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A Very Special Father's Day... Kenseth Syle

Ross Kenseth has known since he was 5 he wanted to drive a race car.

After spending the last 17 years driving everything from snowmobiles to go-karts to

Late Models to ARCA Racing Series cars, the son of 2003 Sprint Cup Series champion Matt Kenseth finally made his NASCAR debut Sunday afternoon.

A outside-pole start and a sixth-place finish was everything a father could want. The fact it came on Father's Day, made it more special.

Young Kenseth drove the No. 20 Toyota from Joe Gibbs Racing in the Owens Corning AttiCat 300 Xfinity Series race at the Chicagoland Speedway – the same car his father's driven in 22 selected starts in the past two seasons.

Matt Kenseth was there as a spectator – and a proud daddy.

The race originally was scheduled for Saturday, but heavy rains fittingly pushed it back to Father's Day.

It was more than what was expected. But for a racer, even at 22, it still wasn't enough.

"There at the end, I felt we were really good – a third, fourth-place car," Ross said. "A little disappointed we didn't get into the top-five. These guys worked so hard at it and gave me a great car this weekend. Thanks to Dollar General, JGR [Joe Gibbs Racing] for giving me this opportunity.

"For a one-off deal like this, I was happy. I was hoping in this car, it's been competitive all year, so I'm hoping we can do it again."

The rare off weekend for the Cup series allowed Matt to share the experience with his son. It was another important step for Ross in building a new career that, like so many other sons of racing fathers, was in motion from the day he was born.

Even with a famous father, it's been a slow progression for Ross.

"You'd like to see him running in the best equipment he can be in, be in a full-time ride," Matt said. "I

mean, if you had your choice, you could make anything happen, I think you'd put him in a full-time Xfinity ride at Joe Gibbs Racing.

But those rides are hard to get."

For now, Sunday's race is the only scheduled Xfinity start for Ross. But a successful weekend may open the door for other races.

"If it was up to me, I'd race two to three times a week if I could," Ross said. "I have a lot of fun with it. I'm looking forward to this opportunity and just hope I can make the most of it."

Ross Kenseth hopes to continue a long tradition of racing sons in NASCAR. Lee won three championships. Richard Petty went on to win 200 races and seven titles.

Other famous father-son combinations include: Richard and Kyle Petty; Buck and Buddy Baker; Bobby and Davey Allison; Dale Sr. and Dale Earnhardt Jr.; David and Larry Pearson; Ned and Dale Jarrett; Ken and David Ragan; and, Bill and Chase Elliott.

Erik Jones won the race, with Ryan Blaney, son of former Cup driver Dave Blaney, finishing second.

Ross Kenseth won the June 12 race at the Michigan International Speedway in just his third ARCA Series start. The plan is make sure Saturday night's Xfinity debut isn't one-and-done.

"It's really cool," Ross said. "You know, it's one of those weekends that the Sprint Cup Series is off. Having my dad there that weekend will be a big help for me.

"I feel like Michigan last weekend, I learned a lot there and I felt like it prepared me a lot for [Saturday's race]. I felt there were a lot of times during that race had to use the air and I could feel it, I had to work around that. We were able to get through most of that. I felt more prepared than I did a week ago. I think that's a good thing."

Matt said his son didn't have to win the race for it to be a successful weekend to help advance his young career.

"It's not all about the finish," the father said. "I mean, you want to get a good finish. Of course, every-

body goes to the racetrack wanting to win. If you can't win, you want to win second, so on and so forth.

"You want to run the best you can, you want to finish the best you can. I think this weekend for me watching from the outside, I think a successful weekend is running competitively, being fast, having

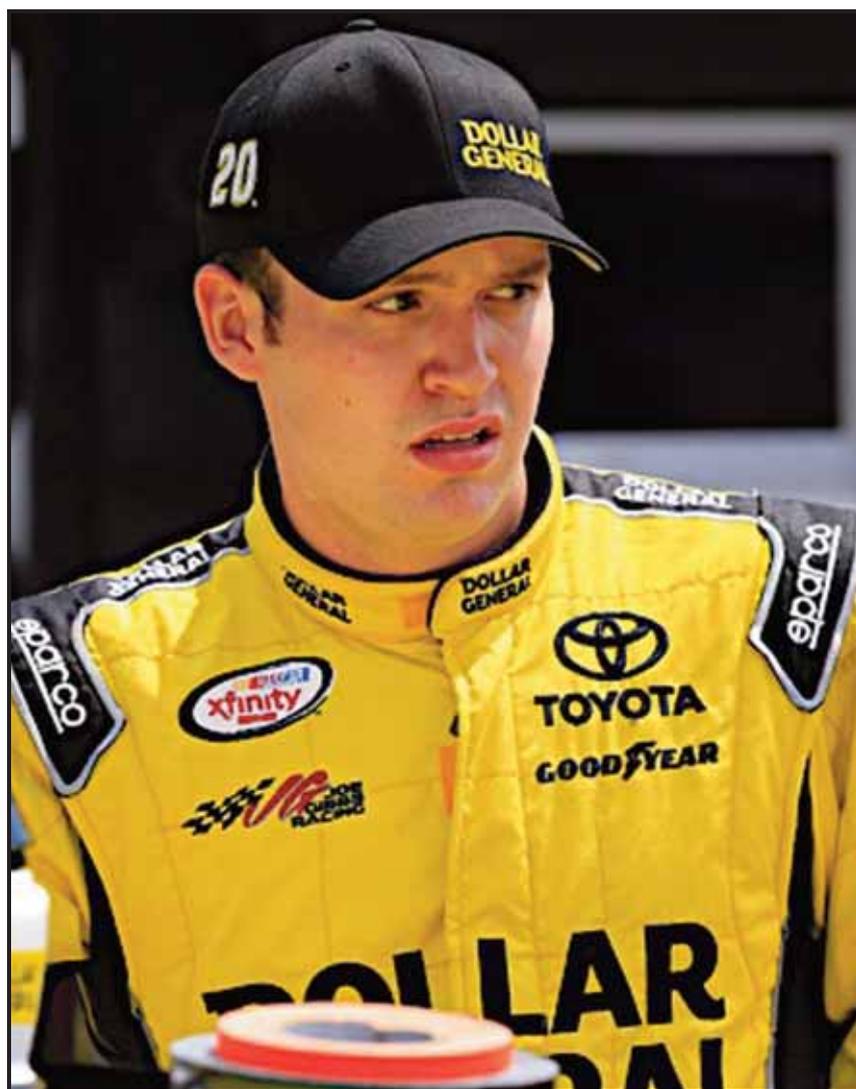
good feedback, and not making a mistake to take you out of the race. I think all of those kinds of things are as important or more important necessarily as the finish.

"There's certain things you only learn by doing them."

Which is a lesson handed down from every loving father to a son.



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Ross Kenseth gets ready for a fast and furious day at Chicagoland Speedway Sunday morning. (NKP photo)

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Erik Jones Completes Two-Track Weekend Sweep

By JACK McCARTHY

JOLIET, IL - Erik Jones' last-ditch push had a victory payoff on Sunday.

Neck-and-neck with Ryan Blaney entering the final dozen laps, Jones finally slipped ahead after a restart and rolled to a 1.958-second victory

margin in Sunday's Owens Corning AttiCat 300 race at Chicagoland Speedway.

"I got the inside of him and just barreled into (turn) three as hard as I could to clear and slid in front," said Jones, who started 11th in his No. 54 Monster Energy Toyota for Joe Gibbs Racing. "Fortunately it worked and he didn't try to cross us over or anything else."

Jones claimed his second NASCAR XFINITY Series race of the season, recorded his eighth top 10 series finish and completed a weekend sweep that included Friday's NASCAR Camping World Trucks Series American Ethanol 200 at Iowa Speedway.

Jones, the youngest NASCAR driver to win two races in the same weekend, has run in all three series this season.

Time behind the wheel has proven invaluable for the 19-year-old driver.

"It seemed like last year I'd be



Erik Jones shows off his winning checkered flag after completing his burnout at Chicagoland Speedway Sunday afternoon. (NKP photo)

into these situations and be so nervous," he said. "This time its like 'I've got this.' I felt like I've done it so many times throughout the year and throughout the day that it felt more natural. That's definitely a product of seat time and being in the car every week or the truck every week.

"It's been a huge, huge help."

Jones led 94 of the race's 200

laps while Blaney topped the field for 43 laps.

The race — the 14th in this season's XFINITY series — was originally set for 9:30 p.m. (ET) on Saturday, but was washed out as downpours hit Joliet and the entire Chicago area.

Nearly 14 hours later, Sunday's restart went off a bit after noon (ET) without a hitch under dry conditions

and increasingly sunny skies.

Blaney nearly had a storybook finish as he overcame earlier misfortune to lead the race with less than a dozen laps remaining.

Driving the No. 22 Hertz Ford for Team Penske, Blaney wrecked his primary car in Saturday qualifying, started Sunday with a backup car in the back row but quickly maneuvered into the top 10 and moved into the lead with 45 laps to run.

"I thought it was a good day for us, a decent day," Blaney said. "I felt like I threw it away yesterday wrecking our primary. For our team to get a backup car out and work as hard as they did and have a car contending for the win and to be leading in the last little bit and then just not pull it off, that really speaks volumes to them about how well they prepared."

The race featured a track record 23 lead changes, plus seven cautions for 39 laps.

Series points leader Chris Buescher finished fifth and maintained his series lead with 528 points, 29 points ahead of second place Ty Dillon.

He shook off a penalty for speeding on pit road and rallied to the top five.

"It's a good points day, that's how it ended up," Buescher said. "The pit road speeding penalty is on me. ... I got us a little bit behind there and put us in a bad spot but the guys did a good job coming back."

He regained track position when 22 drivers were penalized for pitting too soon with 46 laps remaining.

Chase Elliott, who won last summer's XFINITY Chicagoland race on the way to the 2014 series championship, spun out with 23 laps to go and finished 14th. He's still looking for his first win of the season.

Ross Kenseth, driving the No. 20 Dollar General Toyota Camry for Joe Gibbs Racing, was sixth in his XFINITY Series debut, a nice rebound after a Friday spinout during practice in his first time running the track.

"In the last two days we were a lot better than my first day here," said Kenseth, son of 2003 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series champion Matt Kenseth. "At the end I thought we were really good — a third, fourth-place car — (but) was a little disappointed we didn't get into the top five. ... But the guys worked so hard at it and gave me a great car this weekend."

The XFINITY series takes a break this week and resumes with a July 4 race at Daytona.



Erik Jones(54) leads Ross Kenseth (20) as they battle for position in the Owens Corning AttiCat 300 at Chicagoland Speedway. (RUSSELL LABOUNTY/NKP photo)

Jones Ends Streak of Bad Luck

By ROB GRAY

NEWTON, IA - Last season, a powerful run through Iowa Speedway helped Erik Jones finally emerge from the tall shadows cast by bad luck.

But the talented 19-year-old's relationship with misfortune re-formed in 2015 — until, again, Iowa.

Jones entered Friday's American Ethanol 200 winless in eight NASCAR Camping World Truck Series starts this season and stung by back-to-back finishes of 23rd and 15th.

He left the track pumping his fists, victorious.

The Kyle Busch Motorsports driver led 112 laps and dominated most of the race en route to his fifth career series triumph.

"We've had fast trucks," Jones said. "Things just haven't been happening. Just kept fighting the good fight and waited for it to come around."

Jones sped to the victory by 5.661 seconds over Brandon Jones, who notched a career-best runner-up finish.

Tyler Reddick finished third, Matt Crafton took fourth and Christopher Bell — in his first career start — completed the top five. Crafton re-

tained his points lead by 12 over Reddick. Jones now stands third, 26 points behind Crafton.

"I think we've had speed all year long, honestly," said Brandon Jones, whose GMS Racing teammate, Spencer Gallagher, secured a career-high second last weekend at Gateway Motorsports Park. "It's just starting to come around for us."

Bell started 10th and the former USAC National Midget Champion hadn't raced on pavement until last September.

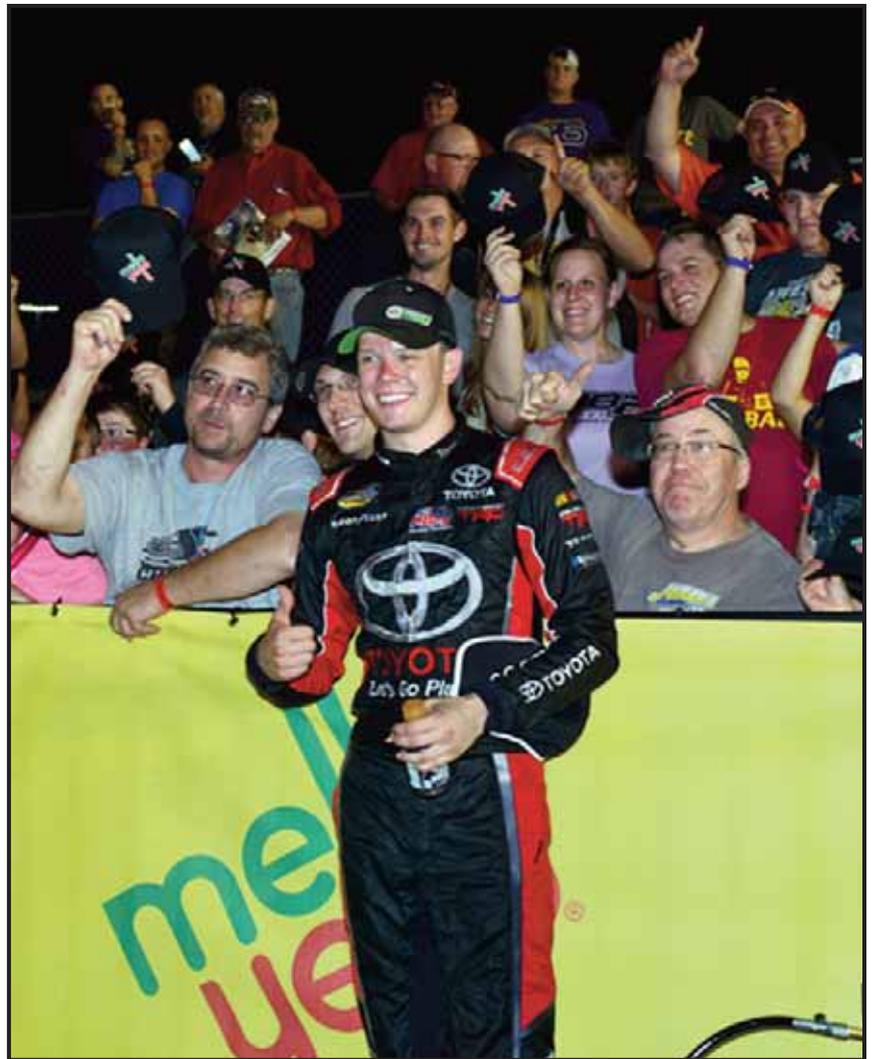
"I just had one expectation and goal and that was just to finish the race," Bell said. "I really didn't know what to expect, so to come out with a top five, I'm just thrilled about it."

