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Gordon Still Hopeful

Normally this time of the racing season Hendrick Motorsports already has assembled an impressive fleet of cars for the upcoming Chase for the Championship.

But this clearly isn't a normal time for the sport's most-dominant team.

All four drivers at Hendrick are looking for big

answers instead of refining the little advantages that's helped the company win 11 Sprint Cup Series championships. While Joe Gibbs Racing and Penske Racing have surged in the past month to create momentum for the playoffs, Hendrick is struggling.

Jimmie Johnson has four wins this year, the last coming May 31 at the Dover International Speedway, and all came in the first 13 races.

Dale Earnhardt Jr. has two wins, the last on July 5 at the Daytona International Speedway, and both came at restrictor-plate tracks.

Jeff Gordon and Kasey Kahne haven't seen Victory Lane this year. More important, they haven't come close.

"You've got to work at it one step at a time," Gordon said. "I think that we know that we are behind. I think we are behind as an organization. I think we are behind as the No. 24 team.

"When you drive for Hendrick Motorsports every season, there's always pressure to win because you know that you're with one of the best organizations."

In the first four months Hendrick seemed to be on its customary track toward another possible championship.

Gibbs and Penske, however, will head into the Chase on a roll. Together they've combined to win eight of the last nine races.

Penske's Joey Logano, who won for the second time in three races two weeks at the Bristol Motor Speedway, knows both teams well.

"You know, obviously JGR is a great team," Logano said. "They're kicking butt out there right now. I've been fortunate to drive for two great race teams. The difference now is that I'm ready to go racing and race for championships. Back then I

wasn't.

"You know, but I definitely learned a lot. I wouldn't trade those years for a million bucks. It was such a fun learning experience over there, and really shaped me into the person and the driver that I am, and I owe them a lot for that."

Kyle Busch has four wins and Matt Kenseth two in Gibbs in the past nine races. Logano has two victories for Penske.

Their domination hasn't gone unnoticed in the garage area.

"We are missing some speed and we are working hard to try to find it," Gordon said. "It's very competitive out there. Some other organizations have gotten ahead of us. You don't just find that

overnight. It is certainly not from a lack of effort, but we are in the position that we are in right now not because we are not performing well enough."

Kenseth, Denny Hamlin and Carl Edwards already are locked into the Chase, while Busch only has to remain in the top 30 to move into the playoffs.

Both Penske drivers, including Brad Keselowski, have qualified for the Chase.

Johnson and Earnhardt are the only drivers at Hendrick who will be in the playoffs. Gordon has a reasonable chance to make it as a wild card based on the point standings.

Once the playoffs start, the standings are reset. Each regular season win is worth 10 bonus points, but it still makes it possible for anyone without a victory to make an unexpected breakthrough in the 10-race Chase.

Gordon hopes his team can find some magic in what will be his final season before retirement if he makes the cut.

For now, though, he's forced to be content with using points to make it.

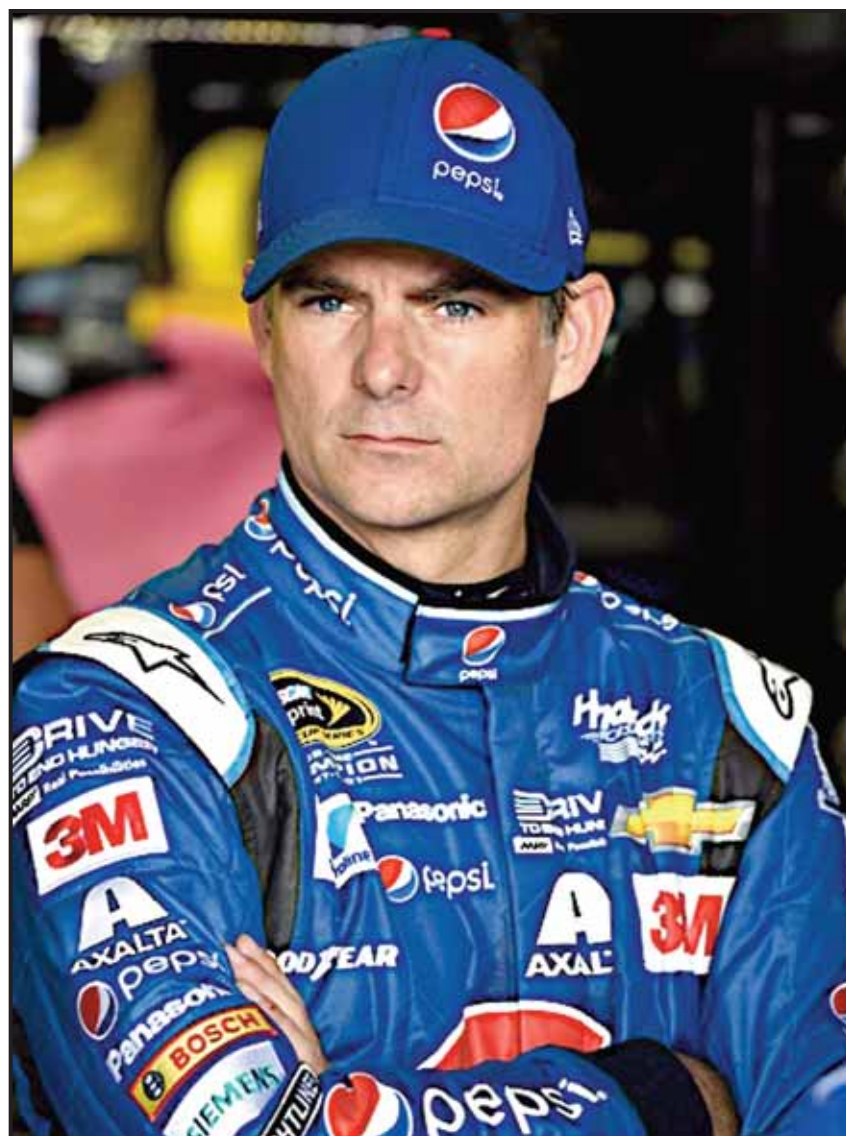
"We're doing everything that we possibly can to be the best we can be, to communicate and work together and come out of this thing knowing that we gave it everything that we've got," he said.

"And so, we don't need a win. A win would be nice. And a win would certainly make things a little easier over these next couple of weeks."

But unless the entire Hendrick camp finds some speed in the next few weeks, nothing will be easy if Gibbs and Penske maintain their



DON COBLE



A determined Jeff Gordon hopes to close the deal on the Chase in the next two races. (NIGEL KINRADE/NKP photo)

confident runs.

"What happens when we get in the Chase who knows? When you get a reset there are some tracks that are very good tracks for us in

the Chase," Gordon said. "Does that put us in the championship contender mode? I don't know. We've got a lot of work to do to do that."

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Just Like Old Times

The NASCAR Sprint Cup Series has completed their final open weekend of the 2015 season, and now the final twelve races to determine the champion begins.

And, where does this "stretch run" begin? How fitting is it that the first of those final twelve events is at the historic Darlington Raceway.

That's right, the traditional Labor Day weekend events at Darlington are back. The Bojangles Southern 500 highlights an exciting Labor Day weekend that will bring back memories as well as off track activities.

The Darlington excitement begins on Thursday, September 3rd with the 11th Annual Darlington Hauler Parade and Festival. Beginning at the Florence Civic Center to Darlington Square to the track "Too Tough to Tame", the hauler parade has been a favorite of race fans throughout the South Carolina Pee Dee area. The activities begin at 4 pm at the Civic Center with live music, entertainment, FREE kids games, inflatable rides, and bungee jump. Up to 16 players at a time can utilize the Game Truck complete with Xbox 360, Wii, and PS3.

Proceeds from the refreshments and food will support Camp Pee Dee Pride. Kids and adults can get airbrush tattoos, including a semi-permanent logo of the track Too Tough to Tame. A silent auction will also be available full of NASCAR items and race memorabilia. Proceeds from the auction benefit Darlington Shares.

The RaceFest continues at Darlington Square where food vendors, entertainment, a car show, and a fireworks show greet fans. The transporters continue through Darlington to the historic track to begin their preparation for the Bojangles Southern 500.

Another event returns to Darlington for Southern 500 week this year. The Southern 500 parade, thanks to the efforts of the Darlington

Area Recreational Department, the City of Darlington, and Darlington Raceway, returns on Saturday, September 5th. The parade will begin at 7:15 pm at Darlington City Hall at 400 Pearl Street.



DENNIS PUNCH

Darlington native and current NASCAR crew chief Trent Owens will serve as Grand Marshal of the parade. The parade will feature former Miss Southern 500 Pageant winners, dignitaries, Shriners, local high school marching bands, as well as racing celebrities, drivers, and officials.

The Southern 500 Parade used to be one of the most entertaining events of the season and was always a highlight of Southern 500 race week activities.

"We want the parade this year to be everything that people loved and remember about the old parade that we can," Lee Andrews, City Recreation Director and Chair of the parade committee, commented.

The excitement continues at Darlington Raceway with the NASCAR XFINITY Series VFW Sport Clips Help A Hero 200 and the Sprint Cup Series Bojangles Southern 500. Aside from the action on the track Saturday and Sunday nights, Grand Funk Railroad will perform a pre-race concert prior to the Southern 500, and Tanya Tucker will sign the National Anthem.

Continuing the "Tradition Returns" theme of the weekend, Terry Labonte, the last driver to win the Southern 500 on Labor Day weekend in '03, will serve as the Grand Marshal.

In addition to all the off track excitement and activities, many of the Sprint Cup teams will feature retro or throwback paint schemes for the race. Several of the more recognizable ones include:

#2 – Miller retro scheme driven by Bobby Allison honoring 25 years of Miller and Roger Penske association.

#3 – Richard Childress paint scheme from the late 70s and early 80s.

#4 – "Classics" Budweiser paint scheme.



Above are just two of the planned throwback paint schemes planned for the Darlington Southern 500 this weekend. (Darlington Raceway.com photos)

#6 – Retro Mark Martin paint scheme from '98 and '99.

#9 – Retro Winn Dixie paint scheme.

#17 – David Pearson paint scheme.

#21 – Tribute to the Wood Brothers and their teams.

#25 – Tribute paint scheme to Bill Elliott.

#42 – Throwback Mello Yello colors and paint scheme.

#43 – Richard Petty 1972 retro

paint scheme

#48 – Lowe's logo used in 1940s and 50s.

#88 – Valvoline throwback paint scheme from the 80s on cars driven by Cale Yarborough, Ron Bouchard, Neil Bonnett, and Buddy Baler.

Labor Day Weekend and the Southern 500 at Darlington Raceway. NASCAR Racing returns to celebrate history and heritage. It's just like old times!

Wisconsin Native Paul Menard Wins in Nail-Biting Road America Finish

By CHRIS KNIGHT

ELKHART LAKE, WI - The decision to compete in Saturday afternoon's NASCAR XFINITY Series sixth annual Road America 180 Fired Up by Johnsonville at Road America (Wis.) paid off in a huge way for Paul Menard who scored his third career XFINITY victory at his hometown track.

Menard, a native of Eau Claire, Wis. started eighth and saw a decision to stay out after pitting on Lap 24 work to his advantage as he edged out a relentless Ryan Blaney by 0.573 seconds at the 14-turn road course. After the contest, Menard said had the race extended a lap further, he would not have collected his first XFINITY win since Michigan International Speedway last June.

"I've been really fortunate to win at some of the coolest tracks, Indianapolis, Milwaukee, Road America is right there," Menard said. "These guys called a great race. We didn't have the fastest car. We

had a really good short run car. We really burned off the rear tires as we ran, but the Richmond Water Heaters / Menards Chevrolet was fast and (crew chief Danny) Stockman made a hell of a call at the end."

If wondering about running out of fuel wasn't enough, Menard also had to fend off a hard-charging Blaney.

"I was definitely concerned," added Menard on both circumstances. "I was saving as much as I could under caution, but then when we fired off I was just chattering the left rear tire really bad. It took a couple of laps for it to come in, then the (No.) 22 started burning his stuff up, but it just didn't fire off very good in the end, but it came to us."

After inclement weather forced the cancelation of Coors Light Pole qualifying, Ben Rhodes earned the top starting spot based upon turning the fastest lap at the 4.05-mile road course in the first XFINITY Series practice session Friday afternoon.

Rhodes, a NASCAR Next alum, would find himself under pressure

from the drop of the green flag when JR Motorsports teammate Chase Elliott made the move for the lead in Turn 1. Quickly, though, the field would be under the first full-course caution of the day when Tomy Drissi found himself stuck in the gravel trap in Turn 5.

Racing resumed on Lap 4 with Elliott checking out from the field and before the first round of green-flag pit stops. The reigning champion stretched his lead to over 10 seconds, when he relinquished the top spot on Lap 11 for a routine pit stop.

Championship contender Ty Dillon inherited the lead when Elliott pitted. Dillon, who finished 10th, stretched his fuel run an extra lap to earn a crucial bonus point towards the championship picture.

When pit stops cycled through, Elliott reclaimed the point on Lap 16 and built a 13.7-second lead over second-place Brian Scott at the halfway mark. On Lap 22, the second caution waved for fluid on the track, erasing Elliott's substantial advantage.

Despite half of the field electing to come to pit road for service be-



Paul Menard waves at the spectators in victory lane at Road America after winning the race Saturday afternoon. (NIGEL KINRADE PHOTOGRAPHY photo)

hind them, Elliott and his JRM team stood firm on their plan and stayed out. On the restart, Elliott withstood a challenge for Brian Scott and Ryan Blaney, but in Turn 14 and through the frontstretch, Scott mounted the pressure and made the move on Elliott to take the lead on Lap 27.

Unable to make it to the end on fuel, Scott pitted under green on Lap 29 handing the lead to defending race winner Brendan Gaughan. Three laps later, though, Gaughan pitted, handing the lead to hometown hero Paul Menard who pitted during the second caution with 13 laps remaining.

