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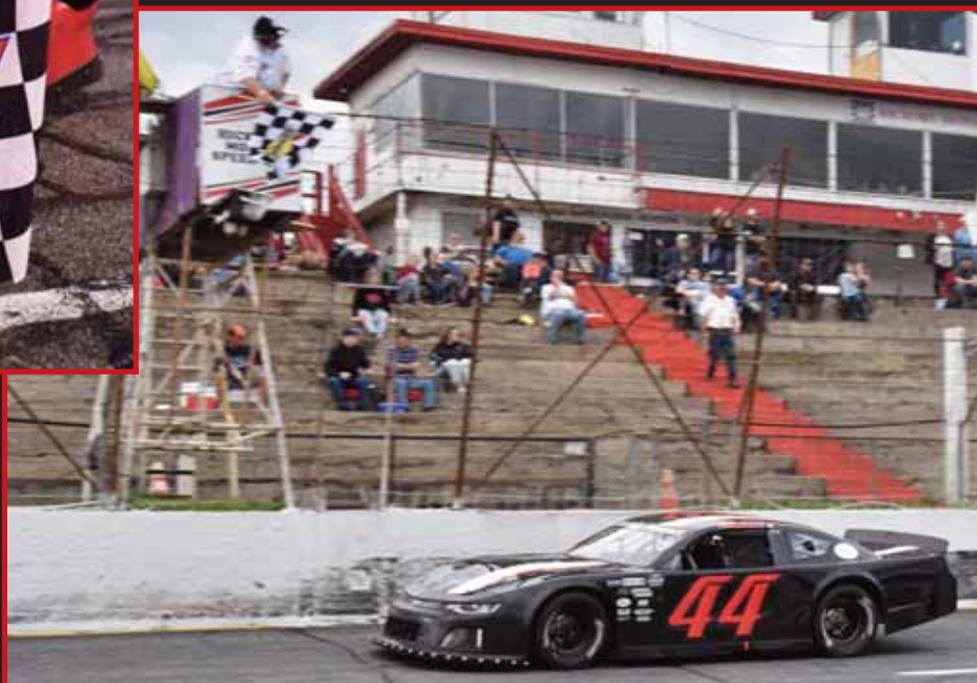
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Jimmy Johnson Works Hard for Racers Reunion

GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL - Jimmy Johnson was forced to sneak quick bites of ice cream between answering questions and telling tales about racing's golden days at the Clay County Agriculture Fair.

After spending most of his life in stock-car racing, Johnson

now must navigate his time through busy traffic and the smells of hot cinnamon-glazed pecans and homemade fudge of a county fair. Fans, young and old, pour through his memorabilia. Others take a spin in a simulator. And Johnson is happy to provide a story with every visit.



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Johnson is committed to raising money for Racers Reunion, a group that is dedicated to preserving and celebrating the drivers, crews, fans and cars of racing's colorful history, and to provide a living, growing historical document to educate young fans and to give older fans a walk down memory lane, according to the nonprofit's website.

Some fans are surprised when Johnson says his name and his background. When they hear his name, they expect to see seven-time champion Jimmie Johnson. Jimmy Johnson, however, is quick end the confusion.

"I'm the first Jimmy Johnson," he said with a giggle.

There are stacks of signed photos and boxes filled with diecast cars. The walls are covered with posters and pictures. Many are signed; others are not. It's a treasure trove of nostalgia. And each one comes with one of Johnson's stories.

Hidden among his prized collection is a photo of legendary car owner Junie Dunleavy and driver Bobby Hillin Jr., Jeff Gordon photos in his Baby Ruth car during his early days in the Busch Series, a diecast of Joe Nemechek's No. 42 Bellsouth car and signed photographs of Reed Sorenson and Greg Sacks.

"We organized this 21 years ago," Johnson said. "In the beginning, it was started to help out old guys from Tennessee who raced

back in the day like [Bob] Brownie King."

Fairgoers can buy laps inside his simulator, a converted ARCA Racing Series car. U.S. Congressman Kat Cammack (R-Fla.) was the first to climb aboard the old Chevrolet Monte Carlo. She yelled and laughed as she tried to work through traffic on a video version of the Daytona International Speedway.

"That was a lot of fun," she said. "It's not as easy as it looks."

Johnson said the driver with the top score during the 11-day fair will earn two tickets to any Cup Series race.

Johnson, who used to work with several ARCA teams, now travels the fair and festival circuits. He also attends special events.

"All of our memorabilia is donated," he said. "We couldn't afford to travel and buy things. A lot of our stuff comes from families who are going through old things after someone dies or they're just going through stuff in storage. We're always happy to get it."

Fans often spend more than a half hour looking for trinkets of their favorite drivers. Last Sunday, one man bought a No. 48 Jimmie Johnson belt buckle. Another bought the 20-lap simulator package. Another man was so atoned to adding to his collection of diecast cars, he didn't notice his wife eventually wandered away to check out other exhibits.

The Clay County Fair was canceled by the COVID-19 pandemic 21 days before its scheduled opening a year ago. Patrons clearly were eager to be back outside and having a good time again. Organizers said they expect a record attendance.

Johnson said he's impressed by the traffic that visits his booth inside the first exhibition hall.

"The is the best I've ever seen and I've been doing this for a long time," he said. "I didn't expect to be so busy. It's not easy to keep up with it all. We were hoping to make a certain amount of money, but we've easily beaten that every day."

Which explains why he only has time to sneak quick bites instead of finishing a meal.



Jimmy Johnson working the Clay County Fair to raise money for Racers Reunion, a nonprofit that helps retired drivers. (DON COBLE photo)

2021 A New Year in Racing!

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P.A.S.S. - PASS & HICKORY - SHERRI STEARNS

Griffith Sweeps Easter Bunny Weekend at Hickory

HICKORY, NC - Derek Griffith withstood a race-long battle with Joey Polewarczyk to take the win for the Pro All Stars Series (PASS) Super Late Models Saturday night in the 16th Annual Easter Bunny 150 at Hickory Motor Speedway. With his win, Griffith swept the weekend

twins to become the first driver since Preston Peltier to score back-to-back Easter Bunny 150 wins.

"They definitely made me work harder for it tonight, I knew Joey [Polewarczyk] was on rails and he would be tough to beat," said Griffith after his second straight PASS National Championship win. "I was trying to save my stuff a little, better than I did last night, and bide my time but Joey was tough, and luckily I had enough at the end."

Griffith started the 150-lap race in fourth after having the fastest lap in qualifying and like Friday night, Carson Hocevar jumped out to the lead from the pole position. But, by lap 17, Polewarczyk had reeled in Hocevar to take the lead. Hocevar's night would end shortly after when his car came to a stop on lap 59 with engine problems.

On the restart, Griffith would get the advantage from the outside of row one to take the lead away from Polewarczyk for the first time. They ran nose-to-tail for the next several laps, joined by DJ Shaw and Mike Hopkins. On lap 97, Polewarczyk challenged Griffith for the lead in turn one, but in turn three Shaw would poke the nose of his Ford to the inside of Polewarczyk. The two made contact, causing Shaw to spin and bring out the second caution of the race.

Following a backstretch spin by Jeremy Miller on lap 112, Polewarczyk was able to wrestle the lead away from Griffith. The hardest crash of the night waved just two laps later when Evan Hallstrom broke something in the rear end of his car entering turn three. Hallstrom would spin and collect Trevor Sanborn, while Ben Rowe slammed hard into the outside wall as he tried to avoid the spinning cars.

On the restart, Griffith powered back by Polewarczyk and would never look back. Griffith led the

rest of the way to take the win over Polewarczyk, Hopkins, Shaw, and Jake Matheson. Rounding out the top 10 were Cory Casagrande, Lucas Ransone, Ryan Kuhn, Travis Benjamin, and Gabe Brown.

The next PASS National Championship Super Late Model race will be on Saturday, April 10th at Connecticut's Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park as part of the Ice-breaker weekend.

For technical information concerning all PASS divisions please send questions to passracing@roadrunner.com. And, don't forget to "Like" the Pro All Stars Series on Facebook or follow us on Twitter @PASSSLM14 to keep up with breaking news as it happens.

Griffith Dominates for 1st Easter Bunny 150

HICKORY, NC - Hudson, NH's Derek Griffith took the lead on lap 28 and never looked back to take the win for the Pro All Stars Series (PASS) Super Late Models Friday night in the 15th Annual Easter Bunny 150 at Hickory Motor Speedway.

"I can't thank my guys enough, this thing was a rocket ship from the start," said Griffith after his first Easter Bunny 150 win. "I'm just so happy, we've started the season off strong. DJ [Shaw] made me work for it. He did a better job of saving his stuff and made it hard on me at



Derek Griffith celebrates in victory lane after winning both Easter Bunny 150s at Hickory Motor Speedway this past weekend. (PASS photo)

the end."

After just edging out Shaw in qualifying, Griffith started the 150-lap race in fifth while Carson Hocevar would move to the pole. Hocevar jumped out to the lead over Shaw at the start, but Griffith was wasting no time as he made his way toward the front. By lap 20 Griffith was in second and just eight laps later moved around Hocevar for the lead.

The first caution of the night did not wave until lap 63 for a spin by Jeremy Sorrell in turn four. The next caution would not wave until lap 105 when 11th place runner Joey Doiron spun in turn four as he tried to avoid contact with Kyle

Desouza. Just six laps later, Nick Loden spun exiting turn four after a bump from Trevor Bleau.

Through it all, Griffith continued to maintain a slight lead over Shaw. Griffith's biggest challenge from Shaw came after a restart with 20 laps to go. The two battled side-by-side for several laps before Griffith would eventually separate himself from Shaw in turn one. Griffith led the rest of the way to take the win over Shaw, Mike Hopkins, Travis Stearns, and Joey Pole.

Rounding out the top 10 were Desouza, Ryan Kuhn, Gabe Brown, Ben Rowe, and Derek Kneeland.

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Outerwears to Continue Crew Chief of the Year Award with the ARCA/CRA Super Series

SALEM, IN - Champion Racing Association Powered by JEGS officials have announced that Outerwears Performance Products has agreed to continue as a marketing partner with CRA and its ARCA/CRA Super Series Powered by JEGS for the 2021 Silver Anniversary racing season, that will begin on Saturday, April 10th at Anderson Speedway. 2021 will be the 25th season of competition for the ARCA/CRA Super Series that had its first ever event at Anderson Speedway on April 26, 1997.

Outerwears will once again sponsor the Outerwears Crew Chief of the Year Award, which will include a \$1000 cash bonus and a trophy. Jeff Lane was the Outerwears Crew Chief of the Year Award winner in 2015, the first season for the award. Scott Neal was the award winner in 2016. Butch VanDoorn was the winner of the award in 2017. Wimmer Motorsports with founder Chris Wimmer and Travis Sauter, the Crew Chief for 2018 and 2020 ARCA/CRA Super Series Champion Josh Brock, were the 2018 and 2019 award winners. Wille Allen, Crew Chief for 2016 ARCA/CRA Super Series Champion Cody Coughlin, and Jimmy Tucker, Crew Chief for Michael Simko, were the first ever Co-Winners of the Outerwears Crew Chief of the Year Award for the 2020 season, the first time in the six-year history of the award that there were Co-winners.

The award will be based again upon the Chase format that CRA will use to determine its Champions again in 2021. The final four scheduled races will be utilized for the Chase to determine a series Champion and the Outerwears Crew Chief of the Year Award. To be eligible a team must have raced in at least 70% of the races to that point and be in the top 8 in series wins (then points). The top five eligible teams Crew Chiefs will be awarded points at each of the last four Chase events, 5 for the highest finisher, down to 1 for fifth highest. The Crew Chief earning the most points in the four Chase

events will be the 2021 Outerwears Crew Chief of the Year Award winner. If there is a tie for first in points, the Crew Chief with the best overall average finish for the Chase events will be receive the award.

"Outerwears is very excited to be a marketing partner with the ARCA/CRA Super Series again in 2021," remarked Nick Schero with Outerwears Performance Products. "We look forward to working with all the Crew Chiefs and Crews this season and we are looking forward to continue the excitement the Chase format will once again produce in determining the series Champion and the Outerwears Crew Chief of the Year!"

"We really appreciate Outerwears continuing to support CRA and our ARCA/CRA Super Series," remarked Glenn Lockett, Managing Partner with Champion Racing Association.

"Many times, the Crew Chiefs do not get recognized for their efforts in getting their driver on the track and for their efforts in getting good finishes in our events, this award gives those guys the recognition they deserve. We look forward to working with Outerwears and this great award program again in 2021."

