htm>

Before I say goodbye, I want to thank my two amazing crews for their tireless efforts – Dad, Joe Anderson and Russell Hunt – you are all awesome people, and I love working with you guys! I also want to thank my team coaches, Ron Sutton and Tim Huddleston, who are helping me achieve my potential.

Finally, thanks to all of my supporters. You are enabling me to pursue my dream!

Jessica Clark

Jessica's NASCAR S2 on the grid at Toyota Speedway



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