Planning to stay out till the end, Menard in saving mode purposely gave up the lead to Blake Koch who led with 10 laps remaining when pole-sitter Rhodes found himself stuck in the gravel trap in Turn 7 issuing the third full course caution. During the extended caution, Koch lost power putting Menard back at the point.

On the Lap 41 restart, Menard withstood challenges from Darrell Wallace Jr. and Blaney to seal the win in his 197th career start.

Next up for the NASCAR XFINITY Series is a trip to the track dubbed "Too Tough To Tame" at Darlington (S.C.) Raceway for the VFW Sport Clips Help A Hero 200 on Sept. 5 (3:30 p.m. ET on NBC).



Paul Menard (33) takes the checkered flag in front of Ryan Blaney (22). (J. MOORE/GETTY IMAGES)

Jones Cruises to Victory in Canada; Takes Points Lead

By **STEPHANIE
WALLCRAFT**

BOWMANVILLE, ONTARIO - Two weeks ago in the NASCAR XFINITY Series race at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course, Alex Tagliani got turned out of the lead by Regan Smith and lost his shot at a

win.

Today in the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Chevrolet Silverado 250 at Canadian Tire Motorsport Park, Tagliani had a

turns, but a broken third gear took that chance away.

"It shredded completely," he said. "It was pretty much good all race. I felt a couple of times it was kind of scratchy on the downshift, but no sign it was going to be bad. As soon as I put third gear on the back straight, it just went.

"I put it in fourth and it just kind of limped all the way back home."

The 19-year-old Jones felt the pressure from veteran road course racer Tagliani down the stretch, but maintained his concentration to become the first driver to lead the entire last lap of a NCWTS race at



It was a true Canadian-American collaboration when NASCAR brought the trucks to race at CTMP. (RONDA GREER photo)

be raced," Jones said. "I've never been one to want to move somebody to win a race, and he hasn't, either. It's nice to see that respect, especially from a veteran like that to me.

"It's not something he had to do. It means a lot to me that he did."

Jones worked hard to improve his road course craft coming into this weekend. Time spent at a pair of driving schools paid off, as did a strong effort by the team to improve their truck.

"We had a good truck last year, and we were able to do some improving on our Tundra to get it to where it needed to be for this year," Jones said. "I was able to improve on myself and fix some of my mistakes this year as well and get a little bit better."

Matt Crafton finished in second place, which keeps him second in the point standings behind Jones, who now holds a three-point advantage. Tyler Reddick, the standings leader entering the race, placed 19th and is now third (15 points behind Jones) in the championship hunt.

Ben Kennedy, Daniel Hemric, and Tagliani rounded out the top five.

Cole Custer mounted one of the strongest challenges to Jones in the late going, but contact between he and Tagliani took him out of the running with 11 laps to go. He ended up in 10th.



The whole Toyota team of Erik Jones is all smiles in victory lane after winning the Chevrolet Silverado 250 Sunday afternoon. (RONDA GREER photo)

chance to be the one doing the turning.

Heading into Turn 5B on the final lap, Tagliani says he was in a position to push Erik Jones aside and claim victory for himself. But he didn't. Instead, Tagliani held back as Jones cruised to his second win of the season and vaulted to the top of the NCWTS point standings.

"If I would have stayed where I was he would have been gone in (Turn) 5B," Tagliani said. "I don't drive that way. I just want to continue the trend."

Tagliani thought he would have time to take one more clean shot at Jones through the final series of

Canadian Tire Motorsport Park.

"It was a blast," Jones said of the race. "It was nerve-wracking. It's a little intense when you've got a guy like that running you down for 15 laps."

It turned out that Jones and Tagliani had shared a parade truck before the race and had a philosophical discussion about racing with respect. Tagliani told Jones he knew he was in a heated points battle and that Jones didn't have to worry about him trying the same thing Smith had done to him at Mid-Ohio.

"We had a pretty long talk about racing people the way you want to



Erik Jones leads the long line of NASCAR Camping World Truck Series trucks up the hill and through the turns at Canadian Tire Motorsports Park on his way to the win. (RONDA GREER photo)

Pena Scores Fifth NASCAR K&N Pro Series East Win In Wild Finish at VIR

ALTON, VA - Sometimes it's good to be at the right place at the right time and that was true for Sergio Pena Saturday in the NASCAR K&N Pro Series East Biscuitville 125 at Virginia International Raceway.

Pena driving the No. 42 Special Smiles Pediatric Dentistry Toyota for REV Racing, took advantage of a couple of cars going off course during the final green-white-checked attempt to collect his fifth career win.

With the 22-year-old Westminster, Virginia, native's win, REV Racing has won at least one victory in six consecutive K&N East seasons dating back to 2010.

Pena started fifth on the final restart on Lap 59 and moved up to third after leader Austin Hill spun in Turn 1 allowing Dalton Sargeant to take the lead. Sargeant would also spin out while leading in Turn 7 which put Grala and Pena in the battle for the lead.

The two made contact and Pena was able to use the inside line to stay out front and score the win in just his third start of the season while filling in for Jay Beasley while he receives medical treatment.

Sunoco Rookie of the Year contender David Garbo Jr. followed Grala in third for his first career

podium finish with fellow rookie Collin Cabre coming home fourth. J.J. Haley, who led for six laps, completed the top five.

Hill, who rebounded from an early spin to make his way back to the front before his final spin, rebounded to finish sixth with Nick Drake, Dale Quarterly, Sargeant and points leader William Byron rounding out the top 10.

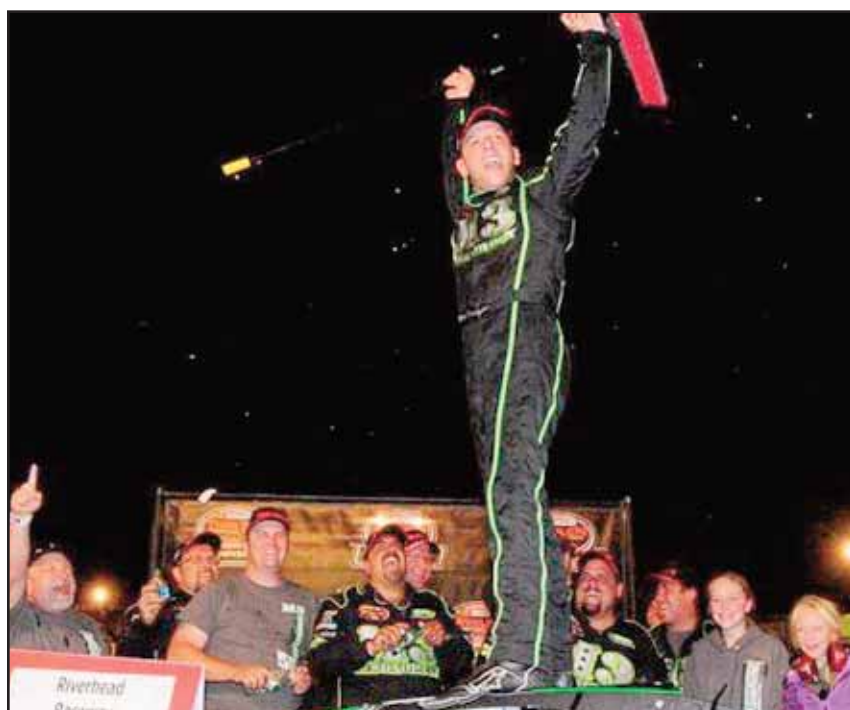
Defending race winner Scott Heckert, started the race from the pole position and led the race on three different occasions, but suffered a broken rear end on Lap 46 to finished 15th and allowed Byron to build his points lead to 15 points with two races remaining on the schedule.

The Biscuitville 150 will air on NBCSN on Thursday, Sept. 3 at 7 p.m.

The NASCAR K&N Pro Series East returns to the track UNOH 100 at Richmond International Raceway on Thursday, Sept. 10th.

Bonsignore Earns Third Win At Home To Sweep At Riverhead Raceway

RIVERHEAD, NY - Justin Bonsignore joined elite company Saturday night when he drove to a NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour season sweep of events at Riverhead Raceway.



Justin Bonsignore earned his third victory at his home track to sweep this season at Riverhead Raceway. (Will Schneekloth/Getty Images for NASCAR photo)



Sergio Pena celebrates winning the Biscuitville 125 at Virginia International Raceway for his first win of the season and fifth of his career. (Getty Images for NASCAR photo)

Bonsignore grabbed the lead from Doug Coby on Lap 115 and held on through six caution restarts to take down a third career victory at his home track, and second in two tries in 2015.

A 12th and final caution came out on Lap 199 just after Bonsignore had taken the white flag in his No. 51 M3 Technology Chevrolet, and he came around to a yellow-checked. It was the eighth career victory overall for the Holtsville, New York native.

In the process he became just the fifth driver in 31 years of Whelen Modified Tour racing to sweep a season at the venerable Long Island bullring.

Coby and his No. 2 Dunleavy's Repair/A&J Romano Construction

Chevrolet finished second, while rookie Chase Dowling, Donny Lia and Eric Goodale rounded out the top-five.

Tom Rogers Jr – who won his second-consecutive Coors Light Pole Award at Riverhead earlier in the day – finished sixth.

Woody Pitkat, championship points leader Ryan Preece, Todd Szegedy and rookie Jeff Goodale completed the top-10.

Pitkat gained one point on Preece, who now leads by a single tally with three races remaining on the schedule.

The NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour will be back in action Saturday, Sept. 26 at New Hampshire Motor Speedway for the F.W. Webb 100.

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Bradley McCaskill and Steve Wallace Conquer Concord Speedway in CARS Tour Lead 2 Real Estate 200

CONCORD, NC - The Championship Auto Racing Series (CARS) Racing Tour reawakened the high-banked, fast and tricky tri-oval that is Concord Speedway in two wild 100 lap races on Saturday night as part of the Lead 2 Real Estate 200. Bradley McCaskill (Late Model Stock Car) and Steve Wallace (Super Late Model) took home their first career CARS Tour wins in very different fashions.

LATE MODEL STOCK CAR RECAP:

Championship contender Myatt Snider qualified on the Hedgecock Racing pole with Mike Darne alongside. The McCaskill family, Bradley then Deac made up row two to begin the 100 lap race.

From there, Snider grabbed the early lead with Deac McCaskill behind in lockstep as the two put a gap in excess of two seconds on the field for the first quarter of the race.

Deac completed a pass to take the lead away from Snider on lap 23, while Bradley McCaskill and veteran Jamey Caudill lurked in the third and fourth spots.

After a lap 25 restart, Snider retook the lead from Deac and Bradley also snuck around for second. Five laps later, Bradley McCaskill also took advantage of a restart and put the Graphix Unlimited No. 18 out front for the first time.

On lap 39, incoming championship point leader Brayton Haws made contact with Terry Brooks, Jr. in turn three and nearly backed his Ford into the outside wall. Haws continued with no apparent damage and rallied home to a sixth place finish.

In the closing laps, Snider was in position to capture his first CARS Tour win, but contact as Deac McCaskill made a move for the lead in turn one sent Deac around for spin, and set up a restart with only six laps to go.

Although Snider got the jump on the final restart and cleared his pursuers, Bradley McCaskill laid the bumper to Snider more than once in the final three circuits. Exiting



Steve Wallace poses with the winner's trophy and a fan who won \$100 by catching Wallace's frisbee during driver intros for the Lead 2 Real Estate 200 on Saturday night at Concord Speedway. Wallace won the CARS Super Late Model Tour portion of the event after sitting on the pole. (KYLE TRETOW photo)



Bradley McCaskill celebrates his first career CARS Late Model Stock Tour win at Concord Speedway following Saturday night's Lead 2 Real Estate 200, the biggest win of the young racer's career. (KYLE TRETOW photo)

turn three as they came to the white flag, McCaskill finally used enough force and got underneath Snider for the lead. The part-time driver of the No. 18 held off Snider to take his first career CARS Tour win.

Snider finished a disappointing second with Tommy Lemons in third, followed by Clay Rogers and Justin Hobgood.

SUPER LATE MODEL RECAP:

Steve Wallace drove his Jet Tools / LFR Chassis Chevrolet to the most dominant performance so of the 2015 CARS Racing Tour season with a wire-to-wire victory. Wallace began the 100 lap contest from the Mahle Pistons pole and held off early challenges from Nemco Motorsports driver Dominique VanWieringen.

Championship leader Cole Timm made his move with 30 laps to go and wrestled the second spot away from VanWieringen. He then began to run down Wallace for the lead.

Timm made several attempts to work around Wallace for the lead, but Wallace fended off Timm's advances every time and never gave up the lead en route to Edelbrock victory lane.

Following Wallace and Timm to the stripe were VanWieringen, Harrison Burton and Quin Houff.

NEWS & NOTES :

- Unofficially, Myatt Snider took over the Late Model Stock championship point lead by three points over Brayton Haws. Official points figures will be released on Tuesday.

- Steve Wallace's win was only his second top-10 finish in 8 CARS Tour races in 2015. The other was at Tri-County, the only other race where he led during the event.

- Clay Rogers was the only driver to run both races and came home with two top-10 finishes. Rogers finished fourth in the LMSC race and ninth in the SLM race despite being involved in a crash on lap two of the LMSC event.

- Cole Timm extended his championship point lead over Kyle Gissom (sixth) with his runner-up performance at Concord Speedway.

The next CARS Tour event is September 19th at Myrtle Beach Speedway for the BakerDist.com 200 presented by Sports Radio 100.3 The Team. For more information on the CARS Tour, visit www.carsracingtour.com, "Like" the CARS Tour on Facebook and "follow" them on Twitter @CARSTour.

