

KNOXVILLE *Raceway*

COMPLETE RESULTS FOR 2006

Date (Sanction/Event) – Winners

4/22 410 – Terry McCarl, 360 – Chuck Swenson
4/28 (WDRL) Rain
4/29 (WoO) Rain
5/6 410 – Danny Lasoski, 360 – Josh Higday
5/12 (WDRL) Jimmy Mars
5/13 (IRA) Kaley Gharst, 360 – John Kearney
5/20 410 – Brian Brown, 360 – Dustin Lindquist
5/27 410 – Billy Alley, 360 – Jon Corbin
6/2 (Masters Classic) Shane Carson, (Young Guns & Young Guns vs. Masters) Johnny Anderson, (King Doodlebug Midgets) Jerry Coons Jr.
6/3 (Midget Nationals) Rain
6/4 (Midget Nationals) Bud Kaeding, 410 – Kerry Madsen
6/10 Rain
6/17 410 – Danny Lasoski, 360 – Dustin Lindquist
6/23 (WoO) Joey Saldana, 360 – Jake Peters
6/24 (WoO) Rain
7/1 410 – Billy Alley, 360 – Jake Peters
7/8 (Twin Features) 410 – Brian Brown, Brent Antill, 360 – Josh Higday, Jeff Mitrisin
7/15 410 – Skip Jackson, 360 – Johnny Anderson
7/20 (Harris Clash for Modifieds) Jeremie Hedrick, (Sport-Modified) Jacob Murray
7/21 (Lucas Oil LM) Brian Birkhofer, (305) Jonathan Cornell
7/22 (Summer Classic) Lynton Jeffrey, 360 – Josh Higday
7/29 410 – Kerry Madsen, 360 – Josh Higday
8/3 (360 Nationals Prelim) Johnny Anderson
8/4 (360 Nationals Prelim) Billy Alley
8/5 (360 Nationals) Jesse Giannetto, 410 – Kaley Gharst
8/6 (Brodix ToC) Gary Wright
8/9 (Knoxville Nationals Prelim) Fred Rahmer
8/10 (Knoxville Nationals Prelim) Jason Johnson
8/11 (Knoxville Nationals NQ) Calvin Landis
8/12 (Knoxville Nationals) Donny Schatz
8/26 410 – Clint Garner, 360 – Jake Peters
9/2 410 – Rain, 360 – Jon Corbin
9/9 (Enduro) Rain
9/24 (Enduro) Rob Akers
9/28 (LM Nationals Prelim) Scott Bloomquist, (Dirt Trucks) Bret Moyer
9/29 (LM Nationals Prelim) Darren Miller, (305) Mark Widmar
9/30 (LM Nationals) Brian Shirley
10/7 (WoO) Donny Schatz, (410 Makeup) Brian Brown, 360 – Jeff Mitrisin

4/22/06

McCarl Returns Home to Capture Knoxville Season Opener

by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - April 22 - Six-time Knoxville Raceway track champion Terry McCarl conquered the field once again at Knoxville Raceway Saturday night to capture the 53rd season opener at this storied central Iowa racing facility.

Skip Jackson utilized the pole starting position to take the early lead as he hugged the pole on this big half mile dirt track. McCarl fell in behind him but cruised the top on the cushion where the oval turns in to a five-eighths distance. Lap three saw that duo fly past the flagstand in a photo finish with McCarl taking that lap by a hair.

McCarl continued to race on the top of the track but Jackson relished the bottom and in fact took the lead at the end of five laps as McCarl's high route was not the fast way around on this night. Right away Terry saw the error of his ways and shot to the bottom coming out of turn two on the next go around to take the lead for good. From this point onward McCarl ran low until he hit lap traffic at the half-way point, then he had to use various grooves.

Behind him Jackson had his hands full with defending track champion Kerry Madsen. The two Aussies never exchanged positions but their eventual finishes were in doubt for the entire 10-mile distance. Fourth running Clint Garner stayed at a distance and was never a threat.

With McCarl holding a 15 car-length lead at the half-way point, he began to extend his margin over Jackson. Even in lap traffic the McCarl Eagle was able to maneuver cleanly around the Knoxville oval. With sixteen laps in the books he had a full straight away lead which was nearly what he would win by on this season opening night. The victory was McCarl's 42nd here which placed him at fourth all time and paid the Altoona, Iowa driver \$3,000.

McCarl, who is currently running with the World of Outlaws, led a contingent of drivers from that group to this Marion County Fairgrounds. A delegation of the competing National Sprint Tour (NST) group also was on hand led by Danny Lasoski. Lasoski experienced engine woes and dropped for the evening during his qualifying heat race. NST member Jason Meyers, who set fast time on the night, had to qualify through the B Main in order to make the tail of the feature where he finished 12th.

Jackson bested Madsen to the line for second, Garner held for fourth and Shane Stewart took fifth. Rounding out the top ten were Jason Solwold, Brooke Tatnell, Donny Schatz, Travis Rilat and Wayne Johnson.

The season opener for the 360 division saw a new winner on Knoxville soil as Chuck Swenson took the fifteen lapper as well as a paycheck for \$1,250. Swenson grabbed the lead on lap one from his row three starting position and nearly held it for the distance.

Swenson was chased throughout the race by John Kearney who was always close. Lap eight saw Kearney make a pass to claim the lap but Swenson came right back on the next circuit to reclaim the top spot

Two red flags in the early portion of the event saw the cars of Joe Beaver and Eric Jobe crashing into the turn four fence in separate incidents. Once the race had officially recorded six laps it is worth noting that defending track champion Jake Peters had made his way to third after starting 15th.

At lap ten it was Swenson, Kearney and Peters. Johnny Anderson was fourth, Jon Corbin held fifth and Jeff Mitrison, a B Main transfer ran at sixth after starting 17th. Swenson enjoyed a ten car length advantage.

In the waning laps Swenson edged into lap traffic and Kearney closed in on him rapidly. Though they ran nose to tail on the white flag lap, the track had turned hard and slick with rubber being laid down in the low groove

making passing difficult. With this condition on the track, Kearney made one last attempt to get by Swenson in turn three of the final lap. The move caused him to lose temporary control of his sprinter and Peters was able to pass him for the runner-up spot.

Finishing behind those top three were Anderson, Mitrising, Corbin, Frankie Heimbaugh and Stacey Alexander. Curt Lund and Josh Higday formed the top ten finishers.

Thirty-seven 410s and forty-six 360s signed through the pit gate.

410 Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 14, Jason Meyers, Clovis, CA (32) 15.693; 2. 8, Brooke Tatnell, San Souci, NSW, Aust. (10) 15.754; 3. 15, Donny Schatz, Fargo, ND (38) 15.797; 4. Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA, 15.801; 5. R19, Jason Solwold, Mt. Vernon, WA (9) 15.803; 6. 10, Wayne Johnson, Oklahoma City, OK (12) 15.807; 7. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO, 15.935; 8. 26, Shane Stewart, Bixby, OK (14) 15.947; 9. 55, Kerry Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (21) 15.979; 10. 24, Terry McCarl, Altoona, IA (7) 15.991; 11. 83, Danny Lasoski, Dover, MO (28) 16.005; 12. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (3) 16.029; 13. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (20) 16.033; 14. 6, Tim Shaffer, Aliquippa, PA (26) 16.033; 15. 29, Travis Rilat, Forney, TX (29) 16.034; 16. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (24) 16.055; 17. 15s, Jerrel Slinkard, Melcher-Dallas, IA (4) 16.078; 18. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (5) 16.157; 19. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (31) 16.165; 20. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (22) 16.182; 21. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (34) 16.185; 22. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (23) 16.208; 23. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (15) 16.222; 24. 13, Mark Dobmeier, Grand Forks, ND (30) 16.258; 25. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (16) 16.261; 26. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (19) 16.291; 27. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (27) 16.373; 28. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (6) 16.399; 29. 9, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (37) 16.546; 30. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (25) 16.640; 31. 5J, Larry Ball Jr., Knoxville, IA (17) 16.733; 32. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (33) 16.816; 33. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (13) 16.914; 34. 44J, Abe Sherwood, Tulsa, OK (8) 17.230; 35. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA (35) 17.240; 36. 1A, Gordy Vogelaar, Worthington, MN (11) 17.644; 37. 03, Dave Saffell, Pleasantville, IA (2) 18.495; 38. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA, NT; 39. 7m, Michael Strader, Rock Island IL, NT.

Heat one (started), 8 laps, 2:16.1: 1. Jesse Giannetto (1) 2. Kerry Madsen (4) 3. Jason Solwold (5) 4. Skip Jackson (3) 5. Matt Moro (7) / 6. Rager Phillips (8) 7. Jerrel Slinkard (2) 8. Dave Saffell (10) 9. Tony Shilling (9) 10. Jason Meyers (6)

Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:15.8: 1. Terry McCarl (4) 2. Tim St. Arnold (2) 3. Brooke Tatnell (6) 4. Wayne Johnson (5) 5. Chad Meyer (1) / 6. Dusty Zomer (7) 7. Tim Shaffer (3) 8. Trevor Green (8) 9. Abe Sherwood (9) DNS – Greg Jones

Heat three (started), 8 laps, 2:14.4: 1. Billy Alley (2) 2. Travis Rilat (3) 3. Brian Brown (5) 4. Donny Schatz (6) 5. Chris Walraven (1) / 6. Larry Ball Jr. (8) 7. Bronson Maeschen (7) 8. Danny Lasoski (4) 9. Tyler Houseman (9) DNS – Michael Strader

Heat four (started), 8 laps, 2:19.3: 1. Mark Dobmeier (1) 2. Shane Stewart (5) 3. Lynton Jeffrey (2) 4. Clint Garner (4) 5. Kaley Gharst (8) / 6. Ryan Anderson (6) 7. Mike Moore (7) 8. Gordy Vogelaar (9) 9. Calvin Landis (3)

B main (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. Ryan Anderson (2) 2. Jason Meyers (1) 3. Tim Shaffer (3) 4. Trevor Green (10) / 5. Jerrel Slinkard (5) 6. Mike Moore (8) 7. Calvin Landis (4) 8. Tony Shilling (12) 9. Gordy Vogelaar (15) 10. Larry Ball Jr. (11) 11. Tyler Houseman (14) 12. Abe Sherwood (13) 13. Dusty Zomer (6) 14. Rager Phillips (9) 15. Bronson Maeschen (7) DNS – Danny Lasoski, Greg Jones, Michael Strader, Dave Saffell



A main (started), 20 laps, 5:51.5: 1. Terry McCarl (3) 2. Skip Jackson (1) 3. Kerry Madsen (4) 4. Clint Garner (2) 5. Shane Stewart (5) 6. Jason Solwold (8) 7. Brooke Tatnell (10) 8. Donny Schatz (9) 9. Travis Rilat (11) 10. Wayne Johnson (7) 11. Brian Brown (6) 12. Jason Meyers (22) 13. Billy Alley (13) 14. Matt Moro (19) 15. Lynton Jeffrey (14) 16. Jesse Giannetto (15) 17. Tim St. Arnold (12) 18. Kaley Gharst (20) 19. Chris Walraven (17) 20. Trevor Green (24) 21. Mark Dobmeier (18) 22. Chad Meyer (16) 23. Ryan Anderson (21) 24. Tim Shaffer (23). **Lap Leaders:** Jackson 1-2; McCarl 3-4; Jackson 5; McCarl 6-20.

360 Results

Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 2:05.6: 1. 2Tx, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (3*) 2. 33c, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (1*) 3. 14, Randy Martin, California, MO (4*) 4. 23, Eric Jobe, Kansas City, MO (5*) 5. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (12*) 6. 17B, Ryan Bickett, Ramona, SD (2) 7. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (6) 8. 97, Alan Gilbertson, Kasson, MN (9) 9. 6, Mitchell Alexander, Knoxville, IA (11) 10. 15, Robbie Ross, St. Joseph, MO (7) 11. 11T, Tyler Thompson, Cape Girardeau, MO (8) 12. 5, Rod Richards, Runnells, IA (10).

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 2:03.5: 1. X, Chuck Swenson, Watertown, SD (1*) 2. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Albion, IA (2*) 3. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (8*) 4. 87, Curt Lund, Redwood Falls, MN (4) 5. 2, John Schulz, West Burlington, IA (5) 6. 9, Wade Nygaard, Fargo, ND (3) 7. 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (7) 8. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (10) 9. R19, Scott Winters, Butterfield, MN (9) 10. 77, Terry Alexander, Knoxville, IA (6) 11. 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS (11) 12. 4G, John Anderson, Des Moines, IA (12)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 2:06.8: 1. 11m, Troy Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (4*) 2. 00, Stevie Walsh, North Shore City, NI, NZ (3*) 3. 8L, Tom Lenz, Marion, IA (9*) 4. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (6*) 5. 5B, Rick Ideus, Silver City, IA (8) 6. 81, Chris Burke, Grand Forks, ND (2) 7. 22N, Nate Mosher, Prairie City, IA (10) 8. 7, Dustin Selvage, Indianola, IA (7) 9. 2T, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA (5) 10. 4s, Shane Spurlock, Brandon, SD (11) DNS – 5G, Brett Golik, Newton IA (1)

Heat four (started, qualified for feature), 7 laps, 2:07.0: 1. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS (1*) 2. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (6*) 3. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (2*) 4. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (8*) 5. 10, Jeff Mitrison, Oskaloosa, IA (5) 6. 18, Tim Newman, Cameron, MO (9) 7. 3, Nate Van Haafte, Otley, IA (10) 8. B29, Eric Mason, Knoxville, IA (11) 9. 32L, David Langford, Kearney, MO (7) 10. 99, Shawn Van Wyhe, Rock Rapids, IA (3) 11. 12, Jeff Vonasek, East Grand Forks, ND (4)

C main (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Dustin Selvage (1) 2. Scott Winters (2) 3. Pete Crall (8) / 4. Robby Ross (5) 5. Shane Spurlock (7) 6. Tyler Thompson 2T (3) 7. John Anderson (10) 8. Shawn Van Wyhe (6) 9. Tyler Thompson 11T (9) 10. Jeff Vonasek (11) 11. Terry Alexander (4) DNS – David Langford, Rod Richards

B main (started), 10 laps, 3:16.7: 1. Jeff Mitrison (5) 2. Curt Lund (2) 3. Josh Higday (12) 4. Rick Ideus (1) / 5. John Schulz (4) 6. Nate Mosher (6) 7. Dustin Lindquist (13) 8. Tim Newman (3) 9. Pete Crall (16) 10. Wade Nygaard (9) 11. Alan Zoutte (10) 12. Eric Mason (11) 13. Mitchell Alexander (14) 14. Ryan Bickett (8) 15. Nate Van Haaften (7) 16. Dustin Selvage (15) DNS – Chris Burke, Alan Gilbertson, Scott Winters



A main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Chuck Swenson (6) 2. Jake Peters (15) 3. John Kearney (4) 4. Johnny Anderson (8) 5. Jeff Mitrison (17) 6. Jon Corbin (2) 7. Frankie Heimbaugh (1) 8. Stacey Alexander (9) 9. Curt Lund (18) 10. Josh Higday (19) 11. Brett Mather (14) 12. Tom Lenz (5) 13. Troy Meyer (10) 14. Rick Ideus (20) 15. Josh Schneiderman (12) 16. Mike Houseman Jr. (3) 17. Randy Martin (13) 18. Eric Jobe (16) 19. Joe Beaver (7) 20. Stevie Walsh (11). **Lap Leaders:** Swenson 1-7; Kearney 8; Swenson 9-15.

4/28/06

WDRL Late Models Rescheduled to May 12th

4/28/2006 - Knoxville, Iowa - The WDRL Late Model event has been rescheduled to Friday night, May 12th due to weather today in Knoxville. The new date gives fans another two-day show with Late Models on Friday and the annual IRA vs. Knoxville 410 Shootout on Saturday, May 13th.

4/29/06

World of Outlaws Race cancelled due to Weather

4/29/2006 - Knoxville, Iowa - Today's World of Outlaws race has been cancelled due to weather. The race is rescheduled for October 7. Please check back on the Website or call (641) 842-5431.

5/6/06

Lasoski Grabs Knoxville Loot During a Memorable Night of Racing

by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - May 6 - Between the two of them, Danny Lasoski and Terry McCarl have over one hundred feature event wins at Knoxville Raceway. Lasoski claimed the 20-lap feature event win at the Marion County Fairgrounds Saturday night to gain his 87th here as McCarl chased him at close range to the checkered flags. The two men now share 130 wins at this historic oval, but Lasoski's most recent \$3,000 victory was not gained without a "Show-Me-State" effort.

Row one starter Shane Stewart led the field of twenty-four cars into the first turn at the start of the twenty lap event. Lasoski chased him from his row three start and uncharacteristically rode the cushion to a narrow advantage at the end of two circuits. With Stewart sliding to second, Lasoski jumped to a wide margin as he then vacated the cushion in favor of the bottom of the track

At the halfway point of the race, Stewart and McCarl had abandoned the bottom and moved to the cushion in an effort to rundown the potent Dennis Roth Eagle machine. Lap 14 saw McCarl take away the runner-up spot as both he and Stewart had chased down Lasoski in lap traffic. In fact, the 15th lap saw McCarl nearly overtake Lasoski in turn two as the former rode the cushion and the latter hugged the bottom. What appeared to be a wild finish with five laps to go was suddenly brought to a halt as the yellow flag was displayed for a stopped car in turn two.

When the race resumed Lasoski was able to fend off a McCarl move on the cushion in turns one and two. When the laps wound down to the finish it was Lasoski over McCarl by a 10-car length advantage as the Missouri driver had moved up to the cushion in the remaining go-arounds. Some would say it was the National Sprint Tour over the World of Outlaws. And then others would say it was just two old Knoxville boys racin' each other.

Brian Brown made a hard charge on the late restart and finished third while Craig Dollansky bettered Stewart to finish fourth and fifth respectively. Rounding out the top ten finishers were Brooke Tatnell, Tyler Walker, Joey Saldana, Jason Solwold and pole sitter Mark Dobmeier.

What made the night of racing such an historic occasion was the number of drivers who broke the existing one-lap track record during qualifying time trials. In all, 26 cars dashed under the track record of 14.907 set by Terry McCarl during the 2005 Knoxville Nationals. Fastest of all was Brooke Tatnell who slashed an unheard of half second off the McCarl mark to go an amazing 14.407 on this semi-banked half-mile dirt oval. Further, both the 360 class and the 410 class set additional record marks on this evening.

In the 360-division feature event, Josh Higday led most of the distance to pick up his 9th career win at this track. Higday utilized his row one start to take the early lead in the 15 lap race. With Higday on the bottom, pole starter Dustin Selvage found the cushion to be a faster way around the oval. On lap six Selvage took the lead briefly but lost it again when he entered turn one with too much speed and jumped the cushion. Higday reclaimed the top spot and seemed to have learned a lesson from Selvage as he then moved to the higher spot on the track and began to pull away from the field of twenty cars.

