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Working His Way Up

Grant Enfinger has come a long way since he worked his way onto the ARCA Menards Series single-handedly – literally.

He worked in a small garage that probably was best-intended to store lawn equipment and old car parts, trying to turn a pair of old Carl Edwards Fords into rides worthy enough for one of stock-car's lowest

rungs on the national ladder.

He's moved past ARCA after winning 16 times in 95 starts, including the 2015 series championship, and onto the NASCAR Gander RV & Outdoors Truck Series.

It's a big jump, but there's bigger ones yet to make.

Nothing has come easy for the soft-spoken driver from Fairhope, Alabama. He worked jobs and saved pennies to make selected starts earlier in his career. Now that he's a winning driver in the truck series, he still has hopes of moving up to the Xfinity or Cup series.

"I feel like I'm beating my head," he said.

Just like he's done throughout his racing career, Enfinger reached a little deeper to find the speed and nerve he needed for the final two laps of last Saturday's race at the Atlanta Motor Speedway.

The 35-year-old moved up three spots to fifth when trucks restarting ahead of him had to serve pit road penalties before a two-lap shootout in overtime.

From there, Enfinger did the rest.

He quickly jumped second place at the exit of the second turn. He got beside Austin Hill's Toyota for more than a lap before finally pulling away in the fourth turn coming to the checkered flag.

Not only did Enfinger give Ford its first win at the 1.54-mile quad-oval in truck-racing history, sandwiched with his season-open victory at the Daytona International Speedway, he now has two victories in four starts this year.

"You just keep on truckin'. You keep digging," he said.

Eleven years ago, the two race cars sitting in his shop had different paint jobs. His toolboxes and other

equipment didn't match. One car was No. 83; the other No. 82. The cars were red; the equipment was blue.

Enfinger's racing career has been pieced together part by part. It's a life that brings both satisfaction and frustration to a young driver who desperately needs, and probably deserves, a big break. And it's a life shared by thousands of other drivers looking for a way to break into the big leagues.

Make no mistake: Enfinger is eternally grateful for the opportunity to drive for Duke and Rhonda Thorson, and to sit in the No. 98 Thorson Racing Ford.



DON COBLE

"We've got a good thing going," Enfinger said.

Last Saturday's win was Ford's first at Atlanta in the truck series. Enfinger also won the season-opening race at the Daytona International Speedway – Ford's 100th overall win in the series.

"I can be proud of that," he said.

Enfinger was credited with leading seven of 136 laps, including the final two.

"We were having trouble on pit road getting boxed in," he said. "You wanted to restart on the bot-

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tom, but not back in fifth. On the restart, we've always had a good launch. I got to second relatively easy. Austin went to the bottom and I kept my momentum up. He was trying to block the bottom, so I decided to try the middle in [Turns] 3 and 4."

Enfinger kept his truck pinned against Hill's in the turns to keep him from sweeping wide to keep his momentum on the straight-aways. Enfinger never backed down for another improbable win.

Just like he's done his entire racing career.



Grant Enfinger wave the checkered flag in Atlanta Motor Speedway's victory lane after his win in the NASCAR Gander RV & Outdoors Truck Series race. (KEVIN COX/GETTY IMAGES photo)

Making A Statement

Our country, and the world for that matter, has been in turmoil since the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis several weeks ago. Protests across the country have turned many citizens violent. Property destruction, looting, and fires have created a tense situation for many families. The spread of the outrage has put our country in

a serious position.

For weeks, political and government figures have made statements about the ongoing situation. Movie stars, musicians, as well as professional athletes have made their feelings about the national unrest that has developed. This week, the NASCAR community made their voice clear.

Ty Dillon and Bubba Wallace shared the first exchange during a recent Instagram Live session. Their discussion focused on racism, life experiences, and civil unrest throughout the country. Wallace, the only African-American in NASCAR's Cup Series, has been very vocal with his feelings.

"To hear the stories about how Bubba was treated in some of those situations and knowing Bubba's character and knowing him as a human being, that blew my mind because I would have never thought he (Bubba), as a person, would have gone through anything like that," Dillon said. "But, I think that's just what it is. I think sometimes it's easy for us who don't know, as a white person, in general, we don't know these stories. We don't ask the right questions to become informed."

"I'm just proud of him (Bubba) as a friend," Dillon added. "I think we're going to see great things come out of this generation of NASCAR of who is in the sport right now. Hopefully, it sets a tone for who comes after us. That would be the most important thing we could do."

"It does take, as a group, saying that we don't stand for it," Dillon stated. "And, once we all know that we're all on the same page as saying we don't stand for it, we come together with a united voice saying

that we don't tolerate hate, racism, bigotry in our sport and that it's not OK."

Dillon concluded, "Working toward racial equity is worth taking a stand. The impact you had on human beings in your life, the relationship last forever. That's why my heart is behind this."

Then, Dale Earnhardt Jr. had Bubba Wallace as his guest on his "Dale Jr. Download" show. Wallace spoke with Earnhardt and Mike Davis on the show about several incidents in his life including one "Driving While Black" story that had an immediate impact on Earnhardt.



DENNIS PUNCH

"I'm listening more and really trying to understand how a black person has to think about everything they do," Earnhardt said. "Black people are telling us how they have to go about their day in a unique way to sort of avoid things

that we really take for granted or don't even have to worry about."

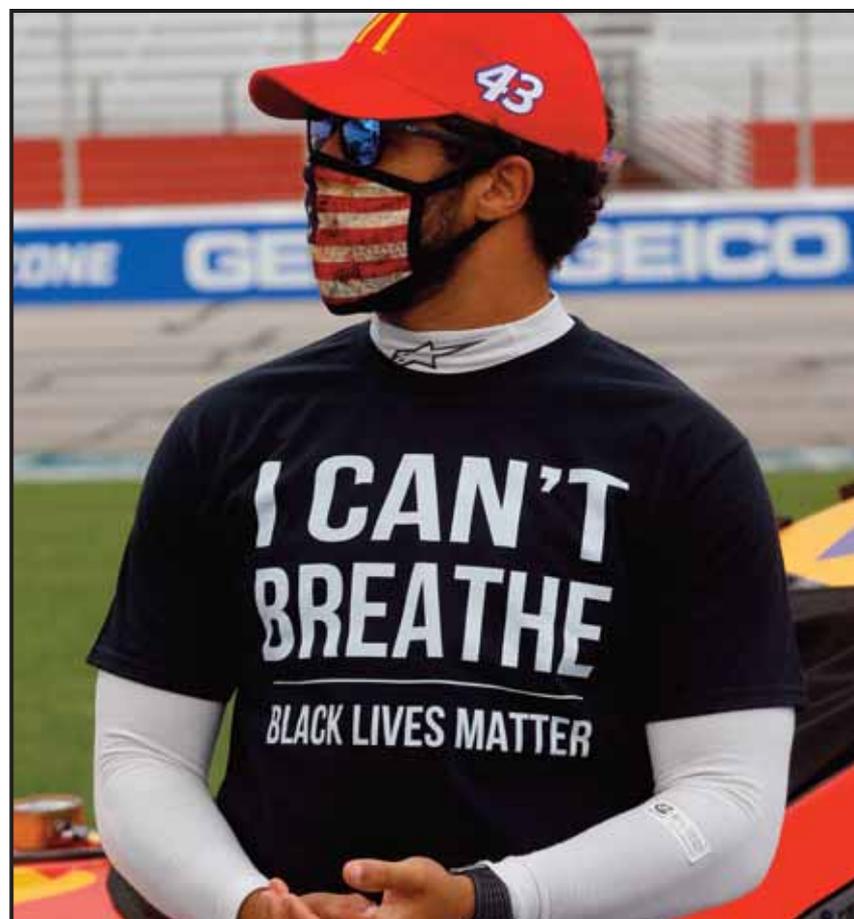
Earnhardt also commented how grateful he was that Wallace has stepped up as a leader in a time of increased racial conflict in the United States.

"Because without him (Wallace), we might not have had that leadership (within NASCAR) and we might not have had that guidance and opportunity to understand, the opportunity to listen."

Seven-time NASCAR Cup Champion Jimmie Johnson addressed his feeling and his learning process concerning the social injustice and protests that have occurred in our nation since the Floyd death.

"I want to have a voice, and I do want to stand up for injustices," Johnson said. "So, I've been trying to find my voice, and I think part of that journey is to educate myself. I've been on the phone with friends of mine like Bubba Wallace and other friends of color and race that I've known through the years, trying to understand and asking deeper questions. And, to learn and understand just how far and wide and how frequent that my friends have dealt with issues. That has helped me understand, my perspective, and find my voice, ultimately."

"The circumstances are just crazy and unacceptable," Johnson added. "I am for peaceful protest-



Bubba Wallace wears a "Black Lives Matter" t-shirt to show his support for the protesters of the recent death of George Floyd in Minneapolis, Minn. (CHRIS GRAYTHEN/GETTY IMAGES photo)

ing. The message needs to be clear, but I think peaceful is the right way to send the message. It hurts to see our country being torn apart by racism and hate."

The next morning, before Johnson spoke with Wallace by phone, he tweeted a quote from Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.: "Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."

Last Sunday at Atlanta, the NASCAR community made a profound statement on the movement of social justice. A video, organized, planned, and led by the drivers themselves was shown before the start of the Folds of Honor Quik Trip 500 and provided a unified message against racial inequality and racism.

Bubba Wallace, Ty Dillon, Daniel Suarez, Jimmie Johnson, Joey Logano, Ryan Blaney, Kyle Busch, Brad Keselowski, Tyler Reddick, and several other drivers voiced support of healing the nation's racial divide.

Some of their comments expressed their sincere feelings:

"We know how life can have the same quality. But now is the time to slow down and reflect. The events of recent weeks highlighted the work that we still need to do as a nation to condemn racial inequality and racism."

"The process begins with us lis-

tening and learning because understanding the problem is the first step in fixing it. We are committed to listening with empathy and with an open heart to better educate ourselves."

"Our differences should not divide us. It is our love for all mankind that will unite us as we work together to make real change."

Then, with the starting grid stopped on the frontstretch and all crewmembers standing on pit wall prior to the green flag, NASCAR President Steve Phelps delivered a message.

"Our country is in pain and people are justifiably angry, demanding to be heard. The black community and all people of color have suffered in our country, and it has taken far too long for us to hear their demands for change. Our sport must do better. Our country must do better. The time is now to listen, to understand, and to stand against racism and racial injustice. We ask our drivers and all our race fans to join us in this mission, to take a moment of reflection, to acknowledge that we must do better as a sport, and to join us as we now pause and take a moment to listen."

A powerful message indeed was sent by NASCAR, their drivers, and the motorsports community. Hopefully, their message will have a positive impact on many.

Kevin Harvick Continues Atlanta Motor Speedway Dominance

Kevin Harvick has had an exceptional relationship with Atlanta Motor Speedway and the 2014 NASCAR Cup Series champion showed that again Sunday afternoon winning the Folds of Honor QuikTrip 500, his third victory at the historic track.

Harvick led a race high 151 of 325 laps en route to his 51st career win, prevailing in a valiant contest with Joe Gibbs Racing teammates Kyle Busch and Martin Truex Jr., who finished second and third.

Truex led 62 laps, won the opening two stages of the race and kept Harvick's No. 4 Stewart-Haas Racing Ford honest. Harvick passed both JGR Toyotas to open the third stage of the race and held them at bay to win by a healthy 3.527-seconds. Busch passed Truex for second with five laps to go.

It was Harvick's second victory of the season (he also won at Darlington Raceway in NASCAR's first

race back since the sport was sidelined during the COVID-19 pandemic) and it is the 44-year old Californian's ninth top-10 finish in 10 races this year. With it, Harvick extends his NASCAR Cup Series championship lead to 48 points over Penske Racing's Joey Logano.

Logano's teammate Ryan Blaney and JGR driver Denny Hamlin rounded out the Top-5 at Atlanta followed by Kurt Busch, Jimmie Johnson, Chase Elliott and Penske Racing teammates Brad Keselowski and Logano. For Kurt Busch, the Top-10 was an especially impressive effort considering he started last in the field because of inspection violations.

Clint Bowyer led 58 laps only to have to pit late in the race and fall out of a Top-10 finish. He ended up 20th.

Harvick's Ford was considered the car to beat at Atlanta even before the retiring seven-time NASCAR Cup Series champion Johnson gave the command to

start engines Sunday afternoon.

Harvick earned an emotional career first NASCAR Cup Series win at Atlanta back in 2001, three weeks after taking over driving duties for the late seven-time champion Dale Earnhardt, who was killed in the Daytona 500 season-opener. Harvick held up three fingers in a reverse victory lap Sunday in honor of Earnhardt and the champ's famed No. 3 car.

"First [career] win came for me here at Atlanta and this is just a race track that I've taken a liking to," Harvick said. "You always have those memories and now you want to celebrate everything that Dale Earnhardt did for this sport. To come here and be able to do that with wins and go to victory lane is pretty special.

"We had a great pit stop, got to restart on the bottom and got my car to take off and I was able to get track position. Once I could get through those first 10 laps and my car was freed up enough I could get in a rhythm and really hit my marks, then with about 25 laps I could just drive away."

Harvick has certainly been the driver of record as of late. He answered that first win 17 years later (in 2018) and is currently in the midst of an amazing nine-year run at the track. He's now led at least 100 laps in seven of the last nine races – more than 10,000 laps out

front since joining the Stewart-Haas Racing team in 2014. And he's earned Top-10 finishes in nine of the last 11 races.

Truex Jr.'s two stages wins were the 2017 NASCAR Cup Series champion's first of the season. And for much of the race, he was there ready to interrupt Harvick's long-time dominance at the track. That opportunity never came.

It would have been the first win of the season for Truex, who has been so-close at Atlanta -finishing second in 2019 and scoring Top-10 finishes in the last six races.

Tyler Reddick, driver of the No. 8 Richard Childress Racing Chevrolet, was the top finishing Sunoco Rookie of the Year candidate – with a 16th-place finish.

Prior to the race NASCAR President Steve Phelps addressed the race field and the nation pledging that the sport is absolutely sensitive to the country's current social unrest and committed to improving race relations.

"Our country is in pain and our people are justifiably angry, demanding to be heard," Phelps said. "Our sport must do better. Our country must do better."

The NASCAR Cup Series races next in the Blue-Emu Maximum Pain Relief 500 at Martinsville (Va.) Speedway on Wednesday (7 p.m. ET, FS1, MRN, SiriusXM NASCAR Radio).



Race winner Kevin Harvick gets a cool drink of Busch Beer in Atlanta Motor Speedway's victory lane. (CHRIS GRATHEN/GETTY IMAGES photo)

AJ Allmendinger Earns First Career NASCAR Oval Victory

NASCAR veteran AJ Allmendinger bested a field of the sport's best young talents leading the final 37 laps of Saturday afternoon's Xfinity Series EchoPark 250 at Atlanta Motor Speedway. Making the run more impressive, Allmendinger rallied from a 30th place starting position.

Noah Gragson, last week's Bristol race winner, finished runner-up by 1.858-seconds but it was still good enough to earn the Dash 4 Cash \$100,000 money bonus given by series sponsor Xfinity. Next week Allmendinger, Gragson, Justin Haley and Daniel Hemric - the second through fourth place finishers - will be eligible for the Dash 4 Cash prize money.

"Oh my God, I won on an oval baby," a grinning Allmendinger exclaimed after climbing out of his winning No. 16 Kaulig Racing Chevrolet - referring to his previous three NASCAR wins on road courses.