Glen Luce Claims \$30,000 Plus Victory in 42nd Annual Aim Oxford 250

Oxford, ME - Glen Luce of Turner scored an emotional victory, and a \$30,000-plus payday, in Sunday's 42nd Annual AIM Recycling USA Oxford 250 at Oxford Plains Speedway.

For Luce, who once finished second to NASCAR star Kevin Harvick in the annual classic, it was not only a career highlight, but a dream come true for someone who grew up at the historic Maine racetrack.

After drawing a dead-last starting spot in his heat race, Luce worked his way into fourth place, earning the 22nd starting position in the 250.

Twice he worked his way into contention before pitting for tires, first for a pair, later for a full, fresh

set.

After outgunning Berwick's Joey Doiron for the lead, Luce outran Manchester teenager Reid Lanpher to the checkered flag. For both Luce and Lanpher it was a career-best PASS Super Late Model finish, coming in the biggest-paying race of the year.

Luce and Lanpher were chased to the checkered flag by Ben Lynch, a New Hampshire native now living in North Carolina. Six-time PASS North Super Late Model champion Johnny Clark of Farmingdale ended up in fourth position. The top five was filled out by 50-lap last chance race winner Joey Polewarczyk, Jr., who started the 250-lapper in 34th position.

Cassius Clark earned a sixth-place finish in the Rollie MacDonald 13. Wayne Helliwell, Jr ended up in seventh after leading more than half the race, earning a hefty

bonus in lap leader awards. Helliwell also turned in the fastest lap of the race. Rounding out the top ten were Corey Bubar of Windham, David Oliver of Standish and East Parsonsfield's Trevor Sanborn.

Evan Armington of Lovell won the 25-lap race for OPS Mods on Saturday night and then backed that up with a 40-lap victory for PASS Modified tour points on Sunday afternoon in the Pro All Stars Series lone open-wheel series.

Armington was chased under the checkered flag by reigning series champion Andy Shaw of Center Conway, New Hampshire, driving the Sumner Sessions 0. Jimmy Emerson of Windham led the early stages of the race, finishing up in third position. Ryan Robbins of Dixfield and Newburgh's Scott Alexander rounded out the top five.

Josh Childs of Oxford won for the second straight night in Allen's Coffee Flavored Brandy Street Stock competition, outrunning Bryce Mains of Naples to the checkered flag. Dan Brown of Peru earned the third-place trophy, in

front of Turner's Calvin Rose, Jr. and David Whittier of Poland.

Ryan Kuhn of East Bridgewater, Massachusetts raced to his first-ever INEX Legends Cars win. Kuhn outgunned Jolicure, New Brunswick competitor Corey Hall for the victory, with Hall claiming runner-up honors after leading most of the 25-lapper. Nicholas Naugle of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia finished third for the second straight night at OPS. Early race leader Austin Teras of Windham ended up in fourth place, followed by Emily Meehan of Rawdon Gold Mines, Nova Scotia.

David Cook of Livermore Falls started from the pole and led all the way in a special, 50-lap race for the MacDonald Motors Runnin' Rebel class.

Kyle Hewins of Leeds won an entertaining, race-long battle for runner-up honors with the winner's brother, Derek Cook of Livermore Falls. Matthew Mahar of Buckfield and Auburn's Cody Childs rounded out the top five in an event with a lot of paint-swapping throughout the top ten.



Race winner Glen Luce drives into victory lane for the big check. (NORM MARX photo)



Reid Lanpher #59 closes on leader Glen Luce #7L late in the race as they lap the #60b of Tim Brackett. (NORM MARX photo)

Rookie Quinlan Grabs Pivotal First Career ARCA/CRA Super Series Win

FORT WAYNE, IN - For the first time since the 2011 racing season, the fast 1/2 (0.500) mile semi-banked paved oval of Baer Field Speedway located in Fort Wayne, Indiana hosted the ARCA/CRA Super Series Powered by JEGS. The Summit City 100 Presented by

Trucking Fort Wayne was on Saturday, August 22nd. The thrilling 100-lap main saw an overflow standing room only crowd pack the grandstands to see the return of Champion Racing Association's (CRA) Powered by JEGS for the first time since May 22nd, 2011.

After 100 laps of exciting racing action which saw the huge crowd on their feet for the majority of the race, it would be 16-year-old Grant Quinlan, the Overall and Senneker Performance Rookie of the Year points leader breaking through with his first career ARCA/CRA Super Series victory. The Harrison, Michigan teenager, who was the Howie Lettow Memorial Rookie of the Year in the JEGS/CRA All-Stars Tour one season ago, started on the outside of the front row and swept past pole-sitter, Dan Leeck from the drop of the green flag and throughout the entire race, kept the rest of the field a safe distance behind him en route to the pivotal points lead.

"This has truly been a long time coming. We've been so close so many times. We've been consistent all year long with holding the point's leads, but hadn't been able to get the checkered flag, until now," The Great Lakes State teenager smiled after climbing out of his #28 International Tool & Mold / Superior Tool & Mold / Chevrolet.

"This win is so big, for a bunch of reasons. I hated to see Hunter (Baize) drop out, but that gave us a nice cushion in both points. It's been a lot of hard work coming and achieving what we have here today. So much goes on behind the scenes and this really opens the door for us, getting this win feels really good." He added.

After EDCO Welding Fast Qualifier, Ali Kern drew the minimum of a five for an inversion; it would be Leeck, the 2014 JEGS/CRA All-Stars Tour Champion and Quinlan, the 2014 JEGS/CRA top freshman

bringing the field to Chief Starter, Weo Schweyer's green flag. Quinlan was able to get the jump on Leeck who struggled on the initial green flag and Quinlan would complete the pass for the race lead in the early going, earning the Great Lakes State teenager the AR Bodies Cool Move of the Race award.

Quinlan would get a big early lead on the rest of the field as the race would only be slowed by two quick cautions, both on lap 31. When the race resumed, three-time ARCA/CRA Super Series Champion, Scott Hantz would eventually climb his way up to the second spot and tried diligently to chase down the streaking Quinlan. As the laps continued to click off, Quinlan would have trouble dealing with lapped traffic which allowed Hantz to close the gap on the race leader. With Quinlan's difficulties with traffic, Hantz would be able to get through with ease and continue to hound the teenager.

As the laps continued to click off, Hantz was still trying to chase down Quinlan but would also have a new challenger in Kern who fought her way up to the podium and started to pressure Hantz. Together they teamed up for one final charge at Quinlan, but the Michigan teen wasn't to be denied and led all 100 laps, scoring the VanDoorn Racing Development Lap Leader award in the process, and scored his first career ARCA/CRA Super Series victory in his freshman season. He also grabbed the Senneker Performance Rookie of the Race award as well as the checkered flag, trophy and earnings.

Hantz, the all-time career statistical leader in nearly every major category in the ARCA/CRA Super Series 19-year history, came home with a season high second place finish in his #72 South Pointe Radiator / Chevrolet. The 52-year-old veteran from Angola, Indiana started seventh and steadily climbed his way to the runner-up spot, earning the FLUIDYNE High Performance Cool Under Pressure award. He would catch Quinlan utilizing lapped traffic, but once Quinlan got into clear air, Hantz couldn't get close enough to challenge the teenager and would settle for second.

Kern, who just 10 days prior became the second female driver in ARCA/CRA history to win an event,



Grant Quinlan celebrates with his crew in victory lane at Baer Field Speedway after scoring his first career ARCA/CRA Super Series win. (R&S Racing Photos/CRA photo)

joined Kenzie Ruston on another list earlier in the day after winning her first career Fast Qualifier award. The 22-year-old driver from Fremont, Ohio in his #4 Crown Battery / Ford would start fifth and climbed her up to third applying pressure to eventual runner-up, Hantz before rounding out the podium finishers in third. She also snagged the VanDoorn Racing Development Fastest Practice Lap award earlier in the afternoon as well.

Veteran Indianapolis, Indiana driver, Eddie Van Meter scored the C.V. Racing Products Hard-Charger award as well as the first Hoosier Racing Tire Performance award with his 12th to fourth place run in his #23 EDCO Welding / Chevrolet. The 45-year-old driver also got himself closer to second overall in points after Hunter Baize dropped out on lap 38 due to a cracked oil pan. Leeck, the pole-sitter, in his #12 Mr. Asphalt / Toyota completed the top five for his second straight top five finish. The 25-year-old Birch Run, Michigan native, the 2014 JEGS/CRA All-Stars Tour Champion is making select starts in ARCA/CRA before embarking on a full run in 2016.

Rookie Jordan Pruitt backed up his fifth place finish in the previous event in Flat Rock, Michigan just a week ago with a solid sixth place effort as hometown favorite, Terry Fisher Jr., who earlier in the evening won his eighth weekly Late Model Sportsman Feature of the year, finished seventh in his first ARCA/CRA start of 2015.

Veteran Rick Turner collected both the Hedman Hedders Husler award and the second Hoosier Racing Tire Performance award by finishing eighth after starting 14th and bringing out the first caution flag. Jason Dietsch, in the final race of his career, went out with a ninth place finish as 15-year-old Tyler Dippel, in his ARCA/CRA Super Series debut, rounded out the top

10.

Earlier in the evening in EDCO Welding Qualifying, it was Kern becoming the second female driver in the series' 19-year history to win the Fast Qualifier award as she went a 17.578. Her lap measured out to 102.401mph. The all-time ARCA/CRA Super Series Track Record in Fort Wayne, Indiana will remain with the three-time series champion, Hantz who, back on May 20th, 2007 turned a 17.229.

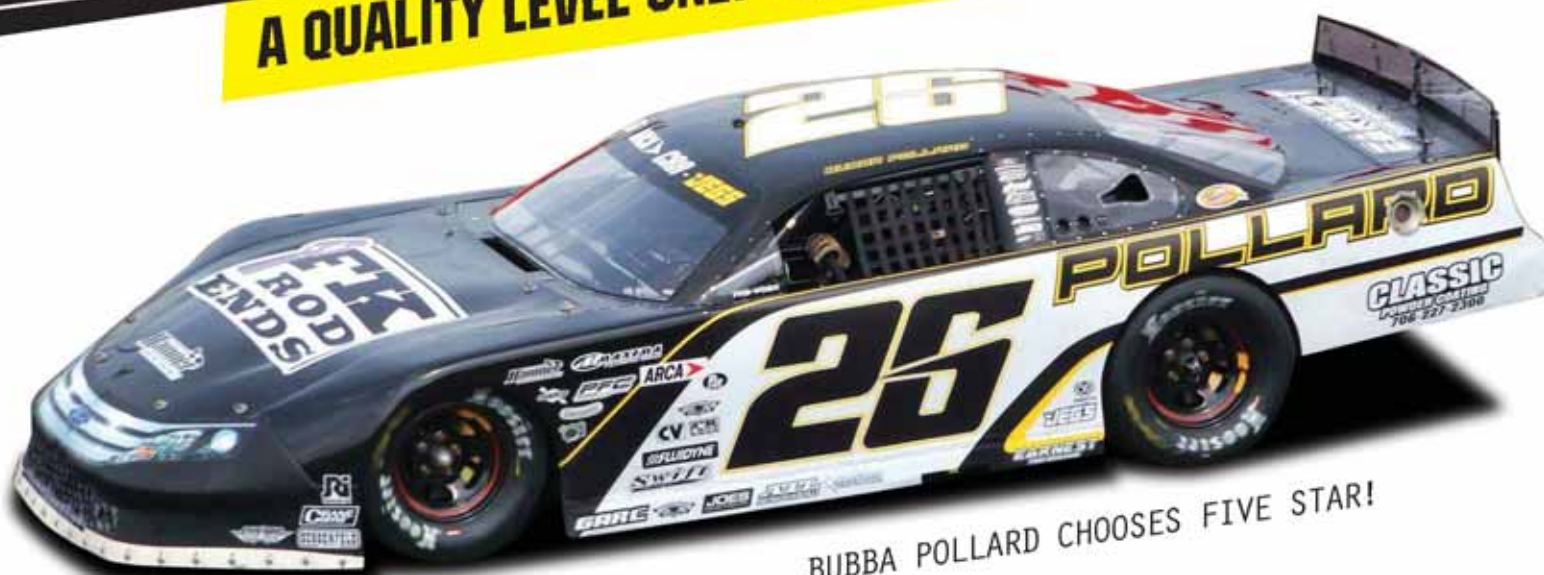
After three races in a 10-day span, the ARCA/CRA Super Series Powered by JEGS will take a well deserved break before embarking on the remaining four events of the 2015 racing season. It all starts with the traditional Labor Day Holiday Weekend World Stock Car Festival on Sunday-Monday, September 6-7th. The legendary 1/2 (0.500) mile high-banked paved oval of Winchester Speedway (IN) in Winchester, Indiana will host the one and only tune-up for the prestigious 44th Running of the Winchester 400 on October 9-11th. The Winchester 100 will highlight the Labor Day Holiday Weekend in Eastern Indiana.

In addition to the ARCA/CRA Super Series, the JEGS/CRA All-Stars Tour Presented by Chevrolet Performance will highlight the Sunday, September 6th portion of the weekend. Also on Monday, September 7th, the Vore's Welding CRA Late Model Sportsman Series Powered by JEGS and Stealth Trailers CRA Street Stock Series Powered by JEGS will also be in action. The Broaster Chicken ICAR Top Speed Modified Tour Southern Division joins in and will run their main on Monday.