Though he finally came upon traffic on lap fourteen, Higday would not be denied on this night and cruised to a 30 car-length win in his self-owned sprinter. Chasing to the checkered were Joe Beaver, Dustin Lindquist from an 11th position start, Jeff Mitrisin who started beside Lindquist and 2005 track champ Jake Peters. John Kearney, Brett Mather, Johnny Anderson, Selvage and Josh Schneiderman rounded out the top ten finishers.

Forty-six 410 sprinters and forty-one 360 sprinters competed on the evening.

410 Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 8, Brooke Tatnell, San Souci, NSW, Aust. (30) 14.407 (**New Track Record; old track record 14.907 Terry McCarl, August 11, 2005**); 2. 14, Jason Meyers, Clovis, CA (31) 14.527; 3. R19, Jason Solwold, Mt. Vernon, WA (35) 14.567; 4. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (7) 14.593; 5. 19s, Stevie Smith, Broken Arrow, OK (33) 14.633; 6. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (13) 14.634; 7. 5, Tyler Walker, Los Angeles, CA (32) 14.649; 8. 1x, Randy Hannagan, Pittsboro, IN (26) 14.678; 9. 24, Terry McCarl, Altoona, IA (21) 14.681; 10. 83, Danny Lasoski, Dover, MO (10) 14.696; 11. 7, Craig Dollansky, Elk River, MN (37) 14.727; 12. 19, Becca Anderson, Houston, DE (25) 14.734; 13. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (14) 14.789; 14. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (2) 14.791; 15. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (41) 14.793; 16. 15K, Chad Kemenah, Findlay, OH (20) 14.798; 17. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (27) 14.808; 18. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City IA (22) 14.826; 19. 26, Shane Stewart, Bixby, OK (18) 14.827; 20. 15s, Jerrel Slinkard, Melcher-Dallas, IA (44) 14.828; 21. 13, Mark Dobmeier, Grand Forks, ND (45) 14.829; 22. 55, Kerry Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (29) 14.834; 23. 9E, Joey Saldana, Brownsburg, IN (40) 14.846; 24. 18, Tony Bruce Jr., Liberal, KS (4) 14.849; 25. 10, Wayne Johnson, Oklahoma City, OK (15) 14.877; 26. 6, Tim Shaffer, Aliquippa, PA (19) 14.893; 27. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (3) 14.909; 28. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (36) 14.915; 29. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (8) 14.924; 30. 21T, Daryn Pittman, Owasso, OK (28) 14.925; 31. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (34) 14.944; 32. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (6) 15.030; 33. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (42) 15.040; 34. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (38) 15.045; 35. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (39) 15.151; 36. 6x, Bill Rose, Plainfield, IN (11) 15.164; 37. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (1) 15.192; 38. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (17) 15.261; 39. 9, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (46) 15.293; 40. 1A, Gordy Vogelaar, Worthington, MN (16) 15.296; 41. 5J, Larry Ball Jr., Knoxville, IA (23) 15.337; 42. 36, Jason Martin, Liberal, KS (9) 15.359; 43. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (24) 15.673; 44. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (43) 15.727; 45. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA (12) 15.891; 46. 03, Dave Saffell, Pleasantville, IA (5) 16.076.

Heat one (started), 8 laps, 2:03.0: 1. Mark Dobmeier (2) 2. Craig Dollansky (4) 3. Tim Shaffer (1) 4. Brooke Tatnell (6) / 5. Chad Kemenah (3) 6. Billy Alley (5) 7. Matt Moro (7) 8. Larry Ball Jr. (9) 9. Dave Saffell (10) 10. Bill Rose (8)

Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:01.8: 1. Kerry Madsen (2) 2. Skip Jackson (1) 3. Brian Brown (3) 4. Tyler Walker (5) / 5. Jason Meyers (6) 6. Ryan Anderson (8) 7. Jesse Giannetto (7) 8. Jason Martin (9) 9. Becca Anderson (4)

Heat three (started), 8 laps, 2:00.6 (NTR): 1. Joey Saldana (2) 2. Jason Solwold (6) 3. Calvin Landis (4) 4. Randy Hannagan (5) / 5. Dusty Zomer (1) 6. Kaley Gharst (7) 7. Mike Moore (8) 8. Greg Jones (9) 9. Lynton Jeffrey (3)

Heat four (started), 8 laps, 2:01.8: 1. Clint Garner (1) 2. Tony Bruce Jr. (2) 3. Shane Stewart (3) 4. Terry McCarl (5) / 5. Trevor Green (7) 6. Tim St. Arnold (4) 7. Chris Walraven (6) 8. Rager Phillips (8) 9. Tony Shilling (9)

Heat five (started), 8 laps, 2:02.0: 1. Daryn Pittman (1) 2. Wayne Johnson (2) 3. Danny Lasoski (5) 4. Stevie Smith (6) / 5. Bronson Maeschen (4) 6. Jerrel Slinkard (3) 7. Chad Meyer (7) 8. Gordy Vogelaar (8) 9. Tyler Houseman (9)

C main (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. Ryan Anderson (1) 2. Mike Moore (2) 3. Jason Martin (6) / 4. Rager Phillips (3) 5. Gordy Vogelaar (4) 6. Dave Saffell (9) 7. Tony Shilling (8) 8. Tyler Houseman (7) 9. Larry Ball Jr. (5) DNS – Greg Jones

B main (started), 12 laps, 3:14.1 (NTR): 1. Jason Meyers (1) 2. Billy Alley (3) 3. Chad Kemenah (7) 4. Chris Walraven (2) / 5. Dusty Zomer (8) 6. Chad Meyer (15) 7. Tim St. Arnold (5) 8. Jason Martin (18) 9. Matt Moro (11) 10. Kaley Gharst (13) 11. Trevor Green (12) 12. Becca Anderson (4) 13. Ryan Anderson (17) 14. Bronson

Maeschen (6) 15. Mike Moore (16) 16. Jerrel Slinkard (9) 17. Bill Rose (14) 18. Jesse Giannetto (10) DNS – Lynton Jeffrey



A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Danny Lasoski (6) 2. Terry McCarl (7) 3. Brian Brown (3) 4. Craig Dollansky (5) 5. Shane Stewart (2) 6. Brooke Tatnell (12) 7. Tyler Walker (9) 8. Joey Saldana (14) 9. Jason Solwold (11) 10. Mark Dobmeier (1) 11. Stevie Smith (10) 12. Wayne Johnson (16) 13. Randy Hannagan (8) 14. Tim Shaffer (17) 15. Jason Meyers (21) 16. Billy Alley (22) 17. Daryn Pittman (20) 18. Kerry Madsen (13) 19. Skip Jackson (18) 20. Clint Garner (19) 21. Calvin Landis (4) 22. Tony Bruce Jr. (15) 23. Chris Walraven (24) 24. Chad Kemenah (23). **Lap Leaders:** Stewart 1; Lasoski 2-20.

360 Results

Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:51.5: 1. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (1*) 2. 10, Jeff Mitrusin, Oskaloosa, IA (8*) 3. 2T, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA (2*) 4. 5B, Rick Ideus, Silver City, IA (3*) 5. 2, John Schulz, West Burlington, IA (7*) 6. 8L, Tom Lenz, Marion, IA (6) 7. 97, Alan Gilbertson, Kasson, MN (4) 8. B29, Adam Mason, Knoxville, IA (5) 9. 22N, Nate Mosher, Prairie City, IA (9) 10. 12x, Jerry Crabb, Chariton, IA (11) 11. 4G, John Anderson, Des Moines, IA (10)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 6, Mitchell Alexander, Knoxville, IA (1*) 2. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (3*) 3. 7, Dustin Selvage, Indianola, IA (2*) 4. 00, Curtis Thorson, Newton, IA (4) 5. 11m, Troy Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (6) 6. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (7) 7. 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS (8) 8. X, Chuck Swenson, Watertown, SD (5) 9. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (10) 10. 33c, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (9)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:50.6 (NTR): 1. 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (2*) 2. 3, Nate Van Haften, Otley, IA (1*) 3. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS (8*) 4. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (7*) 5. 2Tx, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (6) 6. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (3) 7. 56, Davey Heskin, St. Michael, MN (10) 8. 41, Ray Allen Kulhanek, Danbury, TX (9) 9. 77, Terry Alexander, Knoxville, IA (4) 10. DNS – 5G, Brett Golik, Newton, IA (5)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:53.1: 1. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (1*) 2. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (2*) 3. 23, Eric Jobe, Kansas City, MO (3*) 4. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (8*) 5. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (4) 6. 18, Tim Newman, Cameron, MO (6) 7. 5, Rod

Richards, Runnells, IA (5) 8. 32L, David Langford, Kearney, MO (7) 9. 28, Ken Klabunde, Omaha, NE (9) 10. 65, Danny Heskin, St. Michael, MN (10)

C main (started) , 7 laps, NT: 1. Nate Mosher (2) 2. David Hall (1) / 3. Jon Corbin (6) 4. Ken Klabunde (4) 5. Terry Alexander (3) 6. Danny Heskin (5) 7. John Anderson (7) DNS – Jerry Crabb

B main (started) 10 laps, NT: 1. Stacey Alexander (3) 2. Mike Houseman Jr. (5) 3. Tim Newman (9) 4. Chuck Swenson (14) / 5. Alan Zoutte (4) 6. Frankie Heimbaugh (8) 7. Tom Lenz (7) 8. Pete Crall (10) 9. Nate Mosher (17) 10. Alan Gilbertson (11) 11. Adam Mason (13) 12. Ray Allen Kulhanek (15) 13. Davey Heskin (6) 14. Curtis Thorson (1) 15. Troy Meyer (2) 16. Rod Richards (12) 17. David Langford (16) 18. David Hall (18)



A main (started), 15 laps, 4:21.1: 1. Josh Higday (2) 2. Joe Beaver (3) 3. Dustin Lindquist (11) 4. Jeff Mitrising (12) 5. Jake Peters (9) 6. John Kearney (8) 7. Brett Mather (4) 8. Johnny Anderson (12) 9. Dustin Selvage (1) 10. Josh Schneiderman (7) 11. Stacey Alexander (17) 12. John Schulz (14) 13. Rick Ideus (15) 14. Mitchell Alexander (6) 15. Eric Jobe (13) 16. Mike Houseman Jr. (16) 17. Tyler Thompson (20) 18. Nate Van Haften (5) 19. Tim Newman (19) 20. Chuck Swenson (18). **Lap Leaders:** Higday 1-5; Selvage 6; Higday 7-15.

5/12/06

Mars Sets Sail at Knoxville for WDRL Late Model Win

by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - May 12 - Jimmy Mars put everyone on notice that he may be the man to beat in the Lucas Oil Late Model Knoxville Nationals come late September as he swept to a victory in the WORLD Dirt Racing League PolyDome Late Model Series at Knoxville Raceway Friday night. The win paid the Menomonie, Wisconsin driver \$5,000.

Mars, who started on the pole, led every lap of the twenty mile race on this historic half-mile oval. Though seven yellow banners slowed the race, Mars was always up to the challenge for the restarts and was able to keep his nearest competition at bay.

Trent Follmer, who started beside Mars on the front row, was the challenger at the outset but Kelly Boen showed his strength just four laps into the race and grabbed the runner-up spot. With six laps down and Mars driving off to a 20 car-length advantage, the first yellow was displayed. Just prior to that Brian Harris and

Follmer had taken the second and third spots respectively sending Boen to fourth.

At the ten-lap mark, Harris had made up some of the distance and trailed Mars by only four car lengths, following him like a shadow. Behind Harris, Follmer and Boen were putting on quite a show as they raced each other for the third spot.

John VanDenBerg went up in smoke on lap thirteen bringing out the yellow and slowing the field. The restart was exciting as Harris dove under Mars in turns one and two but Mars retook the lead heading into turn three and secured it for good heading out of four. Another quick yellow followed on the seventeenth go around. On the ensuing restart Mars wisely dove low and had now problems with Harris making a bid.

At the half-way mark of the race, Mars was in charge by at least ten car lengths. Right away two successive yellows slowed the event but not Mars on the restarts. At this point in the race it was Harris trailing with Boen in third and 11th row starter Dan Schlieper in fourth.

Lap 26 fell to another yellow as Brian Birkhofer dropped from the event. The restart once again found Mars in control with Harris still shadowing the leader. With just ten laps to go Mars held a ten car-length lead over the runner-up position.

With laps beginning to wind down, Harris began to make a dent in the Mars lead. The front runner had been utilizing the low line in turns one and two while Harris had found a faster shot around those turns by running the cushion. Lap by lap it could be seen that Harris would get by Mars if this continued. As the front running duo flew by the flagstand to complete lap 35 they were nearly side by side. A yellow quickly brought the field to a slowdown and the final restart would be single file with only five laps to go.

Harris was not to be denied as he made a hard charge on the white flag lap heading into turn one, so much so that the Davenport, Iowa driver bobbed in turn two allowing Mars to get away from him. In the end, Mars headed across the finish line just five car lengths ahead of the second place challenger. Schlieper place an outstanding third and Kyle Berck, who started twentieth, was fourth. Boen settled for fifth. Completing the top ten finishers were Brady Smith, who started twenty first, Joe Kosiski, Chris Simpson, who started beside Schlieper, Denny Eckrich and Follmer. The attrition rate took nearly half of the field.

Heat event winners were VanDenBerg (in track record time), Mars, John Anderson, Follmer and Boen. The two B Features were won by Eckrich and Berck. Mars took the dash, again in record time. 45 cars competed during the evening.

Results

Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 10 laps, 3:21.2 (NTR; old track record 3:24.9 by Matt Miller, October 14, 2004): 1. 5V, John VanDenBerg, Oskaloosa, IA (2*) 2. 21H, Brian Harris, Davenport, IA (1*) 3. F15, Justin Fegers, Mound, MN (5*) 4. 50, Denny Eckrich, Oxford, IA (4) 5. 33, Nick Marolf, Moscow, IA (3) 6. U2, Scott Daly, Elkhorn, NE (6) 7. 25, Chad Simpson, Mount Vernon, IA (9) 8. 7, Mike Stadel, Rapid City, SD (8) 9. 21m, Luke Merfeld, Dubuque, IA (7)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 10 laps, 3:23.6: 1. 28, Jimmy Mars, Menomonie, WI (7*) 2. 33p, Paul Glendenning, Mount Ayr, IA (1*) 3. 56, Chris Spieker, Massena, IA (5*) 4. 26, Steve Boley, West Liberty, IA (6*) 5. 9, Dan Schlieper, Sullivan, WI (9) 6. 2D, Todd Gehl, Solon Springs, WI (3) 7. 45DW, Denny Woodworth, Mendon, IL (2) 8. 98, Ben Schaller, Norfolk, NE (4) 9. 88, Kevin Kile, West Liberty, IA (8)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 10 laps, 3:23.8: 1. 1K, John Anderson, Omaha, NE (2*) 2. 2H, John Hampel, Union, NE (1*) 3. 25s, Chris Smyser, Lancaster, MO (3*) 4. 77x, Kurt Kile, Nichols, IA (4) 5.

77, Jeff Aikey, Waterloo, IA (7) 6. 16, Dan Shelliam, Hazel Green, WI (8) 7. 1m, Rob Moss, Iowa City, IA (9) 8. 23, Brett Lafollette, Kansas City, KS (6) 9. 90x, Eric Pember, Pittsville, WI (5)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 10 laps, 3:23.3: 1. 31T, Trent Follmer, Elk River, MN (4*) 2. 0K, Bill Koons, Omaha, NE (1*) 3. 53, Joe Kosiski, Omaha, NE (3*) 4. 15B, Brian Birkhofer, Muscatine, IA (7*) 5. 2, Brady Smith, Solon Springs, WI (9) 6. 45, Tommy Elston, Keokuk, IA (8) 7. 88H, Steve Hucovski, Maple Grove, MN (2) 8. 44zo, Alonzo Grosse, Council Bluffs, IA (5) 9. 10B, Gary Billings Jr., Kansas City, KS (6)

Heat five (started, *qualified for feature), 10 laps, NT: 1. 07, Kelly Boen, Henderson, CO (2*) 2. 8, Sonny Findling, Kirksville, MO (1*) 3. 6H, Al Humphrey, Bellevue, NE (7*) 4. 58, Dave Eckrich, Oxford, IA (8*) 5. 14, Kyle Berck, Marquette, NE (6) 6. 32, Chris Simpson, Marion, IA (3) 7. 56w, Gary Webb, Blue Grass, IA (9) 8. 22, Jill George, Cedar Falls, IA (5) DNS – 31, Jason Utter, Columbus Junction, IA (4)

Dash (started), 6 laps, 2:00.3 (NTR; old track record 2:06.77 by Don Hoffman, September 5, 1982): 1. Jimmy Mars (4) 2. Trent Follmer (3) 3. Al Humphrey (6) 4. Kelly Boen (5) 5. John Anderson (1) 6. Brian Harris (8) 7. John VanDenBerg (2) 8. Paul Glendenning (7)

B Feature one (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. Denny Eckrich (3) 2. Dan Schlieper (1) 3. Brady Smith (2) / 4. Tommy Elston (6) 5. Jeff Aikey (4) 6. Todd Gehl (5) 7. Eric Pember (14) 8. Gary Webb (7) 9. Steve Hucovski (10) 10. Ben Schaller (9) 11. Alonzo Grosse (12) 12. Luke Merfeld (11) 13. Chad Simpson (8) DNS – Nick Marolf, Jason Utter

B Feature two (started), 12 laps, 4:03.0 (NTR; no old record at this distance): 1. Kyle Berck (2) 2. Chris Simpson (5) 3. Denny Woodworth (7) / 4. Dan Shelliam (3) 5. Scott Daly (4) 6. Brett Lafollette (9) 7. Rob Moss (6) 8. Gary Billings Jr. (8) 9. Kurt Kile (1) DNS – Mike Stadel, Jill George, Kevin Kile



A Feature (started), 40 laps, NT: 1. Jimmy Mars (1) 2. Brian Harris (6) 3. Dan Schlieper (21) 4. Kyle Berck (20) 5. Kelly Boen (4) 6. Brady Smith (23) 7. Joe Kosiski (17) 8. Chris Simpson (22) 9. Denny Eckrich (19) 10. Trent Follmer (2) 11. Paul Glendenning (8) 12. Denny Woodworth (24) 13. Eric Pember (25, prov.) 14. Bill Koons (10) 15. Al Humphrey (3) 16. Steve Boley (18) 17. Brian Birkhofer (15) 18. Justin Fegers (12) 19. John Anderson (5) 20. John Hampel (9) 21. Chris Smyser (16) 22. John VanDenBerg (7) 23. Chris Spieker (13) 24. Dave Eckrich (14) 25. Sonny Findling (11) 26. 77, Chad Simpson (26, prov.). **Lap Leader:** Mars 1-40.

