

Augusta Road Race Slated For Today

AUGUSTA, Ga. (UPI)—Fourteen cars, led by Texan Jim Hall's Chevy-powered Chapparral, flattened the Augusta International Speedway record Saturday qualifying for Sunday's inaugural U.S. road racing and manufacturer's championship race.

Hall's best lap, giving him the pole position in Sunday's race for points toward the U.S. driver's championship, was 1:47.2—which works out to 100.7 mph over the twisting three-mile course.

The best lap ever done here before was turned in by Fireball Roberts at 93 mph in winning last year's Augusta 510 for stock cars.

Hall, who builds the Chapparral, was closely followed by the powerful Ford-powered King Cobras of Carroll Shelby. Dave McDonald's Cobra turned the course an even second slower than Hall, and defending road racing champion Bob Holbert was 7-10ths of a second slower than his teammate.

Buck Fulp, driving for the Ferrari-sponsored North American Racing Team, turned the course in 1:52. Fulp, of Anderson, S.C., was driving the prototype Ferrari 250 LM grand touring car in its first race.

Harry Heurer was behind Fulp in the Meister Brauser Chapparral at 1:54.

Qualifying for the manufacturer's race, for production cars only, was dominated, as expected, by Shelby's A.C. Cobras. Team manager Ken Miles turned the fastest lap for the A.C. Cobras, equaling Heurer at 1:54. McDonald was a second slower in the other team Cobra. There was a wide gap down to South Carolina sportsman Graham Shaw's A.C. Cobra in third at 2:03.

Two drivers—Ray Heppen-

stall of North Hills, Pa., and former Indianapolis driver Jack Ensley—lost their cars coming out of Alligator Hollow, a fearsome decreasing-radius curve.

Heppenstall wound up in a ditch with his Cooper-Ford and may have broken his leg. Ensley, driving a Chevy-powered Apache, took to the other side of the road and bashed the wooden fence there, doing body damage to his car and injuring his foot. There remained a possibility, officials said, that Ensley could start Sunday.

Osborne Takes Class AAA Title

ATLANTA (AP)—Osborne of Marietta claimed the State Class AAA boys basketball championship Saturday night by stopping neighboring South Cobb of Austell 54-49 in the finals of the 43rd annual tournament.

Fred Smith and Johnny Marshbanks sank two free throws each in the final seconds to give Osborne the state title. The

this year.

South Cobb piled up a 6-point lead in the first quarter and attempted a freeze in the second and third quarters. Early in the fourth quarter Osborne tied the score 40-40 and two minutes later went out front 44-43.

Cross Keys of Atlanta defeated Avondale 59-56 in an earlier consolation match.

Score by Quarters

