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Brian Blaauwendraat of Truro, NS won Sunday's round five of Atlantic Roadracing League Pro Superbike competition at Atlantic Motorsport Park near Shubenacadie, NS.

Clint McBain, who won Saturday's Superbike race during the doubleheader weekend at the 2.56-KM circuit, crashed his Acceleration Racing Suzuki while leading Sunday afternoon's 15-lap feature race. The race was red flagged, and while the Cochrane, AB rider was uninjured, he was unable to make the restart due to damage on his motorcycle. The 2007 Atlantic Roadracing Champion has won two out of the four National Parts Canada Superbike Championship rounds to date this season and was making his first Atlantic appearance of the season at AMP last weekend.

Blaauwendraat, who was running second at the time of McBain's fall, jumped into the lead on the restart and rode to another Superbike victory for the Honda rider, extending his championship points lead. On the National scene, Blaauwendraat currently sits second in HJC Pro Rookie of the Year standings.

Other riders, who wouldn't normally be riding at a regional event in Nova Scotia, using the ARL race weekend as practice for the upcoming Parts Canada Superbike Championship doubleheader at Atlantic Motorsport Park were Armour Bodies Amateur 600 Sport Bike competitor Martin Grande and Suzuki SV650 Cup rider Cody Matechuk.

Grande, a Montreal resident, who refers to AMP as his favourite circuit, was a front-runner in the Amateur fields throughout the weekend.

Matechuk, also from Cochrane, AB, was the real story of the weekend. Matechuck, who sits second in the SV650 Cup National championship, was riding below the National class lap record in his first visit to AMP.

The Atlantic Roadracing League plays host to the upcoming doubleheader round of Parts Canada Superbike Championship competition as rounds five and six roll into Atlantic Motorsport Park August 7-10.

For complete regional ARL race results and point standings, visit them at: <http://www.atlanticroadracing.com>

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Clint McBain leads local ace Brian Blaauwendraat at Atlantic Motorsport Park on Sunday.



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