Based in Schoolcraft, Michigan, Outerwears has been on the track improving performance and creating champions since 1979. Designed using Terra-Flo technology Outerwears radiator screens provide the perfect balance between airflow and debris deflection, allowing peak airflow and longer radiator life. Outerwears radiator screens will be an important part of the ARCA/CRA Super Series for the 2021 race season. Ask your local dealer for your Outerwears or visit www.outerwears.com.

Entry Form for North/South Super Late Model Challenge in Nashville Released

Officials from the ARCA/CRA Super Series Powered by JEGS, the CARS Super Late Model Tour and the Southern Super Series Presented by Sunoco have announced the release of the on-line entry form for the upcoming North/South Super Late Model

Challenge 100, which be part of a huge night of racing at the famed Nashville Fairgrounds Speedway located in Nashville, Tennessee on Saturday, May 8th. Donnie Wilson won the inaugural North/South Super Late Model Challenge 100 in 2016, while Casey Roderick won the event in 2017 and again in 2018. Josh Brock is the events defending winner in 2019. The event was cancelled because of the COVID pandemic in 2020.

The North/South Super Late Model Challenge 100 for Super Late Models will consist of an optional open practice on Friday, May 7th. There will be one 45-minute practice session on Saturday, May 8th, followed by qualifying for the North/South Super Late Model Challenge 100 at 3:30pm. The North/South Super Late Model Challenge 100, which will consist of a field of 32 cars that will pay \$5000 to win and a coveted Nashville Guitar Trophy for the winner and will be the second feature up when racing begins at 5:00pm. The JEGS/CRA All-Stars Tour will have a 100-lap

event that will start the nights racing action and the ARCA Menards East Series will have a 200 lap nationally televised event beginning at 8pm that night.

The online entry form for the North/South Super Late Model Challenge 100 is available at the following link: <https://carstour.wufoo.com/forms/z56mx1n1sch33t/>.

More information on the ARCA/CRA Super Series is available at www.craracing.com. More information on the CARS Super Late Model Tour is available at www.carstourracing.com. More information on the Southern Super Series is available at www.southernsuperseries.com.

Get your tickets today for the May 8th event at nashvillefairgroundsspeedway.racing or by calling the Speedway Box Office at 615-254-1986. Music City 200 adult tickets are \$25 in advance or \$30 at the gate. Senior citizens and military personnel can get advance tickets for \$22, and children's tickets are just \$10.

Tickets on Sale Now for \$30,000 to Win Old North State Nationals at Orange County Speedway

MOORESVILLE, NC - After a year hiatus due to COVID-19 restrictions, the CARS Late Model Stock Car Tour will return to Orange County Speedway for the \$30,000 to win Old North State Nationals, on April 24-25th.

Puryear Tank Lines and GXS Wraps will sponsor the two day race that has featured the biggest names in Late Model Stock Car racing. Previous winners include Lee Pulliam (2019) and Josh Berry (2020).

The 2021 edition will see added racing for fans and big discounts on tickets purchased in advance.

Saturday, April 24th will feature Hedgecock Pole Qualifying that will lock in the top five drivers for Sunday's 200 feature race. GXS Wraps Qualifying night will continue with heat races and a last chance race to set the remaining positions that will make up the 28 car starting field.

New for Saturday night will be the addition of the Carolina Pro Late Models racing for 75 laps, as

well as the Carolina Crate Modified Series for 50 laps.

Sunday, April 25th will solely focus on twenty-eight drivers battling 200 laps for the top prize of \$30,000.

Fans can take advantage of huge discount on tickets by purchasing them in advance at www.carsracingtour.com. Tickets for Saturday's qualifying races are \$15.00 in advance and \$22.00 at the gate, and tickets for Sunday's main event are \$23.00 in advance and \$30.00 at the gate. All weekend long, kids 12 and under are free with a paid adult. In addition to purchasing tickets, fans can also get the full event schedule via the CARS Tour website.

For additional information on the CARS Late Model Stock Tour and the CARS Super Late Model Tour visit www.carsracingtour.com. Be sure to stay active and social with the tour by liking "CARS Tour" on Facebook, following @CARSTour on Twitter, and scrolling through photos on Instagram cars_tour. Additional series information can be obtained by calling the CARS Tour series office, located in Mooresville, NC, at 704.662.9212.

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APRIL 8-10

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Sweet Sweeps I-55

Brad Sweet said “winning gives you more confidence.” With that theory, you’d think he has every ounce of confidence in the world. Because he just doesn’t lose of late.

On Saturday, he led all 40 laps at Federated Auto Parts Raceway at I-55 to sweep the weekend and extend his career-best winning streak to

four consecutive features with the World of Outlaws NOS Energy Drink Sprint Car Series. It’s his fifth win of the year through 11 races aboard the Kasey Kahne Racing, NAPA Auto Parts #49.

The two-time and defending Series champion still has an underdog-like mentality and it’s driving him to victory lane on a nightly basis.

“I feel like everyone still kind of thinks of us as the underdog, so maybe they’ll give us some credit now,” Sweet said with a smirk. “We feel really good right now. Winning give you more confidence. I’m in a good place as a race car driver, the car is handling great, and this crew is doing an amazing job. We came from ninth last night and did it from the pole tonight, so we’ve won from both spectrums.”

Earning the pole position following his win in the DIRTVision Fast Pass Dash, the odds were already stacked against Sweet, as no pole-sitter had won all year with the World of Outlaws. He and the KKR #49 crew were motivated to snap that streak and extend their own, though.

The Grass Valley, CA native led the opening lap and never relinquished command, extending another streak to 62 consecutive feature laps led. His Saturday night sweep wasn’t without challenge, though, as Gio Scelzi and Sheldon Haudenschild both kept him honest.

Scelzi had a shot through the opening stages and got close on Lap nine with the aid of lap traffic, but the savviness of Sweet’s fitness though the back-markers was too much to bare. When Scelzi faltered, Haudenschild rose to second and came within six-tenths of Sweet’s #49, but again his moves in traffic separated himself from the rest.

A Lap 25 red flag for Tucker

Klaasmeyer was the only stoppage of the race and set up a double-file restart, but it could do no harm in slowing Sweet’s roll.

He cruised around the cushion just inches off the wall and then dipped low, slid through the middle, and made all the right moves through the last 15 laps to run off with a victory by 1.937-seconds. It was the 63rd of his World of Outlaws Sprint Car Series career.

“We were off at the end last night, but tonight we made a small change and it was much better,” Sweet noted on his setup. “I felt like I had more grip and could move around in traffic with more ease. That’s the key to winning these; even when you win, you have to come back better the next night. It’s been through 11 races, but it’s an 83-race schedule. We want to enjoy these, but our heads are down and we’re looking to win a lot more of these.”

Extending his own record streak, Sheldon Haudenschild finished second to earn a career-best seventh-straight top five finish in his Stenhouse Jr. Marshall Racing, NOS Energy Drink #17.

“Brad was just on top of this weekend,” Haudenschild spoke on challenging Sweet. “They’re the guys to beat right now and we’re chasing them as hard we can. The car was really good, but we’ll keep working on it to try and get better. We’ve got some good tracks coming up, so I’m looking forward to that.”

Rounding out the podium with his second top-three finish of the year was Gio Scelzi in the KCP Racing #18. After going second-quick, they recovered from an engine change to deliver another strong finish.

Logan Schuchart scored his 11th top-ten finish in 11 races by virtue of a fourth-place run. Following him was James McFadden with his second top-five of the year.

Closing out the top ten at I-55 was Slick Woody’s QuickTime qualifier David Gravel, Kraig Kinser continuing his hot start, Carson Macedo with another consistent finish, Aaron Reutzel racking up another top-ten, and Jason Sides with his first top-ten of the season.

UP NEXT – The World of Outlaws NOS Energy Drink Sprint Cars will face an Indiana double-header next weekend. The Greatest Show on Dirt heads to Kokomo Speedway on Friday, April 9 and then Tri-State Speedway on Satur-



Brad Sweet dominated the racing action at Auto Parts Raceway at I-55, winning both nights for four race wins in a row this season. (Trent Gower photo)

day, April 10.

Incredible I-55 Action Gives Sweet His Third-Straight Win

The World of Outlaws NOS Energy Drink Sprint Cars on the high-banked bullring of Federated Auto Parts Raceway at I-55 is like flying jet fighters in a gymnasium.

The high-octane thrill show lived up that moniker on Friday night as The Greatest Show on Dirt delivered intense battles, shocking drama, jaw-dropping slidejobs, and so much more at the Pevely, MO 1/3-mile.

In the end, Brad Sweet romped from ninth and secured the checkered flag for his third consecutive victory, fourth of the season, and 62nd of his career. It was the latest act over a dominating stretch as the two-time and defending Series champion continues to extend his points lead aboard the Kasey Kahne Racing w/ Mike Curb, NAPA Auto Parts #49.

“We don’t want to give away our secrets,” Sweet joked when asked what’s clicking.

“We’ve got a lot of experience working together with Eric [Prutzman], Andrew [Bowman] and Joe [Mooney]. There’s a lot to be said about us all sticking together. We’ve got a great car owner in Kasey Kahne and we’re blessed to work with NAPA Auto Parts as our sponsor. We’re working hard to capitalize on the situation we’re in.”

It was all about Sweet at the finish, but from the start of the night all eyes were on his Kasey Kahne Racing teammate, James McFadden.

The Alice Springs, NT, AUS driver collected Slick Woody’s QuickTime, won his Team Drydene Heat Race, and won the DIRTVi-

sion Fast Pass Dash. A perfect night was brewing for the Karavan Trailers #9 until Donny Schatz stepped in.

Bolting from the outside pole at the start of the 40-lapper, Schatz went to the race lead for the first time since February. The 10-time Series champion commanded the opening 17 laps aboard the Tony Stewart/Curb-Agajanian Racing, Carquest #15 before a mechanical issue stripped him of the top spot. Amid Schatz’s heartbreaking moment rose Kraig Kinser’s awe-inspiring rise.

The Bloomington, IN native officially led one lap aboard the #11K, but then attention turned to ninth-starting Sweet on lap 19. That wasn’t without a monumental effort from Sheldon Haudenschild, who launched a behemoth slidejob to clear three cars into turn one at the midway restart.

A pair of stoppages for top-five running James McFadden and Jacob Allen slowed the pace before the final restart with 11 to go. From there, Sweet ran off into the distance to a 1.012-second margin of victory at the end of a grueling 40-lap war.

Coming home in second-place was Kraig Kinser with his first podium appearance in almost nine months. The rejuvenated star is off to a stout start with four top tens in the opening ten races.

Rounding out Friday’s podium and collecting the KSE Hard Charger Award was Logan Schuchart with an impressive 16th-to-3rd charge.

Chasing those three to the line was Sheldon Haudenschild in fourth, Carson Macedo in fifth, Rico Abreu in sixth, Aaron Reutzel in seventh, David Gravel in eighth, Brian Brown in ninth and Sam Hafertepe Jr. in tenth.

Pierce Uses Late Race Pass to Score Illini 100 Win

FARMER CITY, IL - A World of Outlaws Morton Buildings Feature win has plagued Bobby Pierce for years.

But in Saturday night's Illini 100 at Farmer City Raceway, he finally got the monkey off his back in front of his home crowd and became the second first-time winner in a row during

the prestigious Illinois event.

The Illinois-driver took off from the start of Saturday's 75-Lap, \$20,000-to-win Feature, and never looked back.

He dominated the first 70 laps of the race, smoothly sailing through traffic on the high side. Ricky Thornton Jr. challenged Pierce toward the end of that run, but every time Thornton dove low, Pierce easily rose to the challenge up high.

Thornton suffered an issue late in the race, bringing out the only caution of the 75-lap race.

The yellow flag set up a five-lap shootout and put Cade Dillard on Pierce's back bumper for the single-file re-start.

"When a caution comes out, it's kind of hard to get back into your rhythm," Pierce said.

When the green came back out Dillard went low and snuck by the Pierce's #32 machine on the bottom. He pulled away by about three car-lengths before Pierce rocketed off the top once again.

When the two drivers took the white flag, Pierce carried his momentum on the cushion and nosed out ahead to lead Lap 74. He held the top spot on the final lap to snag the victory.

"Luckily, I didn't fall back to third (on the restart) and it gave me a chance to get around [Dillard]," Pierce said.

"The thing that helped me the most was [Dillard] going to the bottom every corner. When I passed him back and made a good last lap, and crossed the checkers, it was probably one of the most exciting finishes I've ever had."

While it was triumph for Pierce, it was heartbreak for Dillard. He used the bottom for most of the race, picking off cars one-by-one.

The Louisiana campaigner says he wished he tried something different on the final restart.