5/13/06

Gharst Holds Off Lasoski to Take First Knoxville Win

by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - May 13 - Kaley Gharst. The 2005 Knoxville Rookie of the Year. The 2005 Knoxville Nationals Rookie. Kaley Gharst from Decatur, Illinois held off Danny Lasoski, the all-time leading feature event winner at Knoxville Raceway, and captured his first feature event win at this storied Central Iowa fairgrounds.

On a night that featured unseasonably cold weather, Gharst out-dueled fellow front row starter Mike Moore to take the first lap of the 20-lap feature race. A quick yellow just after the completion of lap three for a stopped car on the track bunched the field of 24 sprinters and slowed the otherwise blistering pace.

When the race resumed, Gharst held the point as 2005 Knoxville points champion Kerry Madsen gave chase around the big half mile oval. Through the next several laps Madsen was pestered by fellow Aussie Skip Jackson. While those two ran the bottom of the track Gharst led them from a line following the cushion.

By the ninth circuit Madsen had also moved to the cushion as one lap later Jackson surprised everyone by diving into his low line in turns one and two and temporarily taking the lead. When Jackson and Gharst came flying by the flag stand on that tenth lap, it was Gharst in the lead by inches. The following lap was much the same as neither driver was willing to change lines to find an advantage.

With half the race in the books, Gharst kept his father's Maxim on the cushion and let the Ott engine power the car away from the two chasing Aussies. Lap twelve saw him enter into heavy lap traffic but he maneuvered masterfully and in fact extended his lead. Three laps later he could count a twelve car advantage between himself and Jackson.

Behind them Madsen had his hands full with Lasoski, who had passed the Sydney-sider only to get re-passed on the next go around. The Madsen-Lasoski battle was a classic to watch but it all came to an end on lap 17 when Madsen slowed and dropped from the race with mechanical ills. One lap later all hell broke loose on the backstretch when second running Jackson seemed to lose control of his sprinter while working his way uncharacteristically on the high side in lap traffic. Jackson struck the fence and barrel rolled several times bringing the race to a halt.

With the restart scheduled to go green/white/checkered, all Gharst had to do is hold off second running Lasoski. And that is what he did when the single-file field restarted, but that was all negated when Tim St. Arnold stopped on the track. The new 2006 rule added over the winter then came into effect. That rule states that additional restarts will be started on the white flag and checkered the next time by the flag stand.

And so, the final restart saw Gharst once again hold off Lasoski in the final half mile to sail past the finish line by a mere two car-length and a \$3,000 win. Trailing "the Dude" was his nephew Brian Brown. Fourth went to Jesse Giannetto, fifth was taken by Lynton Jeffrey and sixth went to B-Main winner Billy Alley who started twenty-first. Completing the top ten were Matt Moro, Mike Reinke, Ryan Anderson and Clint Garner who started right behind Alley.

In the companion 360 division, John Kearney picked up his milestone 20th feature event win. Kearney powered the K & R Racing Maxim/Wesmar to an 8-10 car-length win over a field of 20 qualifiers.

Though Kearney's name will appear in the win column, it was Jake Peters, the 2005 track champion in this division who provided the fireworks. Peters took the lead on lap one and simply ran away from the rest of the field. By lap five he had already developed a lead of nearly the entire front chute. He was so quick on this night

that he had come upon lap traffic during the seventh go around.

Lap 10 found Peters coming into very heavy lap traffic and he was able to clear those cars with ease. It was the 13th circuit which saw the undoing of the current points leader as a broken rear axle caused the powerful sprinter to tumble hard into turn number one. Few people saw the mishap as most were watching a fierce battle taking place between Kearney and Jeff Mitrison. Peters exited the event and his "wadded up" sprinter seemingly unhurt.

On the restart Kearney was able to get by Mitrison in turn four as he rode the cushion past the low-running leader and roared down the front chute. In the end he picked up the \$1,250 pay check as Mitrison had to settle for second. Johnny Anderson, Stacey Alexander and Joe Beaver formed the top five finishers. Josh Higday, Dustin Lindquist from 18th, John Schulz, Nate Mosher and Frankie Heimbaugh completed the top ten finishers.

A total of fifty-one 410s and forty-two 360s crowded the pits on this annual Interstate Racing Association (IRA) vs. Knoxville 410 Shootout.

410 Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 10, Wayne Johnson, Oklahoma City, OK (24) 14.878; 2. 83, Danny Lasoski, Dover, MO (35) 14.926; 3. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (38) 14.988; 4. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (8) 15.116; 5. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (23) 15.139; 6. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (46) 15.178; 7. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (7) 15.239; 8. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (17) 15.374; 9. 15s, Jerrel Slinkard, Melcher-Dallas, IA (13) 15.377; 10. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (1) 15.383; 11. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (10) 15.390; 12. 55, Kerry Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (21) 15.408; 13. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (33) 15.424; 14. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (34) 15.428; 15. 9T, Travis Whitney, Champlin, MN (32) 15.440; 16. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (41) 15.499; 17. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (4) 15.510; 18. 91, John Sernett, Prior Lake, MN (6) 15.543; 19. 02, Mike Reinke, Howards Grove, WI (31) 15.545; 20. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (19) 15.587; 21. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (26) 15.606; 22. 5J, Larry Ball Jr., Knoxville, IA (3) 15.654; 23. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (15) 15.700; 24. 81, Randy Anderson, Clarion, IA (28) 15.736; 25. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (50) 15.736; 26. 1H, Scott Young, Union Grove, WI (18) 15.775; 27. 91T, Tim Sernett, Burnsville, MN (5) 15.785; 28. 35s, Mike Stefka, Racine, WI (20) 15.795; 29. 2w, Scott Neitzel, Beaver Dam, WI (9) 15.808; 30. 1m, Kim Mock, Pleasant Prairie, WI (14) 15.818; 31. 85m, Steve Meyer, Sheboygan Falls, WI (45) 15.822; 32. 4B, Scott Biertzer, West Bend, WI (16) 15.835; 33. 9, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (48) 15.920; 34. 68, Dave Uttech, Kenosha, WI (42) 15.934; 35. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (40) 15.945; 36. 49, Ryan Irwin, McHenry, IL (11) 15.964; 37. 78, Donny Goeden, Kewaskum, WI (39) 16.037; 38. 95, Bill Warren, Beaver Dam, WI (49) 16.061; 39. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (2) 16.090; 40. 80, KJ Skelton, Cascade, WI (25) 16.123; 41. 03, Dave Saffell, Pleasantville, IA (36) 16.193; 42. 1A, Gordy Vogelaar, Worthington, MN (30) 16.235; 43. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (37) 16.287; 44. 97, Todd King, Sheboygan Falls, WI (22) 16.361; 45. 9A, Andy Hunt, Randolph, WI (51) 16.450; 46. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA (27) 16.536; 47. 21G, Howie Gleason, East Troy, WI (47) 17.307; 48. 77, Wayne Modjeski, Oak Creek, WI (43) 17.880; 49. 45x, Alex Bliesner, Adell, WI (12) 18.180; 50. 7, Scott Uttech, New Berlin, WI (29) NT; 51. 75, Ty Bartz, Howards Grove, WI (44) NT.

Heat one (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Mike Moore (2) 2. Ryan Anderson (4) 3. Wayne Johnson (6) 4. Lynton Jeffrey (4) / 5. Dusty Zomer (3) 6. Steve Meyer (7) 7. Ryan Irwin (8) 8. Dave Saffell (9) 9. Tyler Houseman (10) 10. Scott Young (1) DNS – Ty Bartz

Heat two (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Kerry Madsen (4) 2. Danny Lasoski (6) 3. Skip Jackson (5) 4. Bronson Maeschen (3) / 5. Donny Goeden (8) 6. Scott Biertzer (6) 7. Tim Sernett (1) 8. Gordy Vogelaar (9) 9. Larry Ball Jr. (2) DNS – Howie Gleason

Heat three (started), 8 laps, 2:04.5: 1. Matt Moro (2) 2. Rager Phillips (7) 3. Bill Warren (8) 4. Mike Stefka (1) / 5. Greg Jones (9) 6. Calvin Landis (6) 7. Wayne Modjeski (10) 8. Clint Garner (5) 9. John Sernett (3) 10. Chris Walraven (4)

Heat four (started), 8 laps, 2:06.2: 1. Randy Anderson (2) 2. Scott Neitzel (1) 3. Jesse Giannetto (4) 4. Mike Reinke (3) / 5. Jerrel Slinkard (5) 6. Dave Uttech (7) 7. Alex Bliesner (8) 8. Todd King (9) 9. Billy Alley (6) DNS – Tony Shilling

Heat five (started), 8 laps, 2:07.0: 1. Tim St. Arnold (2) 2. Kaley Gharst (3) 3. Brian Brown (6) 4. Kim Mock (1) / 5. Chad Meyer (5) 6. Trevor Green (7) 7. Travis Whitney (4) 8. KJ Skelton (8) 9. Scott Uttech (10) 10. Andy Hunt (9)

C main (started), 8 laps, 2:46.1: 1. Tony Shilling (2) 2. KJ Skelton (1) 3. Todd King (3) / 4. Dave Saffell (4) 5. Tyler Houseman (5) 6. Scott Uttech (9) 7. Andy Hunt (6) 8. Alex Bliesner (7) 9. Wayne Modjeski (8) DNS – Donny Goeden, Gordy Vogelaar, Greg Jones

B main (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. Billy Alley (2) 2. Chad Meyer (5) 3. Clint Garner (3) 4. Calvin Landis (1) / 5. Dusty Zomer (8) 6. Travis Whitney (7) 7. Jerrel Slinkard (4) 8. Steve Meyer (10) 9. Trevor Green (15) 10. Chris Walraven (6) 11. Tim Sernett (11) 12. John Sernett (9) 13. Dave Uttech (12) 14. Scott Biertzer (13) 15. KJ Skelton (16) 16. Ryan Irwin (14) 17. Todd King (18) 18. Tony Shilling (17) DNS – Scott Young



A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Kaley Gharst (2) 2. Danny Lasoski (11) 3. Brian Brown (10) 4. Jesse Giannetto (5) 5. Lynton Jeffrey (9) 6. Billy Alley (21) 7. Matt Moro (13) 8. Mike Reinke (3) 9. Ryan Anderson (7) 10. Clint Garner (23) 11. Chad Meyer (22) 12. Kim Mock (18) 13. Scott Neitzel (17) 14. Calvin Landis (24) 15. Mike Moore (1) 16. Rager Phillips (19) 17. Bill Warren (20) 18. Bronson Maeschen (4) 19. Tim St. Arnold (15) 20. Skip Jackson (8) 21. Wayne Johnson (12) 22. Kerry Madsen (6) 23. Randy Anderson (14) 24. Mike Stefka (16). **Lap Leader:** Gharst 1-8, Jackson 9, Gharst 10-20.

360 Results

Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:59.2: 1. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (2*) 2. 5B, Rick Ideus, Silver City, IA (6*) 3. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS (8*) 4. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (9*) 5. 6, Mitchell Alexander, Knoxville, IA (1) 6. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (4) 7. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (5) 8. 3, Nate Van Haafden, Otley, IA (3) 9. 11T, Tyler Thompson, Cape Girardeau, MO (11) 10. 27, Gregg Bakker, Sioux Falls, SD (10) 11. 2T, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA (7)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 18, Tim Newman, Cameron, MO (2*) 2. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (3*) 3. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (6*) 4. 11m, Troy Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (4) 5. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (8*) 6. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (9) 7. 65, Danny Heskin, St. Michael, MN (1) 8. 86, Eric Schrock, Lake Ozark, MO (10) 9. 32L, David Langford, Kearney, MO (5) 10. 5, Rod Richards, Runnells, IA (7) 11. D12, Dr. Christopher Sloan, Imperial, MO (11)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 22N, Nate Mosher, Prairie City, IA (2*) 2. 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS (4*) 3. B29, Eric Mason, Knoxville, IA (3*) 4. 8L, Tom Lenz, Marion, IA (5*) 5. 77, Terry Alexander, Knoxville, IA (1) 6. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (9) 7. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (7) 8. 12x, Jerry Crabb, Chariton, IA (6) 9. 7, Dustin Selvage, Indianola, IA (8) 10. 9m, Dale McCarty, Eldorado Springs, MO (10)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:52.9: 1. 2Tx, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (2*) 2. 10, Jeff Mitrison, Oskaloosa, IA (5*) 3. 56, Davey Heskin, St. Michael, MN (3*) 4. 2, John Schulz, West Burlington, IA (6*) 5. 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (8) 6. 14, Randy Martin, California, MO (9) 7. 00, Stevie Walsh, North Shore City, NI, NZ (7) 8. 97, Alan Gilbertson, Kasson, MN (4) 9. 4G, John Anderson, Des Moines, IA (10) DNS – 33c, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (1)

C main (started), 7 laps, NT: 1. Alan Gilbertson (1) 2. Gregg Bakker (5) / 3. David Langford (2) 4. John Anderson (4) 5. Dr. Christopher Sloan (6) 6. Dustin Selvage (3) DNS – Rod Richards, Dale McCarty, Jon Corbin, Tyler Thompson 2T

B main (started), 10 laps, 2:47.1: 1. Dustin Lindquist (1) 2. Troy Meyer (2) 3. Josh Schneiderman (3) 4. Randy Martin (7) / 5. Brett Mather (12) 6. David Hall (8) 7. Alan Zoutte (4) 8. Mike Houseman Jr. (9) 9. Stevie Walsh (13) 10. Terry Alexander (6) 11. Alan Gilbertson (17) 12. Mitchell Alexander (5) 13. Eric Schrock (11) 14. Gregg Bakker (18) 15. Jerry Crabb (16) 16. Nate Van Haften (14) 17. Danny Heskin (10) 18. Tyler Thompson 11T (15)



A main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. John Kearney (10) 2. Jeff Mitrison (2) 3. Johnny Anderson (3) 4. Stacey Alexander (7) 5. Joe Beaver (5) 6. Josh Higday (11) 7. Dustin Lindquist (17) 8. John Schulz (14) 9. Nate Mosher (8) 10. Frankie Heimbaugh (15) 11. Josh Schneiderman (19) 12. Tom Lenz (16) 13. Eric Mason (1) 14. Rick Ideus (12) 15. Davey Heskin (13) 16. Pete Crall (6) 17. Troy Meyer (18) 18. Jake Peters (4) 19. Tim Newman (9) 20. Randy Martin (20). **Lap Leaders:** Peters 1-12; Kearney 13-15.

5/20/06

Brown and Lindquist Take Knoxville Track Loot

by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - May 20 - Brian Brown and Dustin Lindquist each garnered feature event wins at Knoxville Raceway Saturday night. Brown's 410 division win was number four for the Missouri driver while Lindquist's 360 win was his maiden entry onto the victory stand at this central Iowa racing facility.

The 410 feature saw Brown start along side pole sitter Chris Walraven as the twosome diced through turns one and two for the lead with Brown prevailing. On the next go around Wayne Johnson slid Walraven in turn two to take the runner-up spot in the chase of Brown. A three-way battle then broke out for third between Walraven, Skip Jackson and Billy Alley. Jackson took third on the fourth circuit and Alley got by Walraven on the next lap for fourth.

As the cars behind him battled for position, Brown was able to pull away from the crowd. He hit lap traffic by the sixth circuit but was not hindered by those backmarkers. Lap nine saw the red flag displayed as Matt Moro took a particularly hard tumble in turn four. He exited his wrecked sprinter uninjured.

Brown again assumed the point on the restart. With one more lap in the books third running Billy Alley jumped the cushion and became completely sideways. An onrushing Lynton Jeffrey slid into him as the rest of the field managed to miss the hapless Nebraska driver.

On that ensuing restart Johnson actually made a slide of Brown in turn two but Brown shot off the corner and regained the point with Johnson following. The sparring between those two allowed Jackson to make a pass on the bottom to take second from Johnson.

At the fifteen lap mark, Brown had driven to a fairly comfortable lead in the Doogs Racing Maxim. Jackson, Johnson, Dusty Zomer, Clint Garner and Kerry Madsen followed. Of those cars, only Garner worked the bottom as everyone else seemed to find the cushion to be the fast way around Knoxville on this night.

In the end, Brown flew across the finish line taking the checkered flags as Jackson exited turn four. The win paid Brown \$3,000 and padded his lead in the current points standings. After Jackson was Johnson, Garner, Madsen and Zomer. Rounding out the top ten finishers were Calvin Landis, Tim St. Arnold, Jesse Giannetto and Bronson Maeschen. Twenty-nine cars competed in the division.

Dustin Lindquist waited till the end of the 15-lap race to capture the A Feature for the 360 division. In the beginning it was Brett Mather showing the field of twenty sprinters the fastest way around this half-mile fairgrounds track. It was not easy for Mather as Johnny Anderson right away made challenges for the top spot.

After a red on lap five, Anderson really put the pressure on the leader as he used the low groove in the turns as a means of overtaking Mather. Finally on lap eight Anderson's strategy paid off and after a side by side battle around this big oval, the scoring sheets show a new leader by no more than a half-car length. The following lap saw Lindquist also get by Mather just like he had disposed of John Kearney several laps earlier.

Lindquist continued to chase Anderson but he needed some help. That came for him just after the completion of lap twelve when John Kearney stopped in turn four with a flat tire. Kearney re-entered the race but was never able to gain the momentum he had shown earlier.

The final restart saw Anderson assume the point with Lindquist right on his tail. Anderson stayed on the cushion while Lindquist was able to place his Lindquist Loucks Motorsports Maxim on the bottom to create side by side racing down the backstretch. In the end the Minnesotan's strategy paid off as he took the lead on the

14th lap and came across the finish line a lap later to win by eight car lengths. Anderson had to settle for second. Stacey Alexander came on strong in the final laps to take third, Mather was fourth and Jake Peters, a B-Main transfer claimed fifth. Jon Corbin and Jeff Mitrison, both B-Main transfers were sixth and seventh respectively. Frankie Heimbaugh, Troy Meyer and David Hall rounded out the top ten finishers. 35 cars competed in the division.

410 Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (5) 15.293; 2. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (4) 15.364; 3. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (6) 15.396; 4. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (3) 15.420; 5. 10, Wayne Johnson, Oklahoma City, OK (18) 15.446; 6. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (29) 15.499; 7. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (10) 15.509; 8. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (23) 15.522; 9. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City IA (16) 15.523; 10. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (14) 15.551; 11. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (28) 15.597; 12. 81, Randy Anderson, Clarion, IA (24) 15.622; 13. 9, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (7) 15.623; 14. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (12) 15.673; 15. 55, Kerry Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (26) 15.709; 16. 1A, Gordy Vogelaar, Worthington, MN (17) 15.711; 17. 5J, Larry Ball Jr., Knoxville, IA (20) 15.731; 18. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (1) 15.742; 19. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (19) 15.746; 20. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (2) 15.760; 21. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (21) 15.845; 22. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (25) 15.862; 23. 1, Chris Shirek, Thompson, ND (27) 16.102; 24. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (8) 16.150; 25. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (15) 16.316; 26. 03, Dave Saffell, Pleasantville, IA (22) 16.331; 27. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA (9) 16.497; 28. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (13) 16.561; 29. 13, Mark Dobmeier, Grand Forks, ND (11) NT.