Yes the 38-year old Allmendinger won, and he did so convincingly; pulling away from the field in the last laps, competition that included Harrison Burton, a highly-motivated Justin Allgaier, another of Allmendinger's Kaulig Racing teammates Ross Chastain, Brandon Jones, Chase Briscoe and Anthony Alfredo who rounded

out the Top-10. The Top-10 work was some solace to Allgaier and Briscoe who were two of the strongest cars all afternoon. Briscoe led 40 laps and Allgaier ran consistently in the Top-5 - but were both penalized for speeding on pit road on a final stop with 39 laps remaining. They came out of the pits first (Briscoe) and second (Allgaier) before getting news of the penalty which dropped them to 25th and 27th - - respectively, for that restart.

Allmendinger had come out of the pits third, so he inherited the lead and never looked back. "I just felt like we needed track position the whole time so once we go that lead it was about getting a good re-start," he said adding, "Had to kind of pace myself and the last 15 laps beg for no yellows."

A former IndyCar Series champion contender Allmendinger was highly regarded for his road course skills when he came to NASCAR. He earned his only NASCAR Cup Series victory in 2014 on the Watkins Glen road course and had three previous Xfinity Series wins - on road courses at Road America, the Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course and the Charlotte ROVAL.

"I just wanted to win on an oval," Allmendinger said. "There were definitely several opportunities in the Cup car to win on an oval but it never worked out. I wanted to win on an oval that we really had to drive and get after it."



AJ Allmendinger is all smiles beneath that mask as he celebrates winning the EchoPark 250 XFINITY race at Atlanta Motor Speedway. (CHRIS GRAYTHEN/GETTY IMAGES photo)

Austin Cindric was also penalized for speeding on pit road in that final series of stops. The driver of the No. 22 Penske Racing Ford led a race high 68 laps and looked like the car to beat early - winning both the 1st and 2nd stages - his first of the year. His car was so dominant in the early laps that he won the first stage by nearly 9-seconds over Chastain. He finished 16th.

Briscoe beat Cindric out of the pits during the 2nd Stage break and the two Ford drivers kept one another honest with Chastain right there followed by the JR Motorsports cars driven by Hemric and Allgaier. Hemric's fourth place finish was his fifth Top-10 in seven races he's competed in this year for the JR Motorsports team.

It was also a strong consistent day for Allmendinger's teammates, Haley and Chastain. Haley rebounded for a pit road penalty early in the race to rally to his third-place finishing position. Chastain ran among the Top-10 for most of the day. He finished sixth in the NASCAR Gander RV & Outdoors Truck Series race earlier Saturday afternoon.

The Dash 4 Cash victory for last week's Bristol winner Gragson was

a feel-good ending for the 21-year old who said he ultimately learned a lot racing Allmendinger. The driver of the No. 9 JR Motorsports Chevrolet started on pole position and also ran among the Top-10 consistently having to rally from an earlier race penalty as well.

"It's an incredible opportunity what Xfinity is doing with the Dash 4 Cash program," Gragson said. "It's quite the privilege and the honor to be able to compete for \$100,000."

"We had a good run today. Man, I ate AJ's bait there at the end. He started saving his tires and thought he had burnt his tires up. Just got beat by his experience. He's a phenomenal driver."

The Xfinity Series championship standings remain unchanged for positions one through six. Briscoe retained his led by four points over Gragson. The rookie Burton is third, 32 points back followed by Allgaier, Chastain and Cindric.

The series next moves to South Florida where the Xfinity Series will have a doubleheader - two 250-mile races at Homestead-Miami Speedway; one on Saturday (3:30 p.m. ET) and one on Sunday (noon ET).



AJ Allmendinger takes his #16 Freight Resources Chevrolet after winning at Atlanta Motor Speedway. (KEVIN COX/GETTY IMAGES photo)

Grant Enfinger Captures Win at Atlanta in Overtime

Grant Enfinger muscled the lead from Austin Hill on a two-lap overtime restart to claim the victory in Saturday afternoon's Vet Tix Camping World 200 NASCAR Gander RV & Outdoors Truck Series race at Atlanta Motor

Speedway.

It was especially heartbreaking for Hill, a Georgia native, who had been so vocal about wanting to win at his "home track" and late in Saturday's race looked destined to hold the trophy – bettering the afternoon's most dominant drivers, NASCAR Cup Series regulars Kyle Busch and another Georgia favorite Chase Elliott, in the waning laps and leading 36 laps on the afternoon; second only to Busch's race best 37 laps out front.

Ironically, it was Elliott who caused the final caution with three laps remaining, spinning out while making his way forward to challenge for the lead. During the caution period, the front-running trucks all pitted for fresh tires and Hill returned to the track for the two-lap overtime test as the race leader - only to have Enfinger pull alongside and then make the pass in Turn 1 as the field came around for the last lap.

"It was definitely wild that's for sure," said Enfinger, who started sixth on that final two-lap green flag run. "We didn't lead too many laps, but we led the ones that counted."

It marks the second victory of the season for Enfinger and his No. 98 ThorSport Racing Ford, which finished .215-seconds ahead of Hill and led seven laps. It marks the first win for a Ford truck ever at Atlanta and it was Enfinger's first career victory at the track as well. With a victory in the Daytona season-opener it also marks the first multi-win season of his career.

"Unbelievable Ford F150 really on the short runs," Enfinger said. "We didn't have everything we needed to make a real run at those guys, Chase [Elliott] and Kyle [Busch] there for the long run, but I do think we were decent, but on the short run, I knew if it came right down to it and we could get a good restart we could make it happen.

Fortunately we got a good restart."

Rookie Christian Eckes tied his career-best series effort finishing third. Todd Gilliland and rookie Zane Smith rounded out the top five. Ross Chastain, rookie Derek Kraus, former series champion Brett Moffitt, Ben Rhodes and Stewart Friesen rounded out the top 10.

As Enfinger celebrated his dramatic win in front of an empty grandstands, Hill climbed out of his No. 16 Hattori Racing Enterprises Toyota and leaned over the driver's side window, resting his head on the roof obviously gutted by the outcome.

"I'm sure when I go back and watch the race I'm going to look at all the different things I could have done differently for that not to happen," Hill said.

"I saw the 98 was getting a run on me down the backstretch but we had been so good on the bottom all day at the line that I didn't really want to give that up and he was able to get to my quarter on entry to three. ... Maybe I could have protected the outside line more or made my truck just a little bit wider but I just think when we go back to the drawing board, maybe I could have said something different to [crew chief] Scott [Zipadelli] and the guys to maybe have a little better truck on that short run.

"It was a good race, I wish it would have went green there at the end but it didn't so we'll have to take what we had and go on. All in all it was a good points day for us," said Hill, who retains the championship lead by 20 points over Smith. The defending regular season champion Enfinger is now ranked fourth, 31 points behind Hill.

In a field featuring two vastly different levels of experience - the track's all-time winningest driver Busch along with 14 other competitors making their debut on the Atlanta high banks - the veterans certainly demonstrated their expertise.

For much of the race, the more experienced drivers prevailed. Busch - a five-time winner at Atlanta in the truck series - and fellow NASCAR Cup Series driver Elliott dominated the top of the scoreboard in the early portion of the race - Busch winning both



Grant Enfinger waves the checkered flag on his win of the Gander RV & Outdoors Truck Series race at Atlanta Motor Speedway. (KEVIN COX/GETTY IMAGES photo)

Stage 1 and Stage 2. Chastain, a truck series championship contender a year ago, put himself into the mix during long green flag run in the final stage - despite starting 27th in the field.

Among the NASCAR Gander RV & Outdoors Series championship contenders, it was the kind of solid performance Enfinger and Hill needed, even racing against some of the NASCAR Cup Series' finest.

Hill spent the early race holding his own among the front-runners, consistent and steady and when the opportunity to take the lead arose during green flag pit stops, Hill was there. With a little help from some uncharacteristic issues for Busch and Elliott.

Busch who had already established his truck the class of the field made what would likely have been his last pit stop with 35 laps to go. Immediately after returning to the track, however, his No. 51 Toyota hit the wall as he tried to avoid a damaged truck driven by Jordan Anderson. Unfortunately for Busch, he got a speeding penalty on his green flag pit stop and then another when he came in to repair that

damage. It dropped him to 29th place with 25 laps to go - a full lap down. He ended up 22nd

Elliott, who tried to pit with Busch on that last set of green flag stops, was unable to get slowed enough to make pit road so had to turn back onto the track and cautiously make an extra lap with damaged tires before pitting on the next lap. He returned to the race back in the pack but had worked his way up to third place with 15 laps remaining ready to challenge Chastain and Hill before crashing with three laps to go. He finished 21st.

"They're always tough to swallow when you know you know that you're that good and end up second," Hill said.

"But that being my hometown, this is one of the race tracks I've wanted to win at since I was a little kid racing here when I was eight years old racing on the front stretch. It hurts and it's really frustrating, but we'll keep digging.

"We have that points lead and we're hoping to keep it. I'm excited to go to Homestead [next weekend], maybe we can get a win there like we did last year and get locked into the playoffs."

NASCAR Reveals Next Slate of Races Through Beginning of August

DAYTONA BEACH, FL - NASCAR announced Thursday the next installment of events in its return to racing, featuring races at Pocono Raceway, Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Kentucky Speedway, Texas Motor Speedway, Kansas Speedway

and New Hampshire Motor Speedway.

NASCAR returned to racing on May 17 at Darlington Raceway with a NASCAR Cup Series race that was won by Kevin Harvick. Since then, NASCAR has also raced twice at Charlotte Motor Speedway and then at Bristol Motor Speedway, and had previously announced races up through the weekend of June 20-21 at Talladega Superspeedway.

The newly announced slate of races will carry NASCAR through the opening weekend of August at New Hampshire Motor Speedway.

FOX will close out its NASCAR Cup Series season with the NASCAR Cup Series All-Star race at Charlotte Motor Speedway (Wednesday, July 15 at 8:30 p.m. ET on FS1), while the NASCAR Xfinity Series season on FOX platforms will conclude at Kentucky Speedway (Friday, July 10 at 8:00

p.m. ET on FS1).

In turn, NASCAR welcomes back NBC for its sixth consecutive year of coverage when the NASCAR Xfinity Series (Saturday, July 4 at 3 p.m. ET on NBC) and NASCAR Cup Series (Sunday, July 5 at 4 p.m. ET on NBC) return to Indianapolis Motor Speedway on the Fourth of July weekend.

NBC will carry coverage of the Xfinity Series and Cup Series through the balance of the season, including the new and highly-anticipated Playoffs schedule that is currently scheduled to culminate with the crowning of three NASCAR national series champions at Phoenix Raceway in November.

The third installment of the 2020 schedule opens up at Pocono Raceway with five races in three days. The ARCA Menards Series will kick things off on Friday, June 26. That will be followed by a double-header with the NASCAR Cup Series and the NASCAR Gander RV & Outdoors Truck Series on Saturday. The weekend will conclude with a Cup Series and Xfinity Series double-header on Sunday.

NASCAR will return to Indianapolis for an Independence Day weekend showdown with the Xfinity Series on Saturday, July 4, and the Brickyard 400 Cup Series on Sunday, July 5. That is followed by Kentucky Speedway, which will host a pair of Xfinity Series races,

the Gander Trucks and the Cup Series between Thursday, July 9, and Sunday, July 12.

Charlotte Motor Speedway will be back in action on Wednesday, July 15, for the ARCA Menards Series and the NASCAR Cup Series All-Star Race. Details regarding the NASCAR Cup Series All-Star Race will be announced at a later date.

NASCAR then takes all three national series at Texas (July 18-19), followed by Kansas Speedway hosting five races. The Kansas weekend (July 23-25) will feature two Gander Trucks races alongside a race each for the Cup Series, Xfinity Series and ARCA Menards Series.

The announced slate wraps up with the Cup Series at New Hampshire Motor Speedway on Sunday, August 2.

NASCAR also announced several race realignments with the schedule. The Xfinity Series race at Kentucky Speedway (July 9) is realigned from a race originally scheduled for New Hampshire Motor Speedway. Chicagoland Speedway dates have been realigned for the ARCA Menards Series (moved to Kansas Speedway on July 24) and the Gander Trucks (now at Kansas Speedway on July 25). Additionally, the Xfinity Series race at Kansas Speedway (July 25) has been realigned from one originally scheduled for Iowa Speedway.

NASCAR's modified event procedures and protocols have been finalized in accordance with state and federal officials. Further dates will be announced at a later date.

Fri, June 26 - Pocono
ARCA Menards - FS1 - 6 PM
Sat, June 27 - Pocono
Gander Trucks - FS1 - 12:30 PM
Sat, June 27 - Pocono
Cup - FOX - 3:30 PM
Sun, June 28 - Pocono
Xfinity - FS1 - 12:30 PM
Sun, June 28 - Pocono
Cup - FS1 - 4 PM
Sat, July 4 - Indianapolis
Xfinity - NBC - 3 PM
Sun, July 5 - Indianapolis
Cup - NBC - 4 PM
Thur, July 9 - Kentucky
Xfinity - FS1 - 8 PM
Fri, July 10 - Kentucky
Xfinity - FS1 - 8 PM
Sat, July 11 - Kentucky
Gander Trucks - FS1 - 1 PM
Sun, July 12 - Kentucky
Cup - FS1 - 2:30 PM
Wed, July 15 - Charlotte Oval
ARCA Menards - FS1 - 4 PM
Wed, July 15 - Charlotte
Cup (All-Star Open) - FS1 - 7 PM
Wed, July 15 - Charlotte
Cup (All-Star Race) - FS1 - 8:30 PM
Sat, July 18 - Texas
Xfinity - NBCSN - 3 PM
Sat, July 18 - Texas
Gander Trucks - FS1 - 8 PM
Sun, July 19 - Texas
Cup - NBCSN - 3 PM
Thur, July 23 - Kansas
Cup - NBCSN - 7:30 PM
Fri, July 24 - Kansas
Gander Trucks - FS1 - 7 PM
Fri, July 24 - Kansas
ARCA Menards - FS1 - 10 PM
Sat, July 25 - Kansas
Gander Trucks - FS1 - 1:30 PM
Sat, July 25 - Kansas
Xfinity Series - NBCSN - 5:00 PM
Sun, August 2 - New Hampshire
Cup - NBCSN - 3:00 PM

ARCA Menards West Returns To Racing at Utah and Irwindale

TOLEDO, OH - The 2020 ARCA Menards Series West season will resume with a doubleheader at Utah Motorsports Campus on Saturday, June 27, and a race at California's Irwindale Speedway on Saturday, July 4.

The West will run two 30-lap championship points events on Utah's 2.2-mile East course, with the first race scheduled for 4 p.m. MT and the second immediately following.

It will mark the first ARCA race at the world-class road course located just outside Salt Lake City. The

West Series has run there 10 times between 2007-16 under the NASCAR banner, including from 2011-14 on the 2.2-mile course.

Current NASCAR Xfinity Series driver Noah Gragson swept a doubleheader at Utah in 2016.

The races will be run per state and local guidelines.

ARCA will also make its inaugural trip to Irwindale, the progressive-banked, half-mile oval outside of Los Angeles that has been a series' staple since it opened in 1999. The West has run 27 points events there, most recently with Trevor Huddleston edging Tanner Gray by .03 seconds last season.

The 125-lap race will be run without pit stops.

Irwindale will be run with the event limited to essential race personnel only and no spectators per state and local guidelines.