For more information about the remainder of the 2015 racing season visit www.cra-racing.com You can also follow along with all of CRA's touring series' on at: www.facebook.com/ChampionRacingAssociation and on Twitter at: www.twitter.com/CRAracing

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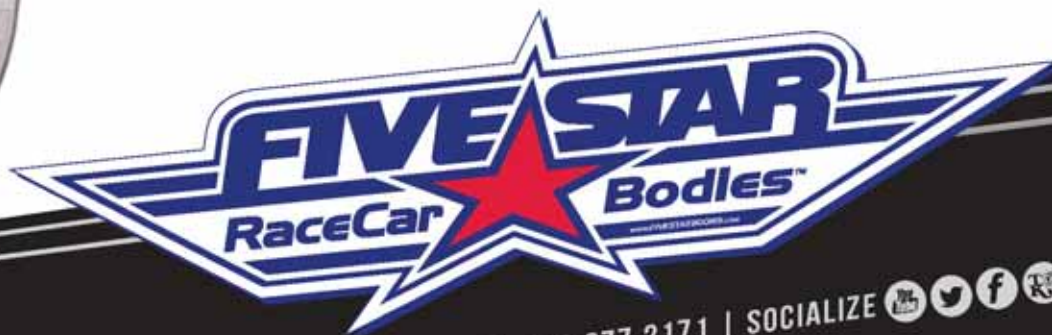


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Darlington Raceway

DARLINGTON, SC - Terry Labonte, who will be inducted into the 2016 class of the NASCAR Hall of Fame, will serve as Grand Marshal for the Bojangles' Southern 500 at Darlington Raceway on Sunday, Sept. 6.

Labonte will give the command to start engines accompanied by Bojangles' CEO Clifton Rutledge. Labonte's involvement in the Bojangles' Southern 500 further enhances the track's throwback platform of celebrating the history and heritage of the sport.

Labonte is the last NASCAR Sprint Cup Series driver to win the Bojangles' Southern 500, when it was held on Labor Day weekend, August 31, 2003. It was his final victory in the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series.

Ironically, Labonte's first career NASCAR Sprint Cup Series win also came at Darlington in the 1980 Bojangles' Southern 500.

"Darlington is where I won my first race and my last, and I'm honored to serve as Grand Marshal for the first time at the Bojangles' Southern 500," Labonte said. "I love the Labor Day tradition, and Darlington always brings back special memories for me. I look forward to being part of such a historic weekend for NASCAR."

Rutledge, who has served as Bojangles' CEO for the past two years, is excited for the Famous Chicken n' Biscuits restaurant chain to begin the first of its five-year extension as the entitlement partner of the Bojangles' Southern 500 through 2019. Bojangles' has owned the naming rights to the Southern 500 since 2012.

"Darlington Raceway has such a rich history in NASCAR and the State of South Carolina, and it is truly a privilege for Bojangles' to have our brand aligned with such a memorable event," Rutledge said. "The Bojangles' Southern 500 is returning to Labor Day weekend where it belongs and that is a big deal to everyone, including all of us at Bojangles'. For me, being a part of giving the command to start engines with a NASCAR legend like Terry Labonte is a huge thrill."

The Tradition Returns to Labor Day weekend as the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series Bojangles' Southern 500® is set for Sunday,



Terry Labonte in the No. 5 Chevrolet after winning the 2003 Bojangles' Southern 500 at Darlington Raceway. (ISC Archives and Research Center/Getty Images photo)

Sept. 6, 2015 (7 p.m. ET on NBC, MRN Radio and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio). The NASCAR XFINITY Series VFW Sport Clips Help A Hero 200 will race on Saturday, Sept. 5 (3:30 p.m. ET on NBC, MRN Radio and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio). Tickets are on sale now by calling 866-459-7223 or visiting www.DarlingtonRaceway.com.

You can keep up with all of the latest news from Darlington Raceway at DarlingtonRaceway.com, on Facebook at [Facebook.com/DarlingtonRaceway](https://www.facebook.com/DarlingtonRaceway) and on Twitter at [Twitter.com/TooToughToTame](https://twitter.com/TooToughToTame). Fans are encouraged to post their Bojangles' Southern 500 stories and memories at #TraditionReturns, #BojanglesSo500 and #SportClips200.

Dover International Speedway

DOVER, DE - Dover International Speedway and the World Championship Punkin Chunkin Association (WCPA) announced today that it will host the 2015 event on Nov. 7-8 on Speedway grounds. Tickets are now on sale for \$10 per person per day, with an early bird special available for \$16 per person for a two-day pass. Tent and RV camping options are also available.

This will mark the 28th year of the event. This year's Punkin Chunkin event is anticipated to include new and exciting attractions for fans of all ages.

Punkin Chunkin has been held each year in Delaware since 1986, and sees teams from around the world compete in the sport of hurling a pumpkin solely by mechanical means for distance. Some devices used include slingshots, catapults, air cannons and more. The non-profit WCPA supports

many local and national organizations such as St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Meals On Wheels, Bless our Children, Autism Delaware and more with the proceeds from the event.

Punkin Chunkin will take place on the same grounds the Speedway uses to host the Firefly Music Festival and Big Barrel Country Music Festival. Punkin Chunkin has gained international notoriety over the years, with fans coming from all over the world to see the unique event.

"While this year's event won't be one where we are throwing for overall distance, we are confident that it's going to be the best show for the crowd that we've ever put on," said Ricky Nietubicz, WCPA president. "We are also confident that it will raise a lot of money for our scholarship program and for the charities that we support on a local, regional and national level. But, most of all, we're looking forward to seeing everyone in Delaware again."

For ticket, tent and RV camping information, call 800-441-7223 or visit www.PunkinChunkin.com.

Martinsville Speedway

MARTINSVILLE, VA - In 2005, in an effort to get students to Martinsville Speedway through reading, the Read Your Way to the Race program was started. Now, 10 years and 15,000 students later, the program is still going strong.

Students ranging from pre-k through fifth grade who read 15 books or chapters, depending on their age, in five weeks receive a free ticket to either the Kroger 200 Camping World Truck Series race or the Goody's® Headache Relief Shot® 500 Sprint Cup Series race at Martinsville Speedway.

"When we started Read Your Way to the Race we had no idea it would grow to be so big," Martinsville Speedway President Clay Campbell said. "To think that it's been going on for 10 years now is amazing. What's more amazing though is the number of kids that we see every year at the track, because of their reading."

More than 14,000 students from school districts in both Virginia and North Carolina have the opportunity to participate in Read Your Way to the Race. Martinsville Speedway's spring race weekend saw more than 2,000 students at the track, because of program.

"A goal for Martinsville City Schools is to not only create a culture of reading for our students but a love of reading," Martinsville City Public Schools' Assistant Superintendent of Instruction Angilee Downing said. "The partnership with Martinsville Speedway in the Read Your Way to the Race program creates excitement around reading and promotes reading for fun."

"Not only does it help provide fun and incentives for our students to read, but it also helps them learn how to set a goal and work towards that goal. Read Your Way to the Race brings reading and student goal setting into an event that is truly fun for the whole family."

Students who participate in Read Your Way to the Race are not only rewarded with a race ticket, but are also entered into a drawing for the chance to participate in the Kroger 200 race day festivities including pre-race ceremonies, victory lane and a pace car ride.

Classrooms with the highest participation also have the chance to win prizes ranging from leading the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance before the Kroger 200 or the Goody's® Headache Relief Shot® 500 and a pizza party and tour of the speedway.

While the kids do the work, the parents benefit as well. When the child qualifies for the free race ticket, the parent qualifies for a discounted ticket to the same race.

For more information on the Read Your Way to the Race program call 276-956-7229.

The Goody's® Headache Relief Shot® 500 race weekend is October 30-November 1. The Goody's Headache Relief Shot 500 is the first race in the Eliminator Round of the Chase for the Sprint Cup.

Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased by calling 877.RACE.TIX or online at www.martinsvillespeedway.com.

Eldora Speedway

ROSSBURG, OH - Improved roadways and 350 new campsites have been added to Eldora Village in time for the 45th World 100 on September 10-11-12 at Eldora Speedway in Rossburg, Ohio. The gravel roads were also added for the Northside Camp and Park.

The roads will make it easier for the thousands of campers Eldora attracts throughout the year.

"We had so much rain this summer. Especially, in July, it was the wettest one on record since 1875," said Roger Slack, general manager of Eldora.

"Our team and our community came together to pull off the Kings Royal and the Mud Summer Classic within five days. We laid gravel down that week to help our campers and our fans really appreciated it. Since then, we've gone though and redone much of that, building proper roadways, improving drainage and reworking the landscape. Our campers are our most dedicated fans and we want to take care of them."

The World 100 is Eldora's biggest race and campsites are filling up so fast that 350 campsites were added to Eldora Village just last week, which sits just to the west of the half-mile clay oval.

"Drivers are filing their entries. People are seeing commercials on TV and hearing them on the radio. Travelers are seeing billboards throughout the Midwest. Social media is buzzing. The demand for tickets and camping is unprecedented," Slack said. "Earl Baltes made this the biggest dirt late model race in 1971 and it's kept growing. We are stewards of this race and we also want our fans to be happy as well."

Baltes made Eldora a special place and Tony Stewart and staff have upgraded it since buying it in 2004.

A video board, now with high definition has been added, along with new catch fencing, suites in turn three and a new media center, care center and concession stand in the infield. Little Eldora was also added in the last 10 years.

"We have made upgrades in the last few years and this was part of it," Slack said. "We hear from our fans via social media, letters, phone calls and we respond to



New gravel roads and new campsites have been added at Eldora Speedway. (Eldora Speedway photo)

them. We want the whole weekend to be a good experience for them."

The World 100 will have the largest dirt late model purse since The Million in 2001 at Eldora.

A total of \$318,580 will be available with \$48,000 going to the winner of the 100-lap race. Baltes posted \$4,000 for the winner of the first World 100 in 1971 and then added \$1,000 each year following.

The race set for Thursday, Friday and Saturday, September 10, 11, and 12 and entry blanks are posted at <http://www.eldoraspeedway.com/races/entry-forms-rules/>.

Tickets for the World 100 or any other event can be purchased at www.EldoraSpeedway.com or by calling (937) 338-3815.

Atlanta Motor Speedway

HAMPTON, GA - Atlanta Motor Speedway is partnering with the Folds of Honor Foundation to present "Savings with Honor," a promotional opportunity for a savings of up to \$36 on a ticket to the 2016 Folds of Honor QuikTrip 500 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series race at AMS with a donation to Folds of Honor.

Race fans can show their support for members of the U.S. Military and their families by making a simple donation of \$10 or more to the Folds of Honor Foundation. In return, they will be eligible for a discount of up to \$36 on seats in rows 13-26 of the Winners Grandstand for next year's Folds of Honor QuikTrip 500.

Fans interested in the money-saving opportunity can call the AMS box office at 770-946-4211 or log on to www.atlantamotorspeedway.com/FOHsavings to make their donation to Folds of Honor and reserve their seat for the race at the discounted price.

The Savings with Honor offer is

available only through Monday, Aug. 31 and while supplies last for seats in rows 13-26 of the Winners Grandstand regularly priced at \$95.

For more information, contact the Atlanta Motor Speedway ticket office at (770) 946-4211, (877) 9-AMS-TIX or visit www.atlantamotorspeedway.com.

About Folds of Honor: Of the 1 million-plus dependents adversely affected by deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan, nearly nine out of 10 do not qualify for federal scholarship assistance. Folds of Honor seeks to meet this need by providing annual educational scholarships to the spouses and children of those who have been killed or disabled while on active duty. These help support private education tuition and tutoring for children in grades K-12, as well as higher education tuition assistance. Since its founding in 2007, the organization is proud to have awarded over 7,500 scholarships, including over 2,000 in 2014 alone.

Dover International Speedway

DOVER, DE - Dover International Speedway is pleased to announce a special kickoff to the Oct. 2-4, 2015 race weekend with the return of the popular NASCAR Hauler Showcase and Parade. The showcase is set for Thursday, Oct. 1 at the Blue Hen Corporate Center in from 3 to 5 p.m., with a parade through downtown Dover to follow.

The Hauler Showcase and Parade is free and open to the public.

Fans are invited to the Blue Hen Corporate Center, located at 655 S. Bay Road, just four miles south of Dover International

Speedway, to see the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series haulers before they depart at 5 p.m. on the parade route through Downtown Dover before heading to parking at the track for race weekend.

The parade will once again create a can't-miss spectacle in the capitol of The First State. Approximately 40 brightly painted NASCAR Sprint Cup Series driver haulers, measuring approximately 80-feet in length, will make their way through town en route to the Speedway.

The inaugural event in 2013 saw close to 10,000 attendees spread out across the entire parade route. The event was rained out last year. After such a great turnout for the inaugural event, Speedway and local officials agreed the event should return for another year.

"The event was a huge success, it was only natural to bring it back," said Michael Tatoian, president and CEO of Dover International Speedway. "We are always looking for ways to enhance the fan experience, and being able to work with NASCAR and the hauler drivers to put on a great show makes our race weekend that much more exciting."

At 5 p.m., haulers will start north on Bay Road, before making a left onto Martin Luther King Blvd. (formerly Court Street). They will then turn right onto Legislative Avenue in Downtown Dover, before turning left onto Loockerman Street, then right on South State Street. From there, the haulers will proceed to the track via Leipsic Road and arrive at approximately 5:45 p.m.

NASCAR returns to Dover International Speedway Oct. 2-4, 2015 for the Oct. 4 "AAA 400" NASCAR Sprint Cup Series race, the third event in the 10-race Chase for the NASCAR Sprint Cup, the Oct. 3 "Hisense 200" NASCAR XFINITY Series race and the Oct. 2 "Drive Sober 125" presented by the Delaware Office of Highway Safety NASCAR K&N Pro Series East race.

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Pittman Holds off Schatz to Take Oil City Cup Finale at Castrol Raceway

EDMONTON, ALB - Daryn Pittman got a nice birthday surprise Saturday night at Castrol Raceway as he drove his No. 9 Great Clips car to victory lane in the finale of the Oil City Cup.