Heat one (started), 8 laps, 2:08.5: 1. Rager Phillips (2) 2. Brian Brown (4) 3. Skip Jackson (5) 4. Gordy Vogelaar (1) 5. Calvin Landis (6) 6. Trevor Green (7) / 7. Chad Meyer (3) 8. Mike Moore (8) 9. Tony Shilling (9) 10. Greg Jones (10)

Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:08.8: 1. Larry Ball Jr. (1) 2. Clint Garner (2) 3. Kaley Gharst (7) 4. Chris Walraven (4) 5. Dusty Zomer (6) 6. Wayne Johnson (5) / 7. Matt Moro (3) 8. Chris Shirek (8) 9. Dave Saffell (9) DNS – Mark Dobmeier

Heat three (started), 8 laps, 2:09.4: 1. Tim St. Arnold (1) 2. Kerry Madsen (2) 3. Billy Alley (5) 4. Lynton Jeffrey (4) 5. Jesse Giannetto (8) 6. Bronson Maeschen (6) / 7. Ryan Anderson (7) 8. Randy Anderson (3) 9. Tyler Houseman (9)

B main (started), 12 laps, 2:24.4: 1. Chad Meyer (1) 2. Matt Moro (2) / 3. Ryan Anderson (4) 4. Mike Moore (5) 5. Chris Shirek (6) 6. Randy Anderson (3) 7. Tony Shilling (7) 8. Greg Jones (8) 9. Tyler Houseman (9) DNS – Dave Saffell, Mark Dobmeier



A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Brian Brown (2) 2. Skip Jackson (5) 3. Wayne Johnson (4) 4. Clint Garner (11) 5. Kerry Madsen (12) 6. Dusty Zomer (7) 7. Calvin Landis (8) 8. Tim St. Arnold (15) 9. Jesse Giannetto (18) 10. Bronson Maeschen (6) 11. Chad Meyer (19) 12. Rager Phillips (10) 13. Kaley Gharst (17) 14. Chris Walraven (1) 15. Trevor Green (16) 16. Gordy Vogelaar (13) 17. Larry Ball Jr. (14) 18. Billy Alley (3) 19. Lynton Jeffrey (9) 20. Matt Moro (20). **Lap Leader:** Brown 1-20.

360 Results

Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 7, Dustin Selvage, Indianola, IA (1*) 2. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (2*) 3. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (5*) 4. 11m, Troy Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (3*) 5. 15, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (6) 6. 8L, Tom Lenz, Marion, IA (8) 7. 2T, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA (9) 8. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (4) 9. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (7)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:56.7: 1. 2Tx, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (3*) 2. 6, Mitchell Alexander, Knoxville, IA (1*) 3. 22N, Nate Mosher, Prairie City, IA (4*) 4. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (6*) 5. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (7*) 6. B29, Eric Mason, Knoxville, IA (9) 7. 2, John Schulz, West Burlington, IA (8) 8. 4G, John Anderson, Des Moines, IA (2) 9. 3, Nate Van Haaften, Otley, IA (5)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:57.9: 1. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS (2*) 2. 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (6*) 3. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (1*) 4. 00, Stevie Walsh, North Shore City, NI, NZ (3) 5. 5B, Rick Ideus, Silver City, IA (5) 6. 10, Jeff Mitrisin, Oskaloosa, IA (7) 7. 5G, Brett Golik, Newton, IA (9) 8. 56, Davey Heskin, St. Michael, MN (8) DNS – 65, Danny Heskin, St. Michael, MN (4)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 2:00.7: 1. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (1*) 2. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (3*) 3. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (2*) 4. 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS (5*) 5. 12x, Jerry Crabb, Chariton, IA (4) 6. 32L, David Langford, Kearney, MO (7) 7. 18, Tim Newman, Cameron, MO (8) 8. 77, Terry Alexander, Knoxville, IA (6)

B main (started), 10 laps, 2:54.4: 1. Jon Corbin (2) 2. Jake Peters (10) 3. Jeff Mitrisin (6) 4. Tom Lenz (4) / 5. Eric Mason (3) 6. John Schulz (8) 7. Rick Ideus (5) 8. Terry Alexander (15) 9. David Langford (7) 10. Tim Newman (11) 11. John Anderson (13) 12. Nate Van Haaften (16) 13. Brett Golik (9) 14. Jerry Crabb (14) 15. Stevie Walsh (1) 16. Josh Schneiderman (12) DNS – Tyler Thompson, Davey Heskin, Danny Heskin



A main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Dustin Lindquist (5) 2. Johnny Anderson (3) 3. Stacey Alexander (8) 4. Brett Mather (2) 5. Jake Peters (18) 6. Jon Corbin (17) 7. Jeff Mitrison (19) 8. Frankie Heimbaugh (4) 9. Troy Meyer (15) 10. David Hall (12) 11. Mike Houseman Jr. (1) 12. Dustin Selvage (6) 13. Nate Mosher (10) 14. Joe Beaver (11) 15. Alan Zoutte (13) 16. Pete Crall (14) 17. John Kearney (7) 18. Tom Lenz (20) 19. Mitchell Alexander (9) 20. Josh Higday (16). **Lap Leaders:** Mather 1-7; Anderson 8-13; Lindquist 14-15.

5/27/06

Alley and Corbin Become 9th and 10th Different Winners at Knoxville

by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - May 27 - Billy Alley and Jon Corbin won 410 and 360 feature events respectively at Knoxville Raceway Saturday night. Their wins show why Knoxville racing is so exciting this season as no feature event winner has repeated since the season opener in April.

For Alley the win was anything but easy although he started on the front row. Young Rager Phillips chased him the first lap but gave way on the second round to Skip Jackson. A yellow was thrown for a stopped car on the track and on the restart Alley blew through turns one and two on the cushion to pull away from Jackson

Jackson had pulled within four car lengths when another yellow flew after the completion of lap six for debris on the track. On the restart a red flag came out when Wayne Johnson and Calvin Landis got together in turn two with Johnson slamming into the fence and Landis tumbling after him. Neither car could restart.

When the race went green again it was Madsen who provided the excitement as he surged to third behind Alley and Jackson. Yet another red flew on lap eight as Phillips jumped the cushion and came down off of it into an unsuspecting Dusty Zomer. Phillips tumbled to a stop as Zomer continued on down the track and coming to a halt at the entrance of turn three. Damage inhibited either driver from continuing.

The restart saw Jackson again trailing Alley's J & J with Madsen gamely working the low side as he narrowly trailed in third. At the half-way point Alley held a solid ten car-length lead.

The final yellow of the event came out on lap eleven when Chris Walraven lost a right rear tire in turn one. The wayfaring rubber bounced sky high but never did bound over the high Knoxville fences. With the field race ready Walraven was left in the pits without enough time to ready his sprinter.

The final nine laps saw Alley keep the Gifford Motorsports sprinter in front as he worked the cushion to perfection. Everyone's eyes were glued to Madsen as he dove to the bottom in each turn in an attempt to overtake Jackson. The two Aussies masterfully maneuvered the big Knoxville half mile with Brian Brown coming into contention late.

In the end Alley claimed the \$3,000 to win event, his second career 410 win here. The excited youngster climbed the inside retaining wall and stood pumping his arms toward the sky. In the victory winners circle he said he felt he had "dropped a cylinder, but kept on going". Jackson, Madsen and Brown followed with Lynton Jeffrey taking fifth. Rounding out the top ten finishers were Matt Moro, Jesse Giannetto from dead last, Clint Garner from 18th, Bronson Maeschen and Kaley Gharst. Twenty-nine cars competed in the division.

The 360 division was a two race affair. Josh Higday had the field covered for the front portion as he utilized his front row start to claim the initial lead. The Des Moines driver rode the big half mile by running high on the cushion in turns one and two and dove to the bottom in turns three and four. That strategy worked well for him as he had a ten car-length lead at the end of five circuits.

On lap six Higday narrow escaped disaster when two backmarker cars spun in turn one almost in front of him. He was able to thread the needle and get by as did the rest of the slowing field. All the while second running Jon Corbin was taking notice of the Higday strategy.

The restart saw Corbin follow the Higday machine for one lap and then on lap seven he made his move with a slider in turns one and two. Higday gamely fought back but he could not overtake the momentum Corbin had built. Once in front Corbin began to run the same route in his Brunner-owned sprinter that Higday had used so successfully. At the end of the 15-lap race he had pulled away from Higday by a ten car-length margin. Following those two were Joe Beaver, Jake Peters, and John Kearney in the top five. Stacey Alexander, Jeff Mitrising, Dustin Lindquist from fourteenth, Josh Schneiderman and David Hall rounded out the top ten finishers. Thirty-three 360s signed through the pit gate.

410 Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (1) 15.341; 2. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (11) 15.489; 3. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (24) 15.537; 4. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (3) 15.584; 5. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (13) 15.587; 6. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (22) 15.613; 7. 9, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (18) 15.642; 8. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (28) 15.646; 9. 5J, Larry Ball Jr., Knoxville, IA (10) 15.652; 10. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (23) 15.667; 11. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (19) 15.672; 12. 55, Kerry Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (2) 15.715; 13. 15s, Jerrel Slinkard, Melcher-Dallas, IA (21) 15.724; 14. 10, Wayne Johnson, Oklahoma City, OK (4) 15.759; 15. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (26) 15.771; 16. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (25) 15.784; 17. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (20) 15.864; 18. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (8) 15.905; 19. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (7) 15.972; 20. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (14) 16.047; 21. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (27) 16.119; 22. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (16) 16.190; 23. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (29) 16.283; 24. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (9) 16.436; 25. 71, Robert Bell, Colfax, IA (6) 17.413; 26. 7N, Chris Maurer, Colfax, IA (15) 17.786; 27. 1A, Gordy Vogelaar, Worthington, MN (5) NT; 28. 1, Brent Antill, Ankeny, IA (12) NT; 29. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA (17) NT.

Heat one (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Matt Moro (1) 2. Jerrel Slinkard (2) 3. Chris Walraven (6) 4. Rager Phillips (4) 5. Kaley Gharst (7) 6. Dusty Zomer (5) / 7. Chad Meyer (3) 8. Robert Bell (9) 9. Mike Moore (8) DNS – Gordy Vogelaar

Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:09.9: 1. Ryan Anderson (1) 2. Brian Brown (3) 3. Wayne Johnson (2) 4. Tim St. Arnold (7) 5. Bronson Maeschen (4) 6. Calvin Landis (6) / 7. Jesse Giannetto (5) 8. Tony Shilling (8) 9. Chris Maurer (9) DNS – Tyler Houseman

Heat three (started), 8 laps, 2:09.4: 1. Kerry Madsen (1) 2. Lynton Jeffrey (2) 3. Skip Jackson (6) 4. Larry Ball Jr. (4) 5. Billy Alley (3) 6. Clint Garner (5) / 7. Trevor Green (7) 8. Greg Jones (8) DNS – Brent Antill

B main (started), 10 laps, 2:44.8: 1. Chad Meyer (2) 2. Jesse Giannetto (1) / 3. Trevor Green (3) 4. Mike Moore (4) 5. Greg Jones (6) 6. Tony Shilling (5) 7. Robert Bell (7) 8. Chris Maurer (8) DNS – Brent Antill, Gordy Vogelaar, Tyler Houseman



A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Billy Alley (2) 2. Skip Jackson (4) 3. Kerry Madsen (10) 4. Brian Brown (9) 5. Lynton Jeffrey (13) 6. Matt Moro (14) 7. Jesse Giannetto (20) 8. Clint Garner (18) 9. Bronson Maeschen (7) 10. Kaley Gharst (16) 11. Tim St. Arnold (17) 12. Ryan Anderson (15) 13. Jerrel Slinkard (11) 14. Chad Meyer (19) 15. Chris Walraven (6) 16. Dusty Zomer (3) 17. Rager Phillips (1) 18. Calvin Landis (5) 19. Wayne Johnson (12) 20. Larry Ball Jr. (8). **Lap Leader:** Alley 1-20.

360 Results

Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:57.7: 1. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (2*) 2. 2Tx, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (6*) 3. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (1*) 4. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (9*) 5. 5G, Brett Golik, Newton, IA (3) 6. 2T, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA (4) 7. 12x, Jerry Crabb, Chariton, IA (8) DNS – 56, Davey Heskin, St. Michael, MN (5), 32L, David Langford, Kearney, MO (7)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 15, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (1*) 2. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (2*) 3. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (4*) 4. 6, Mitchell Alexander, Knoxville, IA (3*) 5. 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (8*) 6. 2, John Schulz, West Burlington, IA (5) 7. 22N, Nate Mosher, Prairie City, IA (6) 8. 18, Tim Newman, Cameron, MO (7)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (6*) 2. B29, Eric Mason, Knoxville, IA (4*) 3. 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS (3*) 4. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (5*) 5. 8L, Tom Lenz, Marion, IA (7) 6. 77, Terry Alexander, Knoxville, IA (1) DNS – 11m, Troy Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (2), 00, Stevie Walsh, North Shore City, NI, NZ (8)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:57.4: 1. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (2*) 2. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS (8*) 3. 10, Jeff Mitrison, Oskaloosa, IA (5*) 4. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (3) 5. 3, Nate Van Haaften, Otley, IA (1) 6. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (6) 7. 7, Dustin Selvage, Indianola, IA (7) 8. 84, Danny Heskin, St. Michael, MN (4)

B main (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. Tom Lenz (2) 2. John Schulz (6) 3. Mike Houseman Jr. (1) 4. Brett Golik (3) / 5. Nate Mosher (10) 6. Frankie Heimbaugh (8) 7. Tyler Thompson (5) 8. Nate Van Haaften (4) 9. Tim Newman (12) 10. Dustin Selvage (7) 11. Danny Heskin (9) 12. Stevie Walsh (13) 13. Davey Heskin (11) DNS – Terry Alexander, Jerry Crabb, David Langford, Troy Meyer



A main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Jon Corbin (1) 2. Josh Higday (2) 3. Joe Beaver (5) 4. Jake Peters (3) 5. John Kearney (6) 6. Stacey Alexander (4) 7. Jeff Mitrison (9) 8. Dustin Lindquist (14) 9. Josh Schneiderman (10) 10. David Hall (7) 11. Pete Crall (12) 12. Brett Mather (13) 13. Johnny Anderson (15) 14. John Schulz (18) 15. Eric Mason (8) 16. Mike Houseman Jr. (19) 17. Alan Zoutte (11) 18. Mitchell Alexander (16) 19. Brett Golik (20) 20. Tom Lenz (17). **Lap Leaders:** Higday 1-6; Corbin 7-15.

6/2/06

Carson, Anderson and Coons, Jr. are Knoxville Winners
by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - June 2 - A big night of racing with four feature events saw Shane Carson, Johnny Anderson and Jerry Coons, Jr. take victories on this Marion County half-mile oval during the Masters Classic and King Doodlebug United States Auto Club (USAC) Midget Classic.

The 4th annual USAC King Doodlebug Midget Classic saw Jerry Coons, Jr. repeat his win of 2004 when he took the lead in the 20-lap feature event just after the half-way point. Bryan Clauson, Brady Bacon and Dave Darland had held the top spot to that point. Two distinct grooves developed during the night with a bottom line and a cushion line which was right against the tall Knoxville fences.

For Coons, the big break came after a lap nine restart. With Dave Darland leading and running the cushion in turns three and four, Coons sneaked to the bottom and roared out of turn four with the lead. By lap 15 he had developed a huge gap between himself and the battle for runner-up behind him. In the end, Coons could claim a

full straight away lead when he took the checkered flag in his Stanton Mopar. The win paid the Arizona driver \$1,650. Trailing to the finish were Bacon, Darland, Clauson and Mike Hess.

In the annual Masters Classic, Shane Carson led from the start to claim the 14th running of the event. Carson found a comfortable spot on the bottom of the weary track and by lap ten he had pulled away from his nearest competition by 25 car lengths. As Carson drove the Larry Weeks sprinter under the \$1,000 checkered flag, second place Jimmy Sills was just exiting turn four. Completing the top five finishers were A.J. Weaver, Terry Alexander and Bob Thompson.

A change in format on this Masters Classic night saw Knoxville 360 drivers included in the events. The "Young Guns", as they were called, staged their own feature which placed those drivers in a final "showdown" with the top ten finishers from the Masters Classic.

In the "Young Guns" feature, Johnny Anderson surprised race leader John Kearney after a single file restart on lap eight when he drove to the bottom in turns one and two and took the lead as he shot down the back stretch. Kearney tried to keep pace but slowly fell back as he ran the cushion. Stacey Alexander also got by Kearney by running the bottom with only three laps left to go in the 15-lap event.

Anderson was just about to enter lap traffic when he took the checkered flag and the \$1,000 payday. As Alexander flew past the finish line to take second his car went up in smoke. Third went to Kearney, Jeff Mitrusin claimed fourth and the fifth spot was taken by Jon Corbin.

The "Masters vs. Young Guns Challenge" saw row one starter Johnny Anderson "out-gun" fellow row one starter Shane Carson in a hard-fought first lap. Carson stayed close but was eventually caught and passed by Josh Higday on lap four.

Drivers had to decide whether a bottom route would be faster than a trip around the Knoxville oval at the top on the cushion. It was difficult to tell by watching the position battles which was the best. Some drivers made headway at the top while others, including the winner, found the bottom to their liking. The big Knoxville track (a true half mile at the pole and a 5/8 at the fences) did not allow for mistakes on this night as most of her surface had become dry slick.

Anderson took the win for the "Young Guns" as he finished eight car lengths ahead of second place finisher John Kearney. The win paid the Jack Anderson-owned Eagle \$1,000. Kearney, Higday, Carson and David Hall completed the top five finishers.

Masters Classic Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 94s, Jimmy Sills, Placerville, CA (5) 17.020; 2. AJ Weaver, Houston, TX (2) 17.200; 3. 6P, Jerry Potter, Pleasant Hill, MO (13) 17.625; 4. 00, Shane Carson, Yukon, OK (15) 17.661; 5. 8B, Bobby Becker Jr., Denton, NE (11) 17.676; 6. 77, Terry Alexander, Knoxville, IA (4) 17.691; 7. 2T, Bobby Thompson, Des Moines, IA (9) 17.786; 8. 24, Randy Droescher, Larchwood, IA (1) 17.998; 9. 101, Chuck McGillivray, Madison, SD (3) 18.003; 10. 12x, Jerry Crabb, Chariton, IA (18) 18.036; 11. 55K, Joe Kouba, Lino Lakes, MN (10) 18.056; 12. 1, Rick Weld, Kansas City, MO (6) 18.194; 13. 7N, Chris Maurer, Colfax, IA (7) 18.378; 14. 7777, Edd French, Justin, TX (14) 18.408; 15. 61, Earnest Jennings, Norman, OK (12) 19.212; 16. 9m, Dale McCarty, Eldorado Springs, MO (16) 19.257; 17. 1HD, Ken Chapman, Windom, MN (8) 19.587; 18. 33x, Bill Smith, Worthington, MN, NT.