A different type of excitement pulsed through Jones, who earlier Friday became the series' youngest Keystone Light 21 means 21 Pole winner at Iowa.

He led the first 43 laps, slipped back to ninth after a lap 53 restart, but patiently threaded to third by lap 98.

Jones re-took the lead for good on lap 128, surging by Crafton on another restart and within 15 laps had built a 1.5-second advantage.

Crafton led 33 laps and nearly outdueled Reddick for third in the closing stages. His ThorSport Racing teammates, Johnny Sauter and Cameron Hayley, led 14 and 37 laps, respectively, before mechani-



Race winner Erik Jones gets up close and personal with the fans in Iowa Speedway's victory lane. (RONDA GREER photo)

cal issues put them off the pace.

Jones finally evaded a similar setback.

"This one's just enjoyment now," Jones said. "We're back in the swing of things. I guess the last month was just stressful all around.

Stressful on me as a person. ... I kind of came to realize it doesn't come as easy as everybody thinks it does. I had a lot of success early on and definitely got into kind of a hard spot."

Make that hard spots.

His win last season at Iowa's fast, short track ignited a much-needed hot streak that followed a 23rd-place finish at Gateway.

Deja vu?

"It's really similar," Jones said. "Last year we really kind of came off the same beginning to the season to this point and went here and kind of turned everything around. So I would say our luck or whatever you want to call it was worse this year at the beginning of the year than it was last year, but definitely a similar feel in getting back to Victory Lane here and getting things going in the right direction."

It worked last season.

Jones closed out the 2014 Camping World Trucks season with two more wins and posted at least a top-seven finish in seven of the final eight races.

And while it's doubtful 2015 will fully mirror 2014, Jones offered a confident prediction.

"It took is a while to get here, but now that we're here I think we'll keep reeling a few off."



The Kyle Busch Motorsports over-the-wall team keeps Erik Jones ready to keep his track position in his dominant showing in the American Ethanol 200 at Iowa Speedway. (RONDA GREER photo)

Byron Brings It Home At Langley

HAMPTON, VA - William Byron made a trip to Langley Speedway a couple of weeks ago to race a Late Model car and also get familiar with the tight .375-mile track. That trip paid off for the NASCAR K&N Pro Series East points

leader.

Byron took the lead from pole sitter Rico Abreu on Lap 1 and held off late challenges to score his third win of the season winning the Visit Hampton VA 175 Saturday night.

Kyle Benjamin was able to get past Dalton Sargeant for second place with about 10 laps to go and held on for his best finish since his win in April with Sargeant coming home third to give NASCAR Next drivers all three podium positions.

Gray Gaulding rebounded from having to make a pit stop on the opening pace laps to replace his radio and started in the last row to finish fourth.

NASCAR Drive for Diversity driver Jay Beasley finished fifth for



William Byron and crew celebrate their win at Langley Speedway that keeps him in the points lead. (BRENDA MESERVE/NASCAR photo)

his second top-five finish in as many races for Rev Racing.

Scott Heckert was sixth with local Langley Speedway Late Model competitor Justin Carroll seventh in his first series start. Nick Drake, Abreu and Austin Hill completed the top 10.

The race was slowed just three times by caution and was completed in 58:43 for a new race

record average speed of 70.815 mph.

Byron also expanded his points lead to 23 points over Kyle Benjamin (253-230) with Austin Hill now third with 226 points.

The Visit Hampton VA 175 will be televised on NBCSN on Thursday, June 25 at 5:30 p.m.

The NASCAR K&N Pro Series East will return to action at Colum-

bus Motor Speedway on Saturday, July 4 for the NAPA 150.

Abreu Makes History Rookie Driver Captures First Career Pole Award

HAMPTON, VA - Rico Abreu was already a known commodity as a race car driver before he began his NASCAR K&N Pro Series East career earlier this year and now he can start adding to his NASCAR resume.

Abreu scored his first career Coors Light Pole Award on Saturday during qualifying for the Visit Hampton VA 175 at Langley Speedway.

The 23 year-old Rutherford, California native drove his No. 98 Accudoc Solutions/GoPro Motorplex/Curb Records Chevrolet to a fast lap time of 15.960 seconds (89.323 mph) to earn the top spot in his sixth career NASCAR Touring Series start.

HScott Motorsports With Justin Marks teammate William Byron followed closely in second at 16.002/89.089 to give the team a sweep of the front row.

Kaz Grala (16.012/89.033) was third with Nick Drake fourth and Gray Gaulding fifth.

J.J. Haley was sixth with Dalton Sargeant, Kyle Benjamin, Scott Heckert and Austin Hill rounding out the top 10 in qualifying.

NASCAR Champion and El Cajon Native Jimmie Johnson to Visit Volunteers and Families During Home Builders Blitz

EL CAJON, CA - From June 22 through June 26, 2015, San Diego Habitat for Humanity, in partnership with local home-builders, the Jimmie Johnson Foundation, and Lowe's, will build four homes – from the ground up – in five days.

These homes represent the second phase of Habitat for Humanity's Foundation Lane community – four homes were built in 2009 through a generous gift of nearly \$1 million from the Jimmie Johnson Foundation. Jimmie Johnson and his wife, Chandra, return to El Cajon with another substantial donation of \$50,000 from their foun-

ation to help build the first four homes of the next phase of the development.

"Chandra and I are extremely excited to see phase two of this development become a reality," said Johnson. "It's great to see the progress of the families from phase one. We are proud to partner with Lowe's, local builders and Habitat for Humanity to expand Foundation Lane and provide homes."

Lowe's, proud racing sponsor of Johnson and longtime supporter of Habitat for Humanity, is donating another \$50,000 to the build efforts in El Cajon.

"Lowe's is committed to strengthening the communities where we live and work by helping ensure that all people have access to safe and affordable housing," said Joan Higginbotham, director of community relations at Lowe's. "We're excited to help Habitat for Humanity and the Jimmie Johnson Foundation make a meaningful impact on the El Cajon community through the Home Builders Blitz."

The completed homes will be sold to Habitat for Humanity Partner Families who qualify according to Habitat for Humanity's family se-

lection criteria – a demonstrated need for improved housing, the ability to repay an affordable mortgage, and willingness to partner with Habitat by completing 250-500 sweat-equity hours before moving into the homes.

"Working alongside partner families, volunteers and generous sponsors, Habitat for Humanity builds simple, decent, affordable housing for local families in need," said Lori Holt Pfeiler, President/CEO of San Diego Habitat for Humanity. "This mission is possible because of the support of great partners like the Jimmie Johnson Foundation and Lowe's, and we are so grateful to be working with them once again in El Cajon."

About San Diego Habitat for Humanity (SDHFH): San Diego Habitat for Humanity Inc. (SDHFH), the local affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, is a nonprofit organization that builds simple, decent and affordable homes for ownership by local families in need. Habitat partner families are selected on the basis of housing need, willingness to partner with Habitat and ability to repay a zero percent interest mortgage loan. For

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About the Jimmie Johnson Foundation: Chandra and Jimmie Johnson launched the Jimmie Johnson Foundation in February 2006. Johnson, the six-time NASCAR Sprint Cup champion, drives the No. 48 Lowe's Chevrolet SS in NASCAR's top series. The mission of the foundation is to assist children, families and communities in need throughout the United States. The foundation has committed more than \$7.7 million to various charities. The Foundation currently focuses on K-12 public education. For additional information on the Jimmie Johnson Foundation, please visit www.JimmieJohnsonFoundation.org.

About Lowe's in the Community: Lowe's, a FORTUNE® 50 home improvement company, has a 50-year legacy of supporting the communities it serves through programs that focus on K-12 public education and community improvement projects. Since 2007, Lowe's and the Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation together have contributed more than \$225 million.



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Irvan Delivers Father's Day Gift For 1st PASS South Win At Anderson

WILLIAMSTON, SC - Jared Irvan took the lead from Roger Lee Newton with six laps to go following a long side-by-side battle to win the Electric City 125 Friday night at Anderson Motor Speedway. The win was Irvan's first career victory in the Pro All Stars Series (PASS)

South Super Late Model division.

"My car really wasn't that good in practice and even at the beginning of the race, but I definitely saved my stuff and was able to come back to the front," said Irvan alongside the Kia Of Anderson Chevrolet in victory lane. "Roger Lee [Newton] and I raced each other hard, but we raced it other clean and I'm glad he raced me that way. I didn't think I was going to get by him for a while, but finally I got a good run coming off turn two and I got by him."

The win was especially sweet for Jared's dad, Ernie, and proved to be an early Father's Day present for the 1991 Daytona 500 winner.

On an extremely hot day that saw track temperatures well exceed 100 degrees during the afternoon, second year driver Lucas Jones paced the 24 car field in qualifying with a lap of 94.149 miles per hour around the 3/8 mile speedway. Following the top 10 qualifiers redraw, Jones would move back to the eighth starting position while Roger Lee Newton and PASS South points leader Zane Smith would move to the front row.

At the drop of the green flag, Newton assumed the lead, but was overtaken on lap 25 by Clay Rogers for the top spot. The first caution flag of the night would not wave until lap 48 when Cole Timm and Lee Hansard made hard contact exiting turn two to put their night to an early end. Just five laps later, the caution waved again for a spin in turn two by Spencer Wauters following contact from Colt James.

On the restart, Smith would get the better of Rogers to take the lead for the first time of the night. The two would go back-and-forth for the lead, while Matt Craig joined the fight back in third. Rogers and Craig both moved by Zane Smith

as the caution would wave for the stalled car of Kyle McCallum on lap 64.

Craig made an aggressive move following the restart to take the lead from Rogers on the outside as they entered turn one. Rogers once again found himself in a tussle as he and Craig exchanged the lead amongst themselves.

After a spin by Lee Tissot and Wauters in turn one on lap 77, Craig again assumed the lead but was now challenged by his teammate, Zane Smith. Smith moved around the outside to take the lead from Craig with 42 laps to go. At this point, Craig appeared to struggle with the handling on his C&C Boiler Sales Chevrolet and started to drop back. As Craig dropped back, rookie Chandler Smith challenged him for fifth, but the two cars made contact down the back straightaway sending Smith hard into the outside wall.

Following the restart, Rogers again moved to the lead around Zane Smith. Newton joined the fray to move around Smith and take second. With 23 laps to go, Newton made slight contact with Rogers exiting turn two which allowed him to move underneath and in to the lead.

All the while, Irvan patiently waited back in the fourth position and was now ready to make his charge. Irvan moved by Zane



Jared Irvan climbs from his car victorious in his first career PASS South victory at Anderson Motor Speedway. Jared's dad Ernie Irvan was on hand for the Father's Day weekend win. (lwpictures.com/PASS photo)

Smith and Rogers in to the second position and then set his sights on the leader, Newton. Irvan's car seemed to handle extremely well on the inside groove and moved down low to challenge Newton for the lead with 15 laps to go. Lap after lap, Irvan and Newton ran side-by-side for the lead before Irvan was finally able to clear him with six laps to go. Irvan stretched his lead and held on to capture the win in the Electric City 125 over Newton, Rogers, Zane Smith, and Jody Measamer. Rounding out the top 10 were Joey Padgett, Jones, Brandon Ward, Tissot, and Craig.

Austin Thompson was able to overcome a penalty to take his second career PASS Pro Late Model division win. Kodie Conner led until

there were 17 laps to go when he and Thompson made contact in turn two. Thompson was sent to the rear for rough driving handing the lead over to Cameron Burke. Thompson made his way back through the field to take the lead from Burke with less than five laps to go. Following Thompson and Burke at the checkered flag were Jake Spillers, Jordan McCallum, and Matt Murphy.

The PASS South Super Late Models and PASS Pro Late Models will be in action once again on Saturday, July 25 at Caraway Speedway in Sophia, NC. More information can be found at ProAllStarsSeries.com. Be sure to "Like" us on Facebook or follow us on Twitter at @PASSSLM14.



Patrick Laperle waves the checkered flag on his victory lap around Autodrome Chaudiere after winning the PASS North Super Late Model event. (Norm Marx/PASS photo)

Reed Takes Lira Motorsports To Victory Lane at Chicagoland

JOLIET, IL - Ryan Reed refused to let a mishap earlier in the day affect his race Saturday as he recovered from a spin during qualifying to win the SCOTT 150 at Chicagoland Speedway. He started near the back of the field, was in the top 10 within 15 laps and in second by lap 20 in his No. 58 Lilly Diabetes-MOMO-Ford Performance Ford.

"Since we unloaded, Carlos (Lira) gave me a car that it was my job to mess up, really, which I tried to in qualifying, but, luckily, we were good enough to overcome that," Reed said. "All of the guys did a great job."

ARCA Racing Series point leader Grant Enfinger finished second, Will Kimmel third, Matt Tift fourth and Frank Kimmel fifth.

Reed became the first Lira Motorsports driver to reach victory lane in the ARCA Racing Series presented by Menards. The first-year team had three cars entered Saturday, Reed in first, David Levine in ninth and John Lowinski-Loh in 23rd.

"My job was easy in this thing from the moment I hopped in it," Reed said. "We just kind of cruised."

Reed, who races full-time for Roush Fenway Racing in the NASCAR Xfinity Series, also is the 15th different winner in 15 ARCA races at Chicagoland Speedway.

"I have to thank Jack Roush for letting me go and drive this thing," Reed said. "It was a lot of fun."

Championship NASCAR owner Jack Roush joined the driver and team owner Lira in the media center following the race.