The races will be the first for the West since its opener Feb. 20 at The Bullring at Las Vegas Motor Speedway, won by Sam Mayer.

ARCA Racing Announces Next Installment in Return to Racing Schedule

DAYTONA BEACH, FL - NASCAR announced the next installment of events in its return to racing, featuring races at Pocono Raceway, Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Kentucky Speedway, Texas Motor Speedway, Kansas Speedway and New Hampshire Motor Speedway.

The announcement included the

rescheduling of three ARCA Menards Series events, which will be held in conjunction with NASCAR Cup Series race weekends.

- Pocono Raceway, Friday, June 26 (6 p.m. ET on FS1)

- Charlotte Motor Speedway, Wednesday, July 15 (4 p.m. on FS1)

- Kansas Speedway, Friday, July 24 (10 p.m. on FS1)

The Kansas date is realigned from Chicagoland Speedway, originally scheduled for June 18.

**Dirt Late Model Stream
at Eldora Speedway**



McCreadie Captures \$50,000 Payout

Tim McCreadie won an absolutely wild Dirt Late Model Stream main event on Saturday. The 67-lap race was never short on action with several drivers making runs to the front from deep in the field. 13th starting McCreadie got by Bobby Pierce and Brandon Sheppard with just a handful of laps remaining and then survived a green-white-checked finish with utter chaos happening behind. Pierce, who started 17th, would finish in the runner-up position while Dale McDowell rounded out the podium. (Paul Arch photo)

Brandon Overton Charges to \$10,000 Win at Eldora

Brandon Overton passed Jimmy Owens on lap 21 and went on to win the 30-lap main event as part of the Friday portion of the Dirt Late Model Stream. Following the first two days of competition, Bobby Pierce sits atop the event point standings. (Paul Arch photo)



Highside Tickler Lives Up to Moniker in Eldora Win

Kyle Strickler pulled off the upset victory in Thursday's Dirt Late Model Stream opener. Gaining entry to the event weekend as an alternate, Strickler took advantage of the opportunity and pocketed \$10,000 for his efforts. Shane Clanton and Brandon Shepard completed the podium. (Paul Arch photo)



Brad Sweet Dominates Beaver Dam Raceway Doubleheader

BEAVER DAM, WI - Brad Sweet spent years watching 10-time World of Outlaws NOS Energy Drink Sprint Car Series champion Donny Schatz drive away from him and dominate races.

The roles reversed Saturday night at Beaver Dam Race-

way.

"The Big Cat" turned the 1/3-mile track his personal playground for the weekend. He thrilled fans with a last lap pass on Sheldon Haudenschild to win Friday night and then dominated the 40-lap Feature on Saturday to sweep the weekend and take home \$16,000 in winnings between the two nights. He led the final 30 laps, lapped up to 10th place and beat Schatz to the line by close to two seconds.

"You don't know how many times I'd lead a race until 25-30 laps in and he'd (Schatz) go driving by me," Sweet said after getting a congratulatory handshake from Schatz. "I wouldn't call him a mentor because he didn't tell me his secrets, but years and years of studying him is why we're standing here. I feel like we got a little bit of an edge right now. He's going to push his team and we're going to push our team. It's going to be a heck of a battle this year."

Sweet's teammate and car owner Kasey Kahne had one of his best performances of the year, stealing the lead from polesitter Shane Stewart on the opening lap and holding it for the next 10. After Sweet passed him for the lead on Lap 11, he maintained a top-five for the majority of race before fading to ninth.

With the lead in hand, Sweet was untouchable in his Kasey Kahne Racing NAPA Auto Parts #49. His closest competitor was second-place Logan Schuchart, who he gapped by 3.5 seconds before a caution with eight laps to go. On the restart, Schuchart stayed in tow with Sweet before jumping the cushion in Turn 4 and hitting the wall. Schatz then moved into the runner-up spot to take his turn at Sweet.

On the final restart with three laps to go, Sweet spun his tires exiting Turn 4. Knowing Schatz would

attack, Sweet stayed low down the front stretch to deny Schatz a lane underneath him. When they got to Turn 1, Sweet went high and Schatz dove low, edging his nose ahead of Sweet. However, Sweet had the better momentum off the corner and launched ahead of Schatz's CARQUEST Auto Parts #15.

Sweet was then on cruise control with what he called his best car of the year and claimed his fourth win this season – third win in a row at Beaver Dam.

"We're just here to win races," said Sweet, of Grass Valley, CA. "When we're standing here (in Victory Lane) we're doing our job. I know everybody is working hard on our race team to get better. As the car gets better, we're going to keep clicking these wins off. We were better tonight than we were last night. Eric (Prutzman, crew chief) keeps fine tuning on this thing. It really came to life about halfway through the race. I was just cruising really. When I get cars like that, it makes my job easy."

Schatz's second-place finish was his fourth top-five in a row with his Tony Stewart/Curb-Agajanian Racing team. And while he'd rather be one spot better, he acknowledged that some nights you're just going to finish second – especially when you have to compete against Sweet.

"They've had a good target to chance for a while," said Schatz, of Fargo, ND. "It's time to move that bar again... It is what it is. This is a

humbling sport. It's a humbling game. We're not hanging our heads. Some nights you're going to run second. There's a lot of nights you're going to run second to that (#49 KKR) car. We just keep digging. That's what it takes. There's not been a lot of racing this year. At least we're getting back going and glad to see people in the stands. That makes this all worth it."

David Gravel rounded out the podium. Haudenschild had an impressive run from 16th to fourth – earning the KSE Racing Hard Charger award. And Shane Stewart finished fifth – his fifth top-five finish in a row, moving him to fourth in points.

With Schuchart finishing 21st, Sweet reclaimed the points lead – now 28 points ahead of Schatz, who also moved past Schuchart into second. Schuchart fell to third, 36 points behind Sweet.

UP NEXT: The World of Outlaws NOS Energy Drink Sprint Car Series returns to the "Sprint Car Capital of the World" Knoxville Raceway on June 12-13 for the Brownells Big Guns Bash.

Brad Sweet Steals Beaver Dam Win on Final Lap

BEAVER DAM, WI - With 11 laps to go, reigning champion Brad Sweet couldn't throw a stone far enough to reach leader Sheldon Haudenschild. The next lap, he could just about reach out and touch him.

A slip up in Turn 4 at Beaver Dam Raceway Friday night by Haudenschild allowed Sweet to grab hold and never let go. He went wherever the NOS Energy Drink #17 wasn't, looking for an opening

to victory.

He found it around the outside of Haudenschild with the white flag in the air. And once he found it, the reigning champion charged his way to his third World of Outlaws NOS Energy Drink Sprint Car Series win of 2020 and third at Beaver Dam Raceway – also his second in a row at the 1/3-mile track.

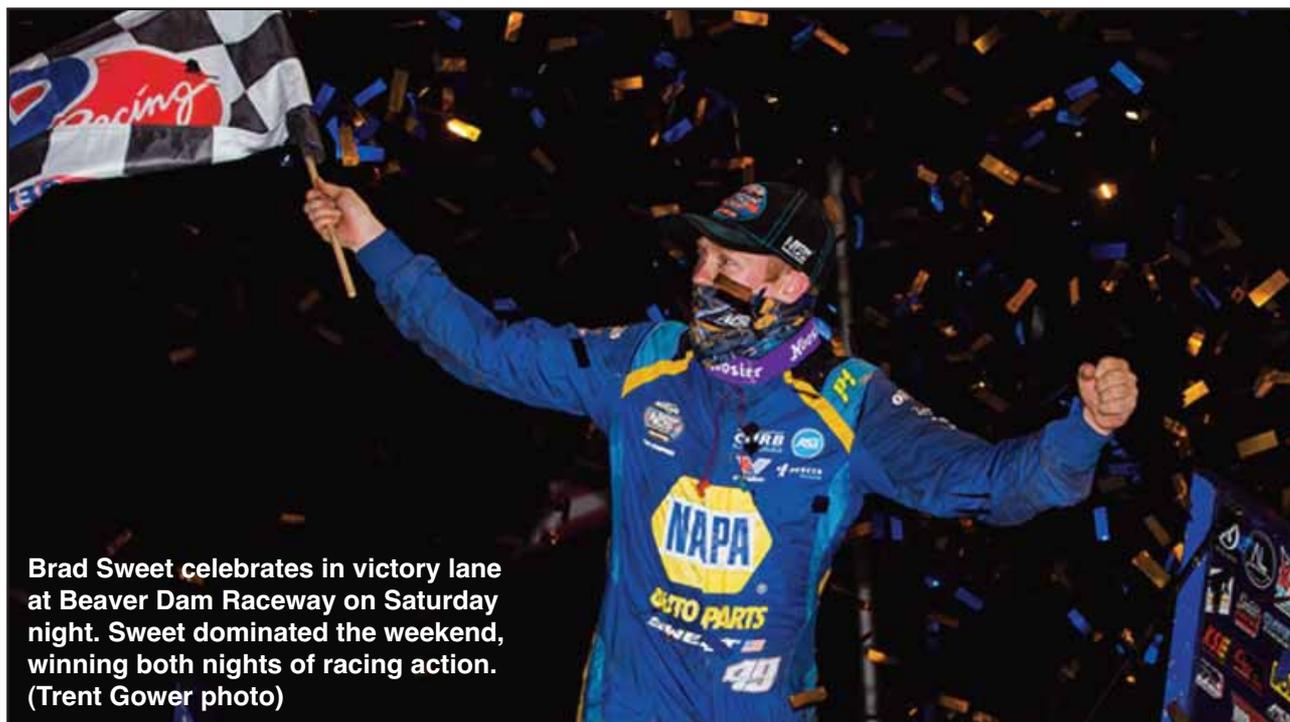
"I tried to drive it as hard as I could to get to him (Haudenschild)," said Sweet as he tried to catch his breath in Victory Lane. "It's hard sometimes to know where to go in lap traffic. Hats off to the team. They had a really good race car tonight. But the NAPA Auto Parts guys keep digging. Last weekend was a tough weekend on us, but we still came out with two decent finishes. It's nice to be back on top. That's where this team belongs."

Sweet showcased the poise of a champion last weekend at Lake Ozark Speedway after he got put into the wall and flipped. If there was any stress, he didn't show it. He had to use a rare provisional to start the Feature and charged from 25th to eighth. The next night, he finished third. He and his Kasey Kahne Racing team carried that momentum into the doubleheader weekend at Beaver Dam.

The Grass Valley, CA driver won the first Team Drydene Heat Race of the night and then went on to start third in the 30-lap Feature.

Haudenschild took the lead on the first lap, leaving Shane Stewart in second and Sweet in third. His Stenhouse Jr.-Marshall Racing car was in a different league than everyone else. Even with having to wrestle lap traffic, Haudenschild had about a straightaway lead by Lap 10.

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Brad Sweet celebrates in victory lane at Beaver Dam Raceway on Saturday night. Sweet dominated the weekend, winning both nights of racing action. (Trent Gower photo)

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Sweet moved by Stewart on Lap 11 for second and then looked to run down Haudenschild. His NAPA Auto Parts #49 cut into Haudenschild's lead a little every lap but never enough to put him on a trajectory toward victory. That didn't stop him from trying, though.

Haudenschild ran the bottom, making consistent and smooth

laps.

However, with 11 laps to go, he got sideways in Turn 4, almost coming to a stop. By the time to straightened out his car and made it to the front stretch, Sweet was on his bumper.

The two battled side by side in the closing laps until Sweet built a strong enough run to launch around the outside of Haudenschild off Turn 4 with the white flag in front of them. With another clean lap around the top of the track and a little help from a lap car blocking Haudenschild's lane, Sweet drove away with the win.

"Sometimes we set these cars up to be fast for the last 10 laps and you have to try and maintain the first 10," Sweet said. "We were probably a little too tight in the first 10, but it did come to life there. Never give up. I didn't think for one second I wasn't going to win. At least didn't stop trying and settle for second. You never know what can happen in racing... Anyway, we're happy to get the win and happy to be racing in front of fans."

Haudenschild had to settle for a runner-up finish – his third top-five of the year – but was motivated by the car his team gave him.

"Ah, man, definitely a really good race car," said Haudenschild, of Wooster, OH. "Kyle, Nicholas, Drew, they've been working their butts off to give me great race cars and getting me starting up front. Putting me in position to battle for these wins. I feel like I ran a good race. Just should have moved around a little bit."

Rounding out the podium was current points leader Logan Schuchart, of Hanover, PA – his eighth top-five finish in nine starts this year (the most of all drivers). He now has a six-point lead over Sweet and a 30-point lead over third-place 10-time Series champion Donny Schatz, who finished

fourth.

World of Outlaws to Host Groundbreaking Doubleheader at Tri-State Speedway

HAUBSTADT, IN - For the first time in the history of the World of Outlaws NOS Energy Drink Sprint Car Series, "The Greatest Show on Dirt" will run a doubleheader weekend at Tri-State Speedway on June 19-20.

The Haubstadt, IN track has played host to some of the most exciting World of Outlaws races for 30 years, starting in 1979. In just the past few years at the quarter-mile track, NASCAR-star Christopher Bell won a thriller last year, David Gravel won twice, and Parker Price-Miller earned his first career World of Outlaws win in 2017. It's also one of the rare tracks on the schedule where 10-time Series champion Donny Schatz is still seeking a victory.

Limited tickets will be available for the two events and you can get them by clicking here. Single day and two-day packages will be available. Fans will also get to choose to sit in either the East or West grandstands.

Upon arriving, fans and participants will have their temperatures taken. Social distancing will be required and CDC guidelines recommend wearing face covers, but they are not mandatory. Fans will be allowed to use stadium-style chairs and blankets in the grandstands.

Along with the dates at Tri-State Speedway, race events have been confirmed for the entire month of June. They include:

- June 5-6: Beaver Dam Raceway
- June 12-13: Knoxville Raceway
- June 19-20: Tri-State Speedway
- June 25-27: Jackson Motorplex (AGCO Jackson Nationals)

The FVP Platinum Battery Showdown at The Dirt Oval at Route 66 in Joliet, IL that was scheduled to take place before the Haubstadt events on June 17 has been canceled.

Historic Jackson Nationals Set to Shine at Season-High \$30,000-to-Win

JACKSON, MN - Drivers have individual races they circle with special personal meaning, but there are only a handful of events where

every driver dreams of victory for different reasons – the AGCO Jackson Nationals is in good company amongst the NOS Energy Drink Knoxville Nationals, Kings Royal, National Open, World Finals and DIRTcar Nationals to name a few.

The prestigious event at the immaculate Jackson Motorplex on June 25-27 is in its 42nd running this year, and the fourth year as a World of Outlaws NOS Energy Drink Sprint Car Series event. In that short time, the three-day event has quickly become the newest crown jewel for the Series.

"It's been really neat to see what Tod (Quiring, track owner) and his team have done to Jackson," said reigning Jackson Nationals winner and Series Champion Brad Sweet. "He's turned it into one of the premier dirt track facilities in the country. And now he's building a premier event, the AGCO Jackson Nationals. As a racer, I can't express how much I appreciate his investment in the sport."

Quiring, president and founder of Mainstream Holdings, Inc., which includes Big Game Tree Stands, purchased Jackson Motorplex from the county in 2015 with the vision of building a world-class facility and the Jackson Nationals into a marquee Sprint Car event. He was familiar with the track, which was originally a half-mile and then turned into a 4/10-mile, due to his corporate office being located in the same area.