Masters Classic (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Shane Carson (3) 2. Jimmy Sills (6) 3. AJ Weaver (5) 4. Terry Alexander (1) 5. Bobby Thompson (7) 6. Bobby Becker Jr. (2) 7. Randy Droescher (8) 8. Jerry Crabb (10) 9. Joe Kouba (11) 10. Chris Maurer (13) 11. Earnest Jennings (15) 12. Jerry Potter (4) 13. Edd French (14) 14. Dale McCarty (16) 15. Ken Chapman (17) 16. Rick Weld (12) 17. Chuck McGillivray (9) DNS - Bill Smith.
Lap Leader: Carson 1-15.

Young Guns Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (16) 17.126; 2. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (10) 17.336; 3. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (13) 17.358; 4. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (5) 17.391; 5. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS (17) 17.425; 6. 5B, Rick Ideus, Silver City, IA (2) 17.632; 7. 2Tx, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (9) 17.674; 8. 10, Jeff Mitrisin, Oskaloosa, IA (19) 17.811; 9. 7, Dustin Selvage, Indianola, IA (20) 17.822; 10. 15, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (3) 17.902; 11. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (11) 17.956; 12. 6, Mitchell Alexander, Knoxville, IA (12) 18.003; 13. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (18) 18.010; 14. 22N, Nate Mosher, Prairie City, IA (6) 18.090; 15. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (4) 18.119; 16. 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS (1) 18.204; 17. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (8) 18.231; 18. B29, Eric Mason, Knoxville, IA (15) 18.282; 19. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (7) 18.394; 20. 18, Tim Newman, Cameron, MO (14) 18.455.



Young Guns Feature (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Johnny Anderson (4) 2. Stacey Alexander (7) 3. John Kearney (2) 4. Jeff Mitrison (8) 5. Jon Corbin (10) 6. Rick Ideus (1) 7. Josh Schneiderman (6) 8. Joe Beaver (11) 9. Josh Higday (3) 10. David Hall (5) 11. Frankie Heimbaugh (11) 12. Dustin Selvage (9) 13. Eric Mason (18) 14. Brett Mather (17) 15. Pete Crall (14) 16. Nate Mosher (12) 17. Mike Houseman Jr. (19) 18. Alan Zoutte (15) 19. Mitchell Alexander (12) 20. Tim Newman (20). **Lap Leaders:** Kearney 1-7; Anderson 8-15.

Masters vs. Young Guns Feature (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Johnny Anderson (2) 2. John Kearney (10) 3. Josh Higday (8) 4. Shane Carson (1) 5. David Hall (4) 6. Jon Corbin (14) 7. Joe Beaver (16) 8. Jimmy Sills (5) 9. Josh Schneiderman (6) 10. Frankie Heimbaugh (18) 11. Terry Alexander (9) 12. Dustin Selvage (20) 13. Jerry Crabb (15) 14. Bobby Becker Jr. (7) 15. Randy Droscher (13) 16. Joe Kouba (17) 17. AJ Weaver (3) 18. Rick Ideus (12) 19. Chris Maurer (19) 20. Bobby Thompson (11). **Lap Leader:** Johnny Anderson 1-15.

Midget Results

Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 8 laps, 2:46.8: 1. 11, Jerry Coons Jr., Tucson, AZ (7*) 2. 91, Davey Ray, Davenport, IA (2*) 3. 5, Tom Hessert III, Cherry Hill, NJ (1*) 4. 21m, Andy Martin, Gordonville, PA (3) 5. 29, Kyle Nicholas, Naples, FL (2) 6. 11m, Jack Potter, Pleasant Hill, MO (5) 7. 29L, Leroy Holler, Independence, MO (7) 8. 23, Mike DiBart, Springfield, IL (6) 9. 11D, Doug DeWitt, Sunnyvale, CA (5)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 8 laps, 2:47.1: 1. 74, Brad Kuhn, Avon, IN (3*) 2. 991, Brady Bacon, Broken Arrow, OK (4*) 3. 21, Levi Jones, Olney, IL (6*) 4. 125, Teddy Beach, Donnelsville, OH (9*) 5. 3, Brad Mosen, Auckland, NZ (2) 6. 9H, Russ Harper, Watkins, CO (1) 7. 12, Harley Slotten, Kimberly, WI (7) DNS – 28, Joe Ligouri, Tampa FL (8), 37, Todd Street, Elkader, IA (5)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 8 laps, NT: 1. 191, Ryan Durst, Lincoln, NE (4*) 2. 9, Dave Darland, Lincoln, IN (8*) 3. 2, Michael Lewis, Noblesville, IN (2*) 4. 51, Mike Hess, Petersburg, IL (7*) 5. 21az, Johnny Rodriguez, Elk Grove, CA (9) 6. 31, Donnie Lehmann, Springfield, IL (3) 7. o5, Brad Loyet, Sunset Hills, MO (6) 8. 5MA, Mallory Armfield, St. Joseph, MO (5) 9. 49, Jimmy Light, West Springfield, PA (1)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 8 laps, 2:48.7: 1. 38, Bud Kaeding, Campbell, CA (7*) 2. 1, Tracy Hines, New Castle, IN (2*) 3. 1c, Chad McDaniel, Concordia, KS (5*) 4. 4, Don Droud Jr., Lincoln, NE (9*) 5. 11H, Garrett Hood, Concordia, KS (3) 6. 71x, Rik Forbes, Omaha, NE (8) 7. 05x, Mike Riley, Bloomsdale, MO (6) DNS – 96, Cody Brewer, Choctaw, OK (1), 27, Ryan Kaplan, Chico, CA (4)

Heat five (started, *qualified for feature), 8 laps, NT: 1. 67, Bryan Clauson, Noblesville, IN (3*) 2. 7, Cole Carter, Brownsburg, IN (1*) 3. 71, Darren Hagen, Riverside, CA (2*) 4. 44, Ryan Pace, Arroyo Grande, CA (4) 5. 97, Jay Drake, Val Verde, CA (6) 6. 7B, Joe Boyles, Greenwood, MO (5) 7. 20, Josh Wise, Riverside, CA (8) 8. 50, Daniel Adler, East Carondelet, IL (7)

B main one (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. Johnny Rodriguez (1) 2. Jay Drake (3) 3. Kyle Nicholas (2) / 4. Harley Slotten (8) 5. Donnie Lehmann (6) 6. Mike Riley (9) 7. Garrett Hood (4) 8. Leroy Holler (7) 9. Mallory Armfield (10) 10. Jack Potter (5) 11. Doug DeWitt (11) 12. Todd Street (12) DNS – Cody Brewer

B Feature two (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. Ryan Kaplan (7) 2. Brad Mosen (3) 3. Ryan Pace (2) / 4. Andy Martin (1) 5. Brad Loyet (4) 6. Mike DiBart (5) 7. 2, Josh Wise (6) DNS - Russ Harper, Rik Forbes, Joe Boyles, Daniel Adler, Jimmy Light, Joe Ligouri



King Doodlebug A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Jerry Coons Jr. (6) 2. Brady Bacon (7) 3. Dave Darland (3) 4. Bryan Clauson (1) 5. Mike Hess (17) 6. Brad Kuhn (2) 7. Michael Lewis (16) 8. Darren Hagen (18) 9. Ryan Durst (4) 10. Levi Jones (9) 11. Davey Ray (8) 12. Don Droud Jr. (14) 13. Jay Drake (21) 14. Donnie Lehmann (26, pr.) 15. Johnny Rodriguez (19) 16. Ryan Pace (24) 17. Chad McDaniel (13) 18. Brad Loyet (25, pr.) 19. Kyle Nicholas (23) 20. Bud Kaeding (5) 21. Ryan Kaplan (20) 22. Teddy Beach (12) 23. Tom Hessert III (15) 24. Cole Carter (11) 25. Tracy Hines (10) 26. Brad Mosen (22) 27. Joe Boyles (27, pr.). **Lap Leaders:** Clauson 1; Darland 2-4; Bacon 5-8; Darland 9-10; Coons, Jr. 11-20.

6/3/06

Kaeding is Crowned Knoxville Midget Nationals Champion by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - June 4 - Although it was nearly twenty-four hours late, Bud Kaeding of Campbell, California captured the Fifth annual United States Auto Club (USAC) Knoxville Midget Nationals. He was paid \$3,350 for his win.

Kaeding's victory came about on a rare Sunday evening show at the Marion County fairgrounds because of a drenching rainstorm 24 hours previously. That forced track and USAC officials to postpone the final events till

Sunday.

The near-daylight show saw track conditions deteriorate quickly as the usually wet Knoxville surface did not hold up. However, drivers managed to find various grooves around the big half-mile with the low line being most popular.

The beginning of the 25-lap championship event saw Brad Kuhn drive to the front from his front row starting position. He found a line on the bottom of turns one and two while three and four saw him take to the cushion. Following him was Bryan Clauson who made a race of it by running the bottom all the way around. By lap five Kuhn could count a 10-car length lead on the giant Knoxville half mile.

Into the fray came 16-year-old Brady Bacon of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. By lap ten he had taken over the runner-up position and was catching Kuhn. One lap later Bacon was within one car length at the start-finish line. Bacon continued to hold Kuhn to the fire until a yellow was displayed on lap fourteen bringing the field to a slowdown.

When the race went green again, Kuhn continued to lead but would hold the point for only one more lap. Coming down the front chute on the fifteenth go around, Bacon made the pass at the flag stand. Kuhn kept close but now he had another problem as Kaeding was on his rear bumper.

Kaeding made the pass of Kuhn on lap eighteen and as one more lap was completed the red flag was thrown as Andy Martin took a tumble at the turn two fence.

Lap twenty was Bacon's last lap to lead as Kaeding made a pass for the lead as they exited out of turn four, Kaeding high and Bacon low. By this time the stream of cars was like a freight train in turn one as rubber had been laid down on the track and that was the line to follow. Most drivers had found the bottom to be fastest line as the high cushion had slowed considerably and was dangerously close to the high Knoxville fences.

With the laps winding down, two yellows slowed the race. On each restart Kaeding and Bacon followed the bottom but in turns three and four they would separate with Kaeding going high and Bacon hugging the bottom. It kept the fight for the lead close but nothing ever developed from it. In the end, Kaeding took the checkered flag and the win while USAC celebrated a return to the Knoxville oval after an absence of 37 years.

Bacon kept second and Kuhn was third. Fourth went to seventh row starter Russ Harper. Don Droud, Jr. finished fifth. Rounding out the top ten finishers were Kyle Nicholas (a B Main transfer who started near the tail), Jay Drake, Ryan Pace (started 16th), Brad Mosen and Levi Jones (started 18th).

Madsen is 6th Different Sprint Winner at Knoxville

Knoxville, Iowa - June 4 - Defending Knoxville Raceway track champion Kerry Madsen took the feature event win at Marion County fairgrounds Sunday night. Madsen became the sixth different winner in the 410 division this year.

The 410 sprints had been a companion division with the USAC midgets which were staging their Knoxville Midget Nationals on Saturday night. A sudden rain event postponed the championship as well as the 410 A Feature.

With the feature starting at 7:10 Iowa time, much sunlight and heat of the day still remained for this half-mile oval to endure. Only two key lines remained on the track, the bottom and the cushion near the fences. Calvin Landis utilized his front row starting position to jump to the top at the start of the race. That top groove enabled him to drive to a 20 car-length advantage over Wayne Johnson at the end of five circuits.

By lap seven Landis had come upon lap traffic but the yellow was displayed on the next lap negating the top cars having to sort through the backmarkers. The restart saw Johnson try the bottom but he quickly found out that the top had the faster line. Madsen and Billy Alley settled behind Johnson once he placed his car back upon the cushion. At the fifteen-lap mark one could see that Johnson was making some headway in the Landis lead.

A yellow on lap 16 slowed the field to a single file as Jesse Giannetto lost a right-rear tire to the abrasive track. He was able to restart. Landis led the field back to the green but one lap later his certain victory was thwarted when he too lost a tire coming out of turn four. Landis managed to keep his sprinter steady but would have to rejoin the field at the rear once the tire was changed.

Madsen thus inherited the lead in his Vermeer Motorsports machine and flew around the half-mile oval on the cushion. At the end of twenty laps he could claim a victory of twenty car lengths in his Cool/Wesmar- powered sprinter. Johnson took second, Brian Brown drove a steady race to finish third, Alley was fourth and Skip Jackson claimed fifth. Ricky Logan, Clint Garner (started 16th), Matt Moro (started 15th), Zomer and Bronson Maeschen (started 14th) completed the top ten finishers.

These events were held in conjunction with the annual National Sprint Car Hall of Fame & Museum's induction banquet held Saturday afternoon (June 3) in the Marion County fairground's Dyer-Hudson Hall. This year's class included 13 inductees.

Midget Nationals Results

Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 8 laps, NT: 1. 4, Don Droud Jr., Lincoln, NE (7*) 2. 125, Teddy Beach, Donnelsville, OH (6*) 3. 44, Ryan Pace, Arroyo Grande, CA (5*) 4. 05x, Mike Riley, Bloomsdale, MO (4) 5. 1c, Chad McDaniel, Concordia, KS (1) 6. 31, Donnie Lehmann, Springfield, IL (3) DNS – 11D, Doug DeWitt, Sunnyvale, CA (2)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 8 laps, NT: 1. 21az, Johnny Rodriguez, Elk Grove, CA (4*) 2.3, Brad Mosen, Auckland, NZ (6*) 3. 1, Tracy Hines, New Castle, IN (5*) 4. o5, Brad Loyet, Sunset Hills, MO (3) 5. 49, Jimmy Light, West Springfield, PA (2) 6. 50, Daniel Adler, East Carondelet, IL (1) 7. 7B, Joe Boyles, Greenwood, MO (7)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 8 laps, NT: 1. 20, Josh Wise, Riverside, CA (4*) 2. 7, Cole Carter, Brownsburg, IN (6*) 3. 91, Davey Ray, Davenport, IA (2) 4. 5, Tom Hessert III, Cherry Hill, NJ (7) 5. 27, Ryan Kaplan, Chico, CA (1) 6. 29L, Leroy Holler, Independence, MO (5) 7. 11m, Bill Allen, Independence, MO (3)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 8 laps, NT: 1. 38, Bud Kaeding, Campbell, CA (3*) 2. 9H, Russ Harper, Watkins, CO (2*) 3. 21, Levi Jones, Olney, IL (5*) 4. 29, Kyle Nicholas, Naples, FL (1) 5. 21m, Andy Martin, Gordonville, PA (7) DNS - 5MA, Mallory Armfield, St. Joseph, MO (6), 12, Harley Slotten, Kimberly, WI (4)

Heat five (started, *qualified for feature), 8 laps, NT: 1. 97, Jay Drake, Val Verde, CA (6*) 2. 191, Ryan Durst, Lincoln, NE (2*) 3. 11H, Garrett Hood, Concordia, KS (5) 4. 23, Mike DiBart, Springfield, IL (7) 5. 28, Joe Ligouri, Tampa, FL (1) 6. 71, Darren Hagen, Riverside, CA (3) 7. 2, Michael Lewis, Noblesville, IN (4)

The Remaining Midget Events were postponed to 6/4 by Rain

410 Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (25) 15.640; 2. 55, Kerry Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (10) 15.641; 3. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (7) 15.724; 4. 7w, Tim St. Arnold,

Des Moines, IA (2) 15.835; 5. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (6) 15.900; 6. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (13) 15.903; 7. 9, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (14) 15.906; 8. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (27) 15.938; 9. 10, Wayne Johnson, Oklahoma City, OK (16) 16.002; 10. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (19) 16.003; 11. 5J, Ricky Logan, Little Rock, AR (3) 16.025; 12. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (8) 16.031; 13. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (11) 16.036; 14. 15s, Jerrel Slinkard, Melcher-Dallas, IA (15) 16.046; 15. 81, Randy Anderson, Clarion, IA (17) 16.100; 16. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (22) 16.177; 17. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (24) 16.209; 18. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (26) 16.211; 19. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (18) 16.234; 20. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (21) 16.276; 21. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (23) 16.298; 22. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (4) 16.369; 23. 94s, Natalie Sather, Fargo, ND (20) 16.369; 24. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (12) 16.472; 25. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (5) 16.474; 26. 55K, Jerry Richert Jr., Forest Lake, MN (28) 16.634; 27. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (9) 16.935; 28. 71, Robert Bell, Colfax, IA (1) 17.651; 29. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA, NT (29).

Heat one (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Skip Jackson (6) 2. Dusty Zomer (3) 3. Jesse Giannetto (2) 4. Chad Meyer (1) 5. Clint Garner (7) 6. Rager Phillips (4) 7. Joe Beaver (9) 8. Tim St. Arnold (5) 9. Tony Shilling (8) 10. Robert Bell (10)

Heat two (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Kerry Madsen (6) 2. Calvin Landis (4) 3. Bronson Maeschen (1) 4. Lynton Jeffrey (5) 5. Jerrel Slinkard (2) 6. Ricky Logan (3) 7. Trevor Green (7) 8. Jerry Richert Jr. (9) 9. Natalie Sather (8) DNS - Tyler Houseman.

Heat three (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Wayne Johnson (4) 2. Matt Moro (1) 3. Brian Brown (6) 4. Kaley Gharst (7) 5. Billy Alley (5) 6. Mike Moore (8) 7. Ryan Anderson (3) 8. Greg Jones (9) 9. Randy Anderson (2)

A main postponed to 9/4.

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Midget Nationals Results

B main (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. 71, Darren Hagen, Riverside, CA (12) 2. 91, Davey Ray, Davenport, IA (2) 3. 5, Tom Hessert III, Cherry Hill, NJ (3) 4. 05, Brad Loyet, Sunset Hills, MO (6) 5. 7B, Joe Boyles, Greenwood, MO (11) 6. 29, Kyle Nicholas, Naples, FL (5) / 7. 50, Daniel Adler, East Carondelet, IL (10) 8. 31, Donnie Lehmann, Springfield, IL (9) 9. 11m, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (14) 10. 21m, Andy Martin, Gordonville, PA (8) 11. 11D, Doug DeWitt, Sunnyvale, CA (13) 12. 27, Ryan Kaplan, Chico, CA (7) 13. 11H, Garrett Hood, Concordia, KS (1) 14. 23, Mike DiBart, Springfield, IL (4)



A main (started), 25 laps, NT: 1. 38, Bud Kaeding, Campbell, CA (10) 2. 991, Brady Bacon, Broken Arrow, OK (3) 3. 74, Brad Kuhn, Avon, IN (2) 4. 9H, Russ Harper, Watkins, CO (14) 5. 4, Don Droud Jr., Lincoln, NE (6) 6. Kyle Nicholas (24) 7. 97, Jay Drake, Val Verde, CA (7) 8. 44, Ryan Pace, Arroyo Grande, CA (16) 9. 3, Brad Mosen, Auckland, NZ (14) 10. 21, Levi Jones, Olney, IL (18) 11. 11, Jerry Coons Jr., Tucson, AZ (5) 12. 1, Tracy Hines, New Castle, IN (17) 13. 125, Teddy Beach, Donnelsville, OH (11) 14. Joe Boyles (23) 15. Brad Loyet (22) 16. Darren Hagen (19) 17. 67, Bryan Clauson, Noblesville, IN (1) 18. Davey Ray (20) 19. 20, Josh Wise, Riverside, CA (9) 20. Donnie Lehmann (27, pr.) 21. 9, Dave Darland, Lincoln, IN (4) 22. 7, Cole Carter, Brownsburg, IN (13) 23. Andy Martin (25, pr.) 24. Garrett Hood (26, pr.) 25. Tom Hessert III (21) 26. 191, Ryan Durst, Lincoln, NE (15) 27. 21az, Johnny Rodriguez, Elk Grove, CA (8). **Lap Leaders:** Kuhn 1-14; Bacon 15-20; Kaeding 21-25.