"Ryan did a great job," Roush said. "Carlos gave him some advice after he wrecked in qualifying. He said he needed to proceed tonight like a mouse chasing cheese, just a little bit at a time."

The race had five cautions for 27 laps. The final 28 laps were run under the green flag. Enfinger climbed from near the back of the top 10 to second during that stretch, extending his series point lead.

"It was a great night for us at GMS Racing," Enfinger said. "We

were fighting tightness all day yesterday in practice and it was completely opposite today in the race and we were incredibly loose. After the last pit stop, Crew Chief Kelly Kovski made the call to make some really great adjustments that I wish we could have made earlier in the race.

"I was hoping for a late race caution to race for the lead but second place is a great finish for us. Thank you to Alamo Rent-A-Car and all of our supporters."

The SCOTT 150 took 1 hour and 15 minutes to complete and finished just ahead of a heavy downpour that hit Chicagoland Speedway. Menards Pole Winner Cody Coughlin led the first four laps, Will Kimmel the next 26 then Reed the remaining 70 laps of the race. In an oddity, none of the top 10 drivers in the ARCA Racing Series point standings led a lap.

Matt Kurzejewski finished sixth, his fifth straight top 10 finish in the No. 54 Elmira Heat Treating Chevrolet. Josh Williams was seventh in the Cunningham Motorsports Dodge No. 22 with his teammate Tom Hessert 10th in the No. 77 Barbera's Autoland Dodge. Sarah Cornett-Ching finished eighth in the No. 2 Race101.net Chevrolet, tying her career-best. She was the last car on the lead lap.



Ryan Reed celebrates in victory lane at Chicagoland Speedway with his crew. Reed fought back from a qualifying mishap to give Lira Motorsports their first ARCA Racing victory. This is their first season with the series. (arca.com photo)

Reed, who won at Daytona in the season-opener in the NASCAR Xfinity Series had planned to drive in both the ARCA and Xfinity races at Chicagoland Saturday until rains led to the postponement of that race. He is the second full-time NASCAR driver to win this season in an ARCA race. Sprint Cup driver Trevor Bayne won at Pocono Raceway. Gaining experience, Reed said, is the key.

"Seat time is seat time," he said. "Anytime you can be racing door-to-door it hones your skill. From that standpoint, there is always something to be had from driving a race car."

Lira was pleased with the victory for his team, which was formed during the off-season and usually fields two full-time cars, including one for his son, Michael. Michael, 17, however, is too young to race at Chicagoland.

"Ryan is a tremendous driver," Carlos said after the race. "We are very, very happy for him."

The ARCA Racing Series has reached the mid-point of its 20-race 2015 campaign.

The next series race is The Herr's Chaste the Taste 200 at Winchester Speedway on Sunday, June 28. That race will be live on CBS Sports Network.

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Jason Parish Takes Home Auto City Speed Gold

CLIO - MI - It was the final race of the pivotal three races in eight days stretch for the Broaster Chicken ICAR Top Speed Modified Tour Northern division as the teams continued their cross state trek throughout the state of Michigan. Auto City Speedway served as hosts of the Genuine Broaster Chicken 50

Presented by Broaster Sales & Service on Saturday, June 20th.

Jason Parish continued his knack for winning every other race so far during the season. The 41-year-old driver of the #31 Painless Dentistry / Heeney's Garage open-wheeled machine started on the pole and never gave the rest of the field a chance the entire race en route to his third victory of the 2015 racing season.

After Economy Auto Parts Fast Qualifier, Travis Eddy pulled a 10 for an inversion/redraw, Parish and another freshman contender, Bobby Heyink led the 22-car field to the green flag and it would be Parish darting out to the early lead while Heyink and the rest of the pack settled in behind him. The first of only two cautions flew on lap six when Mark Bott looped his mount in turns one and two setting up the first 'Madhouse-Style' restart. Parish went to the bottom lane and at the drop of the green, Parish again shot out to the lead leaving the rest of the field to battle amongst themselves.

A long stretch of green flag racing propelled Parish to a sizable lead as he would continually put plenty of real estate and lapped traffic between himself and the rest of the field. Eddy, who started sixth, would climb up to second by lap 20 and began his quest to chase down Parish who was setting a torrid pace around the tricky speed plant.

The second and final caution flew with just four laps to go setting up a shootout between Parish and Eddy.

However on that final restart, Parish would be able to get away from Eddy and the rest of the pack and pull out to a comfortable lead en route to his third victory of the season and extend his point's leads in both the overall and the M.P.H. Promotions Rookie of the Year title chase. Parish also scored

his fifth straight M.P.H. Promotions Rookie of the Race award in five ICAR Top Speed Modified Tour Northern Division events conducted in 2015.

Eddy's #78 Howe Racing Enterprises machine came home second after trying in vain to chase down Parish in an attempt to score his second straight victory at Auto City.

Rookie, Bobby Heyink overcame a broken transmission in the Preliminary Heat Race and some bad luck to start the season to post a season high third place showing in his #5 D-K Trucking modified.

Nick Clemens, who came into the weekend second in the season long points chase, finished fourth at his home track in his #34 O'Guinn Family Funeral Homes entry.

Morisette Jr., completed the top 5 in his #4 Don's Towing ride.

Brian Baumgarten tied his career high finish of a sixth in just his third career appearance in the ICAR Top Speed Modified Tour while Bott recovered from his early race spin to earn the Allstar Performance Hard-Charger award with his 16th to the rear after the spin to a seventh place run.

17-year-old Tristan Van Wieringen continued his string of impressive runs and moves to third in the points with his eighth place finish as Dave Christensen and rookie Steven Pelky tied a career high finish by wrapping up the top 10.

Veteran Dan Loughan dropped out of the race with four laps to go while running fifth and picked up the Genuine Broaster Chicken Hard-Luck award.

It's the Broaster Chicken ICAR Top Speed Modified Tour Southern Division's turn to get back into action after taking some time off. They will race on back to back nights starting on Friday, June 26th. at Toledo Speedway and the next night at Winchester Speedway.

For more information about the 2015 racing season within both divisions of the Broaster Chicken ICAR Top Speed Modified Tour, please go to the series website located at: www.topspeedmods.com.

Brian Nester Wins Battle At Berlin

MARNE, MI - The Broaster Chicken ICAR Top Speed Modified Tour Northern contingent only had a couple of days to regroup from

their last event on June 13th before heading west to the historic 7/16s (0.437) mile semi-banked paved oval of Berlin Raceway on Tuesday, June 16th.

Prior to the Super Late Models taking to the track for 251 laps, the open-wheeled Modifieds waged war in the 51-lap main pitting the cars and stars of the ICAR Top Speed Modified Tour Northern Division against a stout cast of Berlin regulars. When all was said and done, a familiar face emerged from his car victorious as Brian Nester made the trip north from Hamilton, Indiana worthwhile against a stellar 28-car field. The driver of the #11 grabbed the lead from Nick Clemens on lap 27 and would hold off a late charge from defending Battle at Berlin 51 race winner, Dan Loughan to take the trophy and \$1,200 payday back to the Hoosier State.

After Economy Auto Parts Fast Qualifier, 16-year-old Ben Welch, a regular in the tracks weekly Model Coverall Modified division drew the maximum of a 12 for an inversion redraw, it would be Nick Clemens, who came into the weekend second in the ICAR North points standings and veteran Nyle Weiler bringing the stout 28-car field to Chief Starter, Weo Schweyer's green flag. Clemens edged out Weiler heading into the first corner to take the early lead as the exceptional field blended with Berlin regulars, ICAR North competitors and even a few ICAR Top Speed Modified Tour Southern Division invaders sorted themselves out around the fast 7/16s (0.437) mile semi-banked paved oval.

Nester, who qualified third quick and drew an eight in the redraw, was steadily working his way towards the front and by lap 20 would glue himself to Clemens' back bumper.

As the halfway signal was given, Nester began his charge and would clear Clemens on lap 27. Soon Loughan would also get passed Clemens and set his sights on Nester in a bid to repeat as Battle at Berlin 51 winner.

However, Nester had built up a comfortable advantage on Loughan and the rest of the field and had built up enough real estate between himself and the pack to stay out in front and bring home the win.

Loughan finished second in his #72 as the 63-year-old veteran driver from Charlotte, Michigan has scored two of his three career ICAR Top Speed Modified Tour wins at Berlin and was looking for win #3 on the night.

The only Berlin track regular who would finish in the top 10 was Ben Kleis in his #6 Crown Motors entry.

Weiler, who started second, continued his impressive streak of top six finishes in ICAR North competition and scored a fourth place showing in his #27 Engine Machine Service open-wheeled machine. The Vermontville, Michigan driver, despite missing one event, is solidly sixth in the season long points chase.

17-year-old Tristan Van Wieringen completed the top five in his #81 DuroByte Incorporated ride. The teenager's second straight top five finish has put him solidly in fourth in the ICAR North points standings while keeping up with the top point runners in the chase for the 2015 ICAR Top Speed Modified Tour Northern Division Championship.

Clemens would hang on for a solid sixth place finish to keep him second in the championship title chase while Jason Parish finished seventh after starting 17th and earned his fourth straight M.P.H. Promotions Rookie of the Race award.

Mike Occhipinti finished a season high eighth. Current ICAR South rookie of the year points leader, Trei Deubel made another North start count with a ninth place effort as Greg Fullarton completed the top 10.

Rookie Donny Matteson Jr., earned the Allstar Performance Hard-Charger award with his 23rd to 12th place run while Bobby Heyink picked up the Genuine Broaster Chicken Hard Luck award.



Daytona International Speedway

DAYTONA BEACH, FL - Actor, comedian and writer David Spade, who stars in Crackle's upcoming original movie "Joe Dirt 2: Beautiful Loser" will serve as the Grand Marshal for the 57th annual Coke Zero 400 Powered By Coca-Cola NASCAR Sprint Cup Series race on Sunday night, July 5 at Daytona International Speedway.

In this sequel to the popular Columbia Pictures comedy "Joe Dirt," Spade returns as the mullet-headed hero in this first ever made-for-digital sequel to a major motion picture that also stars Christopher Walken, Brittany Daniel and Patrick Warburton. "Joe Dirt 2: Beautiful Loser" will be released on the streaming network July 16.

As the Grand Marshal for the Coke Zero 400 Powered By Coca-Cola, Spade will give the command "Drivers, start your engines." Along with the starting command, Spade will also attend the driver's meeting, participate in pre-race ceremonies and ride in one of the Grand Marshal cars during the pace laps prior to the green flag of the 160-lap, 400-mile race.

"We're excited to welcome David Spade as Grand Marshal for the Coke Zero 400 Powered By Coca-Cola," Daytona International Speedway President Joie Chitwood said. "His starting command, which will be delivered in front of thousands of fans and millions more watching on NBC, will begin an exciting night of NASCAR racing on the high banks."

To view the trailer of "Joe Dirt 2: Beautiful Loser," visit Crackle or check out the movie through its social media channels on Facebook and Twitter.

Spade, who was a cast member on "Saturday Night Live" from 1990-1996, has starred in several hit comedies including "Tommy Boy," "Black Sheep" and "Grown Ups" as well as on the ensemble CBS sitcom "Rules of Engagement."

The stars of NASCAR return to Daytona International Speedway on July 3-5. Tickets to the Coke Zero 400 Powered By Coca-Cola NASCAR Sprint Cup Series race and the Subway Firecracker 250 Powered By Coca-Cola NASCAR XFINITY Series race are available



David Spade as Joe Dirt in Crackle's Joe Dirt 2: Beautiful Loser (Photo credit: Happy Madison Productions)

by calling 1-800-PITSHOP or online at www.daytonainternational-speedway.com.

Fans can follow NASCAR and stay up to speed on the latest news by using hashtag #NASCAR and #COKEZERO400. Fans can also stay connected with Daytona International Speedway on Twitter, Facebook and Pinterest for the latest news. Fans can follow the latest on DAYTONA Rising, the \$400 million frontstretch renovation at the "World Center of Racing" by using #DAYTONARising on Twitter or visiting www.daytonarising.com.

Sonoma Raceway

SONOMA, CA - NASCAR Sprint Cup Series haulers will rumble through the streets of Sacramento at the 5th annual NASCAR Hauler Parade on Thursday, June 25.

The NASCAR haulers, which will be en route to Sonoma Raceway for this year's Toyota/Save Mart 350, June 26-28, will make their way over the Tower Bridge and around the State Capitol on a newly-designed route to greet Northern California NASCAR fans ready for the big race in Sonoma. The parade will also start two hours earlier than past years, with the "green flag" slated for noon.

You can expect to see haulers from Dale Earnhardt Jr., Jeff Gordon, Tony Stewart, Jimmie Johnson and most every other driver on the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series circuit. This marks the fourth consecutive hauler parade in Northern California and raceway officials are thrilled to bring it to Sacramento, home to some of our most avid race fans.

The parade will begin promptly at noon on Thursday, June 25, as the haulers depart their staging area and cross the Tower Bridge, heading for the State Capitol. The new route is as follows:

- Cross Tower Bridge towards Capitol Mall.

- Right turn on 3rd Street.
- Left turn on N Street.
- Left turn on 16th Street.
- Left turn on L Street.
- Haulers will then be directed to the freeway and head South on Hwy. 80 to Sonoma Raceway, where they will be parked in the garage for the race weekend. The haulers will arrive at the raceway at approximately 2 p.m.

Race fans can catch the haulers all along the parade route, but are encouraged to head to L and 11th streets for the best view. Sonoma Raceway will have a display there, as well as the popular Raceway Girls, giveaways and tickets for the big race. This will be the heart of the action.

For the fifth consecutive year, State Senator Jim Nielsen will be on hand to present to the president of the Transporter Drivers of Motorsports Association (TDMA) an official State Assembly Proclamation, officially naming June 25, 2014, "NASCAR Day" in the City of Sacramento.

A \$5,000 donation will also be made to the Sonoma Chapter of Speedway Children's Charities, the charitable arm of Sonoma Raceway, on behalf of the Transporter Drivers of Motorsports Association.

Mark Thursday, June 25, on your calendar so that we can give the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series a raucous Sacramento welcome as the haulers rumble through town. Be sure to download the parade route map on racesonoma.com, which lists the route, as well as best viewing points.