"I knew [Pierce] was probably on the top, so I should've moved up those last few laps," Dillard said. "I stayed conservative, and it cost us a win."

Three-time and defending champion Brandon Sheppard finished third. The New Berlin, IL driver started 18th for the second straight night, and found his way into the top five again.

Sheppard said the car was good in the Feature but getting there is a struggle.

"We were just off in qualifying again tonight, so we have to work on that," he said. "I think we had a car that could've won tonight if we started a little bit better."

Sheppard's third place finish also cut another chunk out of Kyle Strickler's point lead. Heading into next weekend's races at Bristol Motor Speedway, he's only 24 points behind the Silver Springs, PA driver who finished 13th.

Up Next: The World of Outlaws Morton Buildings Late Models are heading to Bristol Motor Speedway April 8-10, for the Bristol Bash.

Friday April 9, teams will run a 40-lap Feature, paying \$10,000-to-win.

On Saturday April 10, they'll run 40 laps again, but this time the winner will collect \$25,000.

Teams will also get a practice session on Thursday April 8.

If you can't make it to the track, catch all of the action on DIRTVision with the annual Platinum FAST PASS subscription for \$299/year or the monthly FAST PASS subscription for \$39/month.

Spatola Nets First Career World of Outlaws Win

FARMER CITY, IL - When the World of Outlaws Morton Buildings Late Models come to Illinois, they face a hungry contingent of regional drivers, looking to take home a victory.

That was the case Friday night at Farmer City Raceway, as Mike Spatola led two other Prairie State drivers across the finish line on night one of the Illini 100 to claim his first career World of Outlaws win.

"Opie" took the lead on Lap 5 of the 25-Lap Feature and never looked back.

Even though the Manhattan, IL driver led most of the race, it wasn't an easy task. He had Ryan Unz-



Bobby Pierce celebrates his first career World of Outlaws Late Model win after bringing home the Illini 100 at Farmer City Raceway. (Jacy Norgaard photo)

icker and Bobby Pierce breathing down his neck in the final stages of the race.

Spatola said he knew he had to stay conservative in the last five laps.

"I was so tight going into the corner early in the race, that I almost shoved up into the wall three or four times," Spatola said.

He said he knew keeping the car on the high-side of the racetrack, was where he'd find success.

"I know I backed up to [Unzicker and Pierce] and made it really interesting, but it was what I needed to do to protect and get the win," Spatola said.

While Spatola was protecting the top, it was Ryan Unzicker inching closer on the bottom with each lap, just narrowly missing out on a win. He fell back a little bit early in the race but battled back for the runner-up spot.

"I was trying to search the middle and the top, and it really wasn't my cup of tea," said Unzicker. I kind of found a rhythm on the bottom, and that's where I've won a lot of races before.

Bobby Pierce was also battling in the final stages of the event,

working the top side of the track. He got right to the back of Spatola's car but didn't have enough to get by. Pierce knew he left the bottom open for Unzicker to have a chance.

"I thought [Unzicker] was going to sneak in there and win it, because [Spatola] seemed to be slowing down just a little bit," Pierce said. I couldn't really go anywhere, but I had the best seat in the house to watch [the race].

Pierce was hoping for the race to stay green a little longer. All three cautions came in the final ten laps.

"In traffic I think I would've had a real good shot at maybe getting by [Spatola] somehow, but all in all it's not a bad night," Pierce said.

Tanner English finished fourth in Friday's Morton Buildings Feature. Brandon Sheppard was the first tour regular over the line, finishing fifth.

It was a tough night for the three-time and defending champion, after his qualifying run didn't give him the start he was looking for. The New Berlin, IL campaigner made the Feature by winning one

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Mike Spatola claimed his first career World of Outlaws Late Model Series win in Friday night action at Farmer City Raceway. (Jacy Norgaard photo)

Justin Peck Opens All Star Points Championship with Spring Nationals Win at Attica Raceway Park

ATTICA, OH - Already a two-time winner this season in Pennsylvania Posse Country aboard Tom Buch's Coastal Race Parts No. 13, Monrovia, Indiana's Justin Peck can now officially add another tally in his FloRacing All Star Circuit of Champions presented by Mobil 1 win column, doing so by opening the 2021 Series points championship with a victory during Attica Raceway Park's Spring Nationals on Saturday, April 3. The victory, accompanied by a \$6,000 payday, improves Peck's All Star win total to two over the course of his young career, snapping a near-four year winless streak dating back to his Macon triumph on June 10, 2017.

Lining up third on the All Star main event grid, Peck was a threat from the start, eventually inching his way to second on lap 15, then using a round of slower cars to maneuver by fellow All Star full-timer, Zeb Wise, for the top spot on lap 28. Although traffic was a factor in the remaining distance, Peck held strong, keeping a lapped car between himself and Wise in the final circuits to clinch the trip to victory lane, and ultimately, the All Star championship lead.

"If you would have told me the year was going to begin like this, I would have told you that you were crazy," an elated Justin Peck said in Attica victory lane. "I can't say enough about this Tom Buch Motorsports team. My guys continue to give me an outstanding race car every time I hit the race track. We kinda started out the night 'OK,' thinking we were no better than a fifth-place race car. But I kept talking to these guys and they kept giving me what I wanted. And here we are standing on the frontstretch."

Utilizing the pole position, Visalia, California's Cory Eliason earned the early advantage, taking control on lap one and maintaining the lead through the first five circuits. Although it would keep Eliason out of heavy traffic, a caution on lap six ultimately led to Eliason losing command, as Zeb Wise, who started alongside Eliason on the front row, was able to drive

around the Rudeen Racing No. 26 at the exit of turn four to complete the sixth circuit.

Aboard the all-new Wise Priddy Racing No. 10, Zeb Wise was the man in charge for the next several circuits, working the very lowline all the way around Attica Raceway Park. Surviving a single-file restart after another caution on lap 16, Wise and his fellow frontrunners would meet the back of the pack on lap 23, now forced to deal with Peck, who had already climbed to second eight laps prior.

After six laps of battling basically nose to tail, Peck made his move, first setting himself up with a big run through the middle of turns one and two, then diving to the very bottom of three to squeeze by Wise at the exit of turn four. Peck would go on to lead lap 28, maintaining control through the end of the 40-lap contest.

"I just kinda stuck to what I knew how to do," Peck continued. "I kinda started out just trying to rip around one and two, but it really wasn't working. So I started to short slide myself and kinda slide my way through it. It really made a dif-



Justin Peck (center) raced his way to victory lane in the FloRacing All Star Circuit of Champions Series points opener at Attica Raceway Park. Zeb Wise (left) finished second with Hunter Schuerenberg (right) coming home in third. (Paul Arch photo)

ference. I knew if we got to lapped traffic, we were going to have the best shot of winning. What a start to the year."

Zeb Wise would hold on to finish second at Attica Raceway Park, followed by Hunter Schuerenberg, Brent Marks, and Cory Eliason; an all All Star top five.

The All Star Circuit of Champions will spend a weekend off before returning to competition with a four-day swing through the heart of the Mid-Atlantic on Thursday through Sunday, April 15-18. Action will kick-off with a \$12,000-to-win

blockbuster at Virginia Motor Speedway on Thursday, April 15, followed by three consecutive nights in Pennsylvania Posse Country at Williams Grove Speedway, Port Royal Speedway, and Bedford Speedway.

For those who can not witness the All Star Circuit of Champions live and in person, FloRacing.com, the official media partner and broadcast provider of the All Stars, has you covered. To access live and on-demand racing action visit FloRacing.com and become an annual PRO subscriber.

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of the two Last Chance Showdowns.

"We screwed ourselves up in qualifying, and we knew we had a good car, but it was just digging out of a hole after that," Sheppard said.

Sheppard was the hard charger in the race, moving up 13 spots. He also cut down Kyle Strickler's point lead.

"The High Side Tickler" only has a 44 point advantage heading into Saturday's race.

Big Money on the Line as World of Outlaws Late Models Hit Bristol

BRISTOL, TN - For the second straight weekend, the World of Outlaws Morton Buildings Late Models will race for a big payday. This time at Bristol Motor Speedway for the

Bristol Bash.

The "Most Powerful Late Models On The Planet" will race a 40-Lap Feature Friday April 9, paying \$10,000 to the winner.

The Series returns to "The Last Great Coliseum" Saturday April 10, battling for \$25,000 in another 40-Lap Feature.

Teams will also get a practice session on Thursday April 8.

Last month, the invitational field was announced, with some of the biggest names in Late Model racing set to do battle on the 1/2 mile high-banked oval.

It's the first time the World of Outlaws Morton Buildings Late Models have raced at Bristol Motor Speedway. But it's not the first time super late models have raced on the track's dirt surface.

Three drivers in the field have claimed victory at Bristol, including Scott Bloomquist. "Black Sunshine" won two races in 2001.

The two other drivers, Jonathan Davenport and Chris Ferguson made their trips to victory lane, during the Bristol Dirt Nationals March 19-20.

Some of the World Of Outlaws Late Models teams have already taken laps around the speedway during a test session last month.

Ricky Weiss ran the fastest that night, clocking in at 15.266 seconds. Weiss's average speed was 125mph.

Three-time and defending champion Brandon Sheppard spent the most time on the track during the test session. Sheppard ran 156 Laps, and was second fastest overall.

If you can't make it to the track, catch all of the action on DIRTvision with the annual Platinum FAST PASS subscription for \$299/year or the monthly FAST PASS subscription for \$39/month.

After the Bristol Bash, the World of Outlaws Morton Buildings Late Models will take a week off, before visiting Richmond Raceway on Friday April 23, then moving east to Brushcreek Motorsports Complex April 24.

Visit www.richmond-raceway.net or www.brushcreekmotorsports.com to buy tickets for either event.

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Paul White Takes ASCS Elite Non-Wing Checkers at Monarch Motor Speedway

WICHITA FALLS, TX - Earning career victory No. 9 with the ASCS Elite Non-Wing Series presented by Abilene Powder Coating, Waco's Paul White was king Saturday night at Monarch Motor Speedway.

Trailing Scott Evans the first three laps, the race for the

No. 118 ended on Lap 4. Giving White the point, the lead traded hands on Lap 13 as Friday night winner Keith Martin took over until Lap 15. With White again in command, the wily veteran was able to hold off the charge of Dalton Stevens to the tune of 1.307-seconds at the finish. Rolling through the field from 14th, Mason Smith took the final podium step, with Justin Zimmerman and Keith Martin making up the top five.

Justin Fifield was sixth, followed by Stephen Smith with an astounding 19th to seventh run. Chase Parson from 16th made it to eighth with Arizona's Shon Deskins in ninth. Harli White crossed tenth.

The ASCS Elite Non-Wing Series presented by Abilene Powder Coating races next on April 9 at the Heart O' Texas Speedway in Waco and April 10 at Abilene Speedway.

The 2021 season marks the 30th year of competition for the American Sprint Car Series. Spearheaded by the Lucas Oil American Sprint Car Series presented by the MAVTV Motorsports Network, the ASCS Nation also includes 11 Regional Tours that encompass both wing and non-wing competition.

For other news, notes, and information on any of the tours under the ASCS banner, log onto www.ascsracing.com, follow on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter (@LucasOilASCs).

Westbrook Holds On for Sooner/Warrior Score at Lake Ozark

ELDON, MO - Slide job, after slide job through traffic in the closing laps with Blake Hahn and Ryan Timms, the driver on top was Dylan Westbrook at Lake Ozark Speedway with the American Bank of Oklahoma ASCS Sooner Region presented by Smiley's Racing Products and Racinboys.com

ASCs Warrior Region presented by Impact Signs, Awnings, and Wraps.

Westbrook's first career ASCS sanctioned victory; the co-sanctioned affair makes him the 88th different winner with the ASCS Warrior Region and 83rd with the ASCS Sooner Region.

Finally getting breathing room on the closing lap, Westbrook crossed 2.020-seconds ahead of the race for second, where Blake Hahn edged Ryan Timms at the line by 0.122-seconds. J.J. Hickle crossed fourth, with Matt Covington coming from 11th to complete the top-five.

Brandon Anderson from 14th was sixth with Jeremy Campbell seventh. Austin O'Neal, Tyler Blank, and Landon Britt made up the top ten.

The Racinboys.com ASCS Warrior Region presented by Impact Signs, Awnings, and Wraps races again on April 23 with the National Tour at U.S. 36 Raceway. The American Bank of Oklahoma ASCS Sooner Region presented by Smiley's Racing Products rolls into the Salina Highbanks Speedway on April 17 and Creek County Speedway on April 18.

