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### **BSRKC 2011 Canadian Grand National *Bear Hunt* Shannonville Report**

Many of the top kart racers from across Ontario and Quebec descended on Shannonville Motorsport Park July 27<sup>th</sup> for the most popular kart racing event of the season. Five days later, 21 racers left with the coveted Bear trophies: the other 343 racers left with memories, great cash and draw prizes, and with the knowledge that they would have to wait for next year to get another shot at the coveted Bear.

The racing action started on Friday morning with a wet track and heavy rain clouds overhead. With just half of the qualifying sessions completed the racing conditions deteriorated to the point that the event organizers had no choice but to cancel racing for the rest of the day, rescheduling Friday's races to Saturday morning. It was going to be a long day but driver safety dictated this was the best thing to do.

On Saturday morning the sun was shining, the track was dry, and the racing started with the balance of Friday's schedule. Cory Cacciavillani made his return to racing action after taking a month off in grand style by claiming 3 Bears on Saturday with wins in the Senior Rotax/TaG, Senior Medium, and Senior Heavy classes. In Senior Rotax/TaG it was Michael Glaze finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> and Adam Racine placing 3<sup>rd</sup> in his first ever 2 stroke race. Second and third respectively in Senior Medium were Greg Rempel and Pearce Herder. In Senior Heavy it was T.J. Marshall 2<sup>nd</sup> and Brett Rickeard in 3<sup>rd</sup>. In the Cadet class Tyson Wassink had a strong run taking the win with a 5 second lead over Caleb Colling the 2<sup>nd</sup> place finisher, and Jaden Baillargeon rounding out the top 3.



In Junior Lite Clay Van Eerd was the fastest kart in qualifying, but it was Cole Smith-Ledson with the fastest race lap taking the win in the process, this was one of the closest finishes of the day, with less than 2 tenths of a second separating the top 3 karts. Austin Bisschop finished 2<sup>nd</sup> and Clay Van Eerd was 3<sup>rd</sup>. In the Junior Pro race it was Maxime Couturier claiming the Bear, with Nicholas Ledson taking home the 2<sup>nd</sup> place prize money, and Trevor Rancier finishing 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Novice racers also staged a great battle with Joe Soranno leading when it counted followed closely by Jade Franklin in 2<sup>nd</sup> and Ciarra Collison in 3<sup>rd</sup>. In Rotax/Tag Junior the winner was Cameron Morrison, Nicholas Ledson was 2<sup>nd</sup>, and Trevor Rancier was 3<sup>rd</sup>, later in the day they would do it again for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Rotax/TaG Junior race with the same results. In