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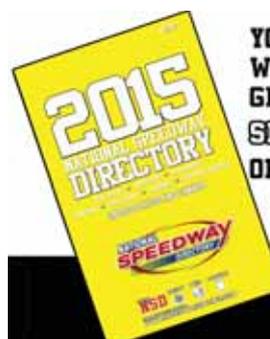
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There will be a Party in the Pits both Friday, August 7 and Saturday, August 8 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. where fans will have the opportunity to get a view of the trucks up-close and meet the drivers of the 10,000-pound behemoth Monster Jam trucks. Pit Passes are now available for purchase for \$10 along with tickets at www.EldoraSpeedway.com, the Eldora Speedway box office or by phone at 937.338.3815. A ticket for the show is required with a Pit Pass for entry.

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Five in Row for Donny Schatz with Dakota State Fair Speedway Win

HURON, SD - Donny Schatz did it again Saturday night, putting together a dominant performance at Dakota State Fair Speedway's Iverson Huron presents the Greatest Show on Dirt, scoring the inaugural Outlaws win at the track and his fifth straight victory.

"I can't say enough for this Bad Boy Buggies/Chevrolet Performance team," said Schatz, who now has 16 wins in 2015 with his Tony Stewart/Curb-Agajanian Team. "The racecar they put under me every night is unbelievable. I'm sure there are probably better racecar drivers out there that could handle it but I'm the lucky guy that gets to drive it right now. Hats off to them, they just do a phenomenal job from the start of the night to the end. The longer the race goes, it just seems like it gets even better. They're on their A game right now."

The feature got underway shortly before 10 p.m. but was quickly red flagged as the No. 5 car of Dave Glennon ended up in the front stretch catch fence following a crash. The repairs to the fence took about an hour.

The green flag fell once again with Daryn Pittman leading his Kasey Kahne Racing teammate Brad Sweet to the start. On the first circuit Schatz raced around Sweet in turn three to take over the second position. By lap five, Pittman had caught the back of the field as Schatz was bearing down. As the two drivers came off of turn four, they split a lapped car, Pittman going high and Schatz low. Schatz took over the lead after the start/finish line. Pittman battled back and retook the lead before the two could complete lap six.

Just two laps later as they worked to complete lap nine, Schatz again used a lapped car to his advantage. As Pittman tried to pass the car, he got caught up and Schatz worked the high side around.

"He did everything he could we were just a little bit better in spots so I could move around the race track and run the top of three and four and we could run the bottom," Schatz said. "The racetrack turned out to be really awesome tonight."

Farther back, Shane Stewart was charging through the field after starting in seventh. By lap nine he had moved into the fourth position and began running down Sweet, then running third. Stewart took over the position on the next lap and set his sights on the leaders.

As the race wound down, he began battling Pittman in traffic for the position. Pittman, preferring the inside line, held Stewart off lap after lap as the two exited turn two. By lap 28, Stewart was right on Pittman's tail tank, and drag raced Pittman down the front straight.

Schatz crossed the line first with Stewart in second and Pittman in third.

"I'm glad we were able to get by him and hit that lapped traffic," Schatz said of his earlier battle with Pittman. "Lapped traffic was fun again. You move around the race track and guys are all over the place, you see them moving, so it's what you look forward to, not always when you're leading but you can put a little space between you and second."

Tonight's second place finish was the fourth straight podium finish for Stewart and his Eneos/Larson Marks Racing team. Stewart has spent much of the season running right around Schatz.

"It's the same old song just a different verse," Stewart said. "I keep saying it, but we need to be a little quicker. We've just got to keep



Donny Schatz made it five World of Outlaws Sprint car Series wins in a row with his victory at Dakota State Fair Speedway. (Paul Arch photo)

doing what we're doing and not worry so much about him. And keep doing what we're doing and hopefully one of these days we can compete with him on a daily basis. We're getting there, we're working hard and that's all you can do."

Stewart was the night's KSE Racing Hard Charger, advancing five positions throughout the 30-lap feature.

Pittman said the night's race was the first race in a while where he didn't feel like his car was too free - quite the opposite in fact. He said tight race cars are not great for him.

"Just the way we've been running the last couple of weeks, we'll take third," Pittman said. "We've just been struggling and we're not where we need to be but these guys just don't give up. I'm not going to give up either. We're just

going to keep battling until we get the car where we need to be and get it where it consistently needs to be for one thing... We still have a lot of the season left to go, a lot of races and we'll no doubt rebound and hopefully finish the year strong."

The World of Outlaws Sprint Car Series returns to action on Wednesday at I-96 Speedway in Lake Odessa, Mich. as the series runs the postponed NAPA Auto Parts Rumble in Michigan. Great seats are still available. For more information on the event and to learn how to purchase tickets, visit www.woosprint.com/i-96-speedway.

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Schatz Makes It Four in a Row with River Cities Win

GRAND FORKS, ND - In front of a packed house at River Cities Speedway Friday night, Donny Schatz continued his impressive 2015 run, besting Dusty Zomer

to score his 15th World of Outlaws Sprint Car Series win so far this season and fourth in a row.

"That was fun in traffic," Schatz said. "The race track was unbelievable. There was a top, a bottom, a middle - sliding, turning. It's not very often that it happens like that."

Racing against impending weather, the green flag fell on the 40-lap feature with Zomer and Schatz on the front row. Zomer led the first two laps but a caution flag fell shortly after the second lap was completed. When the race returned to green, Schatz slid Zomer in turns three and four to lead lap three.

Schatz caught the back of the field on lap six and began lapping cars. As the laps ticked by Schatz expanded his lead as the field behind him stayed tight and worked their way through the traffic. By the final red flag of the night on lap 33, Schatz had built up a nearly four second lead over second place Zomer. On the restart, Zomer tried to make a move on the six-time champion, but it was Schatz's to lose.

"It's hard to tell what's going on when you're up front," Schatz said. "You just keep pushing as hard as you can. My car, for a point, got really good, really good and then it seemed like those yellows kind of hurt the momentum a little bit and it got really, really tight."

Through 36 races so far this season, Schatz has built up a 192 point lead over Shane Stewart in his campaign for a seventh series championship.

"Hats off to these three guys, they're unbelievable," Schatz said of his Tony Stewart/Curb-Agajanian Racing team. "The car owner we have, we couldn't do it without his hard work and his effort to put us here with great marketing partners like Chevrolet Performance and Bad Boy Buggies and all the great people we have."

The battle for second and third was intense all night with a series of drivers fighting for the spots.

After Schatz took over the lead, Zomer settled in to second with Paul McMahan on his tail. By lap 12, it was Shane Stewart who, after slipping back to fourth at the start of the night, raced around McMahan on the high side of turns one and two. Five laps later, Stewart had caught Zomer and began trying to work his way around for second.



Schatz

"We may have bumped a little bit but that's short track racing and that's what makes it fun and interesting," Stewart said of contact made between he and Zomer on lap 19. "I actually thought I had him there and then the caution came out. Just had to get my nose clean because I was pretty tight behind cars and blistered the right rear tire a little bit and probably hurt us a little bit later in the race."

After a caution on lap 31 and then a red flag on lap 33, Stewart tried again to get around Zomer but was not able as he fought off attempts by Brad Sweet, Joey Saldana and McMahan to get around him.

Zomer closed out the night in second with Stewart right behind in third. The finish was the best ever World of Outlaws finish for Zomer.

"I'm glad we could put on a heck of a show. Donny, he's good. Obviously you can tell he's been doing this for many years. He got around traffic really nice and he was able to maneuver really nice. I'm just happy for this whole team... they gave me a heck of a car tonight."

Just one week ago, Zomer had a wild crash at River Cities that ended the night for his No. 82 Buffalo Wild Wings team.

"Last week, obviously, we made the papers up here for taking a wild ride so now we're happy we're maybe making the papers here for making a top-three at the Outlaw show," Zomer said. "Super happy for the team, it was a good run."

For Stewart, the finish was the 20th top-five run of the season for his No. 2 Eneos/Larson Marks Racing team.

"It's great to come here to Grand Forks," Stewart said. "This is an awesome crowd. I haven't been here in a long time. It's good to see the fan support and head on to Huron and hopefully we can pick up a win then."

Donny Schatz Scores at Granite City Speedway

SAUK RAPIDS, MN - Donny Schatz battled late and won a rain postponed inaugural Marthaler Chevrolet of Glenwood presents the World of Outlaws Sprint Car Series at Granite City Speedway in front of a near capacity crowd Wednesday night.

Schatz hung around fourth place most of the night and as the feature wound down, battled forward, passing the then leader Shane Stewart with three laps to go as they worked their way through lapped traffic. It was the third straight win and 14th World of Outlaws Sprint Car Series victory of the season for Schatz and his Tony Stewart/Curb-Agajanian Racing team.

"I can't say enough about this Bad Boy Buggies/Chevrolet team," Schatz said. "They are the ones who should be standing here. The adjustments they make, the things that they see with this racecar, it's just an unbelievable machine to drive. That was fun. That was an absolute riot."

Schatz started the feature in fourth with Danny Lasoski, Logan Schuchart and Shane Stewart starting ahead of him. Lasoski led through much of the feature as he worked his way through lapped traffic and held off Schuchart and Stewart. On a lap 13 restart, Joey Saldana got around Schatz pushing the 15 back to the fifth position.

"I lost a spot late in the race on a restart and I didn't really panic, but the race track started to move up and the bottom started to get a little slicker and I thought maybe we were going to have a hard time getting through there," Schatz said. "Once we got to traffic, I went wherever I had to. The racecar kind of came to me a little bit."

Lasoski, still leading, hit that traffic on lap 18. Saldana battled around the 1S of Schuchart for third and Schatz got by the Shark Racing driver on lap 19 to take over fourth.

As the field continued to work its way through traffic, Schatz closed on Saldana. On lap 21, as the two worked their way through turns three and four, Schatz got side-by-side with the 'Brownsburg Bullet.' As they exited the turn, Schatz drag raced him back to the line and tried to make a move on second place Stewart. A lapped car held him up.

Stewart found breathing room

from Schatz in the next couple of laps and as Lasoski's car continued to loosen up, Stewart closed on the leader. They battled through lap 26 and as they went around to complete lap 27, Stewart got around the No. 2L GoMuddy.com car on the bottom of turns 3 and 4. Stewart led lap 27.

Schatz was on the move. He got around Lasoski on lap 28 and then as he exited turn four on to the front straight, Stewart got caught up by a lapped car on the high side and Schatz made his move.

"The racecar kind of came to me a little bit," Schatz said. "To come under 'The Dude' and go into three and pass Shane coming out of four was really good. It's a tribute to this whole team and how hard they work."

Schatz parked his car in victory lane - the first ever Outlaws winner at the Sauk Rapids, Minnesota track.

"I don't know how much you can ask for, you've got to have lap traffic to be able to get yourself in these positions," Schatz said of the traffic that played into much of the 30-lap feature. "Everybody's cars are so good. Everybody is so equal, you just have to be able to move around on the racetrack when positions put you there. Hats off to these guys for getting this race in tonight. A little bit of bad weather last night but we're here tonight and celebrating a victory."

A frustrated Stewart was complimentary of his team but lamented the familiar story for his Larson Marks Racing team this season of finishing second to Schatz.

"Man, I tell you what, my guys gave me a really good racecar and I felt like that was our race, we were going to win and gosh darnit, got held up a little bit behind some lap cars," Stewart said.

"And here goes the 15 right through the middle. It's been the story all year. I can't thank these guys who work hard on this racecar enough. We try things on the racecar from time to time to try to get a little better. Trust me, I throw some crazy ideas out to these guys and they don't gripe about it, they just sometimes shake their head. But the cool thing about it is that we do try it and we are learning."

Lasoski, who has one win on the season and six top-five runs, closed out the night at Granite City on the podium in the third position.

"I was getting looser and looser," Lasoski said. "There was nothing I could do. I was committed to the top and just got beat by two good guys and that's all we can say."

Richards Edges Clanton In Thrilling Finish At Brighton Speedway

BRIGHTON, ONT - Josh Richards was fast all night at Saturday's Dibbitts Excavating and Vanderlaan Building Products Mud Slinger 50 presented by Excel Tower Service at Brighton Speedway. But in the final 10 laps, the three-time World of Outlaws Late Model Series cham-

pion needed more patience than speed to claim his fourth series victory of the season.

After leading from the start of the 50-lap race, Richards, 27, expertly picked his way through heavy traffic during the race's closing laps and held off points leader Shane Clanton's furious late charge to win the second round of the Great Northern Tour in a side-by-side finish at the third-mile oval.

"It was all about patience tonight," said Richards, who earned the 53rd WoO LMS victory of his career in just the second series race ever held at the Ontario track. "I just stayed really patient because there was really nowhere to go."

Clanton nearly pulled off the last-lap pass when Richards was forced to drive to the high side of the slower machine of Boom Briggs entering turn three, but the low line was blocked just enough by Briggs to slow Clanton's run off the corner. Richards edged back ahead to claim a \$10,650 victory by a thin margin of 0.142 seconds.

Clanton settled for the runner-up spot in notching his 15th top-five finish in 18 races this season. Tim McCreadie crossed the finish line third, well behind the lead battle. Morgan Bagley was just behind McCreadie in fourth with Rick Eckert rounding out the top five.

Chub Frank was sixth at the finish, while Ross Robinson advanced from the 11th starting spot to finish seventh. Eric Wells finished eighth with Chase Junghans ninth and Gregg Satterlee 10th.

Gunning for what would have been his second straight WoO LMS victory and his sixth on the season, Clanton challenged Richards through the middle portions of the race and gave all he had to catch Richards in the closing laps. But his Weldbank Energy Capital Race Cars house car came up half a car short of completing the winning

pass.

The race was slowed by four cautions. The first appeared with two laps complete for a tangle back in the pack involving Jim Bernheisel and Steve Baldwin. Another yellow flag waved just after the restart for the slowing machine of Charlie Sandercock. A lap-8 caution was for Darrell Lanigan's brief adventure off the banking in turn four, and a flat tire for Bernheisel brought out the final caution with nine laps complete.

Inclement Weather Forces Cancellation At Cornwall

CORNWALL, ONT - Sunday's World of Outlaws Late Model Series event at Cornwall Motor Speedway has been cancelled due to inclement weather at the Ontario, Canada, track.

For more information on the WoO LMS, visit www.worldofoutlaws.com.