The AGCO Jackson Nationals has always been an event that racers circled on their calendar, but only in the past few years since Quiring and his team revamped Jackson Motorplex and brought the event to the World of Outlaws schedule has its prestige continued to increase.

"We built a nice facility to host premier events," Quiring said. "With this being our premier event, and the partnership we have with the World of Outlaws, we'll make it through this year for the Nationals and move forward for years to come."

Even with mass gathering restrictions and the COVID-19 pandemic limiting the amount of fans the facility can have for the three-day event, event Title Sponsor AGCO (the global leader in the design, manufacture and distribution of agricultural equipment), Jackson Motorplex and the World of Outlaws NOS Energy Drink

Sprint Cars have joined forces to ensure that the event will be the highest-paying Sprint Car race of the year to date. Saturday's finale will be \$30,000-to-win and \$1,000-to-start. Thursday and Friday's events will pay \$8,000-to-win and \$600-to-start.

"It's definitely a crown jewel event in my eyes already and I know he's only getting started," Sweet said of Quiring's vision for the event. "I look forward to watching it grow and I'm excited I get to be a part of it."

The format for the 2020 AGCO-sponsored affair will be similar to 2019. Teams will accumulate points, based on their finish, over the first two nights, setting up the lineups for the Saturday night finale. There will be no limit on entries for 410 Sprint Cars. Drivers will need to register for the event at WorldofOutlaws.com with the registration link forthcoming.

A limited number of fans will be allowed in the grandstands during the three-day event. Social distancing and CDC guidelines will be in place to ensure the safety and well-being of each attendee, but all three nights will be broadcast live on DIRTVision and all three included in its FAST PASS subscription for just \$39 per month.

No action is required of existing ticket holders who had already purchased in advance, but there is a limited number of tickets remaining that can be purchased in advance at JacksonMotorplex.com/Jackson-Nationals. A limited number of pit passes will be available each night, allowing fans to watch from a restricted area in the infield.

Camping is available on the grounds for those who already have advance reservations, but camping for the event had already been sold out and is a hot commodity at the Minnesota complex.

Support divisions, limited to 24 cars, will join the World of Outlaws each night. The IMCA Racesaver Sprint Cars will run Thursday night, while the Wisconsin WingLESS Sprint Cars will be highlighted Friday and Saturday night.

Fans who are unable to get a ticket to the event can watch all three nights live on DIRTVision as all three nights are included in its FAST PASS subscription for just \$39/month.



COVID-19 Ticket Procedures For The 35th Lucas Oil Chili Bowl Nationals

TULSA, OK - The 35th annual Lucas Oil Chili Bowl Nationals presented by General Tire is on as scheduled. The event dates are January 11-16, 2021.

For the 2021 event, renew your tickets like normal. If there are still travel restrictions in place when it comes time to make your way to Tulsa for the 2021 Lucas Oil Chili Bowl Nationals presented by General Tire, please inform our office at (918) 838-3777 and tell us of your situation.

We will issue you a refund for your seats, and you will retain the rights to those seats for the 2022 event.

"This pertains to everyone who might find themselves stuck, but more so to our international fans. I know we've had several calls from fans in Australia that are worried about buying their seats, and we just want everyone to know that we are not going to punish you for something that is out of your control," stated Chili Bowl co-founder, Emmett Hahn.

If you've already renewed your

seats with a VISA or MasterCard, the charge will not be applied until the end of June through July when tickets are pulled. If you send a check, the check will be deposited within 30 days of us receiving it.

Reserved Seats for the 35th annual Lucas Oil Chili Bowl Nationals presented by General Tire will continue to be sold in six, five, and four-day packages. Prices for the 2021 affair will be broken down with four-day tickets at \$227, five-day tickets at \$282, and tickets for the full event at \$337, plus tax (8.517%) and shipping, which is \$7 for orders up to 15 tickets and \$10 from 16 ticket orders and up.

Domestic orders, not held in Will Call, will be sent via USPS Certified Mail to ensure each order sent will require a signature. All international orders will be kept in Will Call.

Tickets will go out in September.

The office of the Chili Bowl Nationals is open Monday-Friday from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. (CT). New orders, as well as renewals, are being taken at the same time.

If ordering with the renewal form that was mailed at the end of March, those can be returned to 1140 S. 83rd East Ave. Tulsa, OK 74112 or by fax to (918) 836-5517.

Tickets can be purchased with Visa, MasterCard, Cash, Check, or Money Order.

Orders will not be taken via email or social media.

If a Reserved Seat ticket cannot be acquired, Pit Passes will be on sale at the event and never sell out. The Pit Pass double as a General Admission pass and allows fans access to the back straightaway on a first-come, first-served basis. Pit Passes are \$45 per weekday and \$60 on Saturday. Passes can be purchased for multiple consecutive days. Pit Passes are not sold in advance.

All orders are processed by

hand. Renewals are processed first, then changes to those accounts, then new orders will be done in the order they were received until all tickets are sold. Times and other event information will be published as the event draws closer.

For continued updates on the Lucas Oil Chili Bowl Nationals presented by General Tire, fans can follow along on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram with @CBNationals. All official press, updates, and results on the Lucas Oil Chili Bowl Nationals presented by General Tire can be found online at www.chilibowl.com.

World of Outlaws Fills the Gap at Volunteer Speedway

With the ever-changing state-by-state COVID-19 regulations in mind, the World of Outlaws Morton Buildings Late Model Series have announced wholesale changes to the June calendar.

Races scheduled for Cochran Motor Speedway (June 12-13), Stateline Speedway (June 18), Genesee Speedway (June 19), and Selinsgrove Speedway (June 20) are now POSTPONED with hopes of a return later

in the year. In their place, a weekend doubleheader at Volunteer Speedway in Bulls Gap, Tenn. has been added to the slate on Friday (\$6,000 to win) and Saturday (\$10,000 to win), June 19-20. The trip will mark the seventh and eighth all-time appearances by the World of Outlaws at the 4/10-mile oval.

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Kyle Larson Goes Wire-to-Wire at 81 Speedway for Cometic Gasket Thunder Win

PARK CITY, KS - For the second time in 2020, and for the 11th time in his career, 'Yung Money' Kyle Larson is an Ollie's Bargain Outlet All Star Circuit of Champions presented by Mobil 1 main event winner, this time during

Cometic Gasket Thunder Through The Plains presented by Hercules Tires competition at 81 Speedway in Park City, Kansas. Snagging \$5,000 in the process, the wire-to-wire victory was extra satisfying for the Elk Grove, California-native, creating a sense of redemption after finishing second in a wild main event at Red Dirt Raceway on Friday, June 5.

"That was a lot of fun. I just want to thank all of the fans for coming out and supporting this race," Kyle Larson said, driver of the Paul Silva-owned/Tarleton and Sons/Finley Farms/Durst/No. 57 sprint car. "It definitely feels good to be out here racing sprint cars."

Larson's trip to 81 Speedway victory lane commenced from the outside of row one, eventually upgrading his runner-up starting position to the race lead with a slider over Cory Eliason through turns three and four. Although the move would result in abrupt contact with the turn four cushion bringing the familiar No. 57 to a slight wheel stand while exiting the corner, Larson prevailed and crossed under the flagstand with the race lead.

The preferred line around the very topside of the speedway soon moved to the low side, as an abrasive surface forced the entire field, including the race leader, to switch focus to the inside line. By lap ten, the entire field was utilizing 81 Speedway's bottom groove, already mastered by Angola, Indiana's Zeb Wise who climbed six spots to find second by lap seven.

Despite countless attempts by Larson to increase his lead in traffic, Wise proved himself to be just as maneuverable through the roadblocks, eventually eradicating all slower cars between himself and the race leader. A caution on lap 18 would give Wise a chance to capitalize, but the opportunity to drive by Larson did not occur until lap 24

of 25.

While hugging the bottom of the speedway, Larson missed his entry into turn one allowing Wise a chance to sneak through. The near-side-by-side battle soon fell into Larson's favor, driving on to score the \$5,000 payday over Wise, Cory Eliason, Dominic Scelzi, and Tony Stewart.

"I knew I needed to be aggressive at the start because it was a shorter race," Larson continued. "I was able to get the lead on the first lap and then I just followed the cushion. I started to notice that I could make-up a lot of time on entry, but I was either maintaining position, or the lap cars were pulling away from me on exit, so I knew rubber was starting to come into play. Once you get in the rubber, you just try to not make mistakes. I did make a mistake there toward the end and Zeb (Wise) stuck his nose under me. Fortunately, I was able to get back down. At that point, I just needed to calm down and finish it out."

Aaron Reutzel Outruns Kyle Larson in Red Dirt Raceway Barn Burner

MEEKER, Ok - Less than a week after getting edged-out by



Kyle Larson celebrates in victory lane after winning at 81 Speedway, his second All Star win of the season. (ASCoC photo)

Austin McCarl in an epic battle at Park Jefferson International Speedway, Clute, Texas-native Aaron Reutzel redeemed himself and gave Ollie's Bargain Outlet All Star Circuit of Champions presented by Mobil 1 fans something even more standing ovation-worthy, this time outdueling Kyle Larson in a slider slugfest during a first-ever Series appearance at Red Dirt Raceway in Meeker, Oklahoma.

The victory, Reutzel's fourth of the 2020 season and the 29th of his All Star career, not only awarded a \$5000 top prize, but it officially opened the 2020 edition of Cometic Gasket Thunder Through The Plains presented by Hercules Tires. Kyle Larson chased Reutzel to the final checkers, followed by Cory Eliason, Justin Peck and Danny Dietrich.

"I just want to thank the Baughman family for giving me this opportunity and taking a chance on me to come out here and race. They trust me to come in here and do my job and it feels awesome to be able to put up results like this. Curt Fischer of Fischer Body Shop is with us tonight, so we're glad to get it done for him," said Aaron Reutzel, driver of the Baughman-Reutzel Motorsports/Fischer Body Shop/Folkens Brothers Trucking/No. 87 sprint car. "Dylan, Jim Bob and I just kinda do our thing and it works really well. We certainly wouldn't be in this position without everyone who supports this team and believes in us."

Lining up seventh on the feature grid by way of dash result, it did not take long for Reutzel to learn his
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way around the Meeker quarter-mile, eventually navigating his way to third with just three laps checked off the counter. At that point, Elk Grove, California's Kyle Larson was the main event leader, utilizing the outside-pole position to snag the top spot before the completion of lap one. Danny Dietrich, who started third, raced between Larson and

Reutzel.

After a pair of cautions on lap nine, followed by another set of yellow flags on lap 11, a long stretch of green flag action would ensue with the top three battling under a blanket. By lap 17, Reutzel was in position to take the runner-up spot away Dietrich, this time using a slider between turns three and four to steal the position away from the Gettysburg-native. Despite the position change, Reutzel, Larson and Dietrich continued to race all within just a few car-lengths of each other, soon faced with traffic for the first time on lap 22.

Lap 23 saw the evening's first major takeover attempt, as Reutzel dived underneath Larson to take command through turns one and two. Larson returned the favor with a slider of his own through turns three and four, regaining control of the field as the pair drag raced toward the flagstand. Now forced to deal with a gaggle of slower cars, the battle between Larson and Reutzel would only intensify.

Maintaining momentum around the speedway's outer edge, Reutzel powered by Larson to lead the next two circuits. Staying in hot pursuit, Larson quickly retook command from the two-time All Star champion with another slider in turns three and four.

From that point forward, it was an all-out brawl for the lead, racing nose-to-tail and side-by-side for the next ten circuits, exchanging slide jobs for the top spot nearly every trip around the speedway. Despite the persistence displayed by each driver, and accidental contact on more than one occasion, Larson remained in control until lap 36.

A final slider through turns three and four on lap 36 confirmed Reutzel's visit to victory lane. Caution flags flew for the final time the following circuit setting up a four-lap sprint to the in clean air; Reutzel

prevailed.

"We were racing each other so hard that we actually had a hard time getting through traffic. I was watching lapped cars drive away from us because we were running so hard," an elated Aaron Reutzel continued. "Obviously, I was trying to pass him and get rid of him, but (Kyle Larson) is so good. You think you have him, but then he pulls something out of his hat. There were a few times where he thought he had me because he would leave the slider lane open. I'm not even sure what lap we started all of that on."

"That was a lot of fun. Obviously, it would have been more fun to get the win," Kyle Larson said, driver of the Paul Silva-owned/Finley Farms/No. 57 entry. "To have a dual like that with Aaron (Reutzel), for what felt like 15 to 20 laps, is awesome. We were a little bit off there in the feature and I think Aaron was a touch better than us. But we were still able to fight with him and do what we could to get the win. The fans definitely got their money's worth tonight."

The All Stars Will Visit the Highbanks of Volunteer Speedway on June 27-28

BROWNSBURG, IN - Diving deep into the heart of Dixie, the Ollie's Bargain Outlet All Star Circuit of Champions presented by Mobil 1 will continue their 2020 championship campaign with a doubleheader on the highbanks of Volunteer Speedway in Bulls Gap, Tennessee, on Saturday and Sunday, June 27-28. Dubbed the Food City presents the Tennessee Sprint Car Nationals, the Bulls Gap invasion pads a June agenda that already includes visits to Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas, and Louisiana, increasing the month's schedule to 11 events between June 4 and June 28. The two-day program will feature back-to-back \$5,000 top prizes, also awarding points toward the season-ending championship purse.

Although the Tennessee Sprint Car Nationals visit will be a first during Tony Stewart's tenure as owner of the All Stars, it is certainly not the first stop in Series history, most recently invading the northern Tennessee facility on March 19-20, 2010, with Joey Saldana and Jason Meyers each earning feature wins.

Earning a combined 25 Series victories during the last two seasons, not including the three he has

amassed during non-point and point competition thus far this year, Clute, Texas's Aaron Reutzel is just one of 11 full-time All Stars expected to enter action at Volunteer Speedway on June 27-28.

In addition, 2019 All Star Circuit of Champions Rookie of the Year, Cory Eliason, will hit the Bulls Gap-area highbanks, as well as former Port Royal Speedway track champion, Brock Zearfoss, sprint car veteran and multi-time All Star winner, Paul McMahan, former two-time Series champion, Greg Wilson, former ASCS National Rookie of the Year, Skylar Gee, All Star winner and Indiana hotshot, Justin Peck, 2019 PA Sprint Car Series and Williams Grove Speedway track champion, Danny Dietrich, Indiana-native and multi-time USAC National Midget Series winner, Zeb Wise, three-time ASCS national champion, Sam Hafertepe, Jr., and Odessa, Texas-native and former

ASCS National Tour winner, Josh Baughman.

Also entering action in the Volunteer State will be three-time NASCAR Cup Series champion and NASCAR Hall of Fame inductee, Tony Stewart. The Columbus, Indiana-native is a recent winner with the All Star Circuit of Champions and secured a \$26,000 payday during the Rayce Rudeen Foundation event at 34 Raceway in West Burlington, Iowa.

Those seeking additional information pertaining to Volunteer Speedway's Tennessee Sprint Car Nationals, such as gate times and ticket prices, should visit the speedway live on the Web at www.volunteerspeedway.com.

Each and every event on the 2020 Ollie's Bargain Outlet All Star Circuit of Champions presented by Mobil 1 schedule will be broadcast live exclusively at www.floracing.com.

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ENNIS, TX - For the 27th time on Saturday night, the ASCS Elite Non-Wing Series presented by Abilene Powder Coating recorded a first-time winner as Farmersville, Texas shoe Cody Price rolled into Victory Lane at Big O Speedway.

