

Goeke gathers gold

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TOPEKA, Kan. — The Northwest Region had several trophy finishers and one class winner at the 2006 ProSolo finale in Topeka!

Joe Goeke of Kirkland won BS in the ProSolo finale and claimed the BS ProSolo National Championship.

Goeke was the only Northwest Region member to win his class and take a national championship. This is Goeke's third ProSolo class national championship, the first one since 1997.

Goeke was also the only NWR member to qualify for the ProSolo finale Hawk Super Challenge. He made it to the second round when he red-lighted on his second side run, thus ending any chance of an NWR driver quest for a Hawk Super Challenge win.

Kevin Dietz unfortunately did not qualify for the Hawk Super Challenge, but he did make the bonus challenge and proceeded to march his way to the podium.

Jodi Fordahl finished fifth in L1 and that got her into the Ladies Challenge. She was the only NWR woman to make the Ladies Challenge. Sorry to say she went out in the first round.

Here are the national results for NWR members in class competition:

Washington:

Joe Goeke, first BS
Anna Goeke, 10th BS
Kevin Dietz, third CS
Jerry Lamb, eighth DS
Karl Coleman, fourth ES
Jake Nygaard, fifth GS
Glen Hernandez, sixth GS
Abe Douglas, ninth GS
Keith Brown,
fourth HS

Kristi Brown, seventh HS
Alec Osenbach, ninth STX
Amy Olsen, 14th STX
Scotty B. White, fourth ASP
LiNay C. White, fifth ASP
Ron Bauer, second CSP
Ryan Carag, sixth SM
Jerold Lowe, eighth SM
Anthony Capri, ninth SM
Bill Buetow, third SM2
L.J. Moffet, sixth SM2
Jodi Fordahl, fifth L1
Annie Bauer, sixth L1
Shalyn Marrow, eighth L1
Gretchen Everett, 10th L1
Angela Moffet, 11th L2
Jackie McInnes, seventh MC1

Oregon:

Tom Kotzian,
11th SS
Tom McDaniel, ninth AS
Jim Daniels,
fourth CSP
Tami Daniels,
ninth L2



NWR crowns several national champs

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TOPEKA, Kan. — Shelbi Zigler came from behind to win her first national championship.

Zigler did it on her final run of the event and took the class by around 0.5 seconds. She had very good competition and ended Kyung Wooton's five-year run of C Stock Ladies.

Zigler trailed after the first day of competition, but was nearly a second faster on the second day east course. She was co-driving in Kristi Ennesser's Pontiac Solstice along with Ennesser, Kevin Dietz and Fast Mike Lilleford.

Dietz also got his first national championship in the Ennesser Solstice. Dietz dominated the class both days and won by a whopping 1.1 seconds. This Solstice took both the open and ladies national championships.

Kristi Brown won HSL! She joins

her husband, Keith, as one of the few and the proud Northwest Region members to win a Solo II national championship.

Anna Goeke won BSL for her third national championship. This is also two in a row for her for she won in 2005 as well. Daughter Annika was very proud of mommy's win.

Angela Moffet added yet another SM2 national championship to her mantle. Judging by Moffet's T-shirt, Sportscar magazine got their prediction right!

Jodi Fordahl stomped ESL for her eighth national championship. She had it on her second run on Friday and took a victory run on her third run, and lopped off another 0.9 seconds off to win by 2.4 seconds. Her times would have done very well in the open class. There was talk about how she has been forbidden or "banned" from running in the open class.



Team Pajama rocks the C Stock national championships! This team returned to the Northwest Region with two national champions and second- and fourth-place trophies.