Clanton Adds to Points Lead With Victory at Fonda

FONDA, NY - Just as the World of Outlaws Late Model Series enters a busy stretch of early-summer action, Shane Clanton is showing signs of another potential hot streak on the national tour.

Clanton, who jumped out to an early lead in this year's WoO LMS championship chase with four victories in the tour's first seven races, returned to victory lane for the first time since his February win streak Thursday night at Fonda Speedway with a dominating performance in the opening round of the four-race Great Northern Tour.

The \$8,550 victory stretched Clanton's lead in the WoO LMS standings to 98 points and gives the 39-year-old racer plenty of momentum.

"Maybe we can get on another roll here and just win all of them," said Clanton whose fifth WoO LMS victory of the season marked the 25th series triumph of his career. "We're working on stuff we've been doing all year long and just making minor adjustments. Tonight really suited our race car. Hopefully this is a sign of more things to come."

After taking the lead from outside polesitter Brandon Overton on



Josh Richards edged Shane Clanton for a thrilling finish to the World of Outlaws Late Model Series event at Brighton Speedway. (Paul Arch photo)

lap eight, Clanton cruised through the remainder of the 40-lap race in his Weldbank Energy-sponsored Capital Race Cars house car. He pulled away on each of the race's four restarts and built leads of more than a straightaway on the sprawling half-mile oval before ultimately crossing the finish line nearly seven seconds ahead of Chub Frank.

Chase Junghans scored his best career WoO LMS finish in taking third, while seventh-starting Frank Heckenast Jr. finished fourth and eighth-starting Tim McCreadie finished fifth. Overton, the leading WoO LMS rookie who controlled the race's opening seven laps, tangled with a lapped car while battle Frank for second on lap nine; he ended up 15th.

In scoring his 14th top-five finish in 17 WoO LMS A-Mains this season, Clanton took even firmer control of the points battle thanks to both his strong performance and a turn of bad luck for championship rival Josh Richards.

Richards, a three-time WoO LMS champion, was leading his heat race during Thursday's prelims when his Rocket Chassis house car suffered mechanical woes, forcing him into a backup car and a 24th starting spot for the A-Main. Richards was able to rally to a seventh-place finish but dropped another 14 points to Clanton, who's continuing to inch closer to his first WoO LMS title.

"We're the points leader and trying to pad our lead here," Clanton said. "We've gotta keep winning and running top fives and the points will take care of itself. Right now we're feeling pretty good."

Starting from the pole, Frank was in prime position to end his nearly six-year WoO LMS winless streak, but he couldn't keep pace with Clanton.

After losing second to Junghans

on a mid-race restart, Frank took the spot back on a later restart and held it until the finish.

"We had nothing for Clanton," said Frank, who notched his sixth top-five finish of the season in his Sorbera Family Chiropractic-sponsored Longhorn Chassis. "He definitely had everybody covered. We were just trying to get to second."

Junghans noted his mistake of choosing to restart on the bottom lane and was disappointed not to complete a first-and-second sweep for Capital Race Cars, but the second-year WoO LMS regular was otherwise pleased with his solid performance in his first ever visit to Fonda.

Darrell Lanigan advanced from his 10th starting spot to finish sixth, holding off a late challenge from the hard-charging Richards. Eric Wells was eighth with Morgan Bagley ninth and Rick Eckert fifth.

Billy Decker started the evening off by lowering the Fonda Speedway Late Model track record in time trials, but his night ended early after he suffered engine problems in his heat race. Decker's lap of 17.135 seconds topped the previous record of 18.367 seconds set by Jimmy Owens in 2010.

The race was interrupted on four occasions. The first yellow flag was for Overton's lap-nine run-in with Greg Oakes while Bryan Bernheisel slammed the wall exiting turn-four on lap 18 to bring out the second caution.

Dan Stone got the worst of a lap-22 tangle with Jim Bernheisel. Contact between the two cars in turn one squeezed Stone's machine into the wall and sent him into a slow rollover. He was OK.

The race's final yellow flag appeared when Boom Briggs suffered a flat tire, forcing Jordan Yaggy to spin to avoid Briggs' slowing machine.

Weaver Wins Lucas Oil Ole Smoky Moonshine Classic

MARYVILLE, TN - Randy Weaver sprints to the first Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series win of his career on Saturday Night at Smoky Mountain Speedway. In front of tonight's record-setting crowd, the 45-year-old driver took the lead on lap 17 from Chris Ferguson and went unchallenged to win the

Lucas Oil Ole Smoky Moonshine Classic.

Weaver drove the Chip Stone-owned Longhorn Chassis and becomes the 11th different winner this season on the LOLDMS tour. Scott Bloomquist finished second, followed by 10th place starter Jonathan Davenport. Rounding out the Top-5 were Jimmy Owens, and Casey Roberts.

"First and foremost, I am thinking about my dad. Tomorrow is father's day. It's going to be a tough one with this being my first one without him. The Good Lord takes care of me and my family. He lets me do this for a living. The crew we have is great; the car was great as well. I'd like to thank my car owner Chip Stone for all of this."

"To beat Scott [Bloomquist] and Jonathan [Davenport] is just unbelievable. Davenport and I are pals and we talk quite a bit, but not about racing. If there was someone to end his streak I guess I would have been a good choice."

Bloomquist came home second but was several car lengths behind Weaver at the finish. "We had a re-

ally good car here tonight. The track kind of slicked over more than we thought it would. We went with a softer tire than some others. After the last two nights, we will take this and head to the next one. I want to thank Mike Reece of Reece Monument Company, Crop Production Services, Dyna Gro, Lucas Oil, and all of my other sponsors for their support."

Bouncing back from brake line troubles in time trials, and starting deep in his heat race, Davenport managed to rebound in impressive style. He started in tenth for the 50 lap feature and fought his way past some stiff competition to finish third. "We needed a caution at the end. Scott and I had a good battle to in the closing laps. I don't know if I would have had anything for Randy; he was awfully strong tonight. Congratulations to him on the win!"

"I'm very thankful to A.F. Stone Professional Medical Services, Mission Transport, Stone Land Clearing and Excavating, Save More Commercial Laundry, VP, and Outlaw Racing Southeast. This Cornett Ford has been flawless all year. I want to thank all the fans for coming out tonight hopefully they saw a good show," said the winner.

Completing the top ten were Earl Pearson, Jr., Chris Ferguson, Jared Landers, Tommy Kerr, and Dennis Erb Jr.

In preliminary action, Chris Ferguson set the overall Miller Welders Fast Time (Group A) amongst the 32 entrants, with a lap of 15.387 seconds. Scott Bloomquist set the fastest time in Group B with a time of 15.691 sec-



The Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series racers line up for the parade lap at Smoky Mountain Speedway. (Michael Moats photo)

onds. Chris Ferguson, Scott Bloomquist, Scott Bloomquist, and Skip Arp won their respective heat races. Steve Francis and Ray Cook won their respective B-Mains.

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Davenport Dashes to Grassy Smith Memorial Win

GAFFNEY, SC - Jonathan Davenport passed race leader Chris Ferguson on lap 45 and then went on to win the Grassy Smith Memorial on Friday Night at Cherokee Speedway. The win for the current Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series Points Leader was a series record five-in-a-row for the 31-year-old racer. Since Memorial Day weekend, he has won nine consecutive feature events.

Ferguson led the first 44 laps of the race and finished second. He was trailed by defending race winner, Don O'Neal. Ross Bailes and Earl Pearson Jr. completed the Top-5.

"That win took a lot of patience. I knew when we rolled out for the feature, our tires were too hard. I managed the tires for the first 15 or so laps, because I didn't want to burn the edges off. This car just came alive late in the race. I'd really like to thank my crew; they worked their tails off on this thing," said Davenport in Lucas Oil Victory Lane.

"Thank you to all of these fans for coming out here tonight! I almost consider this my home track. I just love coming to this place. I almost got too excited there when I caught up to Chris. I

found a little lane coming off of turn four. I knew he was running the top and the only way I was going to pass him was to slide him. I hope I left him enough room. He and I usually race pretty clean together. Man, what a roll we are on!"

"Thanks to Kevin and Lee Roy Rumley, TS Crane, Sundance Services, Sundance Flowback Well Testing, Mega Plumbing of the Carolinas, JRi Shocks, Bryson Motorsports, Dirtwrap, FK Rod Ends, Bobby and Terry Labonte and of course everybody at Longhorn Chassis. I want to race every night, this is fun."

Ferguson set a new track record in Miller Welders Time Trials, and then won the first heat to earn the pole starting spot for the 50-lap feature. A lap 40 caution slowed the field for one last time. That allowed Davenport to set him up on the final restart once it went green.

"Yes, I should have stayed higher on the track," said Ferguson. "We had a great car all night long, so what can you say? I wanted to win this race bad; we had a lot of fans here. We came so close to getting our first Lucas Oil victory, so it is a bit heartbreaking. Even still, second place against these guys says something about our race team. We never give up!"

"I left the door open with five to go. I thought I got into the corner well enough, but apparently not. I just couldn't hold him off. He is the best driver in the country right now. It was a good night for Longhorn Chassis and we will get them next time," said the driver of the Carver and Sons Roofing, Langley Collision Center #22.

Completing the top ten were Casey Roberts, Dennis Erb Jr., Steve Casebolt, Mason Zeigler, and Chris Brown.

In preliminary action, Chris
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Randy Weaver raced his way to his first career Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series victory. He celebrates his win in Smoky Mountain Speedway's victory lane. (Michael Moats photo)

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Ferguson set the overall Miller Welders Fast Time (Group B) amongst the 27 entrants, with a lap of 14.754 seconds. Scott Bloomquist set the fastest time in Group A with a time of 14.878 seconds.

Chris Ferguson, Jared Landers, and Steve Casebolt won their respective heat races. Eddie Carrier Jr. won the B-Main.

Davenport Wins Wayne Gray Memorial at Fayetteville

FAYETTEVILLE, NC - Jonathan Davenport took the lead on lap 27, then sprinted away from the field to win the Dunn-Benson Ford Wayne Gray Memorial at Fayetteville Motor Speedway. The win makes his fourth consecutive in Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series competition.

Davenport helmed his K&L Rumley Enterprises, TS Crane Service, Sundance Services, and Sundance Flowback Well Testing, Longhorn Chassis #6 to his sixth win this season with the LOLMDS and his eighth-straight overall victory. Earl Pearson Jr. led 22 laps of



Jonathan Davenport celebrates two wins in a row. His first win came at Fayetteville Motor Speedway and then the next night at Cherokee Speedway. (LOS photo)

the 50 lap feature event and finished second. Steve Francis charged from ninth to place third. He was followed by Steve Casebolt and Ross Bailes at the line.

"Everybody started getting on the bottom, and it started to turn black. I came here last year, and I knew it was going to be close on tire wear. Tonight, we almost had a flat. At the end, I rode around just trying to conserve them. I can't thank Kevin and Leroy Rumley and everybody back at the shop. All of my crew and sponsors, a big thanks to all of them as well! This is

just awesome!"

Justin Labonte; son of NASCAR driver, Terry Labonte; grabbed the lead at the start of the feature and held the point for the first five laps of the race.

Pearson started alongside Labonte and then forged ahead on lap six in the Carlton and Kemp Lamm-owned, Dunn-Benson Ford, Lucas Oil Products, Black Diamond entry.

Pearson was able to hold off Davenport until a few laps after a mid-race caution for Scott Autry. Davenport used the outside line to

take the lead on lap 27 and never looked back.

Pearson was satisfied with his second place finish. "We had a good car tonight. On that last restart, I knew I wasn't going to be able to hold off Jonathan. He is on a roll, no doubt! We have to feel good about this performance tonight in front of my car owners, sponsors, and friends."

Francis was pleased with his solid third place finish.

"The whole team has worked hard trying to turn our year around, and we have been making progress! If we keep running like this, we might be able to beat Davenport! I would really like to thank Clint Bowyer, Georgia Boot, Peak, Clements Racing Engines, and Barry Wright Race Cars."

Completing the top ten were Brandon Sheppard, Justin Labonte, Jimmy Owens, Johnny Pursley, and Eddie Carrier Jr.

The entire staff at Fayetteville Motor Speedway worked diligently to prepare the race track, however the track surface got away from them tonight. Before the feature, it was decided to award 100 show-up points to the entire field.

In preliminary action, Justin Labonte set the overall Miller Welders Fast Time amongst the 24 entrants, with a lap of 16.915 seconds.

Smith Both Lucky And Good At Montgomery

MONTGOMERY, AL - Some say it's better to be lucky than to be good. For Casey Smith, a combination of both skill and luck helped him secure his second Southern Super Series win of 2015 at Montgomery Motor Speedway (AL) in the Rumble By The River 100.

On what was a blistering hot and humid day in the Alabama capital city, several teams struggled to find the right setup in practice on the slick and hot asphalt oval. Series points leader Smith found himself eighth after qualifying, but with the top eight redrawing for starting position, luck would swing his way as he picked the pole for the 100-lap main event.

Defending "Rumble" winner Bubba Pollard qualified sixth and he was also able to parlay the redraw into a front row starting spot

as he lined up alongside Smith for the start of the race.

Smith jumped out to the lead and looked to have the field handled throughout the opening half of the race.

Just one caution slowed the race on lap 30. Smith regained the lead on the restart over Augie Grill who started sixth after struggling in practice, but had worked his way up to battle for the lead on the restart.

Smith opened up a several car length advantage until Grill ran him down near the halfway mark. From there it looked to be Grill's race to lose.

A combination of lapped traffic and losing grip allowed Smith to close back in on Grill setting up a four lap, side-by-side duel for the lead that saw Smith regain the spot with just over ten laps to go.

While Smith and Grill battled, Daniel Hemric was able to run down the top two and jumped alongside Grill just a lap after Smith had him cleared.



Casey Smith was both lucky and good at Montgomery Motor Speedway after winning a scorching Rumble By The River 100. (Southern Super Series photo)

With laps winding down, all eyes were on the battle for second as Grill and Hemric stayed wheel-to-wheel until the white flag, with Hemric claiming the runner up position.

"They said Grill was coming and I just didn't want to put too much on my right front in case we got a late restart," Smith said after claiming his second SSS win.

While it wasn't a win, Grill

seemed to be fairly satisfied with his podium finish.

"That was a lot of fun," Grill said of his battles.

