



King breaks Danish track record

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British Top Fuel Bike rider Ian King took time out from his championship schedule last weekend to compete at the annual Mosten Raceday in Denmark. Mosten Raceday is a combination of a motorcycle rally, custom car show, rock concert, comic revue and 1/8th mile sprint race and attracts nearly 10,000 people to a farmers field in the north of Denmark. The sprint is headlined by the Top Fuel Bike and Supertwin Classes, with a few exhibition cars (including Kim Reymond's Top Fuel Dragster) making passes down the narrow strip of tarmac.

Once again, the event was expertly planned and run, with the narrow farmers track benefiting from amazing track preparation that saw new personal bests for some of the Nitro Fuelled competitors, including Ian King.

Crew chief for the event Chris Powell opted to run the first pass of the three qualifiers with the same settings as their previous 6.319 pass at Hockenheim, Germany. And King did not disappoint the crowd with a tyre spinning new track record time and speed of 4.24 seconds at 320 km/h. A 1.06 sixty foot time testament to the exceptional track preparation by the hardworking track crew.

King's new record marks made the Danish national press too with the leading newspaper 'B.T.' running a report and colour picture in the Saturday edition of the Puma machine in action to the delight of the event organisers.

However, this would prove to be King's one and only full pass down the Danish track as the tyre shaking run damaged the gearbox sprag, an incident only discovered after the next two aborted starts.

King's failure to step up his time was to the advantage of Norwegian rider Sverre Dahl who eclipsed the earlier elapsed time record with a stunning 6.02 second pass to take the event win, and pushing King into second place.

The team went home happy with the Mosten track speed record safely under their belts and high hopes for the forthcoming final round of the prestigious UEM European Dragbike Championship event at Santa Pod in the UK.

King Racing's next event is the European Finals at Santa Pod, England on the 9th – 11th September

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