The victory was not an easy one as he battled past a hungry Logan Schuchart and

held off a late charging Donny Schatz to score his fourth World of Outlaws Sprint Car Series victory of the season - his first in three months.

"Great team effort for this whole Great Clips team," Pittman said. "It's been a long time, way too long. These guys work too hard and are too good to stay out of victory lane as long as we have."

Pittman said it has been a frustrating year for his Kasey Kahne Racing with Mike Curb team - he battled injury early on in the season and success has not come as frequently as it did in the prior two years.

"We just haven't been able to hit on anything and we just threw something at it there in the feature," Pittman said. "I don't know if it's a huge difference or not but man, my car was really good. It wasn't really good at the beginning of the race but it just got better as the race went along which is what you want."

Earlier in the night, another Schatz sweep of the Oil City Cup looked almost inevitable until rare bad luck struck the No. 15 Bad Boy Buggies/Chevrolet Performance team. Even then, he did not make it easy on the eventual winner, Pittman.

David Gravel led the field until the first caution on lap 10 as Schuchart worked to hold off Schatz for second. Schatz made it around Schuchart and nearly got around Gravel. On the restart, Schuchart jumped to the lead in his No. 15 Mark Pell Tire Service/Marty Thompson Investments car with Shane Stewart moving into second. Five laps elapsed until a crash involving Joey Saldana and Paul McMahan brought out the red flag.

As the field began to push for the restart, Schatz could not get his car to fire.

"Something got lodged in the fuel shutoff," Schatz said. "You could move the lever but nothing was opening."

A trip to the work area sent Schatz, who won the previous night at Castrol, back to the 16th position.

When the race got back underway with 15 laps to go, Pittman jumped to the lead with Schuchart second, Stewart third and Brad Sweet in fourth.

As Pittman began working his way through traffic on lap 20, the field bunched back up. Sweet got around Stewart for third and Schuchart tried to battle back for the lead. Another caution came out on lap 26 just as Schatz had worked his way back to the fourth position.

The fight was on with four laps remaining. Pittman maintained his lead as Schuchart tried to hold off Sweet in third and Schatz in fourth. With two laps to go, Sweet got a run on Schuchart on the front straight and took over second as the drivers exited turn two. Schuchart threw a slider going into turns three and four but as his car drifted up the track off the turn he made contact with Sweet that sent Sweet into the outside fence. Sweet then went for a tumble. A red flag came out.

Sweet was able to get his car to the work area and fixed to finish the



Daryn Pittman gave himself a one of a kind birthday present with his win in the Oil City Cup finale at Castrol Raceway. (www.twitter.com/WorldofOutlaws photo)

final two laps.

Schatz moved to second position, 14 positions better than where he had been 13 laps earlier, and set his sights on the lead. Pittman however held tough on the single file restart and parked his car on the front stretch. Schatz finished second with Schuchart in third.

"Tony Stewart's guys did a phenomenal job to get me back going," Schatz said of his team. "I had a really good racecar so I had to be somewhat patient and try to get through the best we could. It's a long way to come through there but we got a lot of cars right away. I just

wish we would have had a better shot or a few more laps there at the end, but that's the way it goes."

With a win on night one and a second place finish on night two, Schatz took home the 9th annual Oil City Cup championship. It is the third year in a row Schatz's name has been added to the trophy.

An apologetic Schuchart said the move on Sweet was not the cleanest he has ever made.

"I don't want to race like that and I feel bad about it," Schuchart said. "I apologize to the (Kasey Kahne Racing) guys and Brad. I'm just

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trying to race hard - I really want to win."

"It was a decent run. Congratulations to Daryn and Donny, they drove a great race. It was fun and we're happy to be here."

Pittman complimented crew chief Kale Kahne and crew members Josh Heidkamp and Kolten Gouse for a great job all season despite the frustrations.

"It's been hard for them to keep their heads up and I haven't done a very good job a lot of times when they do give me a good car so for us to finally put a night together and be pretty solid, qualify well and get in the Dash, it's a relief.

"We're still searching, trying to compete with that 15 night in and night out but we're happy with this win. We'll take it and go on to Skagit."

The World of Outlaws Sprint Car Series continues the march west as it next takes on Skagit Speedway's Monster Meltdown on Sept. 4 and 5. To find out more information and to learn how to buy tickets, visit <http://woosprint.com/skagit-speedway>.

Follow the World of Outlaws Sprint Car Series on Twitter at www.twitter.com/WorldofOutlaws, like it on Facebook at www.facebook.com/WorldofOutlaws, or check out the latest videos at www.youtube.com/WorldofOutlaws.

Donny Schatz Scores Patient Victory at Oil City Cup Night One

EDMONTON, ALB - Donny Schatz waited patiently Friday night at the Oil City Cup at Castrol Raceway as Shane Stewart and Joey Saldana battled each other for the lead for the first two-thirds of the race.

When the moment was right, Schatz struck, sliding past the two drivers, then first and second, to take over the lead and eventually score his 26th World of Outlaws Sprint Car Series victory of the season.

"I don't know that we were probably as good as what Shane and Joey were but we just kept running different grooves and got to traffic and had to wait for them to make a mistake," Schatz said. "I don't know



Donny Schatz scored his 26th World of Outlaws Sprint Cup Series win of the season at Castrol Raceway during night one of the Oil City Cup. (www.twitter.com/WorldofOutlaws photo)

what happened but all I know is I came out of there and I didn't see them in front of me anymore. That's always good for when you're trying to pass."

Schatz, who hovered around third most of the night in his No. 15 Bad Boy Buggies/Chevrolet Performance car after starting the feature in fifth, found himself in the position on lap 24 as Stewart and Saldana worked their way through traffic. With Saldana on his bumper bar, Stewart caught up with Jason Sides and made contact with the wall before making slight contact with Saldana. The chain of events was the break Schatz needed as he drove by.

The win is the 199th career World of Outlaws Sprint Car Series victory for Schatz and fourth straight at Castrol Raceway.

David Gravel took home the quick time earlier in the night after a lap of 13.359 seconds in qualifying. Stewart and Saldana led the field to the green flag in the feature following a tight battle in the Dash.

Cautions plagued much of the feature, stopping action eight times throughout the main event. As Schatz rose through the field, taking over third by lap five, one constant was the tight battle between Stewart and Saldana. On at least two occasions, Saldana battled past Stewart on a restart only to have the caution fly before a lap could be completed.

On lap nine after several laps of racing, disaster nearly struck for the two leaders as several cars

were caught up in a crash in turns three and four. As the field bunched up and the yellow began to wave, Saldana and Stewart weaved their way through, splitting cars and avoiding contact all while maintaining the battle for the lead.

Saldana finally did get around Stewart's No. 2 Eneos/GoPro/KickIt car for the lead on lap 16, as another caution reset the field. Saldana took the high line in turns one and two and Stewart was not able to close the door. He went on to lead lap 16 and the subsequent six laps.

As Saldana began working his way through the back of the pack, the small lead he had built over Stewart and Schatz evaporated. Stewart was all over Saldana eventually, briefly, retaking the lead, but the lapped traffic proved a formidable foe.

"Just trying to get around Sides and he entered in the middle of the track," Stewart said of the incident that cost he and Saldana. "I thought he was going to stay there and he just kind of kept coming and got into me. He never saw me. Typically, he doesn't go that high on the race track."

Schatz got around both drivers in one fell swoop. One more yellow flag lay ahead for the drivers but Schatz easily jumped out to the lead and scored the victory.

"We definitely didn't have the best car," Schatz said. "But with the best team these guys will definitely go back and try to make it better and see if we can't be a little better

tomorrow night."

Stewart, who finished second to Schatz was disappointed for the night that could have been.

"We had a great car," Stewart said. "I had a good enough car to win that race pretty easily. I wasn't really sure what to do on all those restarts. I know Joey kept getting a run on me but I felt like if I could get off of four really well he wouldn't be able to get to me and on that last one he got to me... You've got have a little bit of luck. When you do get on the front row you've got to be able to take advantage of it. It felt like we were able to do that tonight, I just got caught up with a lap car."

Saldana was all smiles as he climbed from his No. 71M Motter Equipment car. The driver and his team have hit their stride in recent weeks and have found success with a series of podium finishes.

"It was a good third place," Saldana said. "This is a fun little race track and lap traffic was just crazy. That is pretty much what got me and Shane, and Donny just snookered us both. That's the way to goes. We had a good car, these have been the two best cars all season so we were hanging right with them tonight but obviously you can see we're third not first or second, so we've got to get a little bit better."

"The guys are working really hard. The Motter car has been fast every time we've been out, it's just trying to seal it up and get a win, the hard part. Hopefully we can do that tomorrow."

Scott Bloomquist Wins Fifth Pittsburgher 100 at Pennsylvania Motor Speedway

IMPERIAL, PA - Scott Bloomquist became the first 5-time winner of the Pittsburgher 100 on Saturday Night at Pittsburgh's Pennsylvania Motor Speedway. Bloomquist took the lead from Jonathan Davenport on lap 85 and then held off Davenport for the \$20,000 win in the Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series-sanctioned event. Trailing Bloomquist and Davenport to the finish line were Don O'Neal, Jimmy Owens, and Dennis Erb Jr.

"This place is like the Talladega of dirt, it's big, it's fast, the racing is close, and it's a fun track to race on. We won the first time here in 1989 and we have loved coming here ever since. You know how that track is always going to be, slick fast is what I call it. I was just biding my time, conserving my tires, and once we got around Davenport I knew we were in good shape."

A caution with six laps to go bunched the field up one final time, but it didn't impact Bloomquist one bit. Bloomquist was the fourth different leader of the race and in Lucas Oil Victory Lane, he thanked his crew and sponsors, "I am so thankful for Mike Reece of Reece Monument Company, Crop Production Services, Mark Martin Automotive, Hawkeye Trucking, Lucas Oil, Base Fuels, Sorbera Chiropractic, Horton Coal, Dyna-Gro, and everyone else associated with our team. The Andy Durham Racing Engine was great as well."

Davenport maintained his points lead over Bloomquist in the championship standings. "We were gaining on Scott before that last caution and we sure didn't need that yellow. We don't have as many laps here as most of the guys, but my crew, Kevin and Lee Roy Rumley and Bryan Liverman worked hard all weekend on this car. I tried my best. It is a momentum track for sure. I want to thank TS Crane, Sundance Services, Sundance Flow Back Well Testing, and Mega Plumbing of the Carolinas. I hope the crowd enjoyed the show."

O'Neal nearly spoiled the race for the top two drivers in the country as he raced his way from 17th to third. At one point O'Neal had

wrestled second away from Davenport, but couldn't quite make the slide job stick. "We won the first B-main and the car felt awesome. When the race started I knew I had a good handling car. The crew has changed everything all weekend long and we needed to finish well this weekend, that's for sure. When I slid into four and cleared Davenport my momentum just carried me against the wall, and I couldn't get enough grip to keep second. I hope the fans enjoyed that show," said the driver of the Clint Bowyer Racing, Peak Antifreeze and Motor Oil, Barry Wright Race Cars entry.

Completing the top ten were early leader, Josh Richards, Kent Robinson, Steve Francis, Keith Barbara, and Mike Marlar.

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Bloomquist, Richards on Front Row of Pittsburgher 100

IMPERIAL, PA - Former Pittsburgher 100 winners Scott Bloomquist and Josh Richards will make-up the front row for Saturday Night's \$20,000 to win main event. Both drivers were heat race winners. Other heat winners were first-



Scott Bloomquist celebrates in victory lane after winning the Pittsburgher 100 at Pennsylvania Motor Speedway. (Paul Arch photo)

time Pittsburgh's Pennsylvania Motor Speedway visitor Jimmy Owens, and current LOLMDS point leader, Jonathan Davenport.

Bloomquist started off the night by setting the overall Miller Welders Fast Time amongst the 36 entrants in Time Trials. He bolted to the lead of Eibach Springs Heat Race #1 and looked dominant early on. Steve Francis started fifth and roared to challenge Bloomquist near the end, managing to pull within a car-length and a half at the finish. Another first-time PPMS visitor Mike Marlar finished third and local driver Brandon Burgoon claimed the fourth and final transfer spot.

In CV Products Heat Race #2, Jimmy Owens and Dennis Erb Jr. pulled away at the start running first and second the entire ten lap distance. Brandon Sheppard fought

hard to hold off three other competitors for the third spot. Russ King charged from seventh to gain the fourth and final transfer position.

Josh Richards and Jared Landers ran away from the pack in Simpson Race Products Heat Race #3. Landers tried to track down Richards towards the end but Richards crossed the line first to earn the outside pole position for Saturday Night's Pittsburgher 100. Chris Brown finished third, followed by Eddie Carrier Jr.

In the QA1 Heat Race #4, Pearson led the first half of the race until Davenport used the high-side to take the lead after starting third. Davenport then pulled away to earn the fourth starting spot in Saturday's finale. Davey Johnson finished third, and Jackie Boggs got the final spot taking fourth.

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Johnny Herrera Dominates ASCS Red River Region at Wichita Falls

WICHITA FALLS, TX - "This one's for my father," said a tearful Johnny Herrera in Victory Lane, as the Sprint Car veteran dedicated his victory to his father, Joe Herrera, on Friday night with the American Bank of Oklahoma ASCS Red River Region presented by Smiley's Racing Products.

Herrera's first win since his father's passing, the MVT No. 45x was untouchable en route to his sixth victory of the season in ASCS competition; lapping all but the top six in 25 laps at the Red River Speedway.

Slowed by cautions three times, the final came on Lap 23 with Sam Hafertepe, Jr and John Carney II looking for their shot at the win, but would come up short with the pair taking the final two podium steps.

Seth Bergman claimed the fourth spot with Kevin Ramey completing the top-five.