"We kinda caught lapped traffic there that cost us a couple of times. I don't know that I would've been able to hold them off even without it though."

For more information on the Southern Super Series, visit www.southernsuperseries.com.

Sheldon Haudenschild Holds Off McFadden to Win Speedweek Event at Waynesfield

WAYNESFIELD, OH - Sheldon Haudenschild earned the Ohio Sprint Speedweek presented by Cometic Gasket victory on Sunday night, June 21st at the Waynesfield Raceway Park in Waynesfield, Ohio. It was Haudenschild's first UNOH All Star Circuit of Champions victory of the 2015 season and his second career victory with the series. The Wooster, Ohio native survived one caution, countless laps of lapped traffic and a continuous battle with James McFadden to win at the Waynesfield bullring. Haudenschild now has three consecutive podium finishes with the UNOH All Stars during the 2015 edition of Speedweek.

"This feels great" said Sheldon Haudenschild, "I just want to thank all of my sponsors and my crew....my mom and dad...everyone...this wouldn't be possible without all of those guys...I want to give Bonzai Bruns credit for helping us change things around a little bit...hopefully we can do this night-in and night-out."

After taking sole command of the 35-lap main event with 22 laps

in the books, Sheldon Haudenschild, who started fourth on the grid, navigated the top side of the race track; keeping 'Aussie' native James McFadden and pole sitter Tim Shaffer at bay. Despite a few slide job attempts by McFadden to get back by Haudenschild during the closing circuits, it was the familiar black '93' hanging on for the \$5,000 victory.

"Oh man, I love coming to this place" Haudenschild said, "I was a little worried in the heat race...it got pretty slick, then they ended up watering it right before the feature...we got rolling around there in the 'A' and then I knew we had a good track to race on...I had a blast racing with James (McFadden)."

James McFadden would hang on to finish second after starting the on the pole. Tim Shaffer, who joined McFadden on the front row for the start of the A-main, would come home third.

With the victory, Sheldon Haudenschild now extends his lead in the 33rd Annual Ohio Sprint Speedweek presented by Cometic Gasket standings heading into Monday night's program at Wayne County Speedway.

A strong field of 50 UNOH All



Sheldon Haudenschild takes a turn in his Callies Sprint racer. (PAUL ARCH photo)

Star Circuit of Champions '410' sprint cars signed in for competition at the Waynesfield Raceway Park high banks on Sunday afternoon. The All Star roster was split into five groups of ten qualifiers with all drivers qualifying against those in their respective heat race. Brady Bacon, Tim Shaffer, Steve Kinser, Cody Darrah, and Roger Crockett each earned 'fast time' during their respective group qualifying efforts, with Tim Shaffer earning the fastest time of the night overall during qualifying time trials; recording an official time of 10.763 seconds around the 1/3 mile dirt oval. Brady Bacon, Greg Wilson, Nate Dussel, and Jared Horstman rounded out the top five fastest qualifiers.

Preliminary action would continue with five 10-lap heat races with the top-four finishers transferring to the 35-lap main event. Brady Bacon, Chad Kemenah, 'The King' Steve Kinser, Sheldon Haudenschild, and Oregon native Roger Crockett each earned victories during heat race competition. Sprint car 'Hall of Fame' inductee Danny Smith picked up the evening's C-main victory.

James McFadden earned the UNOH All Star dash victory; guaranteeing the pole position for the \$5,000-to-win, 35-lap main event. All preliminary competition would come to a close after Stuart Brubaker picked up the B-main victory.

Kinder Survives Three-Car Battle to Capture DIRTcar Summit Racing Equipment Modified Nationals Victory

FAIRBURY, IL - Chad Kinder used to the top side of Fairbury American Legion Speedway to survive an epic three-car battle with Mike Harrison and Jay Ledford for his first victory of the 2015 DIRTcar Summit Racing Equipment Modified Nationals

tour.

Kinder, of Newton, Ill., started on the outside of the front row alongside Brian Shaw. The two raced wheel-to-wheel before Harrison and Ledford made it a three-car battle. Kinder held his ground through two restarts and powered

to victory, worth \$1,500.

Championship points leader Tyler Nicely worked his way to second by the time the checkered flag waved with Ledford, Jeff Curl and Harrison rounding out the top five.

The DIRTcar Summit Racing Equipment Modified Nationals now returns to action on Monday night at Quincy (Ill.) Raceways. Hot laps are slated for 6:15 p.m. with racing at 7 p.m.

Follow the Summer Nationals and DIRTcar Summit Modified Nationals on Twitter @SummerNationals or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SummerNationals, or visit the series' websites at www.TheHellTour.com and www.ModifiedNationals.com.



Chad Kinder celebrates in victory lane. (JIMMY DEARING photo)

Wilson Captures Speedweek Victory at Eldora Speedway

ROSSBURG, OH - Benton Ridge, Ohio's Greg Wilson earned the 33rd Annual Ohio Sprint Speedweek presented by Cometic Gasket main event victory at the Eldora Speedway in Rossburg, Ohio on Saturday night, June 20th. For Wilson, it was his second UNOH All Star

victory of the 2015 season and his first at 'The Big E' in 2015. The former two-time UNOH All Star Circuit of Champions titleholder started the 30-lap, \$5,000-to-win main event on the inside of row number three. Wilson made the winning pass with 14 laps in the books at Eldora Speedway; surviving two red flag incidents and heavy doses of lapped traffic to earn top honors during round two of Ohio Sprint Speedweek.

"This is as tough as it gets" said Greg Wilson, "I'm about choked up in tears...I'm a blessed dude...we come in and had a little issue...Tony Stewart is one hell of a man and he made some issues better...I told him we were going to win so I could bring my kids up on this stage...I couldn't do it without all of the help from my sponsors."

Full-time UNOH All Star competitor Danny Holtgraver and NASCAR star Kasey Kahne would lead the 26 car field to the 'green' at Eldora Speedway. Holtgraver, in the familiar Phoenix Racing '59 sprinter, held the top spot for the first three circuits before red flag conditions hit the speedway for Cale Thomas.

When racing resumed, Holtgraver continued his torrid pace. The Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania native navigated traffic on the outside 'cushion' but would eventually lose command to former UNOH All Star champion, Greg Wilson, with 14 laps in the books. Wilson used the very bottom lane of Eldora's wide surface to weave through traffic.

Unfortunately, red flag conditions would return to the speedway for Dale Blaney. Blaney was racing in the runner-up position and on the charge after Greg Wilson for a second consecutive Speedweek victory. The CH Motorsports no. 1 machine would lose a left rear wheel with seven laps remaining; resulting in contact with the outside

wall.

Greg Wilson would lead the field back to green flag conditions and that is where he would stay; holding off 20-time World of Outlaws Sprint Car Series champion, Steve Kinser, and Sheldon Haudenschild. It was a second consecutive third place performance for Haudenschild; finishing third at Attica Raceway Park one night ago.

There were 41 UNOH All Star Circuit of Champions sprint cars signed in at 'The Big E' on Saturday evening. The Speedweek roster was split into five qualifying groups with all drivers qualifying against those in their respective heat race. Cale Thomas, Dustin Daggett, Dale Blaney, Ryan Ruhl, and Ryan Smith each earned fast time awards during their group qualifying efforts, with Dale Blaney earning the fastest time of the night overall. His official time was 13.733 seconds around the Eldora Speedway half-mile. Cale Thomas, Greg Wilson, Ryan Smith, and James McFadden rounded out the top-five fastest qualifiers, overall.

Five 8-lap heat races were contested with the top four finishers transferring to the 30-lap main event. Cole Duncan, Bryan Clauson, Roger Crockett, Kasey Kahne, and Danny Holtgraver each earned dominating heat race victories at 'The Big E.' Danny Holtgraver was the evening's dash winner; securing the pole position for the \$5,000-to-win, 30-lap main event.

Dale Blaney Takes Opening Night of Ohio Sprint at Attica

ATTICA, OH - Defending UNOH All Star Circuit of Champions titleholder Dale Blaney kicked off the 33rd Annual Ohio Sprint Speedweek presented by Cometic Gasket with a victory at the Attica Raceway Park in Attica, Ohio. For Blaney, it was his fourth UNOH All Star Circuit of Champions victory of the 2015 season, and is now the official point leader of not only the UNOH All Star Circuit of Champions national standings, but also Ohio Sprint Speedweek. Blaney, set the tone early at Attica Raceway Park and used his qualifying position as an early advantage.

"We really set ourselves up after qualifying" said Blaney, "We went out late but qualified well enough to

put ourselves on the front row of a heat race...we were fortunate enough to win our heat and make the dash...I've ran so many races at Attica...we have a great baseline and we can use that no matter what kind of surface we race on."

Dale Blaney started his winning performance from the very beginning of the 40-lap main event; taking command of the 26-car starting field on the opening lap over pole-sitter Parker Price-Miller. Blaney survived four cautions during the feature program; and despite an early charge by Price-Miller with just seven laps in the books, and periods of tricky lapped traffic, the Hartford, Ohio native stayed in control of the \$5,000-to-win main event and went on to secure his 119th career UNOH All Star Circuit of Champions victory. Blaney started the main event on the outside of the front row.

Byron Reed, the 2014 Fremont/Attica Sprint Title champion, finished second during the opening night of Ohio Sprint Speedweek. The Monclova, Ohio native was a top-five contender the entire distance, but secured himself into the runner-up position with less than five laps remaining. The new UNOH All Star Circuit of Champions format proved to be beneficial for the six-time Attica Raceway Park track champion, as Reed charged from fifth to a dash position during heat race competition, and eventually rallying from fourth to second during the main event; all after qualifying 27th overall.

Perhaps the most impressive performance of the evening was portrayed by Sheldon Haudenschild. Haudenschild started on the outside of row ten during the 40-lap main event, and rallied 17 positions

to secure himself on the podium at Attica Raceway Park. The Wooster, Ohio native utilized the all too familiar 'Haudenschild line' and relied on the Attica berm to solidify himself a third place finish. Haudenschild was also the evening's 'Hard Charger.'

Seventeen-year-old Parker Price-Miller would hold on to finish fourth during main event competition after starting from the pole position and racing in second for much of the 40-lap program. Price-Miller was a threat early; challenging Dale Blaney for the top spot with less than ten laps recorded. The Kokomo, Indiana native was followed by NASCAR star and World of Outlaws Sprint Car Series team owner Kasey Kahne a the checkers.

There were 58 UNOH All Star Circuit of Champions sprint cars signed in for competition on Friday night at Attica Raceway Park. Cap Henry, Rob Chaney, Chris Andrews, Gary Taylor, and Brady Bacon each earned 'top honors' in their group qualifying sessions.

Cap Henry earned the overall 'Lincoln Electric Fast Time Award,' recording an official lap time of 12.372 seconds around the Attica high banks. Travis Philo, Caleb Helms, Brady Bacon, and Gary Taylor rounded out the top-five overall fastest qualifiers.

Preliminary competition would continue with five 10-lap heat races with the top four finishers transferring to the main event. Caleb Helms, Jamie Veal, Chris Andrews, Dale Blaney, Parker Price-Miller each earned UNOH All Star Circuit of Champions heat race victories. Price-Miller won the evening's All Star dash; guaranteeing the pole position for the 40-lap main event.



Dale Blaney poses in victory lane after winning the opening night of the Ohio Sprint Speedweek at Attica Raceway Park. (Paul Arch photo)

Tony Bruce, Jr. Leads Flag-to-Flag at Lucas Oil Speedway

WHEATLAND, MO - What a way to cap off the 23rd ASCS Sizzlin' Summer Speedweek and Bob Westphal Memorial as Liberal, Kan. shoe Tony Bruce, Jr. picked up his first Protect the Harvest A-Feature victory in 2015 with the Lucas Oil American Sprint Car Series presented by MAVTV American Real at the Lucas Oil Speedway in Wheatland, Mo.

“It means a lot to me to be standing here. We’ve won a race here before, but this one is pretty special. There’s a lot happening with me personally, so this is a big win for us and everyone who’s involved with this team,” said Bruce in Victory Lane. “Hats off the track crew, Dan, and everybody here at the Lucas Oil Speedway. We’re all standing up there having our doubts that the track prep was going to be good or bad, but man, it turned out excellent and that’s the best thing about coming to this race track is they strive for greatness.”

Executing the bottom groove perfectly, Bruce built his advantage quickly before the caution displayed on Lap 7. Returning to speed, the caution flew again the following lap. Picking things up, the Oil Medics No. 18 began to pace away from the field. Finding slower traffic at the race’s half-way point, the race for the lead began to tighten up as Bruce navigated the back of the field. Searching lines, Bruce became pinned behind a pair of slower cars, allowing Kyle Bellm to take a shot at the race lead.

“I thought we had a chance at Tony there, but I got hung up behind the No. 33 car. You know, we had one shot at it there, and just didn’t get it done, but it got to be a handful. I think a bleeder quit, or we sealed a tire after that last caution but the way we’ve been running, a second here is a hell of a feat.”

Settling for the final podium step after battling most of the race with Jeff Swindell, Oklahoma’s Wayne Johnson described the hard fought finish, “Me and Jeff, neither one of us wanted to give up that spot, and unfortunately it got a little ugly there. I hate to do that, but we’re looking at the big picture here and we need every point we can get so sometimes you can’t be ‘Mr. Nice Guy.’”

Wayne’s third place finish was enough to secure the 2015 ASCS Sizzlin’s Summer Speedweek Title, fending off Tony Bruce, Jr. by seven points. Jeff Swindell, Seth Bergman, and Matt Covington completed the top-five in Speedweek points.

Having to work out of a B-Feature, the night’s KSE Hard Charger was Seth Bergman, coming from 20th to fourth after several hard fought battles through the top-ten. After running third for much of the second half of the race, Jeff Swindell would end up crossing fifth.

Derek Hagar came from 12th to grab sixth with Aaron Reutzel fading to seventh after challenging several times for a podium finish. Matt Covington eighth, Blake Hahn ninth, with Jonathan Cornell com-

ing 18th rounded out the top-ten. With 35 drivers making the call at the Lucas Oil Speedway, five Heat Races went to Kyle Bellm, Chance Morton, Matt Covington, Jordan Weaver, and Evan Martin. A pair of B-Features went to Logan Forler and Jonathan Cornell.