ASCs Southwest Glory Belongs to Imperial at Arizona

QUEEN CREEK, AZ - Taking the lead on Lap 14, the No. 75x of JT



Dylan Westbrook raced his way to victory lane at Lake Ozark Speedway during the co-sanctioned event with the ASCS Sooner Region and ASCS Warrior Region. (Mike Frieri photo)



Paul White celebrates in victory lane at Monarch Motor Speedway with the ASCS Elite Non-Wing Series, his 9th career win. (Bobby DrRock Thomas photo)

Imperial held off the charge of Colton Hardy for Saturday night's top prize with the ASCS Southwest Region at Arizona Speedway.

Winning by 0.678-seconds over Hardy, the two were joined on the podium by New Mexico's Lorne Wofford. Making it a trend, Lorne's sons Wes and Vance were in tow at the finish. Making up ground from 20th, Chris Bonneau crossed sixth with Nick Parker in seventh.

Having led the opening 13 revolutions, John Carney II fell back to 13th after contact between he and Imperial. Able to continue, Carney made it back to eighth. Logan Calderwood was ninth, with Charles Davis, Jr. moving from last to 10th.

The next event for the ASCS Southwest Region is currently in the air as the track works out a new schedule. Getting a last-minute extension on the lease by the Arizona

Land Department, the one-third-mile oval will continue to operate until November 30, 2021.

Updates on the 2021 lineup will be posted to <http://www.ascsracing.com>.

Zachary Madrid Returns to ASCS Desert Non-Wing Victory Lane

QUEEN CREEK, AZ - Making his return to Victory Lane with the San Tan Ford ASCS Desert Non-Wing Series for the first time since 2019, Zachary Madrid topped Saturday's 24 car field at Arizona Speedway.

Madrid's 11th career win with the series, Zachary rolled by John Shelton on Lap 7 for the top spot. Shelton held on for second with Aaron Jones in third. Josh Pelkey and 10th starting Joshua Shipley made up the top five. Randy Nelson crossed sixth with Jimmy Pontin in seventh. From 21st, Pete Yerkovich made it to eighth, with Eugene Thomas following from 23rd. AJ Hernandez completed the top ten.

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Keith Martin Takes RPM Victory with ASCS Elite Non-Wing

CRANDALL, TX - Parking in Victory Lane for the seventh time in his career with the ASCS Elite (Continued Next Page)

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Non-Wing Series presented by Abilene Powder Coating, Keith Martin topped Friday night's action at RPM Speedway.

Besting a field of 30, Martin worked top shelf through the opening lap to snag the lead from Dalton Stevens with Justin Zimmerman working into second. Working down the track through the A-Feature,

Martin held through red flags and numerous cautions as ninth starting Chase Randall worked his way into the runner-up spot and began applying pressure.

Putting the bumper to the No. 79x a few times to try and shake him off the inside groove in the closing laps, a final shot off the final turn would not be enough to deny Martin the win. Chase Randall settled for second with Paul White in third. Justin Zimmerman ended up fourth, with Kyle Jones working from 14th to complete the top five.

Arizona's Shon Deskins ended up sixth with Justin Melton seventh, followed by Mason Smith, Chase Parson, and T.J. Herrell.

Ryan Timms Captures His First Career ASCS Regional Victory

ELDON, MO - A dogfight of a night for the American Bank of



Keith Martin raced his way to victory lane for the eighth time in his career with ASCS Elite Non-Wing Series. (Mike Frieri photo)

Oklahoma ASCS Sooner Region presented by Smiley's Racing Products and Racinboys.com ASCS Warrior Region presented by Impact Signs, Awnings, and Wraps, Oklahoma's Ryan Timms

roared into Victory Lane for the first time in ASCS competition at the Lake Ozark Speedway; becoming the 87th different ASCS Warrior Region winner, and 82nd winner with the ASCS Sooner Region.



Ryan Timms celebrates his first career ASCS Sooner Region win in victory lane at Lake Ozark Speedway. (Greg Stanek photo)

Taking the green from fourth, Timms railed the cushion of the one-third-mile oval. Taking second on the opening lap, the DriveWFX.com No. 5t was in pursuit of Seth Berman. Into traffic on Lap 6, the slower cars worked to Ryan's advantage with the lead trading hands on Lap 7.

Working through race stoppages, the pair began an all-out assault with the lead changes officially four times from Lap 11 through Lap 16. Trying to work past the No 5t in the first and second turn the following lap, Seth biked the Corridor Electric No. 23 and unfortunately saw his night come to a violent close. Thankfully, Seth was not injured.

Back to green, the battle was on behind Timms, and Blake Hahn and Scott Bogucki went at it for second. Contact between the two on Lap 22, a failed left rear on the No. 28 relegated Bogucki to the infield as Dylan Westbrook took advantage and shot around both drivers for second.

Giving Timms plenty of breathing room, the advantage at the finish was 2.480-seconds over Dylan Westbrook. Third went to Blake Hahn with Matt Covington in fourth. Rolling 19th to fifth, Washington's JJ Hickle was the night Stuart House Hard Charger.

Austin Alumbaugh crossed sixth with Sean McClelland in seventh. Gunner Ramey was eighth, followed by Colby Thornhill, who ran from 18th to ninth. Making up five spots, Kyle Bellm completed the top ten.

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Bristol Motor Speedway BRISTOL, TN -

One word set the tone for the World of Outlaws Bristol Bash at the dirt-covered Bristol Motor Speedway: "Wow."

The word echoed throughout the infield of the famed half-mile track from drivers to crew members and spectators on site during a World of Outlaws Morton Buildings Late Model test in March as drivers reached average speeds of 125 mph.

On April 8-10, "Wow" will echo throughout the country as race fans will get to see The Most Powerful Late Models on the Planet, along with the DIRTcar UMP Modifieds, make their debut at The Last Great Colosseum.

"It's definitely going to be exciting," three-time World of Outlaws Late Model winner Chase Jung-hans said. "I think the atmosphere is going to be really cool, it's going to be really fast. I just hope we can come out of there with two cars and have a good finish."

About 40 of the best Late Model drivers and 42 of the best Modified drivers in the country will look to make history by parking their car in the unique elevated Victory Lane at the historic track and pocket big paydays. Friday's event will pay \$5,000 to the winner of the Modified Feature and \$10,000 to the winner of the Late Model Feature. Then, Saturday's Features will pay \$10,000 to the winner of the Modified race and \$25,000 to the winner of the Late Model race.

The winner will also get to take home one of the most iconic trophies in all of motorsports: the highly coveted BMS Gladiator Sword.

The list of all-star Late Model drivers set to battle for the honor include three-time defending World of Outlaws champion Brandon Sheppard, four-time World of Outlaws champion Josh Richards, current World of Outlaws points leader Kyle Strickler, NASCAR Truck Series driver Stewart Friesen, legendary Late Model driver and Tennessee-resident Scott Bloomquist, Jonathan Davenport, Jimmy Owens and more.

For the DIRTcar UMP Modifieds, a host of familiar NASCAR veterans such as David Reutimann, David Stremme, Steve Aprin, Kenny Schrader and NASCAR

Truck Series champion Matt Crafton are primed to conquer the dirt version of Bristol.

The Bristol dirt conversion took place from January thru March and was highlighted by track operations crews putting down more than 23,000 cubic yards of dirt to cover the famous concrete race surface. The dirt was spread via satellite technology with sophisticated graders and bulldozers to get it in just the right positions. The BMS dirt track features 19 degrees of banking in the turns and has a race surface that's 50 feet wide.

Already host to one of the largest dirt racing events in history with more than 1,200 cars competing in the Karl Kustoms Bristol Dirt Nationals in mid-March and a historic return of the NASCAR Cup Series to dirt racing for the first time in more than 50 years last weekend, everyone knows Bristol Motor Speedway is the "Home to Big Events."

The versatile multi-purpose sports and entertainment venue that has been home to so many incredible wow moments during the past 60 years – including two World of Outlaws Sprint Cars weekends in 2000 and 2001 when BMS put dirt down for the first time – is ready to make even more memories with the World of Outlaws Morton Buildings Late Models and DIRTcar UMP Modifieds in the invitation-only field.

"The track's a lot bigger and a lot different that we usually run on," six-time World of Outlaws winner Dennis Erb Jr. said. "You're going to have to change your car around, and it's going to have to be kind of like an endurance deal."

Drivers will get a practice session on Thursday, April 8, and then the Late Models and Modifieds will run full shows on Friday and Saturday, April 9-10.

There're no doubt fans will be left saying one thing: "Wow."

To make the event as safe as possible for all attendees, BMS is instituting procedures to reduce contact and crowd density as guests and competitors purchase tickets, enter the grounds, enjoy the event and depart the facility. Face coverings will be a required accessory in high-traffic areas inside and outside the stadium for all guests who attend. The "Mask Up" campaign is part of an important initiative by Bristol Motor Speedway that strongly encourages the public to wear face coverings, not only when they are visiting the Speedway, but also when they are out in the surrounding communities

as well, and to follow all of the necessary protocols and guidelines to do their part to help reduce the spread of COVID-19.

Fans can purchase their tickets today at www.bristolmotorspeedway.com. Reserved grandstand ticket prices are \$30 Thursday; \$40 each for Friday and Saturday; \$80 three-day weekend. Kids (12 and under) tickets are \$5 for each day and \$10 for the 3-day combo ticket. VIP Parking is available in for \$10 per day.

Talladega Superspeedway

TALLADEGA, AL - With Talladega Superspeedway's tripleheader weekend set for April 24-25, NASCAR's Most Competitive venue announced today that select ticket options, including premium upgrade and NEW, modified fan experiences, are available. Fans are encouraged to act now as tickets are limited and pricing will increase on race week. Opportunities include:

- **GOING FAST:** Incredible grandstand and tower options with giant video boards visible to all fans in frontstretch seating for Saturday's doubleheader featuring the General Tire 200 and Ag-Pro 300, and Sunday's GEICO 500

- **A TSS TRADITION:** Camping opportunities for RVs – both inside the iconic track as well as outside of the venue

- **IT'S BACK:** The Talladega Garage Experience, which debuted in October 2019, is offering a modified experience with reserved table seating (sold in groups of four), as well as reserved lounge and picnic table availability

- **BRAND NEW:** An all-new "Drive-In Experience" in the GEICO Grounds Blue area of the infield near Turns 1 and 2 will take place for fans to enjoy Sunday's GEICO 500. Fans can park their 4-person vehicle in an oversized 20' x 20' parking spot and tailgate with their own food, drinks, small portable grills, and even pop-up tents

- **STEP IT UP:** Additional premium upgrades such as Premium Box Seating

"We are so excited to welcome back race fans for a safe and exciting tripleheader of racing action that only Talladega Superspeedway can provide," said Brian Crichton, President of the 2.66-mile, 33-degree-banked facility. "There is no other entertainment venue

that offers fans the experience, as well as the most incredible racing on the planet, that Talladega does. We can't wait!"

A full listing of all the opportunities for fans to be a part of the action-packed weekend can be found at www.talladegasuperspeedway.com.

The greatest race track in the world will host the Ag-Pro 300 for the NASCAR Xfinity Series and General Tire 200 for the ARCA Menards Series on Saturday, April 24 before the weekend culminates with the GEICO 500 for the NASCAR Cup Series on Sunday, April 25.

Saturday's (April 24) doubleheader starts with the General Tire 200 at 12:00 p.m. CT. The Ag-Pro 300 gets the green flag at 3:00 p.m. CT. Sunday's anchor event, the GEICO 500, is scheduled for a 1:00 p.m. CT start. Justin Haley won both of the track's NASCAR Xfinity Series races last year, including the fall Ag-Pro 300 while Ryan Blaney is the defending champion of the GEICO 500. Reigning ARCA Champion and local favorite, Bret Holmes from nearby Munford, goes for his Talladega Triumph in the General Tire 200.

Kids 12 and younger are admitted free (with a paying adult) to grandstands/towers on Saturday, while kids' tickets start at \$15.00 for Sunday grandstands/towers.

The reduced capacity is due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and continues in accordance with enhanced safety protocols and procedures to provide a safe environment for fans, competitors, employees and industry personnel. In addition to encouraging distancing throughout the venue, all guests will be screened before entering the facility at staggered entry times and will be required to wear face coverings. Multiple handwashing and hand-sanitizing stations will be placed throughout the operating areas and entrances and a "clean team" of staff, clearly identified for guests, will be cleaning or disinfecting at all times. To learn more about the spring NASCAR event

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weekend at Talladega Superspeedway and its safety protocols, visit www.talladegasuperspeedway.com/fan-guide/.

Fans are encouraged to keep up with all the happenings at the biggest, baddest race track on the planet by following Talladega Superspeedway on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.

