

## Daytona 2011 Kart Race Week

**December 28, 2011**, Daytona, FL – The Logan Lane Racing team rolled into the Daytona International Speedway for the 2011 kart week. Logan and Christian met for team meetings Tuesday night at the speedway and prepared for racing on Wednesday. The team was informed that Ms. Garland Rowland had passed away the day before and that the race week would be dedicated in her memory. Ms. Rowland, known as “Mama G” by the karting family, is the Mother of David Rowland, owner of PEC Power. She was always a great inspiration at the track and her presence will be missed. The two drivers were excited for their first race at the Great American Speedway and showed heartfelt emotion to the news of Ms. Rowland’s Passing.

The crew and drivers rose early Wednesday morning to make final preparations for the daylong event. Both drivers looked to be the fastest on the track with Christian posting a practice speed 3/100ths faster than Logan. Competition Director, John May felt the two karts were ready for qualifying.

Qualifying resulted with Christian posting a lap time of 17.118 to earn him the Pole Position. Logan qualified second with a lap time of 17.152. This put the two orange and black Axis Racing Chassis, Dr. David Bellamy, TOC, SignDesign racing karts powered by PEC on the front row.

Christian and Logan brought the field to the green flag side by side. They entered turn 1 with the one and two spots. Both drivers slipped going into turn three allowing the competition to get under them. Christian fell back and Logan managed to hold on to the second position coming out of turn 4. Logan would hold that position throughout the race. Several cautions flew, Christian signaled that he was having motor issues. Christian seemed to be down on power but was still able to keep his kart in mid pack through his driving ability. With 5 laps to go Logan was battling with the #14 of Connor Okrzesik when Conner blocked Logan low through turn one clipping a hay bail on the inside of the track. Conner spun around in front of Logan causing Logan to drive to the outside. Conner caught the left side nose of Logan’s kart causing him to spin through turn 2. The field was lined back up with Logan behind Christian. There was not enough time for Logan to get back to the front so he chose to help the limping #9 kart of his teammate. Logan pushed Christian forward through the field by way of bump drafting, getting the boys into podium contention. Christian posted his fastest lap at 16.982, fourth fastest of the race, finishing 3rd. Logan posted his fastest lap at 16.880, second fastest of the race, finishing 4th.

The team prepares for the second race of the Georgia/Florida Maxxis Dirt winter series in Callahan, FL on January 6th. Christian goes in with the points lead and Logan in second in the two classes that they are competing in. The team looks to continue their power streak this weekend.