Joe Wood, Jr. was the final car on the lead lap in sixth with Kade Morton seventh. From 17th, Zane Lawrence crossed eighth with Brandon Long and John James making up the top-ten.

ASCS Red River at Abilene Rained Out

ABILENE, TX - A steady drizzle for the better part of the afternoon picked up as the Pit Gates were set to open at the Abilene Speedway forcing the cancellation of the American Bank of Oklahoma ASCS Red River Region presented by Smiley's Racing Products at the west Texas oval.

The ASCS Red River Region will try again on Friday, September 4 at the Flint Creek Speedway in West Siloam Springs, Okla. For continued updates on the American Bank of Oklahoma ASCS Red River Region presented by Smiley's Racing Products, log onto www.ascsracing.com.

Aaron Reutzel is the High Roller at Missouri State Fair Speedway

SEDALIA, MO - Lapped traffic was the deciding factor on Sunday night as Aaron Reutzel worked top

shelf around Brian Brown it the closing laps of the \$13,000 to win Casey's General Store High Roller Classic for his sixth victory of 2015 with the Lucas Oil ASCS presented by the MAVTV Motorsport in the series return to the Missouri State Fair Speedway.

"I knew we had a good racecar. I was saving my tires the first part of the race and when that caution came out, I realized that he [Brian Brown] was getting away from me pretty good. I just told myself I need to step it up and do what I got to do, and it all just played out," said a nearly breathless Aaron Reutzel in Victory Lane. "Saving my tires almost got me in trouble because I got passed at one point, but I was able to get back to second."

Gridding the B.C. Fundz No. 87 outside the front row, Reutzel gave chase as the Casey's General Store No. 21 of Brian Brown jumped to the early advantage. Losing ground to Brown in the opening laps, Reutzel got another shot as the caution flew on Lap 6 for Austin Alumbaugh.

Keeping pace with Brown on the restart, Reutzel worked the surface looking for room to run, while Brian committed to the low groove. Working to, and falling back several times, the pair hit traffic just past the race's midpoint point.

Continuing to pound the cushion, Aaron pulled nearly even on several occasions. A full head of steam from entry to the center of the turn, the advantage was Brown's off the exit; especially turn four that saw the No. 21 launch

down the straightaway.

Clearing groups of slower cars, Brown found the inside line blocked on the 18th rotation, giving Aaron the chance he'd been looking for. Working Lap 19, the race went game on down the back stretch. Trying to hold the No. 21 to the bottom line, Reutzel pushed the gap off the exit of four. Using a slower car as a pick, Brian was forced to the center to maneuver, putting the race three wide as Aaron narrowly clear Brown and the wall for the lead.

In control, Reutzel would not be challenged again as Brown had to contend with Brad Loyet in the closing laps. Challenged briefly, Brian was able to fend off the No. 05.

"Sometimes it's better to be running second than leading. Congrats to Aaron. He did a good job and was able to move around. We just got beat. Really no excuses. I'm proud of this team to come here and run second in front of this basically hometown crowd. I could think of worse things we could be doing tonight," commented Brown. "My car was just so good around the bottom, and those guys would miss it just enough to where I could get my nose in there, and they'd kind of catch it there but it got pretty hairy when Aaron got by."

Brad Loyet settled for the show position in the Vacuworx Global No. 05.

"We had a good car. Those guys starting up front there kind of got the jump on us," said Loyet.

"It seemed like it took my car a little bit to come in but we just caught lapped traffic at the wrong time it seemed like. Rolling the bottom of three and four was going to make the race for us. It just seemed like we were better than

they were down there, but we just kept catching them at the wrong end of the race track, but that's racing. Aaron's been fast all year long, and Brown's always good on the half-miles. We've had a really tough go lately. We haven't had a whole lot of confidence so to come out and run as good as we did it feel really well."

Johnny Herrera worked from 10th to fourth with Seth Bergman completing the top five.

Wayne Johnson was sixth after running in the top-five from most of the race. Sam Hafertepe, Jr. from 11th crossed seventh with Danny Wood marching forward 10 spots to grab eighth. After losing a tire while leading his Heat Race, Jonathan Cornell grabbed the final transfer through the B-Feature to advance 13 positions to ninth. Evan Martin completed the top ten.

With 35 drivers in attendance, four Heat Races went to Aaron Reutzel, Evan Martin, Brad Loyet, and Wayne Johnson. The top-eight in passing points took part in a \$1,000 to win Dash in place of the night's redraw for their starting position, which was topped by Brian Brown. Tiger Towing and Impact4800.com put up the extra cash.

The B-Feature was topped by Justin Henderson. A provisional start was used by Blake Hahn.

During intermission, drivers went through the stands collecting money for Kevin Swindell and Patrick Stasa with fans donating \$6,331.32. The total will be split with half going to each driver. We continue to pray for their recovery.

Co-Sanctioned with the Speedway Motors ASCS Warrior Region, Jonathan Cornell netted high points with his eighth place performance. Evan Martin, Randy Martin, Josh Fisher, and Tyler Thomas made up the top-five point earns for the region. The Speedway Motors ASCS Warrior Region competes next with a three day swing on Labor Day Weekend, starting with the return to Scotland County Raceway in Memphis, Mo. on Friday, September 4, followed by two nights at the Randolph County Raceway in Moberly, Mo.

The Lucas Oil ASCS presented by the MAVTV Motorsports Network heads for the Texas Motor Speedway Dirt Track on Saturday, September 12 for the Port-a-Cool U.S. Dirt Track Championship. More information can be found at www.texasmotorspeedway.com.

Continued updates on the American Sprint Car Series can be found at www.ascsracing.com.



Aaron Reutzel picked up \$13,000 in the Lucas Oil ASCS Casey's General Store High Roller Classic at the Missouri State Fair. (ASCS/John Lee photo)

Richard Petty and Richard Petty Motorsports to Auction Off 2015 Mustang

MOORESVILLE, NC - You won't be able to miss it. With its unmistakable Petty Blue coloring and the sleek design of the 2015 Ford Mustang, a Petty's Garage-built, 2015 Ford Mustang GT will roll onto Mecum Auction's signature red carpet and cross the auction

block to be claimed by one lucky winning bidder at the Mecum Dallas auction this September 16-19. The real winner, however, will not only be the proud new owner, but the Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA) with 100 percent of the proceeds from the sale of the car going to the Paralyzed Veterans.

In fact, "The King" Richard Petty, owner of Petty's Garage and co-owner of Richard Petty Motorsports - not to mention a member of the NASCAR Hall of Fame and an American Icon - will be at the Mecum auction on Sept. 19 in Dallas, Texas, to make sure the car is in perfect condition before going up on the block.

"It's important to me that we really support Paralyzed Veterans of America and those who fought for our freedom," said Petty, a seven-time champion.

"We have specially built this Ford Mustang in my garage to take out to the Mecum Auction. It has all the performance upgrades you need including over 600 base horse power and much more. The seats even match my cowboy boots! It's truly a special piece and one that I hope to see raise a lot of money for the cause."

Paralyzed Veterans of America, a congressionally chartered veterans service organization founded in 1946, has developed a unique expertise on a wide variety of issues involving the special needs of our members - veterans of the armed forces who have experienced spinal cord injury or dysfunction. Richard Petty Motorsport and Richard Petty have long been supporters of the efforts of the Paralyzed Veterans to support our nation's veterans following catastrophic injury.

"This is a tremendous gesture by Richard Petty to allow us to raise funds through Mecum Auctions," said Al Kovach Jr., national

President of Paralyzed Veterans of America. "The Petty family, including Richard Petty Motorsports and Petty's Garage, are great supporters of our Paralyzed Veterans organization and the entire veteran community. We can't wait for the auction as we know it will truly make an impact on the lives of so many deserving disabled veterans and see the monies raised help those we serve. We're grateful for their continued support, and the support of Mecum Auctions in making all of this happen."

"We're thrilled to be involved with two highly respected organizations- Paralyzed Veterans of America and Richard Petty Motorsports-and to help with their shared cause," commented Mecum Auctions' President and Founder Dana Mecum. "The Mustang is a great addition to our Dallas lineup, and we're excited to have 'The King' Richard Petty join us at one of our biggest auctions of the year."

The auction will begin on Sept. 16 and run through Sept. 19 in Dallas at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center. The 2015 Petty's Garage Mustang GT will cross the auction block on Saturday, Sept. 19.

NASCAR Chase Fest To Celebrate the Beginning of Chase for the NASCAR Sprint Cup in Chicago

DAYTONA BEACH, FL - Chicago will once again host the start of the Chase for the NASCAR Sprint Cup with one of the biggest NASCAR® themed parties of the season, NASCAR Chase Fest™ sponsored by Toyota. The free outdoor fan fest will feature all 16 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series™ Challengers and culminate with a live concert by Grammy-nominated band, 3 Doors Down. NASCAR Chase Fest will take place on Weed Street between Fremont and Kingsbury streets from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. CDT on September 17.

"The days leading into the Chase for the NASCAR Sprint Cup have become a signature moment in our sport," said Steve Phelps, NASCAR Executive Vice President and Chief Marketing Officer. "With



the support of Toyota, Sprint and Chicagoland Speedway, we expect to deliver an engaging fan experience that builds anticipation for the most competitive stretch of our season."

NASCAR Chase Fest will feature appearances and autograph sessions from all 16 drivers competing in the Challenger Round™, as well as a number of recognizable NASCAR personalities. Fans in attendance will be treated to food from renowned Dinosaur Bar-B-Que, beverages from Coors Light (with proper ID), attractions such as the Toyota Ferris Wheel and NASCAR® on NBC Sports Bumper Cars, activations from event sponsor Sprint including an appearance by Miss Sprint Cup and the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series™ Trophy, and another live musical performance by a Chicago favorite, country cover band the Suburban Cowboys.

"The start of the Chase for the NASCAR Sprint Cup is a moment worth celebrating," said Ed Laukes, Vice President marketing, performance and guest experience for Toyota Motor Sales (TMS), U.S.A. "For the past four years, Toyota has partnered with NASCAR to showcase the 16 Chase drivers in a unique, fun fan event. Each year, the festivities grow bigger and better and we're proud to return to my hometown of Chicago to gear up for the playoffs and kick off this year's championship Chase."

Additionally on-site, NBC Sports Network (NBCSN)

personalities Krista Voda, Kyle Petty, Marty Snider and Rutledge Wood will interview all 16 Challengers for the network's live broadcast of NASCAR America.

"NASCAR fans in Chicago and around the world have come to expect big things from the kickoff of the Chase for the NASCAR Sprint Cup in Chicago and this year is no exception," said Scott Paddock, President of Chicagoland Speedway. "NASCAR Chase Fest is a dynamic event that segues nicely into the weekend where the celebration will continue at Chicagoland Speedway."

For tickets to the September 18-20 race weekend, visit www.ChicagolandSpeedway.com or call 1-888-629-RACE (7223). Single-day tickets are available. NBCSN will air the race at 3 p.m. ET on Sunday, September 20. Fans can also find the race on the NBC Sports Live Extra app, MRN and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio, with additional coverage on NASCAR.com.

For full details on this year's NASCAR® Chase Fest™, visit www.nascar.com/ChaseFest.

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Bowman Gray Stadium

Winston-Salem, NC - Jason Myers of Walnut Cove had almost the perfect end to his 2015 season at Bowman Gray Stadium. Almost.

Myers qualified on the pole for the Brad's Golf Cars Modified Series and led the way to win the Carolina Farm Credit 150 on Saturday. When season-ending awards were tallied, Myers had the fastest

lap of the season, the most poles, the most wins, the most laps led, and the most positions gained.

But the big one, the 2015 season championship, belonged to Tim Brown of Tobaccoville – who took his record 10th Modified Series title.

"If I can sit on the pole, lead every lap, and win the race – he can have that championship. Man, that's just paper," said Jason Myers. "I ran hard all night. I knew the car would be good."

Qualifying second-fastest and starting on the outside front row beside Jason was brother Burt Myers of Walnut Cove. For seven double-file restarts, Burt pulled up to the outside to challenge for the lead. Jason Myers sweated it every time but still held strong.

"Burt's handling those restarts. He's tough. I'm just fortunate we could get that thing pointed and go every time," said Jason Myers, who also defended his lead against Dean Ward of Winston-Salem and Lee Jeffreys of Winston-Salem.

Burt Myers was pushing hard to pass Jason, not only to grab the checkered but also to potentially take the championship. Burt entered the final event ranked second in the points – having to finish only five positions ahead of points leader Tim Brown to win the crown.

Brown seemed to be stuck in mid-pack, flirting with an upset as he often fell five positions behind Burt Myers. In the later stages of the race, though, Brown started to make his way up through the field.

Then disaster struck for Burt Myers with less than 10 laps to go. He encountered some fuel issues and had to pit, falling off the lead lap and only salvaging a 14th place finish. Brown finished fifth, locking up his 10th championship.

"Our car was great tonight, but tonight I wasn't worried about winning. I just wanted to win number



Jason Myers and family in Winner's Circle after his victory in the Carolina Farm Credit 150. (ERIC HYLTON photo)

10, and we did it," said Brown. "I love this place. I put my heart and soul into it, and I'm just blessed to have 10 championships."

Grandview Speedway

BECHTELSVILLE, PA - Duane Howard had a dismal 27th place finish last Saturday night at Grandview Speedway after an accident on the 21st lap of the Modified feature caused major damage to the rear end of the Petruska team-owned No. 66 and put him out of action. The five-time point champion rebounded 26 positions this week to pull into victory lane for the fourth time this season in the T.P. Trailers NASCAR Whelen 30-lap 358 Modified feature. Kevin Hirthler, whom he battled with for several laps before he made the pass when Hirthler got hung up behind lapped traffic came home second on Superior Racing Products Night presented by Bernheisel Race Cars.