Pocono Raceway

LONG POND, PA - Pocono Raceway has launched '50 Years of The Tricky Triangle' in celebration of the first race to take place on their 2.5-mile, triangular shaped track in 1971. This golden jubilee will include stories from motorsports' most significant figures, a podcast series, a blog series, a collaborative website where fans can contribute photos and a special, online 50th Collection merchandise shop.

"Our family has had the honor of operating this venue for one reason and one reason only, the fans," said Pocono Raceway CEO, Nick Igdalsky. "My grandparents shared a vision of where people could create lifelong memories here. Doc and Dr. Rose Mattioli dedicated their lives to ensuring everyone who visited felt at home and like family. We carry on their legacy today and look forward to seeing history come back to life through the lens of our beloved fans."

Fans, and any past attendee to Pocono Raceway, are encouraged to visit www.poconoraceway.com/50 to share their photos. The website will serve as the hub for the entire '50 Years of The Tricky Triangle' celebration and details a historic timeline. The timeline will be comprised of notable storylines and fan-submitted memories.

The fifth season of 'The Pocono Raceway Podcast' will launch this week and will feature a motorsport legend each week. Guests will include Mario Andretti, A.J. Foyt, Jeff Gordon and Richard Petty, among others, as well as fans. Additionally, these stories will be complimented with dedicated blog posts or videos. The special, online '50th Collection' merchandise shop will open later this week. The podcast, blog and merchandise shop will also be featured at www.poconoraceway.com/50 and updated reg-

ularly.

The 2021 NASCAR Doubleheader Weekend at Pocono Raceway will feature five races in three days, including two NASCAR Cup Series events taking place on back-to-back days. The jam-packed weekend starts with the General Tire #AnywheresPossible 200 ARCA Menards Series race on Friday, June 25th. A NASCAR Camping World Truck Series and the first of two NASCAR Cup Series races will be held on Saturday, June 26th. The weekend ends with the Pocono Green 225 Recycled by J.P. Mascaro & Sons NASCAR Xfinity Series race and a second NASCAR Cup Series races on Sunday, June 27th. For tickets and more information, visit www.poconoraceway.com.

Bristol Motor Speedway

BRISTOL, TN - Following the overwhelming response from fans, drivers and others throughout the motorsports world for the historic Food City Dirt Race weekend, NASCAR and track officials announced today that dirt will return to The Last Great Colosseum in 2022 as part of the NASCAR Cup Series schedule in the spring.

The 2021 Food City Dirt Race and Pinty's Truck Race on Dirt both sold out of their available socially-distanced grandstand seats; the NASCAR Cup Series race reached capacity more than two months before the race weekend. The Food City Dirt Race was the first race in the Cup Series to be held on dirt in more than 50 years.

"There has been so much buzz and excitement around the inaugural Food City Dirt Race weekend that with NASCAR's blessing, we are thrilled to announce that we will be bringing back dirt in 2022 as part of the NASCAR Cup Series spring schedule," said Jerry Caldwell, executive vice president and general manager of Bristol Motor Speedway. "The dirt experience is unlike any other for NASCAR fans and could become a must-see event every season."

Fans can purchase tickets for the spring 2022 Food City Dirt Race today online at www.bristolmotorspeedway.com. Exact race date and seat locations will be determined at a later date.

Texas Motor Speedway

AUSTIN, TX - Rev your engines! Beginning April 5, racecar fans and lottery players across Texas can make a pit stop at any Texas Lottery® retailer to pick up 50X Speedway Riches, the first Texas

Motor Speedway branded scratch ticket game from the Texas Lottery. The new \$5 ticket offers \$19.75 million in total cash prizes, including four \$50,000 top prizes in addition to non-cash second-chance prizes. The overall odds of winning an instant-win cash prize are one in 3.99, including break-even prizes.

"Since our partnership began in 2015, Texas Motor Speedway has proven to be an innovative and reliable partner in offering promotional opportunities to Texas Lottery players," said Gary Grief, executive director of the Texas Lottery. "We are thrilled to continue this partnership by issuing the first Texas Motor Speedway scratch ticket game, which includes a second-chance promotion with once-in-a-lifetime prizes that fans will love."

The Texas Motor Speedway Second-Chance Promotion provides players the chance to enter non-winning 50X Speedway Riches tickets into any of the four promotional second-chance drawings to be held throughout the run of the game. Each drawing will award one VIP Suite Experience package and 250 Texas Motor Speedway Merchandise Prize Packs. In a final, Special Drawing, one player will be selected from all entries received from the first four drawings – including those already selected to win Merchandise Prize Packs and VIP Suite Experiences – to win an Ultimate VIP Suite Experience package, which includes an exclusive suite for one winner and 15 guests, a 15-minute driver meet and greet, COLD passes to a race, and much more.

"The 50X Speedway Riches ticket from the Texas Lottery is a fantastic opportunity to help showcase and celebrate Texas Motor Speedway's 25 Seasons of Speed," said Texas Motor Speedway President and General Manager Eddie Gossage. "The April 5 launch takes place less than one month before our major event season opens with the May 1-2 Genesys 300 and XPEL 375 NTT INDYCAR SERIES

doubleheader and should be a huge success in time for the June 13 NASCAR All-Star Race. The Texas Lottery is so important to Texas education and veterans, so we're honored to partner with them to help continue their great efforts."

In fiscal year 2020, the Texas Lottery was proud to generate more than \$1.6 billion for the Foundation School Fund and \$22.2 million for the Fund for Veterans' Assistance, the highest contributions to Texas education and Texas

veterans since the dedication of such funds by the Texas Legislature.

Texas Motor Speedway's 25th Season of Speed in 2021 is showcased by the June 13 \$1 million NASCAR All-Star Race moving to No Limits, Texas. The Speedway's first NASCAR weekend of the season, which moves from its traditional late March date, will be a tripleheader weekend that also includes the June 12 NASCAR Xfinity Series Alsco Uniforms 250 and the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series SpeedyCash.com 220 later that evening. The Speedway's major event season actually takes the green flag May 1 with the NTT INDYCAR SERIES Genesys 300 and is immediately followed by the May 2 XPEL 375 to create the World's Fastest Doubleheader weekend. The NASCAR Playoffs weekend close out the year with the Oct. 16 NASCAR Xfinity Series Cowboy 300 that then leads into the Oct. 17 NASCAR Cup Series Autotrader EchoPark Automotive 500.

TICKETS: Tickets for Texas Motor Speedway's 2021 major event season, including the June 13 NASCAR All-Star Race, on sale now at <https://www.texasmotorspeedway.com/>.

MORE INFO: Keep track of all of Texas Motor Speedway's events by following on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Keep up with all the latest news and information on the Speedway website and TMS mobile app.

Talladega Superspeedway

TALLADEGA, AL - Friday's Talladega Superspeedway Track Drive, that will benefit victims of disasters like last week's tornadoes that ripped through the state of Alabama and other countless crises, raised over \$45,000.

Supporters from a host of states, including as far away as New Mexico, Texas, Michigan, Illinois and Pennsylvania made the trek to the greatest race track in the world to make two full exhilarating laps around the mammoth 2.66-mile venue in their personal vehicles for a minimal donation of \$50. Of course, many came from all parts of Alabama, as well as neighboring states' Georgia, Florida, Tennessee and Mississippi.

The proceeds will go to American Red Cross Alabama Disaster Relief through 'DEGA Gives, a donor advised fund of The NASCAR Foundation. Under chamber of commerce sunny skies,

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hundreds of street-legal cars and trucks made their way onto the steep, 33-degree banking from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. CDT.

"It was incredible to see the vehicles lined up all day long to drive laps around Talladega Superspeedway, and from so many states," said track President Brian Crichton. "But more importantly, the outpouring of support

from the community to help those affected by the recent tornado outbreak in our area, was amazing!

Talladega Superspeedway's motorsports tripleheader spring race weekend is just around the corner, set for April 24-25. It will feature the GEICO 500 on Sunday, April 25, and Saturday's (April 24) General Tire 200 for the ARCA Menards Series and Ag-Pro 300 at TALLADEGA for the NASCAR Xfinity Series. For more information, log onto www.talladegasuperspeedway.com.

Fans are encouraged to keep up with all the happenings at the biggest, baddest race track on the planet by following Talladega Superspeedway on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.

Nashville Superspeedway

LEBANON, TN - Nashville Superspeedway officials have announced that Ford will be the official pace car provider for its June 18-20 NASCAR tripleheader weekend, including the inaugural "Ally 400" NASCAR Cup Series race on Father's Day - Sunday, June 20.

The announcement was made during last week's Goodyear Tire Test at Nashville Superspeedway. Chase Briscoe, driver of the No. 14 Ford for Stewart-Haas Racing, was one of three NASCAR Cup Series stars to participate in the test.

"It's cool that they're on board here at Nashville and for them to start this track off as a Ford-branded track," said Briscoe, a contender for the 2021 NASCAR Cup Series Rookie of the Year honor. "It's cool whenever we go to a Ford track. The pace car is a Ford and there's Ford signage everywhere and it feels like you're more at home."

The June 18-20 NASCAR tripleheader weekend also includes the NASCAR Xfinity Series race on



Nashville Superspeedway President Erik Moses and Chase Briscoe, driver of the No. 14 Ford for Stewart-Haas Racing, stand with Nashville Superspeedway's official pace car, a Ford Mustang Shelby GT500, in Victory Lane during a recent Goodyear Tire Test. (Nashville Superspeedway photo)

Saturday, June 19 (2:30 p.m. CT, NBCSN) and the "Rackley Roofing 200" NASCAR Camping World Truck Series race on Friday, June 18 (7 p.m. CT, FS1).

"It's an honor to be linked with such an iconic company as Ford as we continue to build toward our June race weekend," said Nashville Superspeedway president Erik Moses. "Ford has a tremendous motorsports history and is a brand that connects with our fanbase here in Middle Tennessee. We can't wait to see a Ford lead America's best drivers to the green flag at Nashville Superspeedway on Father's Day weekend!"

Ford will also be the official pace car provider at Nashville Superspeedway's sister track Dover (Del.) International Speedway. Ford earned its 17th NASCAR Cup Series manufacturer championship, and second in the last three seasons, after winning 18 races in 2020 while Austin Cindric captured the regular season and playoff championship in the NASCAR Xfinity Series.

"It's great to have Nashville Superspeedway back in NASCAR and we're excited to serve as its official pace car," said Jeanne Kirkaldy, Ford Performance's motorsports marketing manager. "We have a wonderful partnership with Dover Motorsports and we're ready to continue to play an integral role in their race weekends at Nashville and Dover. We have several exciting new vehicles in our Ford lineup and we're looking forward to showcasing them at the track."

Tickets are still available for the NASCAR Xfinity Series race on Saturday, June 19 and the "Rackley Roofing 200" NASCAR Camping World Truck Series race on

Friday, June 18. Call 866-RACE-TIX for more information.

Keep track of Nashville Superspeedway's latest news and updates at NashvilleSuperSpeedway.com via social media at Facebook.com/NashvilleSuperspeedway, on Twitter at @nashville-supers and Instagram @nashville-superspeedway.

For questions about media relations, employment, or other inquiries, please email info@nashvillesuperspeedway.com.

Charlotte Motor Speedway

CONCORD, NC - More than a year after The Speedway Club closed its doors amid the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the members-only fine dining and banquet space at Charlotte Motor Speedway is set to reopen its restaurant this weekend with limited hours and new social distancing protocols.

Opening weekend will feature a sold-out Easter Sunday brunch as well as dinner service Thursday through Saturday nights. Reservations are required and guests are encouraged to call early to claim a table.

"We are thrilled to welcome our members back for dinner service and special events as we reopen the restaurant and begin looking ahead to May and the Coca-Cola 600 weekend," said George Kail, general manager of The Speedway Club. "As we reopen, our guests will notice a few new protocols in regard to social distancing, but one thing that hasn't changed is the quality of our food service and our unwavering commitment to providing a world-class dining experience."

Dinner service will be available by reservation Thursday through Saturday nights between the hours of 5:30 and 9:00 p.m. To accommodate social distancing guidelines set forth by the CDC, seating will be limited to no more than 50 percent of the restaurant's capacity. Patrons will be required to wear a mask while not actively eating and drinking. Hand sanitizing stations will be set up throughout the dining room and the restaurant will use disposable menus to further limit person-to-person contact.

With the reopening, guests will enjoy a new menu, with a bevy of mouth-watering options like chicken and waffles, pasta pomodoro and signature steaks and burgers. In addition, the chef will prepare a daily special. The children's menu is highlighted by favorites including chicken tenders, macaroni and cheese and spaghetti. For special events, including the Easter or Mother's Day brunches or throughout the Coca-Cola 600 race weekend, The Speedway Club will create specialty menus.