Advancing four positions to find the front of the field, Price was joined on the podium by Justin Zimmerman and Arizona's Randy Nelson who clawed from 13th to claim the show position.

Gary Floyd crossed fourth with Michelle Parson completing the top five.

Weston Gorham in sixth was trailed by Stephen Smith. Jeremy Jonas crossed eighth. Chase Parson was ninth with Rodney Henderson making the top ten.

The ASCS Elite Non-Wing Series presented by Abilene Powder Coating hits the road this week for Crowleys Ridge Raceway on Friday, June 12, and I-30 Speedway on Saturday, June 13.

Event updates will be posted to www.ascsracing.com as well as our Social Media Outlets on Facebook and Twitter (@LucasOilASCs).

MSCS Returns to Racing at Tri-State Speedway

Midwest
Sprint Car Series

After an extra long off season the Midwest Sprint Car Series is ready to take to the track.

For the first time in 2020 a race will take place at Tri-State Speedway in Haubstadt, IN this Sunday night, June 14th.

The race is tabbed the "Showdown" at Tri-State Speedway in Haubstadt, Indiana, bringing the cancelled

spring event, and the summer race into one big night at the famed 1/4 dirt track.

The race has the top USAC stars and the top stars of the MSCS series coming together to battle 30 laps to claim for \$5,000 check.

Some 48 full size sprints are preregistered for the event, while the support series MMSA has 26 winged sprints ready for battle.

Don't miss your chance to listen to the rumble, breath the racing fumes and feel the dirt this Sunday at Tri-State Speedway.

Atlanta Motor Speedway

HAMPTON, GA - Atlanta Motor Speedway renamed one of its grandstands to honor the legacy of 7-time NASCAR Cup Series champion Jimmie Johnson.

Starting with this past weekend's Folds of Honor QuikTrip 500, what used to be known as the Winners Grandstand will now be the Johnson Grandstand. With the newly christened

grandstand, Johnson will join fellow 7-time champions Richard Petty and Dale Earnhardt as NASCAR drivers whose legends are immortalized at AMS.

"It takes a great driver to succeed at our track and an even greater one to win a championship, but only the greatest can win seven titles and Jimmie Johnson is undoubtedly one of the greatest," said AMS Executive Vice President and General Manager Brandon Hutchison.

The Johnson Grandstand is the 20th and final enhancement come from Atlanta Motor Speedway's "20 in 20" initiative. All told the Speedway has announced 20 individual enhancements to increase fan value and the overall enjoyment of Atlanta Motor Speedway for years to come.

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Charlotte Motor Speedway

CONCORD, NC - As part of NASCAR's release of the updated 2020 schedule, officials announced that the NASCAR All-Star Race will return to Charlotte Motor Speedway on Wednesday, July 15. The announcement includes the return of the NASCAR All-Star Open and ARCA Menards Series General Tire 150, which will fill out the triple-header night at America's Home for Racing. Discussions continue with local and state health officials about options for fans to attend the event, but no decisions have been finalized at this time.

"We are thrilled to announce the return of the NASCAR All-Star Race and are hard at work to make sure the 2020 edition lives up to the tradition of being one of the most



Atlanta Motor Speedway renamed a grandstand in honor of Jimmie Johnson this past weekend. (AMS photo)

wildly entertaining and unpredictable events of the season," said Greg Walter, executive vice president and general manager of Charlotte Motor Speedway. "In addition, we will work hard with our state and local officials to explore what options are available, if any, to have this race enjoyed by fans in person. Entertaining fans at the track is part of who we are, but we want to do so in a way that everyone feels comfortable with given current health concerns."

Known for some of the most iconic moments in NASCAR history, including One Hot Night, the Pass in the Grass, Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s win as a rookie and Jeff Gordon's T-Rex car domination, this year promises, once again, to deliver an action-packed affair. The 2020 All-Star Race marks the first time in the event's 36-year history that the \$1 million, winner-take-all showdown will be contested mid-week.

The ARCA Menards Series General Tire 150 is slated for 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 15, followed by the All-Star Open at 7:00 p.m. and the NASCAR All-Star Race at approximately 8:30 p.m. All three races will be broadcast on FS1.

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Martinsville Speedway

MARTINSVILLE, Va - As NASCAR returns to racing at Martinsville Speedway (Martinsville), the Joey Logano Foundation, The NASCAR Foundation, and Elevation Outreach, an outreach ministry of Elevation Church based in Charlotte, N.C., are partnering with Con-

voy of Hope to bring food, water and hygiene supplies to the speedway for an event to support Henry County on Thursday, June 11.

"Since initiating the Joey Logano Foundation / Elevation Outreach COVID-19 \$1M Response & Relief Fund, we've been able to make a significant impact in multiple communities by focusing on educational equality, food distribution, financial shortages and medical supplies," said Joey Logano, Chairman of the Joey Logano Foundation. "Since inception, one of my favorite events throughout this initiative has been the mobile distribution event with Convoy of Hope in Darlington, S.C. This was my favorite event because with just one truck, we were able to provide necessary supplies to almost 1,000 families. Plus, it was cool to see top NASCAR leadership and members from The NASCAR Foundation attend the event in Darlington to help make it a huge success."

Convoy of Hope will provide more than 40,000 pounds of food and supplies to approximately 1,000 households/vehicles during its drive-thru distribution at the track. This will be the second event held at a NASCAR-owned facility following the first joint relief effort at Darlington Raceway on May 18.

"During these trying times for our country, it's been incredibly inspiring to see the industry rally around these special events to help give back to communities in need," said Logano. "After seeing how impactful Darlington went, we quickly moved forward and scheduled our next event with Convoy of Hope in Martinsville, Va. on June 11. My hope is that by everyone doing their part, we can maintain hope and continue to get through this together."

As Henry County has been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, the facility also supported

the community by hosting COVID-19 testing prior to race week.

"We are honored the Joey Logano Foundation, The NASCAR Foundation, Elevation Outreach, and Convoy of Hope are bringing relief efforts to Martinsville and Henry County," said Martinsville President Clay Campbell. "The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted our region, so we are grateful for their commitment to support families in our community."

In compliance with guidelines set by the federal, state and local health officials, the event will follow a contactless point-of-distribution model to ensure the safety of staff and Convoy of Hope's deserving guests. As residents arrive at the speedway, food will be placed in the trunk or backseat of the vehicles by volunteers.

Guests may pick up donations in the bus parking lot at Gate 13 on Clover Road located across the street from the Track Services building at Martinsville. Access to Clover Road is available from Industrial Park Drive on Thursday, June 11 from 9 a.m. to noon ET.

To learn more about Convoy of Hope, visit convoyofhope.org.

Bristol Dragway

BRISTOL, TN - The NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals has been rescheduled for Oct. 9-11, it was announced today by Bristol Dragway officials as part of NHRA's revised 2020 Mello Yello Drag Racing Series schedule. The NHRA race weekend is one of several major events on the schedule for this summer and fall at the legendary drag racing facility in Northeast Tennessee.

As one of the five final races of the season, the NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals will now play a pivotal role in the outcome of the NHRA Mello Yello Drag Racing Series world championships, which feature competition in Top Fuel, Funny Car, Pro Stock and Pro Stock Motorcycle categories.

The revised weekend schedule for the NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals will include a condensed format, with NHRA Sportsman qualifying, time trials and exhibition classes only on Friday, followed by NHRA Pro qualifying on Saturday and NHRA Pro and Sportsman final eliminations on Sunday.

"We can't wait to hear the roar of nitro-powered engines rumbling once again at historic Bristol Dragway," said Jerry Caldwell, executive vice president and general manager, Bristol Dragway.

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"We anticipate a lot of championship drama in the top classes taking place during the NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals given the event's new location on the 2020 Mello Yello Series schedule."

In addition to the marquee Top Fuel and Funny Car categories, both Pro Stock and Pro Stock Motorcycle are scheduled to compete. Pro Stock is

making its return to Bristol following a one-year absence, while Pro Stock Motorcycle competitors will make their Bristol points race debut.

The fire-breathing, 11,000-horsepower nitro machines of Top Fuel and Funny Car will once again headline the NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals. Last year's winners, Mike Salinas (Top Fuel) and Bob Tasca III (Funny Car), will be expected to attend and try to defend their titles. Three-time Bristol winner Doug Kalitta and two-time defending Top Fuel world champion and the 2013 Bristol winner Steve Torrence will also be headliners to watch. In Funny Car, five-time Bristol winner Ron Capps will have a chance to become the winningest Pro category driver at the facility. Four-time Funny Car winner and 2019 Bristol runner-up John Force will be determined to see if he can move into a tie with Capps on the Bristol Funny Car wins list.

With elapsed times reaching the 6.45-second range and speeds reaching 215 mph, the "factory hot rod" Pro Stock category is in the midst of some of the closest racing in history as the class prepares for a return to Bristol. Former Bristol winners Greg Anderson, Erica Enders, Jason Line and Jeg Coughlin Jr. all have two wins at Thunder Valley and will look to add a third, which would put them one behind Mike Edwards on the all-time Bristol wins list for Pro Stock.

The Pro Stock Motorcycle category may have raced at Bristol twice before, but not for championship points. Matt Hines won Bristol exhibition events in the two-wheel class in 1999 (eight riders) and 2000 (16 riders), which means the 2020 NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals will see PSM competitors battling for the first time in an official points capacity at Bristol Dragway. The carbureted or elec-

tronic fuel injected, gasoline-burning bikes are capable of reaching speeds near 200 mph and covering the quarter-mile distance in 6.73 seconds or quicker.

The stars of Pro Stock Motorcycle include the Vance & Hines Harley-Davidson trio of six-time world champion Andrew Hines, four-time world champ Eddie Krawiec and three-time world champion Angelle Sampey. Sampey and fellow competitor Steve Johnson are the only two current PSM competitors who have previously raced at Bristol Dragway, although current Top Fuel star Antron Brown also competed in the bike exhibitions during his PSM racing career.

The fan-favorite and unpredictable Pro Mod category also will be featured during the event. Known for its large mix of vehicles and a wide range of engine tuning options, Pro Mod presents one of the most unique challenges as drivers face off with different combinations in the hope of reigning supreme at Thunder Valley.

* Other Bristol Dragway Schedule Changes: In addition to the new date for the NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals, track officials also announced schedule updates for Thunder Valley Street Fights and the DER Series, and that the annual Monster Truck event, which was scheduled for July 11, has been canceled. The Thunder Valley Street Fights will now add dates on June 6 and June 20. The popular DER Series will now be held June 12-14, June 26-28 and July 24-26.

Nashville Superspeedway

DOVER, DE - NASCAR and Dover Motorsports, Inc. (NYSE: DVD) have agreed to host a NASCAR Cup Series race at Nashville Superspeedway in 2021.

"We were energized to see how excited Nashville was to host the NASCAR Cup Series banquet last December," said Denis McGlynn, president & CEO of Dover Motorsports, Inc. "When we built Nashville Superspeedway in 2001 our goal was to one day secure a NASCAR Cup Series race for the venue. Nashville, central Tennessee and the surrounding market area is filled with passionate race fans. We are thrilled that we were able to collaborate with NASCAR and our television partners to get this done and we can't wait to put on a great show there in 2021."

"While we have been in discussions with NASCAR for some time about the possibility of bringing the NASCAR Cup Series back to Nashville Superspeedway, plans

really just became solidified in recent weeks. We will have many more announcements and exciting updates to share regarding plans for the facility shortly."

The 1.33-mile concrete track was built in 2001 by Dover Motorsports, Inc. and hosted NASCAR- and IRL-sanctioned events from 2001 to 2011. It is situated on approximately 1,000 acres just outside of Nashville, and currently has 25,000 permanent grandstand seats and lights for night racing. The property played host to the NASCAR Xfinity Series, NASCAR Gander RV & Outdoors Truck Series, NTT INDYCAR SERIES and other racing series in its history.

Current NASCAR Cup Series competitors who have notched wins at Nashville Superspeedway include Brad Keselowski, Kevin Harvick, Kyle Busch, Joey Logano, Clint Bowyer and Austin Dillon.

"Thanks to the collaboration of Dover Motorsports and our broadcast partners, we are excited to bring NASCAR racing back to Nashville, a place where the passion for our sport runs deep," said NASCAR President Steve Phelps. "The Nashville market is a vital one for our sport, and bringing NASCAR Cup Series racing to Nashville Superspeedway will be an integral building block in helping us further deliver on our promise in creating a dynamic schedule for 2021."

In turn, Dover International Speedway will host one NASCAR Cup Series race weekend in 2021.

"Our company is excited about the terrific opportunity to not only host a NASCAR Cup Series race weekend but opening our Nashville facility will enable us to host other exciting forms of racing and entertainment options," said Mike Tatoian, executive vice president and chief operating officer for Dover Motorsports, Inc.

"We are also proud that our long history with NASCAR will continue at the Monster Mile in 2021, and we also look forward to hosting the 9th Firefly Music Festival next summer."

More information about the 2021 Dover and Nashville events will be made available in coming months. For inquiries, email info@dovertspeedway.com.

Darlington Raceway

DARLINGTON, SC - Darlington Raceway (Darlington), Sport Clips Haircuts, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. (VFW) will offer fans the opportunity to drive their personal vehicles on the

famed 1.366-mile egg-shaped oval to support service members and veterans on Saturday, June 20 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

For a \$30 donation per car, fans will be allowed to drive three laps around the track Too Tough to Tame and receive two tickets to the Sports Clips Haircuts VFW 200 NASCAR Xfinity Series race on Saturday, Sept. 5. With each donation, \$10 will benefit the VFW's Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship program.

"Track Laps is a unique community showcase of the Lady in Black to benefit our valued service members and veterans," said Darlington President Kerry Tharp. "We are proud to continue to support the VFW's Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship program that has a tremendous impact in every branch of service. We look forward to welcoming our loyal fans back to the track for a memorable Track Laps experience for a good cause."

Since 2013, Sport Clips Haircuts has been the primary supporter of the VFW's Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship program, which provides scholarships for service members and veterans for use at post-secondary schools and trade schools. To date, the program has awarded more than 1,600 scholarships totaling nearly \$8 million. For more information about the VFW's Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship program, visit vfw.org/scholarship.

Darlington will open its gates for fans to drive three laps around the track on June 20 beginning at 1 p.m. Fans will enter the track through the Gate 39A tunnel entrance off of Highway 151. To participate in Track Laps, fans must abide by the following rules and restrictions:

- To participate, drivers must be 21 years of age or older with a valid state-issued driver's license, vehicle registration, and proof of insurance.
- Driver and passengers must sign a waiver of liability in advance of track laps.
- All participants must adhere to South Carolina state laws regarding the usage of seat belts and child safety restraints.
- Passenger vehicles only; motorcycles are not permitted.
- Vehicle headlights must be on at all times.
- Maximum speed for track laps is 70 miles per hour and regulated by Darlington personnel with a lead and chase vehicle.
- Drivers must stay up to speed

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and refrain from lagging behind in order to speed up.

• Darlington has the right to cancel the event due to weather or safety conditions. If a cancellation is necessary, Darlington will issue an official announcement and a reschedule date on darlingtonraceway.com and the track's social channels.

For more information on Track Laps, visit darlingtonraceway.com/track-laps.