410 Results



A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. 55, Kerry Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (7) 2. 10, Wayne Johnson, Oklahoma City, OK (1) 3. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (6) 4. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (4) 5. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (8) 6. 5J, Ricky Logan, Little Rock, AR (10) 7. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (16) 8. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (15) 9. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (5) 10. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (14) 11. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (20) 12. 9, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (3) 13. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (19) 14. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (2) 15. 15s, Jerrel Slinkard, Melcher-Dallas, IA (12) 16. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (11) 17. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (18) 18. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (22) 19. 71, Robert Bell, Colfax, IA (23) 20. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (21) 21. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (13) 22. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (5) DNS – 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL. **Lap leaders:** Landis 1-15; Madsen 16-20.

6/10/06

Saturday's Races Cancelled due to Inclement Weather

6/10/2006 - Inclement weather with forecast for continued conditions through midnight caused the Pella Corporation Night and Bike Night racing program to be cancelled.

6/17/06

Lasoski and Lindquist Win Mid-Season Knoxville Features

by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - June 17 - The veteran Danny Lasoski and the rookie Dustin Lindquist each captured Mid-Season Championship Features at Knoxville Raceway Saturday night during Knoxville Raceway Hall of Fame Weekend.

For Lasoski it was career win number eighty-eight at this central Iowa racing facility and he looked good aboard the Roth Beefpackers Eagle in the 25-lap finale.

Wayne Johnson took the lead at the outset in a wild first lap that saw three cars vying for the point position. Johnson bested fellow front row starter Brian Brown and second row starter Billy Alley to take lap one. Alley made a pass of Brown on lap two and Lasoski did likewise one lap later.

Johnson circled the big Knoxville half mile on the top with Alley and Lasoski in tow. Lasoski's car seemed to "hook up" no matter where he placed it on the track as he began to chase down the top two runners.

A caution flew on lap eight when Skip Jackson, who was running fifth, made a rare miscue and spun in turn four backing his sprinter into the fence. He was able to restart on the tail after changing a damaged wheel and tire in the work area.

When the race resumed it was all Lasoski as he passed both Johnson and Alley on the restart lap. Johnson did not give up easily and some precision side by side driving with "The Dude" for the lap displayed the professional skills of each driver.

By lap 10 Lasoski had begun to pull away as he negotiated the bottom of the track on this night. Lap 12 saw him move into traffic but it did not slow his progress as he roared to a full straightaway lead.

Disaster struck for Johnson on lap 17 as he and Matt Moro collided as they headed past the flagstand and into turn one. Johnson received the worst of it as he took a tumble after striking the fence. Neither car was able to resume.

On the restart it was Madsen who made the big move as he cleared three cars and moved into third. Lasoski kept his same line on the bottom and again pulled away from the field. With five laps to go, Madsen passed Alley to take the runner-up spot.

Lasoski entered heavy lap traffic on the 22nd go around but again he was not impeded. With Madsen on a tear everyone was watching to see if he could make some headway in the Lasoski lead but it was not to be as he became bogged down by lap cars.

In the end Lasoski took the \$3,500 checkered flags as Madsen began his exit out of turn four with his hands full of Alley. It was close at the stripe but Madsen was able to prevail. Third was Alley, fourth went to Brown and the fifth place finisher was Lynton Jeffrey. Rounding out the top ten of this mid-season race was Calvin Landis, Clint Garner a 17th position starter, Paul McMahan, Trevor Green the B-Main winner and Jesse Giannetto.

The Mid-Season Championship for the 360 division saw a young Dustin Lindquist lead from flag to flag to receive \$1,500 for his efforts.

The race went red at the outset as John Kearney and Troy Meyer got together while battling for the lead as they

exited turn two. Kearney scooted backwards and Meyer performed an easy tip over. At the same time this was happening Jason Johnson and Jon Corbin became hooked together with nerf bars and stalled near the wreck. Both Kearney and Meyer could not restart. Corbin and Johnson were sent to the tail.

When the race finally went green it was all Lindquist as the youngster placed the Lindquist-Loucks Motorsports Maxim on the bottom and began to put distance between himself and the field. Chuck Swenson was his nearest challenger but he chose to ride the cushion near the tall Knoxville fences.

By lap five Lindquist had built a lead of nearly a straightaway. At lap ten when the yellow flag was displayed for a stopped car on the track, he had driven to a margin of an entire straight and more.

Lindquist had a great restart and was immediately out front of Swenson who still maintained second. Of note was the fact that Jason Johnson had somehow managed to come through the field of twenty cars from his placement on the tail and was now in third. Lap 13 saw Johnson take the runner-up spot, but he would advance no further.

When the checkered flew on this mid-season race Lindquist had once again built a margin of the entire front chute. Johnson finished a remarkable second, Jake Peters who started fourteenth was third while B-Main winner and seventeenth starter Johnny Anderson finished fourth. David Hall drove a steady race from his front row start to take fifth. Swenson, Randy Martin, Jeff Mitrisin and Eric Mason completed the top ten finishers.

At trackside ceremonies during the night five new members were entered into the Knoxville Raceway Hall of Fame. Those five were Daryl Arend of Algona, Iowa, David Hesmer of Marshalltown, Iowa, Archie Ergenbright of Newton, Iowa, James Bond of Edwardsville, Kansas and Tom Hutchison of Indianola, Iowa. It marked the 28th annual induction event.

410 Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 83, Danny Lasoski, Dover, MO (9) 15.046; 2. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (3) 15.060; 3. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (2) 15.140; 4. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (11) 15.153; 5. 10, Wayne Johnson, Oklahoma City, OK (26) 15.249; 6. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (18) 15.309; 7. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (23) 15.317; 8. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (19) 15.331; 9. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (5) 15.339; 10. 20, Paul McMahan, Nashville, TN (6) 15.362; 11. 55, Kerry Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (20) 15.388; 12. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City IA (13) 15.394; 13. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (30) 15.403; 14. 81, Randy Anderson, Clarion, IA (15) 15.411; 15. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (14) 15.446; 16. 5J, Larry Ball Jr., Knoxville, IA (7) 15.450; 17. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (31) 15.579; 18. 9, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (10) 15.627; 19. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (21) 15.637; 20. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (16) 15.679; 21. 15s, Jerrel Slinkard, Melcher-Dallas, IA (25) 15.712; 22. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (4) 15.729; 23. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (8) 15.788; 24. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (29) 15.824; 25. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (17) 15.836; 26. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA (1) 15.995; 27. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (22) 16.091; 28. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (28) 16.210; 29. 03, Dave Saffell, Pleasantville, IA (12) 16.751; 30. 71, Robert Bell, Colfax, IA (24) 18.280; 31. 1A, Gordy Vogelaar, Worthington, MN (27) NT.

Heat one (started), 8 laps, 2:08.5: 1. Paul McMahan (3) 2. Larry Ball Jr. (1) 3. Danny Lasoski (6) 4. Billy Alley (5) 5. Bronson Maeschen (2) 6. Calvin Landis (4) / 7. Chad Meyer (7) 8. Matt Moro (8) 9. Mike Moore (9) 10. Tony Shilling (10) DNS – Gordy Vogelaar

Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:08.1: 1. Kerry Madsen (3) 2. Randy Anderson (2) 3. Clint Garner (1) 4. Skip Jackson (4) 5. Wayne Johnson (5) 6. Dusty Zomer (6) / 7. Trevor Green (8) 8. Chris Walraven (7) 9. Tyler Houseman (9) 10. Dave Saffell (10)

Heat three (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Lynton Jeffrey (3) 2. Jesse Giannetto (2) 3. Rager Phillips (1) 4. Brian Brown (5) 5. Kaley Gharst (4) 6. Ryan Anderson (6) / 7. Jerrel Slinkard (7) 8. Greg Jones (9) 9. Tim St. Arnold (8) DNS – Robert Bell

B main (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. Trevor Green (5) 2. Chris Walraven (2) 3. Chad Meyer (1) 4. Matt Moro (4) 5. Mike Moore (7) 6. Tim St. Arnold (6) / 7. Jerrel Slinkard (3) 8. Greg Jones (9) 9. Tyler Houseman (8) 10. Tony Shilling (10) DNS – Dave Saffell, Robert Bell, Gordy Vogelaar



A main (started), 25 laps, NT: 1. Danny Lasoski (6) 2. Kerry Madsen (11) 3. Billy Alley (3) 4. Brian Brown (1) 5. Lynton Jeffrey (12) 6. Calvin Landis (7) 7. Clint Garner (17) 8. Paul McMahan (10) 9. Trevor Green (19) 10. Jesse Giannetto (15) 11. Kaley Gharst (9) 12. Bronson Maeschen (13) 13. Skip Jackson (8) 14. Chad Meyer (21) 15. Larry Ball Jr. (16) 16. Mike Moore (23) 17. Dusty Zomer (5) 18. Tim St. Arnold (24) 19. Rager Phillips (18) 20. Randy Anderson (14) 21. Wayne Johnson (2) 22. Matt Moro (22) 23. Ryan Anderson (4) 24. Chris Walraven (20). **Lap Leaders:** Johnson 1-7; Lasoski 8-25.

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Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (3*) 2. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (4*) 3. 18, Tim Newman, Cameron, MO (2*) 4. 15, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (5) 5. 2, John Schulz, West Burlington, IA (1) 6. 10, Jeff Mitrisin, Oskaloosa, IA (7) 7. 27, Jesse Drost, Rushmore, MN (8) 8. Y2, Mike Houseman, Norwalk, IA (9) 9. 6, Mitchell Alexander, Knoxville, IA (6)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:59.5: 1. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (2*) 2. 7, Dustin Selvage, Indianola, IA (6*) 3. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (1*) 4. 14, Randy Martin, California, MO (7*) 5. 5G, Brett Golik, Newton, IA (4) 6. 20, Luke Cranston, Ness City, KS (8) 7. 2T, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA (3) 8. 3, Nate Van Haften, Otley, IA (5) 9. 43, Frank Brown, Marshall, MO (9)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:58.1: 1. 8L, Tom Lenz, Marion, IA (1*) 2. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS (6*) 3. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (3) 4. 41, Jason Johnson, Eunice, LA (7*) 5. 22N, Nate Mosher, Prairie City, IA (2) 6. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (4) 7. 18T, Tony Bruce Jr., Liberal, KS (8) 8. 56, Davey Heskin, St. Michael, MN (5) 9. 48, David Brown, Marshall, MO (9)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:58.7: 1. 11m, Troy Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (2*) 2. X, Chuck Swenson, Watertown, SD (7*) 3. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (4*) 4. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (3) 5. 2Tx, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (1) 6. 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS (6) 7. 25, Nick Eastin,

West Burlington, IA (9) 8. 4G, John Anderson, Des Moines, IA (8) 9. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (5)

Heat five (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 2:02.3: 1. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (2*) 2. B29, Eric Mason, Knoxville, IA (5*) 3. 5, Rod Richards, Runnells, IA (8*) 4. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (4) 5. 84, Danny Heskin, St. Michael, MN (1) 6. 00, Stevie Walsh, North Shore City, NI, NZ (6) 7. 4, Lee Grosz, Harwood, ND (7) DNS – 32L, David Langford, Kearney, MO (3)

C main (started), 8 laps, 2:23.9: 1. Tony Bruce Jr. (1) 2. Mike Houseman (4) / 3. Josh Schneiderman (9) 4. Nate Van Haften (3) 5. Davey Heskin (6) 6. Frank Brown (7) 7. John Anderson (5) 8. Mitchell Alexander (8) 9. David Brown (10) 10. Tyler Thompson (2) DNS – Lee Grosz

B main (started), 10 laps, 2:57.1: 1. Johnny Anderson (3) 2. Josh Higday (1) 3. Jon Corbin (2) 4. Brett Golik (6) 5. Stacey Alexander (9) 6. Jeff Mitrison (11) / 7. Jesse Drost (14) 8. Luke Cranston (7) 9. Frankie Heimbaugh (10) 10. Nate Mosher (8) 11. Tony Bruce Jr. (15) 12. Pete Crall (13) 13. Nick Eastin (12) 14. John Schulz (5) 15. Alan Zoutte (4) 16. Mike Houseman (16) DNS – Danny Heskin, Stevie Walsh



A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Dustin Lindquist (5) 2. Jason Johnson (11) 3. Jake Peters (14) 4. Johnny Anderson (15) 5. David Hall (2) 6. Chuck Swenson (6) 7. Randy Martin (12) 8. Jeff Mitrison (19) 9. Eric Mason (9) 10. Jon Corbin (17) 11. Tom Lenz (7) 12. Joe Beaver (8) 13. Dustin Selvage (4) 14. Josh Higday (18) 15. Brett Golik (20) 16. Mike Houseman Jr. (16) 17. Tim Newman (13) 18. John Kearney (3) 19. Rod Richards (10) 20. Troy Meyer (1) DNS – Brett Mather, Stacey Alexander. **Lap Leader:** Lindquist 1-20.

6/23/06

Saldana Takes WoO Prelim at Knoxville Summer Meet by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - June 23 - Joey Saldana drove the Kahne-Curb JEI to a convincing preliminary victory during the World of Outlaws (WoO) Knoxville Summer Meet at Knoxville Raceway Friday night. The win was Saldana's fourth win here and paid the Indiana driver \$5,000 for his efforts.

The race went red right off the bat when 19th starter Tim Shaffer bicycled his car in turn one, lost the wing early and did a series of endos. The Knoxville Raceway rescue crew took considerable time extracting Shaffer from the wrecked sprinter. He was then transferred to Knoxville Area Community Hospital for observation. No news of his condition was known at press time.

When the race finally went green, Knoxville regular Billy Alley utilized his pole position start to roar into turn one with the lead as he successfully blocked Saldana in turn two to take the lead on lap one. A yellow for Craig Dollansky's stop on the track on the second lap brought the field of 24 to a single file alignment. Dollansky was unable to make repairs quickly enough to re-enter the race.

Alley again used a blocking maneuver on the restart and kept Saldana at bay. Alley ran the cushion while Saldana sprinted on the bottom. To mix lines around, Alley drove the bottom in three and four on several laps and held the lead when Daryn Pittman's right-rear tire exploded shortly after the leaders had completed lap eight. Pittman was able to restart on the tail.

With one lapped car between himself and Saldana, Alley was able to get a tremendous restart and lay claim to lap nine. The tenth go around would be Saldana's, however, as he made use of the low line around the half mile oval and exit turn four with the lead. It was close at the flag stand, but Saldana had the top spot, a position he would keep the rest of the way in this ten-mile sprint.

Once in the lead, Saldana began to pull away from the Alley machine. The final slow down of the event happened on lap thirteen when debris was spotted on the track.

Saldana again set sail when the race resumed. Alley tried a maneuver in turn two in an attempt to catch Saldana and block Donny Schatz. The move nearly cost him dearly as he jumped the cushion and came close to striking the turn two fence. This allowed Donny Schatz to get by him. The Lincoln, Nebraska youngster regrouped quickly but the damage was done and on the next circuit Brooke Tatnell made a pass of him too.

With the laps winding down, Saldana pulled out to a considerable advantage and was never seriously challenged. When he took the checkered flag he was 25 car-lengths ahead of second place finisher Schatz. Tatnell claimed third and Alley remained in fourth. Those four cars would be locked in to the feature event for Saturday night. Fifth went to Jason Solwold.

Rounding out the top ten on this preliminary night were Randy Hannagan, Danny Lasoski from a 23rd starting spot, Jac Haudenschild, Kerry Madsen who started just in front of Lasoski and Justin Henderson. Forty-six 410 sprinters pulled through the pit gate on this night

In a companion 360 sprint program, Jake Peters showed his form of 2005 in leading the distance to capture the 15-lap feature event. It was Peters' sixth career win here.

Starting on the front row enabled Peters to jump to a quick lead over fellow front row starter Davey Heskin. Heskin stayed close in the opening laps but he could not match the skill of the defending track champion.

Peters had found a fast line around this historic fairgrounds oval which saw him run on the top in turns one and two and the bottom in turns three and four. That line enabled him to pull out to a near straight away lead by lap six.

A yellow flag flew on lap eight for a stopped car and when the race resumed Peters again was in command of the race. This time, however, he was chased by David Hall, the driver who started right behind him for the initial green. Hall could not keep pace with Peters either as the Sioux Falls driver continued to set a blistering pace. Also getting by Heskin was Troy Meyer who held down the third place spot.

With ten laps in the books, Peters had again built a substantial lead. And, that's the way it would finish when he took the checkers for the \$1,750 win as Hall exited out of turn four. Meyer remained in third while Jeff Mitrisin drove all the way from a 12th place start to take fourth. Josh Higday, a B Main transfer who started 17th,

finished fifth. Completing the top ten were John Kearney, Heskin, Johnny Anderson, Joe Beaver, an eighth row starter and John Schulz. Thirty-seven 360 sprinters competed on the night.