Anyone with questions about banquet space or information should inquire with Susan McEntire at smcentire@charlottemotorspeedway.com or 704-454-4752.

STAY CONNECTED: Keep track of all of all the latest news and activities from the Speedway Club by following @TheSpeedwayClub on Twitter or visiting www.gospeedwayclub.com.

Carteret County Speedway

PELETIER, NC - Opening Day at Bobby Watson's Carteret County Speedway was one for the history books with the closest recorded finish in speedway history in one feature and a military sweep of the top two positions in another.

Curtis Lanier's surge past Steve Sullivan on the last lap of the first of two U-CAR features propelled him to his first win at the speedway, just weeks removed from a win at Coastal Plains Raceway Park in Jacksonville. While Sullivan was the dominant driver, Lanier would go on to lead only one lap – the money lap.

The finish was so close at a .004 margin of victory that Lanier did not know he had won when they took the checkered flag.

"I didn't know, I really didn't know," Lanier said in victory lane. "I pushed as hard as I could. Steve had a little issue there. We ran hard on the outside and made it happen so that was good, really good. I ran up a half a groove a lap or two before and it seemed to hold for me so I stuck it on the outside and said 'hold on.'"

The victory for Lanier was his third overall in a U-CAR and his first at Carteret County. He had wins prior at Southern National Motorsports Park and Coastal Plains Raceway Park.

While Sullivan settled for second, by inches, he would go on to win later in the afternoon over Lanier in the second act of a U-CAR Double Feature.

"This car is like a rocket man," Sullivan said. "It's on a rail. I wasn't trying to take anything away from Curtis and them, those guys have been working on their cars religiously and they've really found a good spot with that car. I'm glad that we're racing that close together. It was a good time."

Abby Jolly had her best effort to date, finishing third in both features over her younger brother Dustin.

Military excellence

United States Marines Zac Reimer and Neil Mason stole the show in the Battlefield Tire Pros Mini Stock feature, sweeping the top-two spots in front of an enthusiastic and patriotic crowd.

Reimer picked up the victory after an engaging duel with Travis



Curtis Lanier (2, outside) edges out Steve Sullivan (58, inside) in the closest finish in Carteret County Speedway. (ERIC CREEL photo)

Miller in the early laps of the race before Miller was sidelined with mechanical issues. Following Miller's retirement from the race, Reimer drove away from the field in dominant fashion to score the win while Neil Mason made a late race pass on Andrew Jackson to move to the runner-up spot.

"Neil, Andrew, they came up from U-CAR not too long ago, I've helped them out, they've helped me out and I honestly can't complain," Reimer said. "Two months ago, this car was destroyed in Dillon (South Carolina) and it took a lot of work to get back to where it was and we're just going to keep making it better."

Mason took his runner-up finish in stride and, like Reimer, thanked the fans for their support and talked about the comradery amongst Carteret County Speedway's competitors.

"My goodness, [Reimer and Miller] were fast man," Mason said. "Every single person on this frontstretch has been in my garage helping me work on this car, competitors, so I appreciate all the hard work to them too and my team. There's nothing cooler than looking up in the stands and seeing all this. It's local short track racing but, as a kid, I dream about racing in front of fans and being up there looking down on the track wondering what it would be like. I have my little boy here and my family and everything. It's pretty cool and the support of everybody out here. I'm glad the fans are back, it's awesome."

Reimer reiterated what Mason said.

"When the American people support the military, that's the biggest thing for us because there are some out there that don't," Reimer stated. "I appreciate every single one of you and God bless."

Fryar goes wire-to-wire

Defending Solid Rock Carriers CARS Tour champion Jared Fryar reigned supreme in the opening round of Carteret County Speedway's Fast Five Late Model Series, leading every single lap of the 100-lap Late Model race.

While Fryar made it look easy at times, he had to hold off some tough challenges from Zach Lightfoot at the initial start of the race and after the lone competition caution that took place at halfway. The win was his first at Carteret County Speedway in only his third start at a track he enjoys due to its challenging nature.

"It was awesome," Fryar said. "Car was on rails. We struggled a little bit last year, which was the first time I'd been here. I ran two races and learned a ton and came back and applied everything we learned off those two races and put it into one here and it showed today. I just can't thank everybody behind me enough. To compete for wins is awesome and it feels so good to get a win here and get my name on the wall."

The wall Fryar mentions is the wall on the frontstretch at Carteret County Speedway which lists the name of every Late Model race winner at the track as well as the names of the defending division champions – something that has grown to mean a lot to racers who have competed at the Crystal

Coast gem.

Fryar also used the race to gain some valuable track time prior to the CARS Tour's \$30,000-to-win Old North State Nationals at Orange County Speedway in Rougemont, North Carolina later this month.

"This is a different animal," Fryar said of the track. "It's different than anywhere we go to. I'm just happy we put it into one and can sit on pole and win the race, feels good. I know we needed this. It will be big momentum going into the [Old North State Nationals] in a couple of week."

Virginia racer Zach Lightfoot finished in the runner-up spot in his second Late Model start at Carteret County Speedway.

"We had a pretty good race," Lightfoot said. "We just rode a little bit the first half, let [Fryar] do his thing and then, the second half, our car started fading. He had a real good car, congratulations to that whole team."

Lightfoot also said his intentions are, as of now, to compete for the track championship at Carteret County Speedway as well as run in all five rounds of the Solid Rock Carriers Fast Five Late Model Series.

Tim Allensworth finished in the third position while Brandon Clements and T.J. Barron rounded out the top-five.

Other winners: Andrew Warner (Bomber), Josh Eubanks (Champ Kart), and Adam Mattice (Jr. Mini Cup).

The next race at Bobby Watson's Carteret County Speedway will be the Spring Showdown on Saturday, April 17th at 3pm.

Hickory Motor Speedway

NEWTON, NC - The NASCAR Advance Auto Parts Weekly Series returned to action at America's Most Famous Short Track, Hickory Motor Speedway, this Saturday night with an amazing schedule of action.

First up would be the Heritage Finance Late Models and the first of their twin 25 lap features. Josh Kossek in the #44 would start from the pole position with Gage Painter in the # 5 to his outside. Row two would see Regina Sirvent in the #10 and Lavar Scott in the #34 side by side for the start. Kossek would move to the early lead with Painter on his bumper in second. Zack Clifton in the #81 would move to fourth giving chase to Scott in third. As Kossek and Painter would dual

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for the top spot, Scott would start reeling in the leaders. Lap 21 would see business pick up at the front of the pack as Painter would look inside Kossek for the lead. Kossek would hold the spot as Scott would make a move on Painter for second position. Kossek would drive on to take the win, his second in his rookie Heritage Finance Late model season.

Painter would take 2nd by a nose over Scott who would finish 3rd. Clifton would take 4th and Sirvent would finish 5th.

The Paramount Auto Group Limited Late Models would roll off next for 50 laps in Round 2 of the Paramount Auto Group 'BIG 10' Racing Challenge. Bryson Ruff in the #24 would start from the top spot with Katie Hettinger in the #71 to his outside. Max Price in the #22 and Mason Maggio in the #12 would make up row two for the start. Ruff would move to the point with Hettinger close behind.

The #00 of Andy Holt would spin and come to a stop in turn two bringing out the caution. The restart would see Hettinger and Ruff pacing the field back to the green flag. Hettinger would pull to the lead as Ruff would have struggle on the restart. Price, Maggio, and Josh Stark in the #32 would all move around Ruff for position.

The caution would fly on lap 3 as Devon Haun in the #39 and Akinori Ogata in the #14 would spin in turn two. The restart would see Hettinger and Price leading the field back to the green flag. Hettinger would move quickly to the top spot as Stark would follow and move to second around Price. The caution would fly on lap 4 as contact would send Holt hard into the inside wall.

The restart would see Hettinger and Stark pacing the field back to the green flag. Hettinger would pull back to the lead as Stark and Price would do battle for second. Lap 10 would see the caution fly as Stark and Price would make just enough contact to send both cars in a synchronized spin. Fortunately, no one else was collected in the incident and both cars were able to continue. Hettinger and Maggio would bring the field to the green flag. Hettinger would nose slightly ahead with Maggio giving pressure. Lap 12 would see the caution fly as



Josh Kossek took the win in the first of the two 25-lap features for the Late Models at Hickory Speedway. (SHERRI STEARNS photo)

contact between the lead duo would send Hettinger spinning and collecting Maggio and Ruff.

Mark Johnson in the #13 and Dennis Trivette in the #28 would lead the field back to the green flag. Johnson would move to the top spot with Trivette giving chase. The caution would fly on lap 14 with a spin in turn two. Johnson and Trivette would line it up again on the front row for another restart. Johnson would nose into the lead with Trivette giving close chase. Trivette would look under Johnson for the top spot but have to drop back to second.

The battle would heat up once again for the top spot as Trivette and Johnson would go door to door for the lead. Lap 40 would see the caution fly as Stark and Price would get together once again and move into the outside wall. Johnson and Trivette would lead the field back to the green flag. The lead duo would put on an awesome display of driving over final laps as they would stay side by side and see Maggio dive into the fray in an epic three wide battle to the checkers. Johnson would take the win by a nose. Trivette would have to settle for 2nd with Maggio taking 3rd. Cameron Clifford in the #26 would finish 4th and Devon Haun in the #39 would take 5th.

Rolling off next would be the ground pounding Carolina Crate Modifieds for their 31 lap feature. Rich Klimarchuk in the #75 would start from the point with Cody Norman in the #12 to his outside. The cars of Junior Snow in the #51 and Dean Lowder in the #63 would roll off from row two. Snow would take the early lead with Kevin Orlando in the #99 quickly moving to second. Orlando would look to make it two in a row at America's Most Famous Short Track as he would put con-

stant pressure on Snow for lead. Snow would put down consistently fast laps and maintain the top spot. Snow would drive on to take the win. Orlando would finish 2nd with Lowder taking 3rd. Norman would grab 4th and Klimarchuk would finish 5th.

The Super Trucks would make their 2021 Hickory Motor Speedway debut with a 35 lap feature. Allen Huffman in the #51 would start from the top spot with Travis Baity in the #70 to his outside. Jacob Weidman in the #77 and Robert Tyler in the #88 would go side by side from row two. Huffman would pull to the lead and bring Tyler with him to second. Charlie Watson in the #9 and Tanner along in the #45 would move to third and fourth. Lap 10 would see the #6 of Ricky Dennie move to fourth around Long. Watson would move around Tyler to take second on lap 15. Lap 19 would see the caution fly as the #51 of Nathan Byrd would spin in turn one. Huffman and Watson would lead the field back to the green flag.

After a couple of laps side by side Huffman would move to the lead. Lap 25 would see Watson move around Huffman to the lead. Lap 26 would see the caution fly as Baity would spin on the backstretch. Watson and Huffman would lead the field back to the green flag. Watson would move to the lead as a multi-car incident on the backstretch would collect Tyler, Byrd, Long, and Baity. The restart would see Watson and Huffman pacing the field to the green. Watson would pull back to the front and bring Weidman with him to second. Watson would drive on to take the win. Weidman would finish 2nd and Huffman taking 3rd. Dennie would grab 4th with Baity taking 5th.

Next up would see a great field

of cars in the Carolina Pro Late Model Series for 75 action packed laps. Leland Honeyman Jr. in the #4 would start from the point with Toby Grynewicz in the #48 to his outside. Row two would see Sawalich in the #43s and Katie Hettinger doing double duty in the #71 for the green flag. Honeyman would pull to the lead with Grynewicz close behind. Lap 20 would see Nick Loden in the #43 drive up to second and pressure Honeyman for the top spot. Sawalich and Grynewicz would join the battle for the top spot with Honeyman and Loden as they would begin lapping cars in the extended green flag run. Lap 43 would see the #118 of Landon Devaughn spin on the front stretch and bring out the caution.

Honeyman and Loden would bring the field back to the green flag. Loden would nose ahead into the lead with Honeyman close in tow. The caution would fly on lap 50 and bunch the field once more. Loden and Honeyman would lead the field back to the green. Loden would pull back to the lead with Honeyman in second. Lap 54 would see the caution fly as the #2 of Amber Lynn would spin on the front stretch. Loden and Honeyman would bring the field back to the green. The caution would fly on lap 68 as the #21 of Tommy Neal would spin on the backstretch. Loden and Honeyman would bring the field back to the restart.