Darlington Raceway 2020 Season: Darlington's award-winning throwback weekend returns to celebrate "NASCAR's Champions...Past, Present and Future" and "New Traditions...First Race of the 2020 NASCAR Cup Series Playoffs" on Labor Day Weekend, Sept. 4-6. The 71st running of the famed Southern 500® will lead off the NASCAR Cup Series Playoffs for the first time on Sunday, Sept. 6. The Sports Clips Haircuts VFW 200 NASCAR Xfinity Series race will continue their race to the conclusion of their regular season on Saturday, Sept. 5.

NASCAR tickets are available for purchase via phone at 866-459-7223 or online at darlingtonraceway.com.

Stay connected to Darlington Raceway on Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, Twitter, YouTube, and by downloading the Darlington Raceway mobile app for Apple or Android.

Charlotte Motor Speedway

CONCORD, NC - Following the guidance of local and state health officials, U.S. Legend Cars International and Charlotte Motor Speedway have announced that the opening month's schedule for the Summer Shootout will feature back-to-back nights of racing for the first four weeks. In an effort to follow safe social distancing practices, the June events will be contested without fans, and will feature Bandolero racing on Monday nights and Legend Car action each Tuesday night. The remainder of the summer schedule, and any updates to fan access, will be determined at a later date.

"For many families, Summer Shootout has become a tradition, as they gather on Tuesday nights to cheer on their favorite driver,"

said Greg Walter, executive vice president and general manager at Charlotte Motor Speedway. "While we share the fans' disappointment that they cannot join us for the opening weeks of the summer, we believe that it is in the best interest of the health and safety of our fans, drivers and teammates. We will continue to work with officials to determine the best course of action moving forward and hope to celebrate alongside the fans later this summer."

The first four rounds of racing are scheduled as follows, with Bandolero divisions competing on Mondays and Legend Car divisions competing on Tuesdays:

- June 8-9: Round 1
- June 15-16: Round 2
- June 22-23: Round 3
- June 29-30: Round 4

The remainder of the Summer Shootout schedule will be announced at a later date.

Now in its 27th season, the Summer Shootout has become a proving ground for up-and-coming drivers, with NASCAR stars like Joey Logano, Chase Elliott, William Byron, Bubba Wallace and Daniel Hemric cutting their teeth on Charlotte Motor Speedway's frontstretch quarter-mile before advancing through the NASCAR ranks.

Competitors with questions about registration or competition schedules should reach out directly to U.S. Legend Cars International.

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New Hampshire Motor Speedway

LOUDON, NH - As part of NASCAR's revised 2020 schedule, the July 19 NASCAR Cup Series Foxwoods Resort Casino 301 at New Hampshire Motor Speedway has been postponed to August 2 and will be broadcast on NBCSN at 3 p.m. ET. Due to ongoing considerations with the pandemic, it's unclear at this time if fans will be allowed access to the rescheduled date.

"Welcoming race fans from across the United States, Canada and around the world to 'The Magic Mile' each summer is what our New Hampshire Motor Speedway team looks forward to all year," said David McGrath, executive vice president and general manager of

New Hampshire Motor Speedway.

"We'll be very disappointed if fans can't join us, but in these unprecedented times, we understand that the health and safety of our fans, the competitors and our staff is of the utmost importance," McGrath added. "Once we have more information regarding access, we'll inform our fans as soon as possible. In the meantime, NASCAR has done a phenomenal job working with the race teams and speedways to become the first major league sport back on television with live competition, and we're thrilled the Foxwoods Resort Casino 301 will be part of the Cup Series summer broadcast schedule."

Also as part of the schedule changes, the July 18 NASCAR Xfinity Series race has been realigned to Kentucky Speedway July 9. The NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour race has been canceled at NHMS for July, however the modifieds will return to Loudon to highlight the third annual Full Throttle Fall Weekend, September 11-12. The event will feature the longest race on the Tour, the Musket 200 presented by Whelen.

Tickets: Foxwoods Resort Casino 301 ticketholders on file may choose to receive an event credit for the full amount paid plus an additional 20% or choose to receive a full refund of their purchase price.* The event credit can be applied toward any admissions, including, but not limited to, grandstand seating, infield tickets, camping, fan hospitality and pre-race pit passes. The 120% event credit can be used during the remaining 2020 or 2021 seasons for a NASCAR-sanctioned event at any Speedway Motorsports owned track, subject to fan access and availability.

Fans are advised to keep their current tickets and asked to complete an exchange request form at NHMS.com to start the process. Exchange credit or refund requests must be made within 30 days. Fan Relations Specialists will follow up with fans within three weeks regarding the status of their request. Ticketholders should email Fans-First@NHMS.com or call 833-4LOUDON with further questions.

*Shipping, handling and service fees not included in event credits or refunds.

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Speedway's events during its 30th anniversary season by following on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Keep up with all the latest news and information on the speedway website and NHMS mobile app.

Pocono Raceway

LONG POND, PA - Following NASCAR's schedule announcement today, Pocono Raceway's 2020 Doubleheader Weekend will feature five races in three days from Friday, June 26 - Sunday, June 28. These events, as previously announced and in accordance with Pennsylvania state officials' guidance, will take place without fans in attendance. Additionally, Pocono Raceway has partnered with Pocono Organics, a regenerative organic farm located on track property, for Saturday's Race for Family Farms program.

The three-day race weekend kicks off with the ARCA Menards Series General Tire #AnywhereIsPossible 200, live on FS1, at 6:00 p.m. ET on Friday, June 26. The Gander RV & Outdoors Truck Series Pocono Organics 150 to benefit Farm Aid race will be broadcast on FS1 starting at 12:30 p.m. ET on Saturday, June 27. It will be followed by the NASCAR Cup Series Pocono Organics 325 in partnership with Rodale Institute, airing live on FOX, starting at 3:30 p.m. ET Saturday. The NASCAR Xfinity Series Pocono Green 225 Recycled by J.P. Mascaro & Sons race will broadcast live on FS1 at 12:30 p.m. ET on Sunday, June 28. The final race of the doubleheader weekend will be the NASCAR Cup Series Pocono 350, live on FS1, starting at 4:00 p.m. ET Sunday.

"Race fans are Pocono Raceway's lifeblood and family farmers are the lifeblood of our country," said Ben May, Pocono Raceway President. "We will miss the fans' passion, laughs, cheers and smiles as the green flag drops in the Pocono Mountains later this month. We encourage fans to enjoy the live race broadcasts on FOX and FS1, engage with Pocono Raceway's social media platforms and

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share in our mutual appreciation for family farms across this nation."

The unprecedented collaboration between Pocono Organics, Farm Aid, and Rodale Institute will celebrate and raise resources through www.farmaid.com/pocono to benefit the local and dedicated heroes of our food system – family farmers – who tirelessly

worked across our country to keep food on our plates during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Farmers have always worked extremely hard, but have been working even harder during the COVID-19 pandemic to serve their local communities when people couldn't get food in stores," said Ashley Walsh, founder of Pocono Organics, one of the largest regenerative organic farms in North America and a global center for research, education, and discovery. "One of the positive outcomes from the pandemic is a stronger, local connection between consumers and family farms."

Recognizing the decades-long connection between NASCAR, its fans, and the American farmer - the people who fuel us all – Walsh, granddaughter of Doctor's Joe and Rose Mattioli (founders of Pocono Raceway,) wanted to bring together organizations that were dedicated to agriculture and farming to create an event to help raise resources to benefit family farms.

"Race for Family Farms is a tremendous way to help many local farmers keep their farms open," Walsh continued. "In my mind, it's really simple – no farmers, no food. We couldn't be more proud to partner with the passionate people at Farm Aid and Rodale Institute to make a difference for farmers."

Spearheaded by Willie Nelson 35 years ago, Farm Aid is a voice and advocate for America's family farmers. Through the Race for Family Farms campaign, Farm Aid is seeking to raise funds to support their COVID-19 Farmer Resilience Initiative and other programs via www.farmaid.com/pocono.

"Independent family farmers and ranchers are essential to every community – especially during this global health crisis," said Steve Snyder, Development and Brand Director of Farm Aid. "We're all re-

lying on farmers for the good food we need, and farmers are relying on our support to help them overcome the tough challenges they're facing. Farm Aid is proud to be participating with our friends at the Rodale Institute and grateful to Pocono Organics for sharing Farm Aid's work for family farmers with a generous NASCAR audience."

Rodale Institute is the global leader in regenerative organic agriculture research and education for more than 70 years. The Institute has led groundbreaking research studies that put science behind the power and impact of regenerative organic farming on local and global levels. Pocono Organics is one of Rodale Institute's largest satellite farms where they collaborate on research and best-practices initiatives to drive industry-wide advancements.

"Rodale Institute is incredibly excited to bring regenerative organic agriculture to the NASCAR audience in partnership with Pocono Organics," said Jeff Moyer, Rodale Institute CEO. "The Race for Family Farms is an opportunity for our nation's sports fans to learn more about the critical role that organic and local farmers play in healing people and the planet. Especially in times of uncertainty, farmers need our support more than ever and we thank Pocono Organics for the opportunity to shed a light on the important work of farmers everywhere."

Indianapolis Motor Speedway

INDIANAPOLIS, IN - The upcoming Fourth of July race weekend at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway will run without spectators due to the COVID-19 pandemic, IMS officials announced today following extensive consultation with local and state officials.

Stage 5 of Indiana's reopening plan allows for sporting venues to host public events with social distancing and is scheduled to begin July 4 in most counties. However, Marion County - home to Indianapolis, the state's largest city - recently entered Stage 3 of the road map 10 days after the majority of counties. This follows nationwide trends suggesting larger municipalities should exercise caution in navigating plans to reopen.

"While we certainly worked diligently to run our events with spectators, we reached a point where we needed to make a final decision because the race weekend is less than a month away," Penske Entertainment Corp. President & CEO Mark Miles said. "Today it's not

possible to be confident that Indianapolis will be at Stage 5 of the state's reopening plan by the Fourth of July weekend.

"We are extremely appreciative of the time and expertise Governor Holcomb, Mayor Hogsett and state and local public health officials have given us over the last few months. This was a collaborative process and a decision we're all aligned with after thorough review of the situation. We remain committed to welcoming the world's greatest fans to the Speedway for the Indianapolis 500 Mile Race in late August."

The culminating event of the holiday weekend will be renamed the Big Machine Hand Sanitizer 400 Powered by Big Machine Records, in recognition of the company's ongoing efforts to support the supply chain of hand sanitizer available to the public. In early March, when the pandemic started to hit hard, Big Machine Distilleries recognized the great shortage of hand sanitizer and immediately pivoted and started production to assist the local community and first responders with product. Inquiries from across the country soon dictated a full-blown national awareness, which has led to the name change of the race. The company and its Big Machine race drivers will announce plans to donate bottles of hand sanitizer to Indianapolis front-line workers around the event weekend.

Everyone in Central Indiana and around the country can tune in to the historic NASCAR-INDYCAR double-header weekend live on NBC. The marquee holiday weekend at IMS will mark the first time the NASCAR Cup Series and NASCAR Xfinity Series have shared the same track with the NTT INDYCAR SERIES on the same event weekend. The GMR Grand Prix for the NTT INDYCAR SERIES and Pennzoil 150 for the NASCAR Xfinity Series are scheduled for Saturday, July 4, while the Big Machine Hand Sanitizer 400 Powered by Big Machine Records for the NASCAR Cup Series is scheduled for Sunday, July 5.

Fans who have purchased reserved seats or general admission tickets to the GMR Grand Prix, Pennzoil 150 or Big Machine Hand Sanitizer 400 Powered by Big Machine Records will have the option for a credit to future IMS events, such as the 2020 Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge or Harvest GP, or a refund. IMS will contact these fans directly.

Other public events surrounding

the weekend have been canceled given the decision to run all races without fans. This includes the Driven2SaveLives BC39 USAC Midget race and the FGL Fest concert. Fans who have purchased tickets to these events also will have the option to receive credit to a future IMS event or a refund and will be contacted directly by IMS.

Bristol Motor Speedway

BRISTOL, TN - The action-packed finish of the milestone 60th running of the Food City Supermarket Heroes 500 NASCAR Cup Series race this past Sunday at Bristol Motor Speedway was extremely popular with race fans as evidenced in the results of an online fan poll conducted by veteran NASCAR journalist Jeff Gluck of The Athletic that simply asks, "Was it a Good Race?"

Sunday afternoon's race energized fans with an exciting finish that featured multiple lead changes in the final 75 laps. After leading more than 50 laps in the late stages of the race Denny Hamlin got loose coming out of turn two with 12 laps to go and was passed by Joey Logano and Chase Elliott. Elliott briefly took the lead and then was reeled in by Logano on lap 497. Logano passed Elliott, then Elliott tried to regain the lead but the two tangled with only two laps left sending them both out of contention and opening the door for Brad Keselowski to streak past and take the checkered flag. After the race Logano was upset, and Elliott accepted responsibility for the contact as the two raced hard side-by-side for the lead. The two had an animated discussion on pit road.

More than 20,500 fans participated in the poll and 94.9 percent voted yes in the poll, that it was a good race. The race took over the No. 1 spot in the poll by moving past another Bristol Motor Speedway race, the 2018 Bass Pro Shops NRA Night Race. That race, which many called an "Instant Classic" and featured Kurt Busch winning in the closing laps after a crazy night with multiple lead changes and several dramatic crashes, held the top spot for nearly three years with a fan-approval rating of 94.8 percent with 10,276 voting participants.

With 20,529 voters, the Food City Supermarket Heroes 500 had the third-highest fan-vote participation since the Gluck poll started. The 2019 Daytona 500 has had the most fan votes with 25,398, followed by the 2020 Coca-Cola 600

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at Charlotte Motor Speedway with 21,664.

"We are so thankful to the thousands of fans who voted for the Food City Supermarket Heroes 500 in Jeff Gluck's popular 'Was it a Good Race' fan poll," said Jerry Caldwell, executive vice president and general manager, Bristol Motor Speedway. "We have been very blessed at Bristol to have many

thrilling races throughout the decades and that one will certainly be remembered as one of the greats here at The Last Great Colosseum."

The 2019 Bass Pro Shops NRA Night Race, which was won by Denny Hamlin after passing Matt DiBenedetto in the closing laps, is fourth on the Gluck ranking list, with a 94.1 percent approval rate.

Three more Bristol races rank in the top 30 of the Gluck fan poll. The 2018 Food City 500 ranks 22nd with an approval rating of 87.9 percent, the 2017 Food City 500 is 25th with a rating of 86.4, and the 2019 Food City 500 is 26th with a fan approval mark of 86.2 percent.

The Jeff Gluck 'Was it a Good Race?' fan poll is conducted via the social media platform Twitter and was started in 2016. A Bristol Motor Speedway event has held the top spot now since August 19, 2018.

The next NASCAR Cup Series race scheduled for Bristol Motor Speedway is set for Saturday, Sept. 19, 2020 with the Bass Pro Shops NRA Night Race taking to the all-concrete high-banks under the lights during the NASCAR Playoffs.

Championship drama is expected to be intense as the 16 Cup Series playoff drivers will face the first elimination race in round one. It will be the first time a Bristol Motor Speedway race is featured in the Playoffs.

For more information, visit www.bristolmotorspeedway.com.

Indianapolis Motor Speedway

INDIANAPOLIS, IN - The upcoming Fourth of July race weekend at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway will run without spectators due to the COVID-19 pandemic, IMS officials announced today following extensive consultation with local and state officials.

Stage 5 of Indiana's reopening

plan allows for sporting venues to host public events with social distancing and is scheduled to begin July 4 in most counties.

However, Marion County - home to Indianapolis, the state's largest city - recently entered Stage 3 of the road map 10 days after the majority of counties.