Dave Ogin, having the best season of his career, put the Taylor White and Wanda Brown owned No. 31 into the winner's circle for his second career win in the 30-lap NASCAR BRC Late Model feature.

Ryan Lilick scored his third win by taking home the checkered in the 25-lap NASCAR Sportsman feature.

All feature winners received monetary awards from T.P. Trailers, Limerick. VP Racing Fuels had product awards for the top finishers using their product. And Superior Racing Products/Bernheisel Race Cars gave out thousands of dollars

in product awards for Late Model racers that qualified.

Riverhead Raceway

RIVERHEAD, NY - A standing room only crowd turned out for I Love America night at Riverhead Raceway Saturday and the large throng watched as John Fortin Sr. of Holtsville took home his 29th career NASCAR Modified victory on Miller Lite/Donaldson's Volkswagen-Subaru night. The triumph was the 2nd of 2015 for Fortin, a former three time track champion.

When the green flag waved John Fortin wasted little time getting the advantage over Biondolillo who tried to ride the outside groove during the first lap allowing Kyle Soper to sneak underneath for second on lap 2. Once he got to second Soper went right to work on the tested tough race leader Fortin and a classic tussle between first year driver and cagey veteran ensued. Kyle glued himself to Fortin's rear bumper and on occasion would look for an inside pass exiting the corners but John was wise to the strategy keeping the young talent behind him. Tom Rogers Jr., the championship leader sat third behind the leaders and he too was plotting his game plan as he pressured Soper from behind.

On lap 20 Soper's run came to a spinning end off turn four when he went around perhaps in an effort to pitch his car under Fortin for the race lead. During the ensuing caution Tom Rogers Jr. moved up to second when Soper reported to the rear of the field while Ryan Preece

moved to third for the final 15-laps. As the race resumed Fortin remained the race leader with Rogers now taking a look to the inside for a possible pass which left Preece free to attempt a run to the outside of both Rogers and Fortin. Preece could not find any grip on the outside while Rogers could not find a lane under Fortin as the race wound down.

At the checker flag John Fortin wheeling a red, white & blue SGS Stone Works Chevy took home the I Love America night NASCAR Modified victory. "This win is possible because of my crew chief Kenny Lechner, he and his neighbor John went through this car all week and it was right on" John disclosed. The happy winner added emotionally, "this win is for Chris Young, he meant a lot to me and my family, I still can't believe he's gone".

Tom Rogers Jr. of Riverhead was runner-up in the Jessup Landscaping Chevy and with that finish will carry a 42-point lead into the final four points paying races remaining in the 2015 NASCAR Modified season. Ryan Preece of Berlin, Ct. settled for third in the Elite Towing Chevy while Howie Brode of East Islip and Kyle Soper of Manorville completed the top five.

Susquehanna Speedway Park

NEWBERRYTOWN, PA - Grantville's Grant Adams won his first BRC Late Model feature of the season at the Susquehanna Speedway Park on Saturday Night.

Eddie Richards of Manchester took the checkers on the 20-lap Street Stock feature race. Chambersburg's Colby Dice won the 20-lap IMCA PA Sprint Series feature event. Kirby Sites from Hamburg won his first 20-lap Xtreme Stock Car feature event of the year. Tim Osheean won the 15-lap Road Warrior race. Dennis Dorosz of Glen Burnie, Maryland won his fifth 12-lap Mini Van feature of the season with a last lap pass for the lead.

Steven's Richard Wolfe was victorious for his third Double Figure 8 race of the season.

Grant Adams started the 25-lap BRC Late Model feature from the pole position and grabbed the lead at the drop of the green flag. On lap 3, Chase Billet settled into second place as Cameron Benyou fell in behind him. Billet chased down Adams to his rear bumper but was unable to make the pass for the lead. Adams took the checkers over Billet.

Kingsport Speedway

KINGSPORT, TN - The 2015 racing campaign kicked off on a sunny Saturday afternoon back in March, marking the 50th anniversary of Kingsport Speedway. Many former racers from the track's glorious past were present Friday for Racers Reunion/Championship Night at the Races in the season finale.

With his success in stock car racing over the past few years, winning back-to-back NASCAR Whelen All-American Series national championships, it's not like Lee Pulliam of Alton, Va., really had anything left to check off his "bucket list" except, finally capturing a NWAAS victory in the Volunteer State. He had visited Kingsport Speedway a couple of times back in 2012 only to come up a little short of reaching victory lane.

Pulliam pulled alongside defending track champion Kres VanDyke with five laps remaining in the 75-lap "First Kingsport Credit Union" Late Model Stock Car feature to challenge for the lead, and ultimately the race victory. The duo received the white flag battling side-by-side, and that's how they came off the fourth turn headed to the checkered flag, with Pulliam barely edging VanDyke for the win by just a couple of feet.

"Wow, was that an exciting finish or what," said a smiling Pulliam after climbing from his car in victory lane. "To be quite honest, I didn't know if I was going to be able and get to (Kres) VanDyke. After I got around the 19-car (Chad Finchum), VanDyke was several car lengths ahead and the laps were quickly winding down.

"I caught him there with five laps remaining and I felt good about our chances. Racing here a few years ago I'd come up short for the win on the final lap racing off the fourth turn, and I wasn't about to let that happen again. I was able to get alongside of VanDyke there with three laps to go, and what a battle we had until the checkered flag waved. There on the final lap, we were door-to-door all the way around this place and then as we raced off the fourth turn, it was a drag race to the start-finish line. That's what racing's all about, and the fans definitely saw an exciting finish."



Lee Pulliam is all smiles after finally winning at Kingsport Speedway. (DREW HIERWARTER photo)

Completing the top 10 finishers were Tyler Goodwin, Joey Trent, Royce Peters, Riley and Lane.

"I kind of felt like this place owed me one from my last visit here a few years ago, when I raced off the fourth turn with Nate Monteith and Adam Long three-wide for the win, with Monteith getting the victory," said Pulliam. "There's some really tough competition here, and it's not easy for somebody that doesn't run here weekly to come in and outrun these guys. We had to work hard for this win tonight.

"It feels good to say I've finally won a race at 'The Concrete Jungle' and also this is the fourth state (along with Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina) that I've now won NASCAR Whelen All-American Series races in. The season's winding down and I'm chasing wins and points in trying to win another national championship."

Ronnie McCarty captured the Late Model Stock Car track championship.

Lonesome Pine Raceway

COEBURN, VA - NASCAR Whelen All-American Series racing action returned to Lonesome Pine Raceway Saturday. Adam Gray and Lance Gatlin each claimed victories in the night's twin Late Model Stock Car feature.

Kyle Barnes and Lance Gatlin made up the front row for the first 35-lap Late Model Stock race. Gatlin would take the lead quickly over Barnes but the caution would wave shortly after on lap 2 for a spin in turns three and four.

Gatlin would retake the lead over Barnes on the restart. The caution would wave again on lap 27 for a spin on turn two.

Gatlin and Barnes would battle

hard on the restart. Gatlin would pull ahead of Barnes on the restart, but Barnes would tag the No. 97 in the left rear, sending Gatlin around. Both cars would be sent to the rear for being the cause of the caution, handing Adam Gray the lead.

Gray would take over the lead on the restart and lead the remaining seven laps to claim his first victory of the season in his fourth start.

"It's only the fourth weekend we've been here, so it feels really good to get a win that quickly with all the competition we're against," said Gray.

Gray gave much of the credit to the long hours by he and his crew preparing the No. 37 machine.

"We've been working hard all year just to get it ready and it [has] finally came together. We'll be

tough to be the next couple weeks."

Adam Gray and Greg Bohannon, Jr. were positioned on point for the second LMSC feature. But after two attempts to get green flag racing underway, Jeff Woodward and Phillip Harris were given a chance.

Woodward would take over the lead to start the race over Harris. Woodward would hold a comfortable lead until lap 7, when Harris and Gray would begin to charge for the position.

As the race neared the halfway point, Lance Gatlin had made his way to the front of the pack and began to challenge Harris for third. Gatlin would take the position from Harris on lap 19 and begin to pull Woodward in. Using the bottom lane, Gatlin would take over first place real-estate on lap 20.

The first yellow flag would wave on lap 26 when Gray and Woodward got together exiting the fourth turn, sending Woodward around.

Gatlin would have no trouble taking the lead on the restart until the yellow flag was displayed again on lap 32 for a spin in turn three.

Gatlin again would pull away on the restart to record his third win of the season.

"[It] feels good to be back in victory lane," said Gatlin. "We had the first race won until we got spun; started in the back the second race and picked our way to the front."

Gatlin added that it was no easy task to make his way through the traffic.

"It was exciting and scary at the same time," added Gatlin on his victory.



Adam Gray (left) and Lance Gatlin (right) both visited victory lane after winning their portion of the twin Late Model features at Lonesome Pine Raceway. (LPR photos)



Brown Outlasts Rivals to Win 10th BGS Title Tillison Maintains Lead in National Whelen All-American Series

DAYTONA BEACH, FL - Tim Brown continues to make history at one of NASCAR's most iconic tracks.

Brown clinched his 10th NASCAR track championship at historic Bowman Gray Stadium in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, last Saturday night to add to his record-setting collection of title trophies at his home track. Brown edged rival Jason Myers by 24 points in the final standings (808-784) after the 150-lap season finale.

"After all these years and championships I still can't believe it sometimes," Brown said. "My grandfather (Eb Clifton) raced there years ago and I would go as a kid to watch him and dreamed of just being able to get out on the track and race, much less win one race or even a championship."

While Brown only had four wins to Myers' seven, the Cana, Virginia, driver was quick to point out the strong season Myers had.

"We didn't have the best car all year but we stuck to our game plan and kept working to find speed all season long," Brown said. "Jason was fast all year and had a great season. If it wasn't for some bad luck he had on a double-points night, he might be the one celebrating right now instead of us."

The third-generation driver, who works for Michael Waltrip Racing full-time in addition to racing all season long at Bowman Gray, said it was a complete team and family effort that got him to this point. He's now ready to make the trip to Charlotte in December to be recognized at the NASCAR Whelen All-American Series Awards Ceremonies.

"It's get hard and tougher every year to find the time and energy to work and race full-time," Brown said. "There's no way I could have done it this year without the support of my wife (Megan), my brother Ben, crew chief Mark Ruhmann and all the guys on the crew."

With just under a month remaining in the season, who joins Brown in Charlotte is still far from decided.

In the national standings, despite being rained out on Friday and Saturday, Thomas Tillison Jr. remains atop the Division I national standings.

Former national champion Keith Rocco also had his Friday night race at Stafford Motor Speedway



Tim Brown celebrating his 10th championship in the Brad's Golf Cars Modified Series. (ERIC HYLTON photo)

rained out, but was able to come back and finish second at New London-Waterford Speedbowl in Connecticut on Saturday night to trim the deficit by four points. Tillison leads by 14 points (662-648).

Two-time national champion Lee Pulliam moved up to two spots this week to third after he swept a pair of 75-lap Late Model Stock features at Motor Mile Speedway in Radford, Virginia. Jimmy Zacharias also remains in the hunt in fourth place after he scored back-to-back wins at New York's Chemung Speedrome and Holland Motorsports Complex.

Ryan Preece, who won the NASCAR Whelen Modified and Whelen Southern Modified Tours combination race last Wednesday at Bristol Motor Speedway, also missed out when Stafford was washed out Friday. The Connecticut driver came back to finish third at New York's Riverhead Raceway on Saturday to remain in the top five.

Canadian Taylor Holdaway currently sits in sixth place racing at Ontario's Sunset Speedway with Minnesota's Jacob Goede (Elko Speedway) seventh. Neither raced over the weekend, as the Late Models were off at Sunset and rain cancelled Elko's event.

Defending Tennessee state champion Kres VanDyke is eighth racing at South Carolina's Greenville Pickens and Anderson Speedways, Tennessee's Kingsport Speedway, Virginia's Lonesome Pine Raceway in Colburn, as well as Motor Mile and Caraway.

Grandview Speedway regular Craig Von Dohren gives dirt track drivers their second driver in the national top 10 as the Pennsylvania driver ranks ninth, with veteran Ted Christopher (Stafford, New London-Waterford, Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park) completing the top 10. Christopher beat Rocco for the win at New London-Waterford Saturday.

For Brown, he's not done winning racing – or championships – at Bowman Gray.

"I used to talk to the team about going until we win a dozen championships and 100 races," Brown said. "That used to just be a dream, but now it's a goal I think we have a good shot to reach and I'm going to keep racing at least another five years or so."

The Whelen All-American Series points season will run through Sunday, Sept. 20.

The top three in the national standings, as well as state and province champions, track champions, top finishers in the Div. II-V and special award winners, will be honored at the NASCAR Whelen All-American Series Awards in December.

Rose In Tight Division II Battle At Seekonk NASCAR Whelen All- American Series Division II-V Update

DAYTONA BEACH, FL - In this age of the backyard garage in weekly racing almost becoming extinct, Charlie Rose is proving that you can still be successful and do it

yourself.

For the first time since 2005, Massachusetts' Seekonk Speedway returned to the NASCAR Whelen All-American Series for 2015 with Rose and two of his fellow competitors – Robert Pelland and Dylan Estrella – engaged in a tight battle for the track's late model championship. Pelland leads overall with Rose in third, just 11 points out of the lead.

All three drivers are also giving Seekonk Speedway a respectable showing in the NWAAS Division II standings with Estrella 18th, Pelland 22nd, and Rose just three points behind in 23rd.

Rose's dad, Charlie Sr., built race cars for many years, which is how he got the racing bug, and also decided he would do it all himself out of his race shop next to his house.

"Most people today buy everything ready to go and just put it on and go racing or have someone else work on it for them," Rose said. "We do everything in house and we take pride in that because when you do it yourself it really means something with everyone working on the car. My dad built cars and I just picked it up from him and started doing the same thing."