410 Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. R19, Jason Solwold, Mt. Vernon, WA (1) 14.973; 2. 15, Donny Schatz, Fargo, ND (14) 15.074; 3. 35, Jac Haudenschild, Wooster, OH (25) 15.081; 4. 7, Craig Dollansky, Elk River, MN (24) 15.124; 5. 9, Joey Saldana, Brownsburg, IN (46) 15.135; 6. 21, Daryn Pittman, Owasso, OK (15) 15.149; 7. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (6) 15.211; 8. 21x, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (43) 15.215; 9. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (32) 15.232; 10. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (41) 15.240; 11. 1x, Randy Hannagan, Pittsboro, IN (23) 15.253; 12. 8, Brooke Tatnell, San Souci, NSW, Aust. (40) 15.253; 13. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (39) 15.285; 14. 10c, Jeremy Campbell, Monroe, MI (31) 15.290; 15. D1, Justin Henderson, Sioux Falls, SD (38) 15.306; 16. 11D, Dion Hindi, Albuquerque, NM (34) 15.307; 17. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (35) 15.317; 18. 1, Kevin Swindell, Germantown, TN (45) 15.333; 19. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (2) 15.334; 20. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (3) 15.337; 21. 5, Tyler Walker, Los Angeles, CA (44) 15.341; 22. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (16) 15.358; 23. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (28) 15.360; 24. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (18) 15.372; 25. 55, Kerry Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (21) 15.390; 26. 36, Jason Martin, Liberal, KS (4) 15.403; 27. 6, Tim Shaffer, Aliquippa, PA (27) 15.409; 28. 5J, Larry Ball Jr., Knoxville, IA (7) 15.432; 29. 7N, Larry Pinegar II, Des Moines, IA (22) 15.434; 30. 83, Danny Lasoski, Dover, MO (13) 15.467; 31. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (30) 15.469; 32. 15K, Chad Kemenah, Findlay, OH (42) 15.480; 33. D1x, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (19) 15.490; 34. 10, Wayne Johnson, Oklahoma City, OK (33) 15.522; 35. 6R, Bill Rose, Plainfield, IN (9) 15.531; 36. 9P, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (20) 15.536; 37. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (37) 15.554; 38. 19, Becca Anderson, Houston, DE (26) 15.572; 39. 15s, Jerrel Slinkard, Melcher-Dallas, IA (10) 15.580; 40. 24, Terry McCarl, Altoona, IA (8) 15.660; 41. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (5) 15.667; 42. 81, Randy Anderson, Clarion, IA (36) 15.711; 43. 18, Brian Carlson, Linden, IN (29) 15.789; 44. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (12) 16.050; 45. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA (11) 16.227; 46. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (17) 16.427.

Heat one (started), 8 laps, 2:06.9: 1. Calvin Landis (2) 2. Chris Walraven (1) 3. Jason Solwold (6) 4. Clint Garner (4) 5. Kerry Madsen (7) / 6. Dion Hindi (3) 7. Brian Brown (5) 8. Dusty Zomer (10) 9. Larry Pinegar II (8) 10. Mike Moore (11) 11. Jesse Giannetto (9) DNS – Tyler Houseman

Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:07.0: 1. Kevin Swindell (2) 2. Kaley Gharst (1) 3. Justin Henderson (3) 4. Billy Alley (4) 5. Donny Schatz (6) / 6. Skip Jackson (5) 7. Danny Lasoski (8) 8. Wayne Johnson (9) 9. Jason Martin (7) 10. Becca Anderson (10) 11. Tony Shilling (11) DNS – Randy Anderson

Heat three (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Tim St. Arnold (1) 2. Randy Hannagan (4) 3. Jac Haudenschild (6) 4. Daryn Pittman (5) 5. Tim Shaffer (7) / 6. Jeremy Campbell (3) 7. Brian Carlson (11) 8. Lynton Jeffrey (2) 9. Bill Rose (9) 10. Matt Moro (8) 11. Jerrel Slinkard (10)

Heat four (started), 8 laps, 2:08.4: 1. Tyler Walker (1) 2. Craig Dollansky (6) 3. Brooke Tatnell (4) 4. Joey Saldana (5) 5. Chad Kemenah (8) / 6. Ryan Anderson (2) 7. Terry McCarl (10) 8. Bronson Maeschen (3) 9. Rager Phillips (9) 10. Greg Jones (11) 11. Larry Ball Jr. (7)

C main (started), 10 laps, 2:10.6: 1. Dusty Zomer (1) 2. Becca Anderson (2) / 3. Mike Moore (3) 4. Tony Shilling (7) 5. Greg Jones (5) 6. Tyler Houseman (6) 7. Brian Carlson (4) DNS – Jerrel Slinkard, Terry McCarl

Dash (started), 6 laps, 1:36.8: 1. Billy Alley (1) 2. Joey Saldana (4) 3. Jac Haudenschild (6) 4. Clint Garner (2) 5. Daryn Pittman (3) 6. Jason Solwold (8) 7. Donny Schatz (7) 8. Brooke Tatnell (10) 9. Randy Hannagan (9) 10. Craig Dollansky (5)

B main (started), 12 laps, 3:20.8: 1. Brian Brown (2) 2. Danny Lasoski (11) 3. Skip Jackson (1) 4. Jeremy Campbell (4) / 5. Dion Hindi (5) 6. Lynton Jeffrey (6) 7. Bronson Maeschen (3) 8. Jason Martin (8) 9. Jesse Giannetto (13) 10. Larry Pinegar II (10) 11. Becca Anderson (16) 12. Dusty Zomer (17) 13. Ryan Anderson (7) 14. Rager Phillips (16) 15. Wayne Johnson (12) 16. Bill Rose (15) 17. Larry Ball Jr. (9) DNS - Matt Moro



A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Joey Saldana (2) 2. Donny Schatz (7) 3. Brooke Tatnell (8) 4. Billy Alley (1) 5. Jason Solwold (6) 6. Randy Hannagan (9) 7. Danny Lasoski (23) 8. Jac Haudenschild (3) 9. Kerry Madsen (21) 10. Justin Henderson (14) 11. Clint Garner (4) 12. Brian Brown (12) 13. Jeremy Campbell (13) 14. Chad Kemenah (24) 15. Kevin Swindell (16) 16. Kaley Gharst (19) 17. Calvin Landis (15) 18. Daryn Pittman (5) 19. Skip Jackson (11) 20. Tim St. Arnold (18) 21. Tyler Walker (17) 22. Chris Walraven (20) 23. Craig Dollansky (10) 24. Tim Shaffer (22). **Lap Leaders:** Alley 1-9; Saldana 10-20.

360 Results

Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (1*) 2. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (3*) 3. 5G, Brett Golik, Newton, IA (4*) 4. 10, Jeff Mitrison, Oskaloosa, IA (6*) 5. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (5) 6. 17B, Ryan Bickett, Ramona, SD (10*) 7. 87, Curt Lund, Redwood Falls, MN (9) 8. 3, Nate Van Haften, Otley, IA (8) 9. 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS (2) DNS – 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (7)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (1*) 2. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS (6*) 3. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (2*) 4. 00, Stevie Walsh, North Shore City, NI, NZ (3) 5. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (5) 6. 126, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (9) 7. 4G, John Anderson, Des Moines, IA (7) 8. 8L, Tom Lenz, Marion, IA (8) 9. 7, Dustin Selvage, Indianola, IA (4)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:59.0: 1. 2T, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA (1*) 2. 56, Davey Heskin, St. Michael, MN (2*) 3. 2, John Schulz, West Burlington, IA (4*) 4. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (5*) 5. Y2, Mike Houseman, Norwalk, IA (3) 6. R19, Scott Winters, Butterfield, MN (9) 7. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (6) 8. 15, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (7) DNS – 11T, Tyler Thompson, Cape Girardeau, MO

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:57.9: 1. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (1*) 2. 11m, Troy Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (4*) 3. B29, Eric Mason, Knoxville, IA (2*) 4. 2Tx, Eric Vanderploeg, Altoona,

IA (7*) 5. 22N, Nate Mosher, Prairie City, IA (3) 6. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (6) 7. 11x, Gregg Bakker, Sioux Falls, SD (9) 8. 5, Dave Glennon, Casselton, ND (8) 9. 84, Danny Heskin, St. Michael, MN (5)

B main (started), 10 laps, 2:58.3: 1. Josh Higday (3) 2. Stacey Alexander (2) 3. Scott Winters (6) 4. Stevie Walsh (1) / 5. Gregg Bakker (10) 6. Nate Mosher (7) 7. Mike Houseman Jr. (9) 8. Dustin Selvage (18) 9. Josh Schneiderman (12) 10. Curt Lund (8) 11. Mike Houseman Jr. (9) 12. Pete Crall (15) 13. Alan Zoutte (4) 14. Dave Glennon (16) 15. Tom Lenz (14) 16. John Anderson (11) 17. Nate Van Haften (13) 18. Danny Heskin (17) DNS – Jon Corbin, Dustin Lindquist, Tyler Thompson 11T



A main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Jake Peters (2) 2. David Hall (4) 3. Troy Meyer (3) 4. Jeff Mitrisin (12) 5. Josh Higday (17) 6. John Kearney (8) 7. Davey Heskin (1) 8. Johnny Anderson (7) 9. Joe Beaver (15) 10. John Schulz (10) 11. Brett Mather (6) 12. Frankie Heimbaugh (13) 13. Stacey Alexander (18) 14. Eric Mason (14) 15. Tyler Thompson 2T (5) 16. Stevie Walsh (20) 17. Ryan Bickett (16) 18. Scott Winters (19) 19. Eric Vanderploeg (11) 20. Brett Golik (9). **Lap Leader:** Peters 1-15.

6/24/06

June 24 World of Outlaw Event Cancelled

6/24/2006 - The Mediacom World of Outlaw event scheduled for June 24 has been cancelled due to rain. The event will not be re-scheduled. The tickets can be mailed in for a refund or may be used for the October 7th Bud World of Outlaws event.

7/1/06

Alley and Peters Open July with Knoxville Wins

by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - July 1 - Nebraska's Billy Alley and South Dakota's Jake Peters each captured feature events Saturday night as Knoxville Raceway moved its 2006 season into the month of July.

Alley guided the Gifford Motorsports J & J to its second win of the season at this central Iowa racing facility but it was not a victory that came easily for him. An emotional Alley later dedicated the win to his young friend,

Daniel McMillen, who had died in a non-racing accident.

The early stages of the race belonged to two Aussies as Lynton Jeffrey nipped first lap leader Blake Feese at the end of lap two and Skip Jackson did so to him on the next go around. At the end of five laps Jeffrey could only count a one car-length advantage over Jackson. Both men staged a torrid dog fight for the top spot with Jeffrey finally able to pull away as the twosome approached lap traffic at the end of four miles.

With ten laps in the books Jeffrey could claim a slim 10 car-length separation between himself and a determined Jackson. One lap later Feese caught fire and made a pass of Jackson in heavy traffic. As the frontrunners completed lap twelve the caution flew for a spun car in turn two. On the restart a second caution appeared as fifth running Bronson Maeschen spun on the front stretch. Somehow the rest of the field managed to miss the stopped sprinter. He would restart on the tail and gain a 12th place finish.

When the race resumed, Alley was able to overtake and pass the Feese machine for the third spot. As Feese began to drift backward on the ensuing laps it was obvious that mechanical problems had developed on the vacated Kerry Madsen ride. On lap 16 Feese pulled to the infield.

In the meantime, Jeffrey continued to lead the 20-lap race. Jackson continued to dog him with Alley waiting for either of them to make a mistake. As Jeffrey recorded lap 17 with only a five car-length lead, the yellow was displayed for Jesse Giannetto who had somehow lost control of his sprinter on the front stretch and backed it hard into the infield retaining wall. He was not injured but his car was too damaged to continue.

On the green flag restart, Alley dove low in turns one and two and surprised Jackson who was not typically on the bottom. Alley roared out of two with the runner-up spot and his sprinter pointed toward the lead. And, he would have it after yet another yellow forced a single file restart. That saw Alley take the lead from Jeffrey as they roared out of turn four on a green-white-checkered restart to complete twenty laps. The final circuit did not see Alley pull away as Jeffrey finished only four car lengths behind when the race ended.

Brian Brown, who started 18th and is the current points leader finished an amazingly close third, and just as amazing was the fourth place finish of Clint Garner who started 19th. Calvin Landis was fifth after running in or near that spot most of the race. Completing the top ten finishers were Jackson, Dusty Zomer, Tim St. Arnold, Ryan Anderson and Matt Moro.

Jake Peters recorded his second win in a row in the 360 sprint division after taking a third lap lead from Eric Mason. Lap one was a wild one as Peters and Mason split to each side of leader Tyler Thompson as they exited turn four. The 16-year-old Thompson ran hard at the front end of the race but would wreck on lap nine after running up over a tire.

A yellow flag on lap four and then a red flag on the ensuing restart when John Schulz made hard contact with the turn four fence slowed the early portion of the race. The contest continued another four laps when the final red flew for the Thompson incident. All the while Peters seemed to have the field covered.

When the race was ten laps in the books, fourth row starter Joe Beaver came into the picture and took the runner-up spot. Beaver stayed amazingly close to the leader but could never get the lucky break that sometimes happens in racing. When Peters flew by the checkered flag in his self-owned Eagle at the end of 15 circuits on this half-mile oval, Beaver was only two car lengths behind.

Third went to John Kearney, fourth was claimed by Dustin Lindquist and Jeff Mitrison drove from deep in the pack to record fifth. Mason, Frankie Heimbaugh who started beside Mitrison, Troy Meyer, Stacy Alexander another deep starter and Josh Schneiderman completed the top ten finishers.

410 Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (10) 15.048; 2. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (30) 15.103; 3. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (14) 15.113; 4. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (28) 15.179; 5. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (1) 15.198; 6. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (5) 15.214; 7. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (27) 15.215; 8. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (11) 15.256; 9. 55, Blake Feese, Saybrook, IL (22) 15.299; 10. 81, Randy Anderson, Clarion, IA (4) 15.304; 11. 10, Ricky Logan, Little Rock, AR (24) 15.309; 12. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (15) 15.355; 13. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (8) 15.423; 14. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (19) 15.435; 15. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (26) 15.453; 16. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (29) 15.455; 17. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (18) 15.466; 18. 9, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (12) 15.579; 19. 5J, Larry Ball Jr., Knoxville, IA (20) 15.665; 20. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (3) 15.821; 21. 15s, Jerrel Slinkard, Melcher-Dallas, IA (23) 15.825; 22. 2m, Joey Moughan, Springfield, IL (25) 15.845; 23. 1m, Jim Moughan, Springfield, IL (16) 15.876; 24. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (7) 15.897; 25. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (6) 15.984; 26. 1A, Gordy Vogelaar, Worthington, MN (2) 16.043; 27. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (9) 16.109; 28. 03, Dave Saffell, Pleasantville, IA (21) 16.274; 29. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA (13) 16.297; 30. 71, Robert Bell, Colfax, IA (17) 17.710.

Heat one (started), 8 laps, 2:06.6: 1. Matt Moro (1) 2. Jesse Giannetto (2) 3. Bronson Maeschen (4) 4. Calvin Landis (5) 5. Dusty Zomer (6) 6. Randy Anderson (3) / 7. Larry Ball Jr. (7) 8. Joey Moughan (8) 9. Greg Jones (9) 10. Dave Saffell (10)

Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:11.2: 1. Ryan Anderson (2) 2. Ricky Logan (3) 3. Lynton Jeffrey (5) 4. Billy Alley (6) 5. Tim St. Arnold (4) 6. Tony Shilling (7) / 7. Tyler Houseman (10) 8. Kaley Gharst (1) 9. Jim Moughan (8) 10. Gordy Vogelaar (9)

Heat three (started), 8 laps, 2:08.2: 1. Chad Meyer (3) 2. Blake Feese (4) 3. Rager Phillips (1) 4. Skip Jackson (6) 5. Chris Walraven (2) 6. Brian Brown (9) / 7. Clint Garner (5) 8. Mike Moore (8) 9. Jerrel Slinkard (7) 10. Robert Bell (10)

B main (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. Clint Garner (1) 2. Jerrel Slinkard (2) / 3. Joey Moughan (5) 4. Mike Moore (7) 5. Tyler Houseman (6) 6. Robert Bell (4) 7. Larry Ball Jr. (3) DNS – Kaley Gharst, Jim Moughan, Greg Jones, Gordy Vogelaar, Dave Saffell



A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Billy Alley (7) 2. Lynton Jeffrey (4) 3. Brian Brown (18) 4. Clint Garner (19) 5. Calvin Landis (5) 6. Skip Jackson (6) 7. Dusty Zomer (8) 8. Tim St. Arnold (2) 9. Ryan Anderson (13) 10. Matt Moro (15) 11. Chris Walraven (14) 12. Bronson Maeschen (3) 13. Randy Anderson (9) 14. Ricky Logan (10) 15. Tony Shilling (17) 16. Jesse Giannetto (12) 17. Blake Feese (1) 18. Jerrel Slinkard (20) 19. Chad Meyer (11) 20. Rager Phillips (16). **Lap Leaders:** Feese 1; Jeffrey 2-19; Alley 20.

360 Results

Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 11m, Troy Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (1*) 2. B29, Eric Mason, Knoxville, IA (2*) 3. 10, Jeff Mitrison, Oskaloosa, IA (5*) 4. 2, John Schulz, West Burlington, IA (4*) 5. 6, Mitchell Alexander, Knoxville, IA (9) 6. 5G, Brett Golik, Newton, IA (8) 7. 8L, Tom Lenz, Marion, IA (7) 8. 56, Davey Heskin, St. Michael, MN (6) DNS – 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (3)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:56.9: 1. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS (1*) 2. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (3*) 3. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (4*) 4. Y2, Mike Houseman, Norwalk, IA (5*) 5. 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS (6) 6. 14, Randy Martin, California, MO (8) 7. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (2) DNS – 15, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (7)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:57.3: 1. 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (2*) 2. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (1) 3. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (3*) 4. 00, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (5*) 5. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (4) 6. 20, Luke Cranston, Ness City, KS (8) 7. 3, Nate Van Haften, Otley, IA (6) 8. 65, Danny Heskin, St. Michael, MN (7)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:57.7: 1. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (3*) 2. 2T, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA (1*) 3. 22N, Nate Mosher, Prairie City, IA (4*) 4. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (5*) 5. 4G, John Anderson, Des Moines, IA (2) 6. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (7) 7. 7, Dustin Selvage, Indianola, IA (6) 8. 77, Terry Alexander, Knoxville, IA (8)

B main (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. Pete Crall (2) 2. Alan Zoutte (4) 3. Mike Houseman Jr. (10) 4. Johnny Anderson (8) / 5. Dustin Selvage (12) 6. Tom Lenz (9) 7. Nate Van Haften (11) 8. Luke Cranston (5) 9. John Anderson (6) 10. Davey Heskin (13) 11. Danny Heskin (13) 12. Randy Martin (7) 13. Mitchell Alexander (1) 14. Brett Golik (3) 15. Terry Alexander (15) 16. Jon Corbin (16) DNS – Josh Higday



A main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Jake Peters (2) 2. Joe Beaver (8) 3. John Kearney (5) 4. Dustin Lindquist (7) 5. Jeff Mitrison (11) 6. Eric Mason (3) 7. Frankie Heimbaugh (12) 8. Troy Meyer (6) 9. Stacey Alexander (14) 10. Josh Schneiderman (9) 11. David Hall (15) 12. Johnny Anderson (20) 13. Nate Mosher (10) 14. Mike Houseman (13) 15. Mike Houseman Jr. (19) 16. Brett Mather (4) 17. Pete Crall (17) 18. Alan Zoutte (18) 19. Tyler Thompson (1) 20. John Schulz (16). **Lap Leaders:** Mason 1-2; Peters 3-15.