This follows nationwide trends suggesting larger municipalities should exercise caution in navigating plans to reopen.

"While we certainly worked diligently to run our events with spectators, we reached a point where we needed to make a final decision because the race weekend is less than a month away," Penske Entertainment Corp. President & CEO Mark Miles said. "Today it's not possible to be confident that Indianapolis will be at Stage 5 of the state's reopening plan by the Fourth of July weekend.

"We are extremely appreciative of the time and expertise Governor Holcomb, Mayor Hogsett and state and local public health officials have given us over the last few months. This was a collaborative process and a decision we're all aligned with after thorough review of the situation. We remain committed to welcoming the world's greatest fans to the Speedway for the Indianapolis 500 Mile Race in late August."

The culminating event of the holiday weekend will be renamed the Big Machine Hand Sanitizer 400 Powered by Big Machine Records, in recognition of the company's ongoing efforts to support the supply chain of hand sanitizer available to the public. In early March, when the pandemic started to hit hard, Big Machine Distilleries recognized the great shortage of hand sanitizer and immediately pivoted and started production to assist the local community and first responders with product. Inquiries from across the country soon dictated a full-blown national awareness, which has led to the name change of the race. The company and its Big Machine race drivers will announce plans to donate bottles of hand sanitizer to Indianapolis front-line workers around the event weekend.

Everyone in Central Indiana and around the country can tune in to the historic NASCAR-INDYCAR double-header weekend live on NBC. The marquee holiday weekend at IMS will mark the first time the NASCAR Cup Series and NASCAR Xfinity Series have shared the same track with the NTT INDYCAR SERIES on the

same event weekend. The GMR Grand Prix for the NTT INDYCAR SERIES and Pennzoil 150 for the NASCAR Xfinity Series are scheduled for Saturday, July 4, while the Big Machine Hand Sanitizer 400 Powered by Big Machine Records for the NASCAR Cup Series is scheduled for Sunday, July 5.

Fans who have purchased reserved seats or general admission tickets to the GMR Grand Prix, Pennzoil 150 or Big Machine Hand Sanitizer 400 Powered by Big Machine Records will have the option for a credit to future IMS events, such as the 2020 Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge or Harvest GP, or a refund. IMS will contact these fans directly.

Other public events surrounding the weekend have been canceled given the decision to run all races without fans. This includes the Driven2SaveLives BC39 USAC Midget race and the FGL Fest concert.

Fans who have purchased tickets to these events also will have the option to receive credit to a future IMS event or a refund and will be contacted directly by IMS.

Homestead-Miami Speedway

MIAMI, FL - Hooters restaurants have become synonymous with good food, good times and plenty of sports. This weekend, they will bring that renowned brand to Homestead-Miami Speedway as the entitlement partner for the track's NASCAR Xfinity race on Saturday, June 13 at 3:30 p.m. ET

(FOX). The race - Hooters 250 - is one of four NASCAR events that will run over the course of two days - June 13-14 - at Homestead-Miami Speedway.

"Not only has Hooters established a distinctive presence in the restaurant industry, but they have been a tremendous partner to NASCAR for many years, going back to the days of Alan Kulwicki, when he won the 1992 NASCAR Cup Series title driving the No. 7 Hooters Ford," said Homestead-Miami Speedway President Al Garcia.

"And now with Chase Elliott, their brand has once again become conspicuous in the Cup Series. The sports bar that they established at our facility for the 2019 race weekend was a huge success, and this partnership will accentuate their presence at Homestead-Miami Speedway even more."

"Hooters hopes to lift everyone's spirits with a healthy dose of fun and excitement through our title sponsorship of the upcoming NASCAR Xfinity race at Homestead-Miami Speedway," shared Monica Fleury, Director of Brand Marketing at Hooters of America.

"As our restaurants across the country continue to reopen, Hooters has always been and will continue to serve as the official home for race fans everywhere, known for providing the best environment for sports entertainment as well as world-class wings and iconic Hooters Girl hospitality."

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Kingsport Speedway

KINGSPORT, TN – Mother Nature had other plans other than racing last Friday as pending weather conditions forced Kingsport Speedway officials postponed the racing activities. This event will be a makeup event of last week's events, dubbed as Friday Night Heat. The green flag will drop for the second race of the season this Friday at "The Concrete Jungle."

Racing at the .375-mile banked concrete oval will feature racing action with Hondocor Auto Care Pure 4 division, Late Model, Sportsman, Mod 4 and, Pure Street!

This event is a non-NASCAR sanctioned race is scheduled for Friday, June 12th. Pit gates will open at 2 p.m., spectator gates will open at 5 p.m. and racing at 8 p.m. Full race day schedule is attached.

Prior to Friday Night Heat, there is an open practice scheduled for Thursday, June 11th from 3-9 p.m. EST

Ahead of the second race of 2020, Kingsport Speedway will be following our Return to Racing Guidelines & Recommendations again this week. The guidelines and recommendations are meant to help do the speedway's part in reducing the spread of COVID-19.

Kingsport Speedway's guidelines and recommendations are largely based on the guidelines from the CDC and can be found on the track's website and social media sites.

Adult grandstand admission for Friday will be \$12, with kids 12-and-under admitted FREE. Adult tier-parking admission \$12 per person (plus a \$12 vehicle parking spot fee), with kids 12-and-under admitted free.

Kingsport Speedway

KINGSPORT, TN - Due to pending weather conditions we have decided in the best interest of competitors and fans to cancel tonight's racing activities. The next event at Kingsport Speedway will be Friday, June 12th. Spectator gates will open at 5 p.m. and racing at 8 p.m. Full revised race day schedule is coming soon. Adult grandstand admission Friday \$12, with kids 12-and-under admitted FREE. Adult tier-parking admission \$12 per person (plus a \$12

vehicle parking spot fee), with kids 12-and-under admitted free.

Other Notes:

- We will not be racing on Friday, June 19th
- Full 2020 revised schedule coming soon!
- This race is a Contingency Connection Racer Rewards event. Contingency Connection offers nearly \$150,000 in national contingency awards. Visit contingency-connection.com to see a list of over 100 sponsors posting awards for grassroots racers this season.

For more information on Kingsport Speedway, visit our website at – www.kingsport-speedway.com

Fresh content and updates can also be found on the tracks Facebook page (@KingsportSpeedway), Twitter (@KpSpeedway), Instagram (@KingsportSpeedway), Snapchat (@KptSpeedway), and YouTube (@KingsportSpeedway).

Lake View Motor Speedway

LAKE VIEW, SC - The 40th Anniversary season at Lake View Motor Speedway kicked off in earnest Saturday night with Willie Milliken of Roanoke Rapids, NC taking the Late Model win in the inaugural JD Pridgen Memorial. The 22-lap race paid \$2200 to the winner, plus other added awards, and honored Mr. Pridgen, who passed away recently. Mr. Pridgen competed in the first event ever held at Lake View in 1981 all the way through 2019, winning many events throughout the Carolinas during his storied career.

"I really wanted this win tonight for the Pridgen family, it's an honor to win it for them and their dad," said Milliken afterwards. "I know I had to beat Shaun [Harrell] on the

start because he is one of the best drivers on the east coast and if you beat him, you've done something."

Hope Mills, NC's Shaun Harrell set the fast time in qualifying, winning \$200 from Carolina Threads for the pole award. At the start, Milliken, who started from the outside pole, got the advantage over Harrell as they entered turn one. Sentimental favorite, Johnny Pridgen, started fourth but went off the back straightway embankment to bring out the first caution of the night.

Milliken continued to pace the field when the caution waved on lap 14 for the stalled machine of his teammate, Mason Price. Then, two laps later, Jeffrey Johnson would spin in turn four, sending Tony Terry over the turn four embankment.

On the next restart, Chris Miller was sent spinning entering turn three, collecting seven others, including Josh Richeson, Timmy and Zach Blackwell, Steven Blanton and others. When racing resumed, "The Wild Child" Willie Milliken cruised to nearly \$5,000 in posted awards ahead of Harrell, Christian Thomas, Dustin Perritt, and Bryson Harper. Rounding out the top 10 were Josh Richeson, Zachary Cox, Price, Johnathan Ward, and Kale Green.

AJ Belanger took advantage of an untimely spin by race-long leader Case Daniels with three laps to go to take the 602 Modified win. Daniels started on the pole and dominated until he spun in turn two and would go on to finish fifth. On lap eight, Jerry Dove and Brian Strickland spun in turn four as they battled for sixth. Following Belanger at the finish were Cameron Norris, III, Brandon Carter, Johnny Pridgen, and Daniels.

After a scare on the initial start sent outside pole sitter David Royal

for a spin, Ron Pope dominated to score his first Super Street win of the season. Royal's night would go from bad to worse when he hit the inside guardrail on lap seven as he tried to avoid the spinning car of Jamie Barnes. At the finish, Pope took the win, followed by Benji Thompson, Scott Patterson, Cameron Norris, IV, and Johnny Pridgen, driving the last race car his father ever competed in at Lake View.

One of the most competitive races of the evening was the Crate Racin' USA Street Stock feature won by Latta, SC's, Tom Lovett. Outside pole sitter Michael Butler got the lead over Lovett at the start. After a caution on lap five for hard contact with the inside guardrail by Ashley Best, Lovett was finally able to move around Butler for the lead two laps later. Lovett led the rest of the way for his second win of the season over Butler, Donald Williams, Josh Herring, and Anthony Spivey.

Jerry Johnson, Jr.'s luck at Lake View finally turned around leading every lap to take the win in the SCDRA Sport Compact feature. Ronnie Perritt scored his best finish coming home in second, ahead of Derek Kemper, Glenn Register, and Julio Cifuentes, Jr.

The next event at Lake View Motor Speedway will be Saturday night, June 13th, with the 3rd Annual Sandra Miller Memorial, featuring a 38-lap special for the Late Models divided into two 19-lap stages. Super Streets will also be in action, along with 602 Modifieds, Crate Racin' USA Street Stocks, and SCDRA Sport Compacts. Be sure to "Like" Lake View Motor Speedway on Facebook, follow @LakeViewDirt on Twitter to keep up on all that's going on in 2020 or visit lakeviewmotorspeedway.com.

Selinsgrove Speedway

SELINGROVE, PA - A field of 67 total sprint cars filled the Selinsgrove Speedway pits on Saturday night for the running of the 17th annual Joe Whitcomb Memorial for 360 sprint cars, sanctioned by the Patriot Sprint Tour.

Blane Heimbach of Selinsgrove came out on top in a thrilling battle with Mark Smith for Whitcomb laurels, scoring the \$3,071 payday in the Patriot Sprint Tour main event.

Garrett Bard scored an equally exciting win in the 20-lap 305 sprint car main, keeping 19th starter Derek Hauck at bay for the checkers.

Jake Jones took the win in the
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Willie Milliken poses with family and friends after winning the JD Pridgen Memorial race at Lake View Motor Speedway. (LVMS photo)

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12-lap roadrunner main to close the night.

Heimbach's win in the 30-lap Whitcomb Memorial was the fourth of his career in the special event but he had to battle Mark Smith of Sunbury and the outside first turn guardrail to get the victory.

After starting on the pole of the feature alongside Justin Barger, Heimbach

took the lead at the start over third starter Smith before entering the rear of the field to begin lapping cars on just the fifth circuit.

And in traffic, Smith was able to close the gap dramatically as the pair blistered around the oval with Smith dogging Heimbach for the lead with seven laps away.

Smith pulled the trigger on Heimbach for the lead deep in the third turn as the pair headed for the completion of lap 13 but Heimbach was never out of the running.

Just after crossing the stripe, Heimbach shot low into the first turn to get control back only to see Smith slingshot around out of the second turn and keep control.

At the end of the backstretch Heimbach again blasted low under Smith and again took the lead back but again watched as Smith reclaimed control off of the fourth corner to keep command.

Seconds later the caution flag unfurled for one car stopped in the second corner, calming the hectic action and taking lapped cars out of the field for the restart.

Ryan Smith, Justin Barger and Joe Kata III lined up behind the leaders for the new green.

Smith kept the pace up when action resumed but Heimbach was never out of sight and when the tables were turned and this time Smith entered traffic with the lead, on lap 17, Heimbach was there to settle the score.

The Selinsgrove driver ducked under Smith for control in the first corner on the 21st lap only to again see Smith jet back out front coming out of the second corner.

Two laps later, Heimbach pulled the move again amid heavy traffic and this time drove up across the track in the middle of the corner to take Smith's line away in order to preserved command.

Heimbach then began getting away from Smith during the final

five laps only to bite the outside first turn fence and nearly end his night with two laps to go.

Luckily, after gliding along the rail for a short distance, Heimbach brought the car down off of the fence, regrouped and took advantage of just enough distance between himself and Smith to get back up to speed and maintain control to the finish.

Heimbach's 41st overall limited sprint car win at the track came by 11.127 seconds over Ryan Smith after Mark Smith suddenly lost power on the final circuit before limping home sixth.

Paulie Colagiovanni of Marcus, New York, rode home third followed by Adam Carberry, Bensalem; and Barger or Cornelius, North Carolina.

Mark Smith was sixth followed by Jonathan Preston, Geneva, New York; Ryan Kissinger, Sunbury; Chad Layton, Harrisburg; and Joe Kata III., Goshen, New York.

Heats went to Colagiovanni, Ryan Smith and Dave Axton.

Fast time was set by Carberry with a lap of 17.861 seconds.

Garrett Bard started second in the 305 sprint main and would end up leading flag to flag to get the win in an event filled with drivers advancing from deep in the pack while making three-wide passes for position.

Derek Hauck started 19th in the main and blasted through the field to finish a challenging second.

Nick Sweigart, who started 14th in the field, motored forward to net third at the finish.

Third starter Mike Alleman ran a steady race and at one time challenged Bard for the lead before falling to fourth.

Ken Duke Jr. was as high as third during the mid-stages before riding home fifth.

Sixth through 10th went to Doug Dodson, John Walp, John Scarborough, Will Brunson and Jake Frye.

Heats went to Dodson, Brunson, Alleman and Duke. Cassidy Kreitz netted the B Main and Landon Price won the C Main.

Jake Jones led all 12 circuits of the roadrunner feature but Dustin Snook made numerous attempts to get the win.

Snook nosed into the lead on numerous occasions only to see Jones' outside momentum keep him in command and secure the victory.

Snook settled for second followed by Will Brunson, Curtis Lawton and Scott Dunham Jr.

Twin heats went to Snook and Brunson.

Selinsgrove Speedway will be in action two days this weekend, coming up on Friday night June 12 and again on Saturday, June 13 with two great dirt track racing programs.

On Friday night at 8 pm the Modern Heritage 410 sprint cars will compete along with limited late models.

The super sprints will race in a 25-lap main paying \$4,000 to win and \$400 to start while the limited late models race for \$1,200 to win in a 20-lap affair.

Sprints will draw for starting positions in heats and passing points will be used to establish the feature lineup.

Kyle Reinhardt is the most recent 410 sprint winner at the track, having scored a popular win on May 31.

On Saturday night at 7 pm, Selinsgrove Speedway will spin off a three-division program of super late models, super sportsman and A & A Auto Stores roadrunners.

The super late models will compete in their second show of the season at the track in a 25-lap main paying \$2,500 to win and \$250 to start.

Rick Eckert opened the super late model season at the track with a flag to flag win on May 30.

Gates will open at 5:30 pm on Friday and 4 pm on Saturday.