The restart would see Loden and Honeyman at the front of the field. Honeyman would make the pass to move to the front as the caution would fly when the #1x of Logan Boyer would crash hard into the turn one wall. Honeyman and Loden would bring the field back to the green flag. Loden would move to the lead with Honeyman in second. Loden would drive on to take the win. Honeyman would finish 2nd with Caden Kvapil in the #35 finishing 3rd. Grynewicz would finish 4th and Lynn would bounce back from an early spin to take 5th.

As the Heritage Finance Street Stocks would take to the track the skies would open up and see a round of heavy rain. Efforts to dry the track would be in vain as the asphalt surface couldn't be prepared after the rain to be safely raced on. The remaining features were called and rescheduled as twins on their corresponding nights.

In one week the NAAPWS will return to action with a full slate of racing action.

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Kingsport Speedway

KINGSPORT, TN - The weather continues to play havoc with the local racing schedule.

Kingsport Speedway canceled a scheduled season-opening race for a second time due to Friday's forecast of cold weather. The season opener for the NASCAR Advance Auto Weekly Racing Series is now scheduled for Friday, April 16.

The decision to cancel is twofold. Obviously, the cold weather hurts fan attendance for the track. From the teams' perspective, the race car engines are water-cooled instead of using antifreeze, so running them at cold temperatures greatly increases the likelihood of damage.

"We have been working very hard and it is very disappointing to us as we work all winter and we are very excited to see everyone come race season, but mother nature is going to win this week," said Karen Tunnell, GM and Promoter.

"We have to take care of our drivers and fans alike. We will have plenty of warm days ahead and can kick off the season in the right way."

For the April 16 opener, there will be six races on the 3/8-mile concrete oval with a 60-lap feature for the Late Model Stock class headlining the night's action. Other classes include: Sportsman, V6, Mod 4, Pure 4 and Pure Street classes.

Kingsport Speedway plans to race two times in April, skipping nights when the World of Outlaws Late Models and World of Outlaws Sprint Cars are at Bristol Motor Speedway.

Racing at the Kingsport Miniway is still on tap for Saturday. Pit passes for the Bunny Bash Money Race are \$20 with a \$500-to-win race for the Pro Sr. Champ karts. Other classes include Sr. Champ, Jr. Sportsman Champ and Rookie Champ. Gates open at 10 a.m. with practice at 11 a.m. and racing to start at 1 p.m.

For more information on Kingsport Speedway, visit our website at www.kingsportspeedway.com. Fresh content and updates can also be found on the tracks

Facebook page (@Kingsport-Speedway), Twitter (@KpSpeedway), Instagram (@Kingsport Speedway), Snapchat (@Kpt-Speedway), and YouTube (@KingsportSpeedway).

Selinsgrove Speedway

SELINGROVE, PA - The powerful and popular super late models will make their first appearance of the season at Selinsgrove Speedway in an event sanctioned by the Zimmer's Service Center United Late Model Series (ULMS) at 6 p.m. Saturday, April 10.

The super late models will compete in a 30-lap A-main paying \$3,000 to win and \$300 to start out of the \$15,000 purse! Time trials and heat races will be the qualifying format.

Joining the super late models on the racing card will be the Apache Tree Service PASS/IMCA 305 sprint cars in a 20-lap feature and A&A Auto Stores roadrunners in a 12-lap race on Performance Food Group Night.

April 10 will mark the first competition laps of the season at Selinsgrove for all three divisions. Additional contingencies have been put in place for the 305 sprint cars. The 305 sprint car B-mains will pay \$150 to win, \$125 for second, and \$100 for non-qualifiers. Drivers who start the B-main(s) will have an opportunity to win a new racing tire, to be drawn by the winner of the B-main(s).

In the Jeff's Auto Body & Recycling Center super late models, Jeff Rine of Danville clinched his 13th career Selinsgrove track title last year. The late model division produced five different winners in the abbreviated seven-race season.

The Apache Tree Service 305 sprint cars had four different feature winners in six races last year, with Garrett Bard of Wells Tannery scoring the championship. The A&A Auto Stores roadrunners had four different winners in nine races, four of which were won by two-time defending champion Jake Jones of Hunlock Creek.

Performance Food Group (PFG), which recently acquired Reinhart Food Service in Coal Township, one of the speedway's largest vendors, will be the title sponsor of the April 10 show. PFG, headquartered in Virginia, delivers more than 200,000 products to more than 125,000 customers in the foodservice industry across the United States. For more information, visit performancefoodservice.com.

Selinsgrove Speedway will pres-

ent the Icon Legacy Custom Modular Homes Ray Tilley Classic for 410 sprint cars at 6 p.m. Sunday, April 25, along with the super late models. The annual tribute race honoring the late Tilley of Pine Grove, the speedway's all-time sprint car winner and four-time champion, will be the first race of the season for the Lelands.com 410 sprint cars.

SELINGROVE SPEEDWAY: A Motorsports Tradition for Generations

Selinsgrove Speedway's grand motorsports tradition began July 20, 1946, when Bill Holland of Philadelphia won the first race. Since that historic day, Holland went on to win the 1949 Indy 500, and many of motorsports most famous drivers have turned laps at the iconic half-mile dirt track designed by legendary Hollywood stuntman and race car driver Joie Chitwood. The speedway, celebrating its momentous 75th anniversary in 2021, will continue its legacy of rip-roaring open wheel and stock car racing this season and for future generations!

For a complete schedule, the latest news, results, and race status, visit selingsgrovespeedway.com or follow the track on Twitter and Facebook. The speedway office can be reached at 570.374.2266.

South Boston Speedway

SOUTH BOSTON, VA - Ryan Preece held off Chuck Hossfeld and Burt Myers in a seven-lap dash to the finish to win Saturday's 99-lap SMART Modified Tour race at South Boston Speedway.

The race was one of the headline events of Saturday's Pocono Organics' CBD Day At The Races at South Boston Speedway.

Preece, from Berlin Connecticut, got the advantage on the last restart and pulled away from his challengers, crossing the finish line .473 second ahead of Hossfeld to earn his second Modified win of the season in his fifth start. The win was Preece's second Modified victory at South Boston Speedway. His previous win at South Boston Speedway came in 2015.

"We had a really good racecar," Preece pointed out.

"This is probably the best this car has ever been. It wasn't easy. The 17 (Hossfeld) was real fast. Burt was real fast. There were a lot of cars that I ended up having to race throughout the race. We made the right adjustments on the pit stop. We were able to get the lead and control it from there out."

Burt Myers finished third, Dennis Holdren of Roanoke, Virginia finished fourth and Jason Myers of Walnut Cove, North Carolina rounded out the top five finishers. Zach Brewer, Jimmy Wallace, J.R. Bertuccio, James Civali and John Smith rounded out the Top 10.

Preece who drives the No. 37 JTG-Daugherty entry in the NASCAR Cup Series, led all but eight laps of the 99-lap race that was slowed by nine caution flags and one red flag. He led the first 49 laps, passed Hossfeld for the top spot on lap 58, and led the rest of the race.

NASCAR Hall Of Famer Bobby Labonte finished 17th in the 23-car field after being sidelined in one of the many mishaps in the race.

SMART Modified Tour driver Tim Brown was injured in an incident that occurred near the mid-point of the race. South Boston Speedway sent out a separate update on

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Trey Crews of South Boston, Virginia celebrates in Victory Lane after winning the 100-lap NASCAR Advance Auto Parts Weekly Series Late Model Stock Car Division that shared the spotlight in Saturday's Pocono Organics' CBD Day At The Races at South Boston Speedway. (SBS photo)

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Brown.

Crews Captures Win In 100-Lap NASCAR Late Model Stock Car Division Race

Trey Crews could not have had a better start to his 2021 racing season.

The South Boston, Virginia resident took the lead from teenager Jacob Borst of Elon, North Carolina on lap 31 and fended off multiple challenges from

Borst to take the win in the 100-lap NASCAR Advance Auto Parts Weekly Series Late Model Stock Car Division that shared the spotlight in Saturday's Pocono Organics' CBD Day At The Races.

"I knew we were going to be good here after our rookie year (in 2019)," Crews said.

"Unfortunately, we weren't able to race here last year due to COVID. We knew we were going to be competitive, and that's what we were. It's a great feeling."

Borst, who won the pole and led the first 30 laps of the race, challenged Crews multiple times over the final 30 laps of the race but couldn't make the pass for the win.

Peyton Sellers of Danville, Virginia, who swept South Boston Speedway's season-opening twin-bill, finished third with Chris Denny of Timberlake, North Carolina and Blake Stallings of Danville, Virginia rounding out the top five finishers.

Stuart Crews, Eddie Johnson, Colin Garrett, Carter Langley and Chris Elliott completed the Top 10.

Nathan Crews Wins 15-Lap Budweiser Pure Stock Division Race

Nathan Crews of Long Island, Virginia scored his second straight win in the Budweiser Pure Stock Division Saturday, going flag-to-flag in the 15-lap race.

Justin Dawson of Nathalie, Virginia finished second, 5.637 seconds behind Crews with Bruce Mayo of Halifax, Virginia, Johnny Layne of Halifax, Virginia and Jared Dawson of Nathalie, Virginia rounding out the top five finishers.

Josh Dawson Takes Win In 15-lap Budweiser Hornets Division Race

Josh Dawson of Halifax, Virginia took the lead from Jared Dawson of Nathalie, Virginia with five laps to go to take the win in the 15-lap Budweiser Hornets Division race.

The race marked the second

straight event in which the Dawsons took home a 1-2 finish.

Kevin Currin of Chase City, Virginia, Dillon Davis, and Andrea Ruotolo completed the top five finishers.

The race featured three lead changes among four drivers.

Next Race At South Boston Speedway

Racing action returns to South Boston Speedway on Saturday, April 17 with the 2 p.m. running the of the NASCAR Late Model Twin 75s racing program.

The six-race card will be headlined by twin 75-lap races for the NASCAR Advance Auto Parts Weekly Series Late Model Stock Car Division. A 50-lap Limited Sportsman Division race, a 30-lap race for the Budweiser Pure Stock Division and a 15-lap race for the Budweiser Hornets Division are also included. In addition, there will be a 25-lap race for the regional touring Southern Ground Pounders series.

The latest news and updates about South Boston Speedway and its racing events can be found on the new South Boston Speedway website at www.southboston-speedway.com and on the speedway's social media channels. Fans can also subscribe for e-mail updates on the speedway's website.

South Boston Speedway

SOUTH BOSTON, VA - During an incident in today's SMART Modified Tour event, driver Tim Brown was injured and was extricated from his vehicle. He was alert at the time and is now being treated at a local hospital – he remains alert, in good condition and all injuries are non-life-threatening.

Stafford Motor Speedway

STAFFORD SPRINGS, CT - Like many racers at all levels of racing, Stafford Speedway Street Stock competitor Marvin Minkler always had a dream to one day become a racecar driver. Where Minkler differs from many racers of today was the path he took. As a child, Minkler attended races at Danbury Arena and had plans on racing there but the track's closure put his dream on a back burner. The racing dream was further put on hold as Minkler's life took some turns serving in the Army as part of the 3rd Infantry, "The Old Guard" stationed in Washington D.C. and beating cancer in 2013. What led him back to racing was a surprise gift from the youth hockey team he coached, a night behind the wheel



Although he was late to the racing game, Marvin Minkler has a passion for racing and will continue in the Street Stock Division again in 2021. (SMS photo)

of one of Gary Spinnato, Jr. and Paul Varricchio, Jr.'s Rent A Racecar machines in Stafford's Street Stock division in 2017.

"I used to go to Danbury with my grandfather every Saturday and my cousin Bob Furano raced there," said Minkler. "The thought process was when I was old enough I was going to get in the car and go driving, so that was always my childhood dream. Once Danbury closed down, that dream kind of died but my love for racing never stopped. I went to races all the time and when I was in the military, I was always dragging guys to Manassas Speedway in Virginia. In 2013 I was going to go racing but I was diagnosed with cancer. Every day when I would go for radiation and chemotherapy it was in the back of my mind that I was going to try to race once I got better. One year the hockey team that I coached got me a ride with Rent A Racecar as an end of season gift. I ran that one race and I wanted to race again."

Minkler finished his first race 14th out of 16 cars, but despite that the racing bug had set in and Minkler was determined to continue on. He followed up his first outing in 2017 with three more starts in Rent A Racecar machines in 2018, including his very first top-10 finish. Then the 2019 season found Minkler bringing his dream to fruition.

"After racing with Rent A Racecar a couple of times, I was talking with Paul and Gary about getting a car and Greg DeMone was selling his car," said Minkler. "I purchased his car and we put the car together in about 8 weeks and after that I was off to the races in 2019. I knew how to change the oil or change the tires on the car, but I knew nothing about building a racecar. Paul,

Gary, and Butch from Rent A Racecar were all great helping me out putting the car together and I've learned a lot from them."