Paired with the Speedway Motors ASCS Warrior Region, Jonathan Cornell earned high points for the region. Tyler Thomas, Jay Russell, Austin Alumbaugh, and Tyler Blank completed the top-five point’s earners.

The Lucas Oil American Sprint Car Series presented by MAVTV American Real heads for the Skagit Speedway for the 44th annual Jim Raper Memorial Dirt Cup presented by Jack in the Box on June 25-27. Live online PPV is available at www.racinboys.com.

For continued updates on the American Sprint Car Series, log onto www.ascsracing.com.

Reutzel Scores Emotional Lucas Oil ASCS Victory at the Salina Speedway

SALINA, KS - To say Aaron Reutzel’s victory at the Salina Speedway was an emotional one would be an understatement as the B.C Funds No. 87 grabbed season win No 3 with the Lucas Oil American Sprint Car Series presented by MAVTV American Real, and in doing so reclaimed the series points lead.

Working past Seth Bergman on a Lap 23 restart, the Clute, Texas driver was in tears in Victory Lane as he dedicated his victory to his fallen friend, Bob Miller, in the National Tour’s 800th A-Feature.

“I don’t even know what to say. I’m just so happy to be able to win this one for Bob,” commented Aaron. “I’m sure he’d be proud of me; I just can’t describe how much I miss him and can’t thank him and Christie for everything they did for me. It was definitely good to come out and get a win and try to shake off the tragedy we had, and all the heavy hearts so to come out here and win like this is pretty special. I just love that whole family and I didn’t just lose a sponsor, I lost a best friend, I lost a mentor, and I lost a guy who believed in me so we’re definitely going to miss him.”

Avoiding a pile-up on the initial start, seventh starting Reutzel worked through the field patiently on the restart, sliding into third on a Lap 5 restart with Seth Bergman and Kevin Ramey in sight. Dicing through slower traffic, Ramey kept

the pair of Bergman and Reutzel and bay until Lap 12 when Seth took over the top spot with Aaron taking over second on Lap 16. Looking to be in command, the caution displayed on Lap 23 for Johnny Herrera whose night ended with a broken front axle.

Getting the restart on point, Reutzel dove the low line of the first turn, sliding across the nose of Seth Bergman to take over the top spot exiting turn-two.

Trying several times to reclaim the lead, the No. 23 had several runs, but could never overtake the No. 87.

“We were really good. Just the way that race played out at the end when you get to racing with a guy like Aaron; he’s smart so I had a couple decisions to make on that restart, and obviously, looking back on them, I maybe should have done a fake slide myself and made him go to the top, but I did what I thought I had to do at the time, and Aaron took advantage of it,” commented Seth. “I’m happy for Aaron. He’s my friend, and having that big loss, I’m glad he was able to get the win.”

Coming home on the final podium step, Jeff Swindell put the H&H Container Services No. 94 in the top-five for the second time in 2015.

“You have to really get position on a guy here to make the move and just be that much faster,” said Jeff when asked about how tricky the track was. “We’re all just so equal, it slows you down when you get in the wrong spot and I just couldn’t get off of two at all. I was really good everywhere else, but we had a great racecar and I think with a little luck, we could have had a shot because we all seemed pretty equal once we got stretched out there but it just is what it is.”

Coming from 18th, C.J. Johnson did the Kansas crowd proud with a fourth place finish with Kevin Ramey settling for fifth after leading early on.

Battling inside the top-five most of the race, Tony Bruce, Jr. slipped back to finish sixth with Blake Hahn from 14th to grab seventh. Bouncing around the top-ten for most of the race, Brian Brown crossed eighth with Tyler Thomas from 17th to ninth. Starting 19th, Wayne Johnson completed the top-ten.

Three Heat Races for 26 drivers saw Tony Bruce, Jr., Seth Bergman, and Kevin Ramey taking wins. The B-Feature went to Tyler Thomas. Brandon Hanks utilized a provisional to start the night’s feature event.



Tony Bruce, Jr. picked up his first ASCS National Tour Victory of 2015, leading start-to-finish at the Lucas Oil Speedway. (ASCS /Pat Grant Photo)

Victory for Alumbaugh with ASCS Warriors at U.S. 36

CAMERON, MO - For the fourth time against the Speedway Motors ASCS Warrior Region, Austin Alumbaugh stood in Victory Lane, topping action at the Budweiser Shootout at the U.S. 36 Raceway in Cameron, Mo.

Jay Russell crossed second with Stu Snyder third. Mitchell Moore and

Ricky Stangl made up the top-five.

Evan Martin, J. Kinder, Taylor Walton, J.R. Topper, and Corey Nelson completed the top-ten. J.R. Topper pocketed an additional \$250 from the night's 50/50 draw for being the Hard Charger.

Action was halted on Lap 20 for a crash involving Jonathan Cornell, who was running second before contact with the wall sent the No. 28 flipping.

Heat Races were worth \$500 to

win with Jonathan Cornell, Ricky Stangl, and Evan Martin each collecting.

Rain Drowns Events at Gator Motorplex with the ASCS Gulf South

WILLIS, TX - The Gator Motorplex is the latest to succumb to the ravages of nature as saturated grounds and a continued wet forecast at the Willis oval has forced officials to cancel events slated for Saturday, June 20 with the Southern Trailer Works ASCS Gulf South Region presented by Griffith Truck and Equipment.

Updates and information on the Southern Trailer Works ASCS Gulf South Region presented by Griffith Truck and Equipment can be found at www.ascsracing.com.

Tropical Storm Bill Claims Races at Lawton and Creek County Speedway

TULSA, OK - The Electric Bill, Gas Bill, Insurance Bill, and now



Austin Alumbaugh celebrates with family and friends in victory lane at U.S. 36 Raceway. (Jerry Jenkins/ASCS photo)

Tropical Storm Bill is the latest "Bill" for everyone to cuss at as the mass of rain and wind and just washed out events with the Lucas Oil American Sprint Car Series presented by MAVTV American Real for Wednesday, June 17 at the Lawton

Speedway and Thursday, June 18 at the Creek County Speedway.

Continued updates will be posted to www.ascsracing.com. Fans can also get Text updates to the Cell Phones by texting ASC-SNEWS to 84483.

Babb Delivers His First Victory of 2015 DIRTcar Summer Nationals Tour at Fairbury

FAIRBURY, IL - New father Shannon Babb moved to the lead in traffic on Saturday night at Fairbury American Legion Speedway on lap 28, then held off Ryan Unzicker to the checkered flag for his first victory of the 2015

DIRTcar Summer Nationals tour.

Babb, whose wife Emalie delivered the couple's daughter, Finlee Jo Babb, on Friday, started 12th in the main event and was the last of four different leaders, pocketing \$10,000 for his effort. Billy Moyer Jr. got the jump and led the first 13 laps before his father Billy Moyer led until lap 22. Scott Schmitt moved in front until lap 27, when Babb worked to the lead and was able to stay up front to the checkered flag in the 50-lapper run in front of a huge crowd.



Babb

Unzicker, Moyer Jr., Bobby Pierce and Jason Feger rounded out the top five.

"It's been the busiest couple of days of my entire life," said Babb, a four-time DIRTcar Summer Nationals champion. "I got the best wife that anybody could have.

"I needed those guys to zig-zag at the right time. There was a lot of strong cars. Schmitt was really good, and Unzicker was really good. You never can tell. Fairbury always produces a heckuva a race, and there's another one."

Moyer Jr. Pockets \$10,000 for DIRTcar Summer Nationals Victory at Iowa's Farley Speedway

FARLEY, IA - Billy Moyer Jr. dominated the DIRTcar Summer Nationals event on Wednesday night at Farley Speedway, leading all 50 laps and collecting \$10,000 for the effort.

Moyer Jr., of Batesville, Ark., started the feature alongside pole-

sitter Bobby Pierce. Pierce and Moyer Jr. are 1-2 in the DIRTcar Summer Nationals championship standings, but on Wednesday night it was Moyer Jr. who surged to the lead on the first lap and survived four restarts to claim his first victory of the 2015 tour.

Chris Simpson charged from sixth to finish second with Pierce, Shannon Babb and Chad Simpson rounding out the top five.

With Pierce winning Tuesday at Jacksonville Speedway and Moyer Jr. getting into the win column on Wednesday night, the championship battle has taken an interesting turn. Pierce's father, Bob, is a two-time DIRTcar Summer Nationals champion (1992 & 1995) while Moyer Jr.'s legendary father, Billy, is a six-time DIRTcar Summer Nationals champ (1993, 1994, 1996, 1999, 2001 and 2003). Should either of them win the crown, they would become the first championship-winning father-son combo in series history.

"I'm not going to lie, I want my name on that championship with my dad," Moyer Jr. said.

Pierce Breaks Through for Summer Nationals Victory

JACKSONVILLE, IL - Bobby Pierce was leading the DIRTcar Summer Nationals championship

standings going into Tuesday night's event at Jacksonville Speedway, but he had yet to post a victory.

Pierce checked the win off his list by surging past polesitter Michael Kloos on lap 11 and driving to the checkered flag.

Pierce, of Oakwood, Ill., is trying to join his father as a DIRTcar Summer Nationals champion this season.

After his \$5,000 victory on the Jacksonville bullring Tuesday night, he's certainly making it hard on the competition.

Runner-up Timothy Culp posted the best Summer Nationals finish of his career with Shannon Babb, Jason Feger and Kloos rounding out the top five.

"I didn't expect the win to come here," said Pierce, the reigning DIRTcar Late Model national champion who finished second in the 2013 Summer Nationals championship.

"I've never been really good here. It's a little bullring and I'm pretty good at those, but I've never been able to have any good runs here. When you've got guys like Babb and everyone who's grown up here racing their whole lives on tracks like this, it's really hard to beat them, so to get the win here is pretty amazing. I'm just stoked to get rid of those top-fives and knock one off."

Bowman Gray Stadium

WINSTON-SALEM, NC - Nothing displays a car's raw speed and handling quite like the twin 25-lap races for the Brad's Golf Cars Modified Series at Bowman Gray Stadium. And on Saturday, Jason Myers of Walnut Cove showed that he had the car to beat.

With starting position being determined strictly by qualifying, Myers turned the fastest lap to start up front and then led all the way. It was his sixth pole of the season and his third victory.

"You've got to have a good car to start up front. Fortunately, we do - and that's where we've been starting from," said Myers. "In these 25-lappers, when this thing gets up front, it is nasty."

"With no need to save tires or to hold anything back, each lap is just a white-knuckled, pedal-to-the-metal dash. "You get this number four car out front and this baby will run," said Myers.

Jason Myers secured the lead on the opening lap with Tim Brown of Tobaccoville starting to his outside in second. "You've got to get a good start or else you're going to lose the race on the first lap. We got it pointed and got it going," said Myers.

Brown was caught on the outside row as older brother Burt Myers of Walnut Cove, who started third, moved up to claim second place on Jason Myers's bumper. "The main concern I had," said Burt Myers, "was hoping Jason would slip and I could capitalize on it. He didn't, and I finished second."

The Myers brothers one-and-two finish was a welcome Father's Day gift for the patriarch and former Modified racer, Gary Myers. "I've always said if I can't win, I want Jason to," said Burt Myers. "To win first and second on Father's day kinda takes some of the sting away of not being able to win."

The "Madhouse Scramble" sent John Smith of Mount Airy to the pole for the start of the second race, with Joseph "Bobo" Brown of Winston-Salem starting in second. Smith jumped out into the lead. Joseph Brown gave him a few nudges, particularly in a harrowing last lap encounter with lapped traffic, but Smith held on to grab his first win of the season.

"I knew after the first race we



Jason Myers smiling with family in Winner's Circle after winning the first Modified 25-lapper. (ERIC HYLTON photo)



John Smith, winner of the second Modified race, receives his trophy in Winner's Circle. (ERIC HYLTON photo)

had a good car if we could just get up there. And we proved it. The car has been running well," said Smith, who was piloting the iconic number 53 owned by former racer Melvin "Puddin'" Swisher. "There's been a lot of good drivers in this car, and to add my name to the list of people who've won in it - it's a pretty good feeling."

Grandview Speedway

BECHTELSVILLE, PA - Nature just was not kind to Grandview Speedway on Saturday night as rain and the forecast for more rain washed out the scheduled Ingersoll Rand Night of NASCAR stock car racing.

Coming up at Grandview is a four division night of racing on Saturday, June 27th starting at 7:30 p.m. Included in the big night will be

the T.P.Trailers 358 Modifieds, BRC Late Models and Sportsman stock cars along with the Blast from the Past Vintage racers.

The Grandview Speedway Can Koozie giveaway for the first 200 Dads through the main gate, part of the Father's Day activities, has been rescheduled for June 27th.

Plans regarding the possible rescheduling of the Ingersoll Rand activities that had been planned as part of the Saturday night show along with the Pocono Raceway ticket giveaway will be announced as soon as details have been finalized.

On Tuesday, June 30, 7:30 p.m. the always exciting Thunder on the Hill Series will include the Pennsylvania Sprint Speed Week racing for the 410 sprint cars and the 358 Modifieds (NASCAR points

awarded).

The BRC Late Models will headline the action on Saturday, July 4th with their annual Firecracker 40 which is sponsored by the Liberty Fire Co. of New Berlinville, PA this year.

This is a big night for the kids as Late Model standout Kory Fleming and the Sleepy Hollow gang will be having their annual drawing that will reward four youngsters with beautiful new bicycles. Also included on the special holiday night will be the T.P.Trailers 358 Modifieds and Sportsman plus fan favorite FIREWORKS.

Rockford Speedway

With wet weather hitting northern Illinois in the late afternoon hours and with more moisture building and the likelihood of severe storms this evening, officials at Rockford Speedway have cancelled Saturday June 20's 'Hats Off To Dads' Night.

Rain has hampered several activities throughout the region in recent weeks and Rockford Speedway has been no exception. This rain out brings the season total to three cancellations on Saturday nights.

FANS: Rain checks from last Saturday night's events may be redeemed during ANY upcoming 'Wild Wednesday' or for Saturday night July 11.

DRIVERS: Pit Passes from last weeks rain out may be redeemed at any upcoming event.

As for the Gilley's Cool 5 Series, which has struggled to get started this season, the following will occur...