Friday night adult general admission is \$20 with students ages 12 - 17 admitted for \$10. Pits admission will cost \$30.

Saturday admissions will be \$15 for adults, \$10 for students and Pits will again be \$30.

Youth ages 11 and under are always admitted for FREE at Selinsgrove Speedway.

In other speedway news, it has been announced that the Saturday, June 20 World of Outlaws Late Models National Open has been postponed although super late models will remain on the June 20 racing card.

World of Outlaws officials have declined to come to the Keystone State and Selinsgrove Speedway due to statewide and national health recommendations.

The June 20 racing program at Selinsgrove Speedway will remain as an exciting stock car program featuring the super late models and the limited late models in a Slivinski Law Offices Super 7 Series Event.

Keep up to date with all the latest speedway news, results, information and race status by visiting the speedway's official website at www.selinsgrovespeedway.com or

follow the track on Twitter and Facebook.

South Boston Speedway

SOUTH BOSTON, VA.....Jacob Borst had a solid season at South Boston Speedway in 2019, placing third in the final NASCAR Limited Sportsman Division point standings and scoring three wins and five pole wins.

"Last year was more of a learning year for me," said the 16-year-old high school junior from Elon, North Carolina.

"We were a lot better than I thought we would be. I learned a lot last year from Danny Willis Jr. and myself battling a lot. I'm trying to bring all of that experience to this season and try to win the (division) championship."

Winning the South Boston Speedway NASCAR Limited Sportsman Division title is Borst's goal for 2020. Last season Borst earned nine Top-Five finishes, 16 Top-10 finishes and led the most laps in the division along with winning three races. With that record and the experience he gained last year, Borst should be among the title contenders again this season.

Borst has won several championships in his young life, however, winning a championship at South Boston Speedway would be special for the teenager.

"It (winning a championship) is the biggest accomplishment you can get, especially winning at

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Jacob Borst of Elon, North Carolina will compete in Limited Sportsman Series this season at South Boston Speedway. Borst placed third in points in last year's Limited Sportsman Division standings at South Boston Speedway.

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South Boston Speedway,” Borst pointed out.

“You know you did well all season to get that reward. It’s a really big deal. A lot of people say that once you get the first one, it’s not as hard to get the second one. I’m hoping we can come out here this season and win it.”

Racing is an important part of Borst’s life. The forced break

from racing resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic has, however, opened the door for him to do other things he enjoys doing.

“We have a lake house at Hyco Lake and we usually go up there,” he explained.

“The last couple of years we have been so busy racing that we haven’t been able to go up there that much. Since we have been off, I started doing wake surfing and wake boarding just to have fun and spend time with family. We’ve been going to the lake a bunch and getting a lot of projects done around the house that have needed to be done for a long time. It’s different, but you get to spend a lot of time with your family.”

Due to national and state mandates resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic South Boston Speedway cannot yet open for racing. However, the speedway is open for teams to practice and test.

Drivers and teams wishing to test must contact the speedway office during office hours and schedule practice via telephone or e-mail at least a day in advance. Practice hours will be from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. and the pit area must be clear by 5 p.m.

Borst and his team tested at South Boston Speedway last week to prepare for the start of racing at the .4-mile oval.

The test went well, according to Borst.

“We came out wanting to shake down the car and see how it was,” explained Borst.

“We wanted to make sure that everything stays in one piece and nothing breaks. We rolled off of the trailer quick. We’ve been doing some fine-tuning. We’ve been really happy so far.”

Stafford Motor Speedway

STAFFORD SPRINGS, CT - Duane Provost is a 15-year veteran

of Stafford Motor Speedway with 20 career feature wins and 2 championships to his credit. Provost began racing in the DARE Stock division in 2005 and found the division to be tough, scoring 2 wins in 5 seasons before moving to the Limited Late Model division where he won 18 races and 2 championships. Provost is set to make the move up to the Late Model division for the 2020 season and here we take a look back at how he has progressed through his racing career.

Childhood Influence

Provost caught the racing bug through his father and his uncle, who both raced at Riverside Park Speedway, while his father was also a mechanic.

“I grew up at Riverside Park,” said Provost. “My Uncle Leo raced when I was very young in the figure 8’s and my Dad also raced but he stopped racing right around the time I was born. I got to know a lot of people from going to the races every weekend so that’s where racing first got planted in my head. My uncle had a ’55 Chevy he ran in the figure 8’s and Street Stocks or whatever they were called and he raced until I was around 7 or 8 years old and my father was a mechanic so we were always working on cars at the house, just not necessarily race cars.”

First Race

Once Provost caught the racing bug, he got a car and began racing in DemDuro events at Riverside straight out of high school. Following the conclusion of his DemDuro career, Provost put racing on the back burner.

“I started in racing in what they called DemDuro shows on Sundays the year I graduated high school,” said Provost. “My parents had to sign a waiver for me to race and I had some fun. I remember we had about 60 cars on a quarter mile track and we’d run a 20 lap race around the oval and then whoever survived the 20 laps would be in a demo derby in the middle of the track afterwards. Needless to say I never survived the 20-laps to make it to the demo derby and that was my only time I got behind the wheel when I was younger. I ended up going off to college and did some other things while I was growing up and then finally in 2005 I got back into racing.”

DARE Stocks at Stafford (2005-2009)

While Provost always had an itch to go racing, for one reason or another he had yet to put a deal together for himself. The start of Provost’s Stafford career can be



Duane Provost picks up his second Limited Late Model Championship. (SMS photo)

traced back to a fluke occurrence during the summer of 2004.

“Racing was something that I had always wanted to do but I needed money to go racing. I didn’t have a situation where I could go racing with either my father or grandfather’s stuff,” said Provost. “In 2004 I had bought a motorcycle and I sold it to a friend of mine from UPS, Bill Schaefer. We went out on a ride and he fell off the bike and broke his leg, which killed our plans of going out riding for the summer. Instead of riding our bikes, we made plans to go to Stafford and watch the races every week and after watching a bunch of races I said to myself that this was something that I had to look into. I definitely wasn’t on the path to go racing at that time, so I’m not sure what would have happened if Bill had never broken his leg like he did that summer.”

With the idea of going racing now firmly planted in his mind, it was a chance encounter with another Stafford competitor that led to Provost acquiring his first DARE Stock car.

“I was taking some classes at Western New England College and Joey Ferrigno happened to be in one of my classes,” said Provost. “We got talking about race cars and he eventually introduced me to Dave Secore and I ended up buying a car from Dave. It took about the first half of the 2005 season for me to get the car ready to race. A funny thing was the first time I actually got behind the wheel I was driving Dave’s car in a Sunday race. Norm Sears was driving for

Dave at the time and he couldn’t make the Sunday show so Dave put me in his car. I remember I was really nervous because it’s one thing if I get into something and wreck my own car, it’s another thing when you’re driving someone else’s car. My thought process was I have to take care of this car. Going into turn 1 for the first time I had no idea of where I should be braking and getting back on the gas and I probably scared everyone behind me because I got on the brakes way earlier than I should have. We got through practice and qualifying and I managed to finish 10th while avoiding some accidents, so it wasn’t too bad and I remember those 15 laps seemed like 50 back then. Within a couple weeks of that race I finally got my car together and started racing that.”

Provost’s introduction to racing saw him struggle to get to grips with his DARE Stock car. Through his first season and a half in 2005-2006, Provost managed to finish in the top-5 once. Provost was still finding the DARE Stock division a tough road to travel when he locked down his first win in the 15th event of the 2007 season.

“Winning my first race felt really good, it felt like a weight had been taken off my shoulders and I was able to prove something,” said Provost. “There were a couple of nights before that where we got close to a win but circumstances didn’t allow us to win. One night in particular in my second year, we were in second place and faster than the leader but it started to rain and the race was red/checkered, we finished second. For whatever reason I really struggled in the DARE Stock division.”

Provost followed up his first win with another win in 2008 before going winless in 2009. A blown engine at the end of the 2009 season left Provost with a decision to make.

“My last year in the DARE Stocks I had a new motor and we were running up front in the points race and I blew the motor at the Fall Final that year while leading the race,” said Provost. “They always say the engine runs the best right before it blows up and it was running really good that day. With the blown motor, I figured if I was going to put money into a new motor I would move up, so I started racing Limited Late Models in 2010.”

Limited Late Model (2010-2019) Provost won Rookie of the Year (Continued on Next Page...)

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honors in 2010 and picked up his first win in the new division in 2011. Most drivers will tell you that moving from one division to a higher division is usually a tall task, but Provost says that he found life in the Limited Late Model division much easier than in the DARE Stocks.

"I got a car from Scott Roy, who ran DARE Stocks and Limited Late Models for a couple of years and I put that car to good use," said Provost. "The car was a little tough to handle but it felt a lot more natural with the extra power than the DARE Stocks had with the restrictor plate. It was much easier for me to be able to drive the car with your foot where with the DARE car you stepped on the gas and waited to turn the car."

Provost's best finishing position as a rookie was 5th place and his best finishing position in 2011 through the first 11 races was fourth. Provost was able to break through for his first win in the new division on August 5.

"It was better than the first DARE Stock win," said Provost. "We had around 20 cars every night and it felt really good to be able to maintain a position out front and beat some really experienced drivers. And once you get a win with the handicapping system you start in the back so you have to come through the pack. When you can drive through the pack and get a win, those are the most satisfying wins rather than starting and finishing up front. The sad part about that first win was my older brother had passed away a few weeks earlier and he never got to see me in victory lane."

The 2012 season was a bit of a mixed bag for Provost. Provost went through the first 13 races of the season with a pair of 2nd place finishes. A crash in a special event race ended Provost's season and left him looking for a new car.

"In 2012 there was a PASS race and I brought my car out for that race and we took a really hard hit that destroyed the car and ended the season for me," said Provost. "At that point I still had my DARE Stock so I ran a couple races at the end of that season in the DARE Stock division. It was a lot of fun because there was no pressure racing for points or anything like

that. After the 2012 season was finished, I sold the DARE Stock and I bought a car from Devin Widger, which is the same car that I still have today."

After securing his 2nd Limited Late Model win in 2013, Provost enjoyed a breakout season in 2014 where he won a career high 4 times and raced neck and neck with Andrew Hayes all season long for the championship, coming up just short.

"2014 was a good, clean year and we went back and forth with Andrew Hayes that season," said Provost. "That was the first year I actually felt good about racing and I had a lot of fun that season. I was ok with finishing second because that was the best that I had ever finished and it was my goal after that to see if I could go one position better and win a championship."

Provost fell down to fourth in the 2015 standings before he locked down his first of 2 consecutive championships in 2016. Provost was sitting in third place for most of the season but some late misfortune for his competitors opened the door wide enough for Provost to take full advantage.

"In 2015 I had a lot of things on my plate and on track performance suffered a little," said Provost. "In 2016 I never thought it was going to be possible to win anything. I remember Paul [Arute] was the dominant car that season but he missed a race which took him out of the points and it came down to me and Al Saunders. Al was 12 points ahead of me going into the Fall Final and I knew making up that deficit in one race was kind of unlikely but it ended up happening. The field got backed up on one of the starts and I think Al broke something on his car and we ended up finishing that race in third place. I had no idea where I needed to be to be in front of Al. I figured I had second locked up and when they told me over the radio that I had won the championship, I was very surprised. Looking back, in 2005 winning a championship was the furthest thing from my mind."

The 2017 season once again saw the championship race come down to Al Saunders and Provost with Jeremy Lavoie close behind them in third. Provost was able to outlast Saunders once again and make it back to back championships.

"The 2017 championship felt much better because I had the point lead going into the Fall Final," said Provost.

Provost would again find himself

in championship contention in 2018 and 2019 but an engine issue and go kart crash eliminated his chances in 2018 and then Provost missed 3 races in 2019 while on a family vacation.

"2018 was a rough year because my motor blew in the second race and that kind of set me back a little," said Provost. "Mid-summer I hit a good groove and I had also won a Ju-Jitsu tournament so things were going well. But towards the end of the summer, I was racing go karts on Monday nights with my daughter and I ended up breaking my back. I finished the season but I probably should have quit for the season right then and there. In 2019 my wife Gypsy, who is from the Philippines, had been wanting to go back there because we hadn't been there in years. I made the decision that since I had such a rough year in 2018 that it was time to take a step back from racing and eliminate any pressures that racing was giving me while at the same time making my wife happy and giving her the vacation that she wanted."

Moving Up to Late Model (2020)

With 2 championships and 20 wins at Stafford, Provost figured the time was right to move up to the premier full fender division at Stafford in the Late Models. While Provost's Late Model debut has been delayed by the COVID-19 pandemic, he is ready to go racing.

"I had always wanted to race Late Models but it's a big jump financially to make that move," said Provost. "I felt like this was the right time to make the move after winning some races and championships in the Limited Late Model division. I always like to go faster around the track and now it's a matter of how fast can I make my Late Model for Stafford. Being a rookie I know I'm going to be starting races in the back so I'm shooting for the top-15 and then the top-10. We'll see how legitimate the car is as a Late Model once we get back out there. With the delay we've had it's given me more time to go through the car and have it ready to race. I'm certainly ready to get back on the track, hopefully it's soon. I have to thank R.J. Suredell for helping me with converting my Limited into a Late Model and hanging a new body, Rob Russell Chassis for putting the setup in the car, Michael Facchini Law Firm, Team Link in Ludlow, and Jolly Joe Koziol Pop Hits, JollyJoeK.com, and my brother Derek for helping me out."

For more information, visit

www.staffordspeedway.com, checkout Stafford Speedway on Facebook or Twitter, or contact the track office at 860-684-2783.

Wake County Speedway

First time winners and veterans visited Leith Cars.com victory lane Saturday afternoon in Raleigh at Wake County Speedway. The finest stars and cars of three divisions: Bandoleros, Legends and Bombers were on the card as race #2 of 2020 is now in the books. Aaliyah Paynter from Gloucester, Va. roared to victory in the opening 600 Inc. Bandolero feature and celebrated in victory lane with friends and family recording her first victory at "America's Favorite Bullring". Carson Haislip, Garner also recorded his first trip to Leith-Cars.com victory lane after an earlier incident in the day had his team working hard to repair his bad fast hotrod. Haislip thanked his family, friends and team from victory lane. Cam Murray, Fuquay-Varina and his Camco Landscaping Bando visited victory lane as well in Advanced Bando feature #1. Ryley Music driving a beautiful car that looked like the old Mello Yellow ride of Kyle Petty parked his Quick Time Bando in LeithCars.com victory lane and thanked family and friends. Ryan DeMartini from Greenville had a great day at the County winning both INEX Legend features. One of the most popular divisions at the speedway, the bombers always entertain and Kris Sherer from Raleigh didn't disappoint as he picked up the hard fought victory to grace Leith-Cars.com victory lane in his Camaro, the veteran speedster got the big check in VL as all had fun on a hot day at the track.

Wake County Speedway is located at 2109 Simpkins Road in Raleigh, NC.. We are open for test and tune, practice sessions during the pandemic and offer Sunoco Racing Fuel and Hoosier Racing Tires for sale, call Charlie Hansen and/ or Mr. Brown for more info. Follow us on the web @wcspeedway.com, Facebook and Instagram. Charlie Hansen has been in constant contact with the Governors' right hand man, just this past week, Hansen and four other track managers participated in a 5 way phone call, working hard to get fans back in the stands, hopefully in the near future we can get fans back in the stands because we miss seeing everybody. Thank you to all the drivers, car owners and teams that came out Saturday, thank you for your support.