Now that Minkler has achieved his dream of getting behind the wheel of a racecar, he has no plans to stop racing any time soon.

"I think Red Farmer is about 90 now and he's still racing so I'm going to keep on racing until I can't anymore," said Minkler. "I enjoy going to the shop and learning things about the car and that has been just as equally rewarding for me as the driving part. I teach skating and I can help kids become better skaters but I can't teach them balance. I understand where to hit the brakes and where to get back on the gas but I'm still learning the balance between that. I'm envious of the young kids who come in having already started racing go karts at 5 years old because that's the equivalent of me teaching a 5 year old how to skate."

After a 2020 season that was plagued by mechanical issues for Minkler and his #71 car, he is aiming to be a consistent presence in the top-10 during the 2021 season.

"Hopefully we've fixed all the problems we had last year," said Minkler. "Last year was all mechanical issues for us. In 2019 we didn't have one DNF so I came into 2020 with some confidence. The very first practice I broke something on the car and we ended up chasing that gremlin for the next 8 weeks. I think we went through 3 driveshafts and a transmission so I didn't get the laps I was looking for and that was frustrating. Hopefully we've got everything fixed and I'd like to be a top-10 car on a consistent basis this season, which I think we can get done. Once we can

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achieve some top-10 finishes, we'll start to look at getting into the top-5. I don't want to jump too far ahead and be unrealistic and have delusions of grandeur."

In addition to getting his car fixed up for the 2021 season, Minkler will also welcome a new sponsor, Riko's Pizza of Stamford, CT. The new sponsor-driver combination will allow any fans who

can't get to the track in person to watch Minkler and Stafford's other 4 weekly divisions race every Friday at any Riko's Pizza location.

"Riko's Pizza came on board with us this season and they're a small town pizzeria that has grown and branched out with some franchises in Florida," said Minkler. "They've been great to work with so far and they're working with Flo-Racing to be able to show the Stafford live stream at all their locations every Friday night. They're pretty aggressive with their marketing so we might have some tee-shirts and hats to give away during the season. We also have Platoon22.org on the car, which is a charity that works with veterans. I encourage everyone to support their veterans

and being a veteran myself, that's something that is near and dear to my heart."

Despite his late start into racing at age 49 and still going strong this season at age 53, Minkler says that if you have a dream to go racing, it's all about taking that first step to go ahead and make that dream become a reality.

"You can't get any better in life by sitting on the couch," said Minkler. "It can be the biggest thing or the smallest thing but the greatest journeys in life always start with the first step. I would say the first step would be to see Gary and Paul at Rent A Racecar and see what you think about going racing. If you have an itch to do something then you have to scratch that itch."

Minkler will kick off his 2021 season on Saturday, April 24 as part of NAPA Opening Day. General Admission tickets for the April 24 NAPA Auto Parts Opening Day are now available online at StaffordSpeedway.com/tickets. Stafford Speedway remains under reduced capacity per order of the State of CT due to Covid-19 restrictions. Fans are encouraged to purchase tickets as soon as possible to ensure a ticket to the event. Paddock passes will become available online two weeks prior to the event.

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track office at 860-684-2783.

Stafford Motor Speedway

STAFFORD SPRINGS, CT - When the Limited Late Model field takes to the track at Stafford Speedway in 3 weeks, 23 year old Matt Scappini will kick off his first season of weekly competition at the Connecticut half-mile facility. The Litchfield, CT native has a limited racing background having raced snowmobiles and go karts, but the 2021 season will mark his first time behind the wheel of a full sized racecar. Scappini and his family purchased the former #43 car that Andrew Durand drove to the track championship last season and have transformed it into the #10 JRC Transportation Chevrolet that Scappini hopes will help carry him to Rookie of the Year honors.

"I'm super excited," said Scappini. "It's a cool new opportunity for me and it gives me a chance to show what I can do and have some fun. There's a little bit of nerves, but I'm very excited. My end goal for this season is to win Rookie of the Year. For the first couple of races, I'd like to get a feel for the car, see what it can do, and see where I'm at. After that I can reassess my goals but I want to get comfortable in the car and make smart decisions on the track and bring the car back in one piece. The first couple weeks are going to be very important for me to gauge

where I'm at and see where I need to improve. Also I have to learn the experience of being a driver at Stafford versus being a spectator."

Scappini has been busy in the off-season preparing for his rookie campaign by watching YouTube videos as well as making as many virtual laps around Stafford as he can in the world of iRacing. Scappini has also been soliciting advice from both Durand as well as Joe Hamm.

"I've watched every possible YouTube video that I can and I've been doing a little iRacing to get used to the track," said Scappini. "I've been to Stafford to watch the races and I've been studying for months now. I've also been talking with Andrew Durand and Joe Hamm and they've been nothing but helpful throughout this entire process. Without them I don't know where we'd be with the car. Joe is like a racecar wizard and any questions or issues that we've run into both Andrew and Joe have been very helpful."

With no prior experience to help ease his learning curve for the 2021 season, Scappini has his focus squarely on winning Rookie of the Year rather than thinking about points or being a championship contender.

"At this point I haven't really thought about points," said Scappini. "Being a rookie driver, I'm not

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Rookie Matt Scappini is looking forward to racing at Stafford Motor Speedway in the Late Model Division. (SMS photo)

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even considering racing for the championship, I'm more focused on getting experience and winning the Rookie of the Year."

That being said, it hasn't stopped Scappini from dreaming about putting his #10 JRC Transportation Chevrolet in NAPA Victory Lane during his rookie season.

"Winning a race is a thought that's been in my head," said Scappini. "I'm not going to lie, I've dreamed about winning a race a couple of times already and it would certainly be amazing if we can get a win this year. The equipment is good so it's all going to come down to me. I have to thank my father for helping me out and putting this deal together, Andrew Durand and Joe Hamm for all their help, and JRC Transportation and Ray Capella for sponsoring us, and Joseph Freedman for sponsoring us. Those are the key pieces for our team and we've been able to do a lot."

The 2021 Limited Late Model season kicks off on Saturday, April 24 as part of NAPA Auto Parts Opening Day festivities. Feature action at Stafford continues on Sunday, April 25 with the 49th Annual NAPA Spring Sizzler featuring the Whelen Modified Tour. General Admission tickets for the April 24 NAPA Auto Parts Opening Day are now available online at [Stafford-Speedway.com/tickets](https://www.staffordspeedway.com/tickets). Tickets for the April 25 NAPA Spring Sizzler have sold to capacity limits but fans can sign up for ticket alerts if more tickets should become available at <https://bit.ly/39fOoTY>. Stafford Speedway remains under reduced capacity per order of the State of CT due to Covid-19 restrictions. Fans are encouraged to purchase tickets as soon as possible to ensure a ticket to the event. Paddock passes will become available online two weeks prior to the event.

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Stafford Motor Speedway

STAFFORD SPRINGS, CT - NAPA Auto Parts has become synonymous with Stafford Motor Speedway and short track racing since the partnership began in

2014 at the 43rd annual Spring Sizzler®. NAPA and Stafford will continue the relationship for many years to come with an announcement of a partnership extension through 2026.

NAPA Auto Parts is the Official Auto Parts Store of Stafford Motor Speedway and sponsor of multiple events including NAPA Auto Parts Opening Day, NAPA Auto Parts Spring Sizzler®, NAPA Auto Parts SK 5K, NAPA Auto Parts Fall Final, and NAPA Auto Parts Championship Night. The SK Modified® and Late Model Rookie of the Year awards are also a key element of the NAPA program.

"NAPA Connecticut is proud to sign a new multi-year extension with the greatest short track in all of New England," explained NAPA Connecticut General Manager Domenic Greco. "The entire NAPA Family is looking forward to the upcoming season at Stafford and the continued support from our customers and race fans."

The Stafford Speedway calendar is highlighted by marquee events such as the NAPA Spring Sizzler®, which is one of the longest running Modified events in the country and will be contested for the 49th time in 2021 on Sunday, April 25th. The NAPA Auto Parts SK 5K has also become one of the biggest events of the summer racing season serving as the annual showcase for Stafford's extremely competitive SK Modified® division. New for 2021 the season will kick off with NAPA Auto Parts Opening day on Saturday, April 24th, which will feature the debut of the Granite State Pro Stock Series.

"NAPA Auto Parts is a key component in what we do at Stafford Speedway, and they are strong supporters of short track racing," explained Stafford Speedway CEO Mark Arute. "Auto racing and NAPA Auto Parts makes for a great partnership. We can't thank them enough for their support and we are very excited to announce the multi-year extension. We look forward to many more years of bringing race fans first class short track racing presented by NAPA Auto Parts."

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Wake County Speedway

RALEIGH, NC - The 2021 Nascar Advance Auto Parts Racing Series kicked off Friday night at Wake County Speedway with the Accent Imaging 160. Opening night winners included Zachary Marks in Late Model, Dennis "The Dominator" Capps in Pro- 4 Mods, A.J. Sanders in Mini- Stock, Action Jackson in Bombers, Kaleb Bradley in Bandos and Landon Rapp in Legends. A huge field of cars greeted fans with Bando and Legends leading the car counts. Kaleb Bradley from Chapel Hill set quick time and won the Bando feature holding off Hunter Morgan to grab the win. Bradley thanked the fans, his friends and RedHead Racing from victory lane.

The Legend feature was stacked with talent from up and down the eastcoast. Thanks to the Long Island Gang #27NY for towing down to run at America's Favorite Bullring. An action packed feature found Concord speedster Landon Rapp celebrating in LeithCars.com with family and friends. A.J. Saunders from Winston Salem held off Jason Adams to win the Mini-Stock feature. Dennis "The Dominator" Capps from Garner won the Pro 4 Mod feature over Randy Ayers, Lucama and Chuckie Barbour from Raleigh. The Late Model feature winner Zachary Marks held off Daniel Vuncannon, Parker Frazier, Alex Fleming and Ethan Johnson.

Thank you to all the fans, drivers, car owners and Wake County Speedway staff for a great opening night of speed and racing family fellowship as the bullring starts it's 59th year of racing entertainment.

This coming Friday night April 9th, 2021, Wake County Speedway roars back into action with the Chargers (twin races), Mini Stocks, Legends, Bandos and Bombers. Great concessions, Track Swag, Clean Restrooms, a fun filled night with family, friends and neighbors, come out to 2109 Simpkins Road, Raleigh, NC. We sell Sunoco Racing Fuel, Hoosier Tires and Track Rental, Grandstands open 6pm, Practice 7pm, Racing Action, green

flag drops 8:15pm. By the grace of God and 600 horsepower, see you at the track.

Williams Grove Speedway

MECHANICSBURG, PA - Another early season super sprint car, super late model doubleheader is on tap this Friday night, April 9 at Williams Grove Speedway, beginning at 7:30 pm.

The Lawrence Chevrolet 410 sprint cars and the ULMS super late models will share the card.

The sprint cars will vie in a 25-lap, \$5,500 to win main event while the ULMS stars compete in a 30-lap, \$3,000 to win feature.

Adult general admission for the April 9 show is set at \$20 with youth ages 13-20 admitted for just \$10. Kids ages 12 and under are always admitted for FREE at Williams Grove Speedway.

Centerville's Max Blair claimed the first late model show of the season at the track on March 26 for his first ever oval win, coming over the ULMS field.

Freddie Rahmer and Justin Peck have been winners in sprint car action to date.

Also this week on April 9, sponsored by Hoseheads.com, the first 150 kids entering the speedway at the main grandstand admission gate will receive a free chocolate Easter treat, beginning when gates open at 5:30 pm.

April 16 will see the first big show of the season at the track for sprint cars take place when the All Stars Sprints invade to battle in the Hoosier Diamond Series Tommy Hinnershitz Classic.

The 2021 version of the Tommy Classic will pay \$6,000 to the winner of the 30-lap main.

The All Stars invasion in mid-April will find Indiana's Peck returning to the track as an All Stars card-carrier after claiming an un-sanctioned win on March 26.

Peck and a field of 11 committed All Stars should be pitside for the show including former Williams Grove regulars Brent Marks, Lucas Wolfe and Kyle Reinhardt.

Other invaders will be Tyler Courtney, Indianapolis, IN.; Ian Madsen, Des Moines, IA.; Cory Eliason, Visalia, CA.; and Hunter Schuerenberg, Sikeston, MO.

The season debut of the HJ Towing & Recovery 358 sprints is also on the April 16 agenda.

Keep up to date on all the latest speedway news and information by visiting the oval's official website located at www.williams Grove.com or by following the track on Twitter and Facebook.