- Stanley Steemer NASCAR Late Models: First Gilley's Cool 5 race- next Saturday night June 27 (Star Spangled 76)

- Bargain Hunter Sportsman & Miller Lite American Short Trackers: First Gilley's Cool 5 race- Saturday night July 4

- Kickstart Roadrunners: First Gilley's Cool 5 race- Saturday night July 11

Racing resumes next Wednesday night at Rockford Speedway with 'Wild Wednesday Fastor Pastor Night,' and then next Saturday night with the ARCA Midwest Tour Kar Korner All Star 100 and the Stanley Steemer NASCAR Late Model Star Spangled 76 along with the Central States Super Cups. Both events take the green flag at 7:07 PM.

For more information on upcoming events, please visit rockford-speedway.com or please call 815-633-1500.

Kingsport Speedway

KINGSPORT, TN - With scattered rain falling around Northeast Tennessee and nearby Southwest Virginia late Friday evening, the precipitation stayed away from Kingsport Speedway for Lyon Metal Roofing Night at the Races in the Model City.

Kres VanDyke of Abingdon, Va., the defending track and Tennessee State NASCAR Whelen All-

American Series champion, led flag-to-flag to capture his fourth 'First Kingsport Credit Union' Late Model Stock Car victory of the season.

Zeke Shell toured the .375-mile banked concrete oval fastest at 15.085 seconds in qualifying to earn the pole award. Following the roll of the inversion dice, the top-three were inverted putting VanDyke and Ronnie McCarty on the front row for the main event.

VanDyke surged into the lead over McCarty and Shell at the start, with Shell immediately pressuring McCarty for second. Racing off the second corner on lap 6, Shell moved past McCarty for the position and pulled right in behind leader VanDyke.

Over the next few laps, Shell tried dropping to the inside of VanDyke on both ends of the track in the corners sneaking a peek trying to get by the leader. But VanDyke was up-on-the-wheel getting the job done in holding Shell off from overtaking him out front.

Halfway into the 60-lap feature, VanDyke still had Shell riding in his rearview mirror with McCarty running a strong third and the top eight cars in the running order all on the same straightaway. The event's only caution waved on lap 46 for debris on the track in the fourth turn off Bruce Blessing's car.

With VanDyke and Shell on the front row for the double-file restart, Shell looked to possibly power his way into the lead. But VanDyke would have none of that scenario as he once again drove back out ahead over Shell and McCarty.

A disappointing end for Taylor Coffman on the restart, when his car failed to come up-to-speed due to a faulty plug wire issue and he slowly brought his ride into the pits after running fifth the entire race right on the rear bumper of Justin Fontaine.



NASCAR Whelen All-American Series Late Model Stock Car action at Kingsport Speedway with Kres VanDyke (No. 15) leading Ronnie McCarty (5), Zeke Shell (97) and Justin Fontaine (60) into the first turn. (RANDALL PERRY photo)

But out front the race belonged to VanDyke, driving the Service Fuel Inc./Pizza Plus/Burger King/Wheel Chill/AR Bodies/Hy-Tec Specialty Coatings/RW Race Engines/Townsend Oliver Racing Performance (TORP Chassis)/Pro Image Graphics/No. 15 Chevrolet SS to his fourth victory over Shell, McCarty, Fontaine and Joey Trent.

Completing the top 10 finishers were Allen Hawkins, Austin Peters, Rick Pannell, Coffman and Blessing.

"This is an awesome win for our race team," said a smiling VanDyke after climbing from his car in victory lane. "What a week we've had after unfortunately getting collected in a wreck not our fault on the first lap of the race last Saturday night at Lonesome Pine Raceway and tearing the car up badly. I can't thank all of my guys who help work on the car enough for the hours spent back at the race shop just in order so we'd be able to race tonight. After we got back to the shop and unloaded the car to actually see just how severe the damage was, it was major.

"We had to take the whole front body off the car and take the engine out and then strip all the suspension components off to get down to just the frame, before we could take the car Townsend Oliver Racing Performance (TORP Chassis) to let them put a new front-clip on the chassis. We got the car back to our race shop in Abingdon late Wednesday evening and less than 48 hours later we're sitting parked in victory lane at Kingsport Speedway. This win tonight is all thanks to all of my crew guys and the great sponsors we have on the race car. None of this would be possible without having great support behind me."

With "The Concrete Jungle" taking a week of for summer break, McCarty will enter the next scheduled race over the Fourth of July holiday weekend on Friday, July 3 holding a 17-point lead in the Late Model Stock Car standings over VanDyke.

South Boston Speedway

SOUTH BOSTON, VA - Two bouts of heavy rain washed out Saturday night's Whelen NASCAR Late Model 100 racing program at South Boston Speedway.

Practice had been completed for all five of the track's racing divisions and qualifying had been completed for all of the divisions except for the NASCAR Whelen All American Series Late Model Stock Car Division when the first hard blast of rain came shortly after 6 p.m.

Track crews dried the track and qualifying was completed, but a second round of heavy rain forced speedway officials to cancel Saturday night's scheduled event.

Tickets from Saturday night's rained out event will be honored for the track's scheduled July 11 event.

NASCAR racing action returns to South Boston Speedway on Friday, July 3 with one of the track's premier special events of the season, The Dr. and Mrs. Maresca of St. Lawrence Radiology Presents Thunder Road Harley Davidson NASCAR Whelen Late Model 200.

South Boston Speedway celebrates Independence Day with a three-race special event that will feature a 200-lap race for the NASCAR Whelen All American Series Late Model Stock Car Division drivers and teams, a 100-lap Limited Sportsman Division race and a 50-lap race for the Budweiser Pure Stock Division competitors. To top off the night, South Boston Speed-

way will stage a colorful dazzling fireworks show at the conclusion of the night's racing action.

Practice will go from noon until 1 p.m. and from 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. Grandstand gates will open at 4:30 p.m., qualifying time trials will begin at 4:45 p.m. and a Fan Appreciation event will be held track-side at 5:45 p.m. The first of the night's three races gets the green flag at 7 p.m.

Advance adult general admission tickets are priced at \$15 each and may be purchased at the speedway office until 5 p.m. on Thursday, July 2. Adult admission on race day is \$20, with admission for youths ages 7-12 being \$10. Kids ages six and under are admitted free with a paying adult.

For additional information about the Dr. and Mrs. Maresca of St. Lawrence Radiology Presents Thunder Road Harley Davidson NASCAR Whelen Late Model 200 racing program or any other events at South Boston Speedway, please visit the speedway's website at www.southbostonspeedway.com or telephone the speedway at 434-572-4947 or 1-877-440-1540.

Stafford Speedway

STAFFORD SPRINGS, CT - Stafford Speedway returned to NASCAR Whelen All-American Series racing action with the SK Modified® Xtra Mart Xtra D 50 program on Friday, June 19th with Ingersoll Rand contingency bonuses going to the winners of the Late Model, SK Light, and Limited Late Model features. Xtra Mart Convenience Stores put up a \$1,500 bonus that was split evenly among the top-5 finishers in the extra distance SK Modified® feature event. Rowan Pennink took his fourth win of the year in the SK Modified® feature, Michael Scozelli was a first time winner in the Late Model feature, Nick Salva scored his second win of the year in the SK Light feature, Glenn Bartkowski was a first time winner in the Limited Late Model feature, Alexandra Fearn won for the second consecutive week in the DARE Stock feature, and Devin O'Connell was a winner for the third consecutive week in the Legend Cars feature.

Pennink took the lead after the caution with Bonsignore immediately attaching himself to Pennink's bumper. Bonsignore tried to make a move but Pennink was too strong to be overtaken and he nailed down his fourth win of the 2015 season. Preece finished third, with Foster and Christopher rounding out the top-5.

Yackey Back in Familiar Territory

Five-time State Champion On Top in Whelen All-American Series Colorado Points

DAYTONA BEACH, FL - After he fell just short of his third straight Colorado championship and Late Model title at Colorado National Speedway, veteran Bruce Yackey is off to a

strong start in 2015 and is ready to start another streak of accomplishments.

Yackey finished second to Dominic Ursetta last season and while many drivers would welcome a second-place finish in the NASCAR Whelen All-American Series state points, that is something Yackey is not used to.

He has used that for motivation so far this season.

"We tried some new things last year like bump stops and that really didn't work well for us so we went back to doing what we know best and it has paid off for us so far this season," Yackey said. "There is still a lot of racing to go here in the state and we are going to keep working every week to get better and race as much as possible."

While rain has played havoc with the schedule at Colorado National, it has opened the door for Yackey to participate in races at I-25 Speedway in Pueblo, Colorado. This is the first year the track has been NASCAR-sanctioned and Yackey has made two starts there.

"(I-25) is about a three or four hour drive for us but it's nice to have another sanctioned track in the state we can race at now for points," he said. "We really want another state title and track championship at CNS."

For the first time this season there has been a change atop the national standings.

Keith Rocco made the most of his four starts in his asphalt Modified last weekend to pick up another win, three top-five and three top 10 finishes at Connecticut's Stafford Speedway, Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park and New London-Waterford Speedbowl to jump past Lee Pulliam with 590 points.

Pulliam picked another two wins last weekend in his asphalt Late Model to improve to 536 points (10 wins, 19 top fives and 21 top 10s in



Bruce Yackey is off to a good start racing at Colorado National Speedway.(J. STARR photo)

22 starts) at Virginia's Motor Mile Speedway in Radford, South Boston Speedway and Langley Speedway in Hampton, in addition to Caraway Speedway in Sophia, North Carolina.

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

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

Connecticut's Ryan Preece (Stafford, Thompson and New York's Riverhead Raceway) jumped to third place this week. He has four wins, 12 top fives and 12 top-10s in 17 starts for 490 points.

Tennessee's Kres VanDyke (Tennessee's Kingsport Speedway and Lonesome Pine Raceway in Virginia) and South Carolina's David Roberts (South Carolina's Anderson Speedway and Greenville Pickens Speedway) round out the top five.

Matt Howling (Langley, Motor Mile and South Boston), Trey Gibson (Greenville Pickens and Anderson), Wayne Hale (Kingsport, Lonesome Pine), Kyle Barnes (Kingsport, Lonesome Pine), and newcomer Josh Berry, competing at five different tracks in North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia, completes the top 10.

Out West, while Yackey is happy to get off to a good start, he is also very ecstatic about his son's season so far in a Super Stock at Colorado.

Brett Yackey is currently tied for the points lead in the division with Michael Cox and judging by his early performance, the elder Yackey feels it's just a matter of time before he is challenging his

dad for wins.

"Brett has done a great job and I am proud of him," he added. "Last year he drove a Pure Stock and finished 11th in our Challenge Cup race and this year he has already ran well in a Super Stock and Late Model and I think he has the talent to eventually challenge for a win in our division."

Van Fleet Finding Success In Division V At Motordrome

DAYTONA BEACH, FL - This could be the making of a year to remember for Aaron Van Fleet at Motordrome Speedway.

Van Fleet has enjoyed one of the hottest starts of any competitor in the NASCAR Whelen All-American Series this season. Competing in the Subway Super Compact division at Motordrome, he has won six of the first seven races of the season.

This great start has Van Fleet in the top five in the Division V standings, and it couldn't happen for a better person according to Motordrome owner Todd Melfi.

"Aaron finished second in the points standings last year and showed everyone he is a heck of a wheelman driving a race car," Melfi said. "We are fortunate to have him racing in our entry level division and I expect him to move up eventually to other divisions at the track."

For Van Fleet racing has been a part of his life since he was born as he comes from a racing family. Van Fleet's parents, Rob and Sharon, both had their parents involved in the sport and for the youngest Van Fleet the decision was an easy one.

"Both my grandfathers have been around racing along time and my dad also used to drag race so I have always been around the sport and decided to give it a try a few years back," Van Fleet said. "We had a good season last year but we want to do even better this year."

Van Fleet sits fifth in the Division V standings currently led by South Carolina's Don Tavernia who competes at Anderson and Greenville Pickens Speedways in his home state with fellow Greenville drivers Michael Cross, Chad Tavernia and Travis Shelton second through fourth.

To encourage closer competition in the entry-level division at Motordrome, Melfi has a rule that winners in the division have to add 25 pounds of weight to the car after each win. The result for Van Fleet is he races with an additional 150 pounds after his six wins but that

doesn't deter the 21 year old.

"The thing for me this year is the car is handling like a dream and I feel like she is running on a rail even with the weight," Van Fleet said. "I absolutely love racing in the NWAAS at Motordrome. The track has some bumps on it and some of the other drivers don't like them but I use that to my advantage."

Van Fleet finished second last season and currently leads Brian Noel by 114 points already (416-302) and he hopes he can continue to put his No. 95 Chevrolet Cobalt back in Victory Lane and keep winning.

"I am so lucky to have sponsors like Brown Auto Body, Speclin Emergency Vehicles, Stan's Transmissions, Stone Company and Bigley Eyecare Associates who make it possible for me to race," Van Fleet said. Their support along with my parents and Greg (Reshenberg) and Garry (Wilttrout) on the crew have been great helping me each week."

Kyle Purvis (Columbus Motor Speedway), Kenny Gilmore (Grandview), Chris Hawkins (Salina Highbanks Speedway, Flint Creek Speedway) and Shane Shrink (Columbus) round out the top-five of the 2015 Whelen All-American Series Division II standings.

South Carolina's Greenville Pickens Speedway features the top four drivers in the Division III standings as Brad Burns (358 points) overtook Bobby Emory Jr. (347 points) for the top spot. Greenville's Shane Hill and Blake Gregory follow in third and fourth, respectively, while Nebraska's Ryan Jenkins moved up to fifth racing at I-80, Junction and Adams County Speedways.

Columbus drivers remain up front in the Whelen All-American Series Division IV standings, with the top positions held by regulars Devin Stansbury (266 points) and Ryan Smith (258). Defending division champ A.J. Sanders Jr. (Caraway Speedway and Bowman Gray Stadium) is fourth with Brad Derry (I-80, Adams) rounding out the top-five.

In the Whelen All-American Series Division II standings Grandview (Pennsylvania) Speedway's Brett Kressley has built his lead to 58 points (340-282) over Taylor Branch who competes at North Carolina's Bowman Gray Stadium. Fellow Stadium driver Chase Hunt is third with Chris Hawkins (Flint Creek, Salina) fourth and Thomas Neal giving Bowman Gray three drivers in the top five.