Rose and Pelland share an impressive record of 15 top-10 finishes in as many starts this season and with a big night this Saturday, Rose hopes he can vault back to the top of the track standings and move up in the national standings as well.

"This Saturday night will probably make or break for two of us and give the other driver the advantage with it being a double points race," Rose said. "Hopefully we can get back to winning races this Saturday night and over the final month of the season."

Rose picked up his lone win in June and had a string of runner-up finishes before falling off a little in July.

"Our car just didn't seem to like the warmer weather and hopefully with it starting to cool down, we can get our car back like it was earlier this year and pick up a win or two," Rose said.

Rose enjoys racing at Seekonk, and besides the fact that it's close to his home, he enjoys competing at the NASCAR-sanctioned track. He's been racing over 30 years and he got his most recent opportunity to race late models while helping a young racer named Jeremy Lilly.

"I was working on Jeremy's car when his dad offered to let me drive
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their other car and that's what we've been doing ever since," Rose said. "Jimmy St. Germain and Roscoe help me on my car during the week at the shop and on race weekends we join up with my car owner Joe (Lilly) and we all help each other out."

Rose who has won Pro Stock titles at other tracks in New England, likes doing it himself and if he ever

decided to hang up his driving helmet, he'll probably still be working on race cars just like his dad did years ago.

"I like to race but I think I enjoy working on race cars and figuring them out as much as I do driving them so I'll have fun either way," Rose added. "We're going to race hard for a championship but we want to have fun too at Seekonk."

Columbus (Ohio) Speedway's Kyle Purvis continues to lead the Division II national standings over Chris Hawkins (Oklahoma's Salina Speedway and Flint Creek Speedway) by 42 points (483-441) with Matthew Janczuk representing Utica-Rome (New York) Speedway just one point behind Hawkins in third place.

Brett Kressley of Pennsylvania's Grandview Speedway moved up from seventh place to fourth this week with Columbus having a second driver in the top five this week with Shane Shirk fifth.

NASCAR Whelen All-American Series Division II-V drivers are ranked by their best 14 NASCAR point finishes in series-sanctioned events. Drivers receive two points for every car they finish ahead of — up to 18 cars — and three points for a win, with an additional two points if the driver starts 10th or lower.

In other NASCAR Whelen All-American Series standings:

DIVISION III: Ryan Jenkins from Iowa's Adams County (Iowa) Speedway and Junction Motor Speedway in Nebraska continues to lead the Division III standings by seven points over Chuck Schutz Jr. who competes at Grandview (463-457). Elko (Minnesota) Speedway's Brent Kane is third with Stafford (Connecticut) Motor Speedway driver Stephen Kopcik fourth. Brad Burns, from South Carolina's Greenville Pickens Speedway, rounds out the top five.

DIVISION IV: Grant Brown

(Elko) remains in first place, however, Ryan Smith (Columbus) was able to slice 14 points off of Brown's lead from a week ago and now sits just four points out of first place (448-443). Defending division champion AJ Saunders Jr. (North Carolina's Bowman Gray Stadium and Caraway Speedway) is third with Utica-Rome's Glenn Forward and Mike Welch rounding out the top five, respectively.

DIVISION V: National points leader Thomas Tillison Jr. isn't the only driver making Salina Highbanks and Flint Creek proud as Jack Kirby remains atop the standings again this week. Pennsylvania's Aaron Van Fleet is second from Motordrome Speedway. Elko drivers Justin Schelitzche and Ashley Bell are third and fourth, while Lake County (Ohio) Speedway competitor Hunter Combs completes the top five.

Southern National Motorsports Park

LUCAMA, NC - Jonathan Findley made a statement at Southern National Motorsports Park on Saturday night.

Findley swept both Late Model races and put himself in a tie atop the championship standings with teammate Andrew Grady, setting up an epic championship showdown. Findley led wire-to-wire in the first of the two Late Model races but had to race his way from the rear of the field in the second following a full field invert.

"It was pretty fun to come back through the field," Findley said in victory lane after the race. "We had a dominant car all night long. There were no problems with it. It was flawless. On a rail. Can't thank everyone enough."

Findley has been riding a wave of momentum through what has been a breakthrough season for the teenager from Virginia who did not expect to even contend for the championship.

"We were not thinking this at all," Findley remarked. "We were actually going to travel around more this year but it started to take over for points here and we just made the decision that we were going to try here and it seems to be taking its toll that this is going to go our way hopefully."

Andrew Grady scored finishes of third and second which kept him tied with Findley for the points lead. Grady has scored four wins on the 2015 season. Grady entered the season as a championship favorite after scoring five wins in the Limited



Jonathan Findley celebrates in victory lane after sweeping Late Model feature races at Southern National Motorsports Park. (ALLICIA HACKETT/FRAMEWORKS PHOTOGRAPHY photo)

Late Model division in 2014 at Southern National — but coming up short against Haley Moody and Dillon Spain in the championship battle.

"First race, we were absolutely junk," Grady said. "I really don't know what we're fighting with this thing. We haven't ran this bad in two years. The second race, that was all my spotter right there. He was driving the car, I was just behind the wheel. The restart, he's playing games. I don't know if we could have held Jonathan off but we've got to figure this restart thing out. We might not have won the race but we had a shot at it. We'll come back for the next two races and hopefully wrap up this championship."

The headline race for the evening's racing program was the Mid-Atlantic Street Stock (MASS) Championship Series — the sixth race on the region's premier Street Stock tour. Saturday night's 50 lap race had major implications in the championship battle when Greg Barnett, who entered as the points leader, dropped out of the race and Jeff Melton, who entered third in points, also had problems while Sonny Schoffen, who entered second in points, won the race.

Schoffen held off Gary Ledbetter, Jr., one of the region's Street Stock greats, to score the victory.

"We've been getting our butts kicked for about a month and a half and we've been working real hard," Schoffen said. "We found a little something and this car was hooked up. It's very rare that you get one

that drives like that for 50 laps. I would have really liked to race [Melton] and [Barnett]. I think that they might have had something and I hate that they dropped off. Ledbetter, I'm honored to race that guy. It was a good, clean race."

Barnett, who is a four-time Street Stock champion at Southern National, felt he could add to his points lead in Saturday night's MASS race but the race he looked forward to the most proved to be his undoing.

"Either the rear end or transmission, drive train or something, it's one of those things," a dejected Barnett said after the race. "It's really frustrating. We've won a bunch of races and championships here and I thought this would be the place that we could really get the lead on them. It's just one of those racing deals."

William Haynie finished third in the race while Ricky Locklair, Jr., Jonathan Kornegay, Tommy Poole, Michael Klein, Mike Gano, Tom Bradbury and Ron Flynn rounded out the top-10.

Michael O'Brien and Frankie Dominick scored wins in the Charger twinbill. Dominick won the first race over Paul Williamson, who came into the race fresh off his first career win of any kind back on August 1st. O'Brien, who had mechanical problems with his car, competed in the second race in Wayne Goss' car and scored a victory — one that meant a lot to him on a night where Southern National Motorsports Park was honoring wounded warriors.

Dodge City

Raceway Park

DODGE CITY, KS - Mike Roach pocketed the \$1,000 winner's share by reaching victory lane in Saturday night's Second Annual Sport Modified Mayhem feature event atop the 3/8-mile Dodge City Raceway Park clay oval.

While Roach took top honors in the IMCA Sport Modifieds that ran off 30 consecutive non-stop laps, Kevin Gray captured his first IMCA Modified win at the Dodge City oval, Jason Rogers bested the IMCA Stock Cars and Matt O'Hair claimed another IMCA Hobby Stock win.

In the 30-lap Sport Modified Mayhem main event, Woodward, Oklahoma's Roach chased nephew Brandon Kenny for 19 laps before taking advantage of lapped traffic to take command.

"Lapped traffic won it for me, my nephew got bottled up and there and I got by," Roach said. "The track was great. You could run high, low, anywhere you wanted."

While Roach started inside the third row, Kenny outgunned current DCRP Sport Mod points leader Jeff Kaup for the lead at the drop of the green with Roach racing into second on the opening round.

Kenny and Roach slipped away from the field with Kaup distancing from the rest of the pack as he held down third.

With traffic in play by the midway point, Roach nearly pulled even in turn four on the 19th lap and then raced into the lead a half lap later when Kenny got held up in traffic exiting turn two.

Roach raced through traffic the rest of the way to preserve the win with Kenny settling for second. Kaup held on for the show position with inaugural Sport Modified Mayhem winner Clay Money crossing the stripe in fourth, a half lap off the lead pace. Dustin Daniels rounded out the top five with Michael Pepper, Josh Appel and Austin Walker the only other drivers to finish on the lead lap.

After Mike Appel spun in the opening pair of corners on the initial start, the 30-lapper ran off in non-stop fashion as Roach became the 11th different winner in as many IMCA Sport Modified features at DCRP in 2015.

In the 20-lap IMCA Modified fea-



Mike Roach poses in victory lane at Dodge City Raceway Park after winning the Sport Modified Mayhem feature. (DCRP photo)

ture, Ulysses' Kevin Gray battled past the father-son duo of Tracy and Nick Link to take command at the midway point and led the rest of the way to capture his first DCRP win.

"It's been a long time coming, there's been a lot of race nights here," a relieved Gray said in victory lane.

Gray actually had to make the winning pass twice after the first move under Tracy Link on the ninth lap was negated by a caution flag. Gray wasted little time reclaiming the lead with a move to the front on the tenth circuit.

With Gray out front, Nick Link worked past his father for second on the 13th lap and chased the rest of the way. Jesse Richter gained three positions over the final handful of laps to claim the show position with current points leader Austin Allen and Jesse Smith rounding out the top five.

Rockford Speedway

Instant Jungle Night at Rockford Speedway featured familiar faces in familiar places.

Drivers Michael Bilderback, Kelly Evink and Dennis Smith Jr all picked up feature wins in their respective divisions on Saturday night, with each man recording their fifth win respectively.

Bilderback collected his second consecutive triumph in the Stanley Steemer NASCAR Late Model division, extracting the top spot from point leader Jake Gille on the seventh lap of a caution-free 30 lapper. The South Beloit resident was not seriously challenged for the lead again and cruised to his fifth checkered flag. Along with notching his fifth feature win, Bilderback also recorded maximum points on the night by virtue of a 'clean sweep,' earning fast qualifier honors as well as winning the Fast Dash, Fast Heat and the 30 lap feature.

With the perfect evening, Bilder-

back gained five points on Gille for the Late Model point lead, now trailing the Winnebago native by 21 points with three racing remaining. Gille, who has been the most consistent driver all year long in the Late Model class, again finished within the top three, ending the night with a second place finish, his eighth second place effort of 2015.

One week after having critical issues under the hood of his own racer, 'Driver X' Jon Reynolds Jr borrowed the Chevrolet of Chris McKay and drove to a third place finish, followed by 'Insane' Wayne Freimund in fourth and rookie Pat Featherston in fifth.

Rockford Speedway

Despite a fourth place ranking in season-long point standings, Stanley Steemer NASCAR Late Model driver 'Insane Wayne' Freimund has been looking for more lately.

After a steady start to both the Rockford Speedway and Big 8 Late Model Series seasons for the Elkhorn Wisconsin resident, Freimund has been on the outside-looking-in when it's come to challenging for victories in 2015. All of that changed on Saturday night.

In the battle for the Late Model track championship, Bilderback made some ground on Gille, cutting the deficit by two points. Gille now holds a 19 point edge on Bilderback with just two events remaining.

Selinsgrove Speedway

SELINGSGROVE, PA - TJ Stutts of Liverpool clinched his first-ever sprint car track championship Saturday night at Selinsgrove Speedway with his fifth victory of the year in the 25-lap main event for 360 sprint cars.

The \$2,000 win was his fourth in a row and 25th career at the track at the wheel of the Wise Motorsports No. 23-M.

Jeff Rine of Danville also scored

his fifth victory of the year and the 96th of his career at Selinsgrove in the 25-lap late model feature. The win helped Rine stretch his lead in the points chase over three-time winner Steve Campbell of Danville.

Points leader Andrew Shoop of Mifflintown notched his third win of the year in the 12-lap pro stock race.

Polesitter Steve Collins powered into the lead at the start of the sprint car feature. Collins was chased by second-place starter Kevin Albert for the first two laps until third-place starter Brian Nornhold took over the runner-up position.

On the 12th circuit, Nornhold made a pass for the lead in turn two as eighth-place starter TJ Stutts stormed into second. A lap later, Stutts took command of the field following an close three-car battle with Nornhold and Collins.

The red flag unfurled on lap 15 when Jim Shuster took a hard crash in turns three and four. Although no injuries were reported, Shuster was transported to an area hospital as a precautionary measure.

When the race resumed, Stutts held the front spot ahead of seventh-place starter Jason Shultz. The final caution flag slowed the field on lap 21 when Eric Tomecek's car rolled to a stop in turn two.

Stutts led the rest of the way and posted a 2.5-second margin of victory over Shultz, sixth-place starter Ryan Kissinger, Collins, and 10th-place starter Nate Snyder.

Stafford Speedway

STAFFORD SPRINGS, CT - Stafford Speedway returned to NASCAR Whelen All-American Series racing action with the Lincoln Tech Back 2 SKool Blitz. Taking down feature wins on the night was Ronnie Williams in the SK Modified® feature, Tom Fearn in the Late Model feature, Payton Henry in the SK Light feature, Al Saunders in the Ltd. Late Model feature, Brandon Michael in the DARE Stock feature, and Devin O'Connell in the Legend Cars feature.

In the 40-lap SK Modified® feature event, Matt Galko set the early pace with Ted Christopher and Eric Berndt behind him. Keith Rocco quickly moved into fourth and Rowan Pennink got by Jeremy Sorel to move up to fifth.

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