2-08-24: All-Tech Raceway

I had intended to count All-Tech last year for the STSS races but they got rained out while I was en route, so I was glad to be able to count the track this year. I drove down from Boston, splitting the drive over two days, and got to the track about 15 minutes before hot laps started. There were plenty of top row seats available. Most of the seats seemed like they would be good, other than those that were too close to the building in the center that caused a bit of obstruction up high.



The seating is structured with lawn chair seating below and bleachers up high. There's motorhome parking off of turn two and no catch fence in front of it. The sun sets directly behind the grandstands which is always appreciated.



The concessions were reasonably cheap, they had good fries and I was able to make fry sauce, and the fried bologna sandwich was pretty good.

The track was very packed and didn't seem to have a ton of moisture in it. It looks like it'd take rubber very quickly. All the cars came out to pack the track, after an extensive pack by the packer trucks.

There were good car counts, 32 STSS modifieds and 31 STSS sportsman. I don't think there's really any Northeast modified contingent here in Florida so I'm always impressed by the number that will make the drive down south each February.



The track did definitely seem slick during sportsman hot laps, it seemed really easy for the nose to just start drifting up the track on them. The modifieds were really high up in the track already. It doesn't seem to really be building a cushion. The cars really seem to have a hard time getting rotated through the corner, there were a number that couldn't seem to set the wheels through the turn and drifted up the track and didn't want to settle nicely.

The heats were interesting enough but nothing crazy. Most cars were low with some running up higher. The track did a good job of keeping things moving, rolling out the next heat while the previous one was still exiting.

The sportsman had the better racing in the heats, with heat 4 in particular being notable as the leaders were side by side for over half the race. The track was wider than I expected, it definitely rubbered up but it was much less so than I expected.

I watched the consis then decided to leave in favor of Marion County. They were running the NOW600s there, and I figured that it was both directly on my route to my Airbnb for the night and a more interesting race than what I anticipated the modifieds to be, so I departed after the consis.