7/8/06

Brown, Antill, Higday and Mitrison all win features at Knoxville

by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - July 8 - Twin Features night at Knoxville Raceway saw Brian Brown, Brent Antill, Josh Higday and Jeff Mitrison all become victors at this central Iowa county fairgrounds Saturday night.

In the first 410 feature, Brian Brown utilized his pole position start to grab the early lead. Behind him Ricky Logan and Bronson Maeschen picked up the chase with Billy Alley in tow. With the track showing a narrow groove, most drivers found the fastest way around the big half mile to be the cushion. And, with nothing left on the bottom it was only a matter of time before the slide jobs began.

Lap four saw Alley slide Maeschen in turns one and two for the third spot while Brown cruised out to a 15 car-length advantage. Lap seven saw Brown head into lap traffic as no one was going to challenge "Brownie" on this night.

The race came to an abrupt halt with a single car accident on lap nine. Matt Moro had lost a wheel which bounded over the first turn fence while his sprinter took a couple quick tumbles. He was not injured but his car rode the tow hook to the pits.

When the race resumed, Brown once again pulled away from the field. The up front battle was for second as Alley continued to challenge Logan, who was aboard the vacated Kerry Madsen ride. Lap after lap those two drivers battled until Alley made a pass at the flag stand on lap eighteen.

In the end, it was Brown taking his fifth career win here in the WiseGuy Motorsports Maxim by a full straightaway. The win paid the Missouri driver \$2,200. Alley and Logan finished in that order while Maeschen captured a career finish in fourth. Skip Jackson held down fifth.

The second feature inverted the finish of the first as Brent Antill took the lead at the start. One could truly say that it was Antill's first 410 start of the year and the veteran powered the Jordan Brothers sprinter around the Knoxville track riding high on the cushion. His initial challenger was Chris Walraven who soon started going backwards in the pack of twenty starters.

Lap six saw Dusty Zomer move into the runner-up spot as both Walraven and Rager Phillips began their fall to the tail. That allowed Jesse Giannetto and Clint Garner to secure the chase of Zomer and Antill.

At the half-way point, Antill could claim only a four car-length advantage. Three laps later Garner made a pass of Giannetto while two more laps saw Alley do the same. With most of the front runners on the cushion it was easy to see if someone was making headway in the field. Suddenly on lap seventeen Antill faltered on the backstretch and Zomer moved by him for the lead. As this was happening Alley put a big slider on Garner for third. Just after this quartet of cars flashed past the start-finish line, the yellow was displayed for a stopped car on the track.

During this slowdown in action, Zomer, the leader, came to the work area with a flat left rear tire. This would

force him to restart on the tail giving the lead back to Antill.

Antill was able to fend off Alley in the final laps to capture his 9th career win here at Knoxville. Alley held for second, Garner was third and Giannetto came across for fourth. Brown, the winner of the first feature finished fifth.

In the first 360 feature it looked like David Hall would garner his first win at this historical oval. Hall took the lead at the outset and created a nice cushion between himself and runner-up Dustin Lindquist. Behind those two a fight broke out between Johnny Anderson and Josh Higday.

It stayed that way until lap nine when Hall came into lap traffic and nearly got sideways trying to miss one of them. That enabled Lindquist to make up ground rapidly on the leader and at the same time gave Higday an opportunity to get past Anderson. And, with just two laps to go, it looked like it would finish that way. But, anyone who follows racing knows that anything can happen.

Lap 14 saw John Anderson (no relation to Johnny Anderson) strike the turn two fence bringing out the red flag. A second red was displayed on the ensuing restart as Troy Meyer and Mike Houseman, Sr. crashed in turn four. Houseman went into the Knoxville Area Community Hospital but later returned to the track.

When the race finally took the green again, Higday made a low groove pass of Lindquist in turns three and four and on that same lap he also got by Hall by a hair at the flag stand. With the track clear in front of him, Higday roared away for the win. Hall was runner-up, a career best and Lindquist finished third. Fourth went to Jake Peters as Johnny Anderson was fifth.

The completely inverted second feature saw Mike Trent take the quick lead when the 15-lap race went green. He was trailed by Jon Corbin and Jeff Mitrison.

A series of red flags ensued on lap three as first Joe Beaver and Johnny Anderson came together on the backstretch. Beaver came to the work area but Anderson was done for the night. On the restart Pete Crall somehow spun backwards bringing out the red when it appeared he would tip over. He did not. During this halt in action, Higday retired with brake problems and Beaver was able to make the necessary repairs to re-enter the event.

Once restarted, the race went five more laps before it saw the final caution. The lead had changed hands right before that and now belonged to Jeff Mitrison. Once Mitrison took the top spot he set his Steve Wares-owned sprinter into high gear and was never challenged for the lead. In the end, as Mitrison took the checkered flags, second place Mike Trent was entering turn three. That margin was perhaps the greatest winning distance of the season here in either division. Third went to John Kearney, fourth to Corbin and Brett Mather took fifth.

410 Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (17) 14.827; 2. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (7) 14.831; 3. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (28) 14.838; 4. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (11) 14.884; 5. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (21) 14.888; 6. 55, Ricky Logan, Little Rock, AR (6) 14.892; 7. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (27) 14.921; 8. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (1) 14.948; 9. 10, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (19) 14.997; 10. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (12) 15.022; 11. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (16) 15.037; 12. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (13) 15.050; 13. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (29) 15.103; 14. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (18) 15.170; 15. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (23) 15.175; 16. 5J, Larry Ball Jr., Knoxville, IA (8) 15.265; 17. 83s, Larry Neighbors, Oklahoma City, OK (25) 15.291; 18. 1, Brent Antill, Ankeny, IA (24) 15.296; 19. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (3) 15.328; 20. 15s, Jerrel Slinkard, Melcher-Dallas, IA (9) 15.433; 21. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (26) 15.460; 22. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (2) 15.466; 23. 47T,

Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (22) 15.700; 24. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (15) 15.849; 25. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA (4) 15.876; 26. 03, Dave Saffell, Pleasantville, IA (10) 16.167; 27. 71, Robert Bell, Colfax, IA (20) 17.140; 28. 7m, Michael Strader, Rock Island, IL (5) 17.513; 29. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (14) NT.

Heat one (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Matt Moro (2) 2. Dusty Zomer (4) 3. Brian Brown (6) 4. Tim St. Arnold (3) 5. Chad Meyer (10) 6. Chris Walraven (5) 7. Larry Ball Jr. (1) 8. Jerrel Slinkard (7) 9. Tony Shilling (8) 10. Dave Saffell (9)

Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:04.9: 1. Skip Jackson (4) 2. Jesse Giannetto (2) 3. Brent Antill (1) 4. Bronson Maeschen (6) 5. Calvin Landis (5) 6. Ryan Anderson (3) / 7. Mike Moore (8) 8. Larry Neighbors (10) 9. Robert Bell (9) 10. Trevor Green (7)

Heat three (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Clint Garner (2) 2. Kaley Gharst (1) 3. Billy Alley (6) 4. Rager Phillips (4) 5. Lynton Jeffrey (3) 6. Ricky Logan (5) / 7. Greg Jones (7) 8. Michael Strader (9) 9. Tyler Houseman (8)

B main (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Larry Ball Jr. (1) 2. Jerrel Slinkard (2) / 3. Greg Jones (4) 4. Tony Shilling (3) 5. Robert Bell (5) 6. Michael Strader (7) 7. Mike Moore (6) 8. Dave Saffell (8) DNS – Trevor Green, Tyler Houseman, Larry Neighbors



A main #1 (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Brian Brown (1) 2. Billy Alley (3) 3. Ricky Logan (6) 4. Bronson Maeschen (2) 5. Skip Jackson (8) 6. Calvin Landis (5) 7. Kaley Gharst (17) 8. Jesse Giannetto (14) 9. Clint Garner (15) 10. Dusty Zomer (7) 11. Tim St. Arnold (10) 12. Chad Meyer (18) 13. Ryan Anderson (11) 14. Rager Phillips (9) 15. Larry Ball Jr. (19) 16. Chris Walraven (4) 17. Brent Antill (16) 18. Lynton Jeffrey (12) 19. Matt Moro (13) 20. Jerrel Slinkard (20). **Lap Leader:** Brown 1-20



A main #2 (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Brent Antill (1) 2. Billy Alley (16) 3. Clint Garner (9) 4. Jesse Giannetto (10) 5. Brian Brown (17) 6. Skip Jackson (13) 7. Kaley Gharst (11) 8. Lynton Jeffrey (18) 9. Ryan Anderson (5) 10. Calvin Landis (12) 11. Chad Meyer (6) 12. Tim St. Arnold (7) 13. Bronson Maeschen (14) 14. Greg Jones (20, alt.) 15. Ricky Logan (15) 16. Chris Walraven (2) 17. Dusty Zomer (8) 18. Larry Ball Jr. (3) 19. Rager Phillips (4) 20. Jerrel Slinkard (19). **Lap Leaders:** Antill 1-16; Zomer 17; Antill 18-20.

360 Results

Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (1*) 2. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (2*) 3. 15, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (3*) 4. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (6*) 5. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (7) 6. 00, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (5) 7. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (6) 8. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (4) DNS - 5, Rod Richards, Runnells, IA (9)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (2*) 2. 22N, Nate Mosher, Prairie City, IA (1*) 3. B29, Eric Mason, Knoxville, IA (4*) 4. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS (6*) 5. 10, Jeff Mitrison, Oskaloosa, IA (8*) 6. 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS (7) 7. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (3) 8. 3, Nate Van Haaften, Otley, IA (5)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. Y2, Mike Houseman, Norwalk, IA (1*) 2. 11m, Troy Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (3*) 3. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (8*) 4. 5G, Brett Golik, Newton, IA (6*) 5. 6, Mitchell Alexander, Knoxville, IA (2) 6. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (4) 7. 2T, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA (7) DNS - 7, Dustin Selvage, Indianola, IA (5)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:56.6: 1. 8L, Tom Lenz, Marion, IA (1*) 2. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (6*) 3. 2, Mike Trent, Rocheport, MO (3*) 4. 56, Davey Heskin, St. Michael, MN (2) 5. 4G, John Anderson, Des Moines, IA (5) 6. 22, Dustin Barks, Farmington, MO (8) 7. 77, Terry Alexander, Knoxville, IA (4) 8. 65, Danny Heskin, St. Michael, MN (7)

B main (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. Joe Beaver (1) 2. Dustin Barks (3) 3. Pete Crall (6) 4. John Anderson (4) / 5. Mike Houseman Jr. (8) 6. Frankie Heimbaugh (7) 7. Josh Schneiderman (9) 8. Nate Van Haaften (10) 9. Davey Heskin (2) 10. Danny Heskin (11) 11. Stacey Alexander (5) DNS - Mitchell Alexander, Alan Zoutte, Tyler Thompson, Terry Alexander, Rod Richards, Dustin Selvage



A main #1 (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Josh Higday (8) 2. David Hall (1) 3. Dustin Lindquist (2) 4. Jake Peters (5) 5. Johnny Anderson (3) 6. Eric Mason (10) 7. John Kearney (13) 8. Joe Beaver (17) 9. Nate Mosher (9) 10. Brett Mather (12) 11. Tom Lenz (6) 12. Jeff Mitrisin (16) 13. Jon Corbin (11) 14. Pete Crall (19) 15. Mike Trent (15) 16. Brett Golik (14) 17. Mike Houseman (4) 18. Troy Meyer (7) 19. John Anderson (20) 20. Dustin Barks (18). **Lap Leaders:** David Hall 1-13; Higday 14-15.



A main #2 (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Jeff Mitrisin (5) 2. Mike Trent (2) 3. John Kearney (10) 4. Jon Corbin (4) 5. Brett Mather (7) 6. Nate Mosher (8) 7. Jake Peters (13) 8. Joe Beaver (9) 9. Dustin Lindquist (14) 10. Eric Mason (11) 11. David Hall (15) 12. Josh Schneiderman (20, alt.) 13. Pete Crall (3) 14. Frankie Heimbaugh (19, alt.) 15. Tom Lenz (6) 16. Dustin Barks (17) 17. Mike Houseman Jr. (18, alt.) 18. Brett Golik (1) 19. Josh Higday (16) 20. Johnny Anderson (12) DNS – Mike Houseman, Troy Meyer, John Anderson. **Lap Leaders:** Trent 1-5; Mitrisin 6-15.

7/15/06

Jackson Skips to Fair Win; Anderson is Johnny on the Spot

by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - July 15 - Skip Jackson and Johnny Anderson each took feature event wins during the annual Marion County Fair at Knoxville Raceway Saturday night. In addition to their earnings, each driver earned a half a beef and a half a hog courtesy of the Marion County Fairboard.

Jackson garnered his 24th career feature event win in a 20-lap race that nearly went the distance without stoppage. He was paid \$3,000 for his efforts.

Starting on the pole of the 24-car field, Jackson took the immediate lead with a great start. Billy Alley pulled in behind him with Larry Pinegar II in third. By lap five those top three had separated from the pack.

With track conditions being much drier than normal, the turns had taken rubber by the 360 division feature. This being the case, most drivers ran the bottom of the big half mile where their cars stuck like glue.

By lap nine Jackson had moved into lap traffic. One more lap saw him place one of those cars between himself and Alley. With this slight buffer, Alley was not able to make any challenges on Jackson.

As the race edged past the fifteenth lap, the yellow was displayed when Bronson Maeschen exploded a left-rear tire and backed into the turn four fence. He did not restart.

With five laps to go, Jackson again led the field of sprinters to the green. Alley continued his chase but with the track making passing difficult he was unable to make a bid for the lead. Just as Jackson took the checkered flag in his J & S Autosports J & J, fifth place runner Brian Brown lost a right-rear tire in turn four. The crippled Brown made an agonizing effort to bring his sprinter to the finish line but he had lost twelve positions. He had also lost the lead in the season-long points chase as second place Alley took that spot by 20 markers.

Pinegar held for third and Clint Garner came across the stripe in fourth. Calvin Landis finished fifth. Rounding out the top ten finishers were Jesse Giannetto, Dusty Zomer, Trevor Green, Tim St. Arnold and Ryan Anderson.

The feature event for the 360 division saw front row starter Johnny Anderson take his fifth career win at this central Iowa track. Anderson, who led all but lap four of the fifteen-lap feature utilized the bottom of the big half-mile oval to keep Josh Higday at bay.

Throughout the race Higday would try the cushion, which had finally settled near the big Knoxville fences, but in the end he began to chase Anderson on the bottom where the rubber had been laid down.

It was basically a race between Anderson and Higday as the runner-up had all the moves but never enough to get around the leader. At the end of ten laps Higday trailed by only one car length. A couple laps later Anderson had stretched the margin to a wide gap as Higday became hindered by lap traffic.

At the end of the 15-lap race, Anderson could claim a win over his rival by ten car lengths. Joe Beaver, a fifth row starter drove a steady race and finished third, defending track champion Jake Peters was fourth and Jeff Mitrison took fifth. Dustin Lindquist, David Hall, Bret Mather, Stacy Alexander and B Main winner John Kearney rounded out the top ten finishers.

410 Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (5) 15.243; 2. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (1) 15.283; 3. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (3) 15.291; 4. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (12) 15.353; 5. 81, Randy Anderson, Clarion, IA (7) 15.417; 6. 7N, Larry Pinegar II, Des Moines, IA (16)

15.608; 7. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (19) 15.621; 8. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (28) 15.648; 9. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (31) 15.675; 10. 86, Eric Vanderploeg, Altoona, IA (8) 15.756; 11. 2m, Joey Moughan, Springfield, IL (2) 15.786; 12. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (23) 15.787; 13. 13, Mark Dobmeier, Grand Forks, ND (6) 15.842; 14. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (4) 15.896; 15. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (18) 15.921; 16. 10, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (22) 15.953; 17. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (29) 16.096; 18. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (21) 16.126; 19. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (13) 16.177; 20. 15s, Jerrel Slinkard, Melcher-Dallas, IA (11) 16.207; 21. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (26) 16.219; 22. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (24) 16.265; 23. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (14) 16.338; 24. 1, Brent Antill, Ankeny, IA (30) 16.418; 25. 55K, Ian Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (25) 16.423; 26. 55, Ricky Logan, Little Rock, AR (27) 16.611; 27. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (9) 16.798; 28. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (17) 16.871; 29. 03, Dave Saffell, Pleasantville, IA (20) 17.531; 30. 71, Robert Bell, Colfax, IA (10) 17.944; 31. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (15) NT.

Heat one (started), 8 laps, 2:18.4: 1. Billy Alley (2) 2. Calvin Landis (4) 3. Rager Phillips (1) 4. Eric Vanderploeg (3) 5. Lynton Jeffrey (6) 6. Tim St. Arnold (7) / 7. Bronson Maeschen (5) 8. Mike Moore (8) 9. Ian Madsen (9) 10. Greg Jones (10) DNS – Mark Dobmeier

Heat two (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Ryan Anderson (2) 2. Skip Jackson (4) 3. Dusty Zomer (6) 4. Trevor Green (1) 5. Matt Moro (8) 6. Ricky Logan (9) / 7. Randy Anderson (5) 8. Joey Moughan (3) 9. Jerrel Slinkard (7) 10. Dave Saffell (10)

Heat three (started), 8 laps, 2:21.3: 1. Chad Meyer (1) 2. Jesse Giannetto (3) 3. Brian Brown (4) 4. Kaley Gharst (2) 5. Clint Garner (6) 6. Larry Pinegar II (5) / 7. Chris Walraven (7) 8. Brent Antill (8) 9. Tony Shilling (9) 10. Robert Bell (10)

B main (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. Bronson Maeschen (1) 2. Mark Dobmeier (4) / 3. Brent Antill (7) 4. Randy Anderson (2) 5. Joey Moughan (3) 6. Mike Moore (10) 7. Jerrel Slinkard (5) 8. Chris Walraven (6) 9. Ian Madsen (8) 10. Greg Jones (13) 11. Robert Bell (12) 12. Tony Shilling (9) 13. Dave Saffell (11)



A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Skip Jackson (1) 2. Billy Alley (2) 3. Larry Pinegar II (3) 4. Clint Garner (4) 5. Calvin Landis (6) 6. Jesse Giannetto (9) 7. Dusty Zomer (5) 8. Trevor Green (13) 9. Tim St. Arnold (15) 10. Ryan Anderson (10) 11. Chad Meyer (14) 12. Mark Dobmeier (20) 13. Matt Moro (17) 14. Rager Phillips (12) 15. Eric Vanderploeg (8) 16. Ricky Logan (18) 17. Brian Brown (7) 18. Kaley Gharst (11) 19. Bronson Maeschen (19) 20. Lynton Jeffrey (16). **Lap Leader:** Jackson 1-20.

360 Results

Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 2:02.4: 1. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (1*) 2. 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (5*) 3. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (7*) 4. B29, Eric Mason, Knoxville, IA (2*) 5. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (3) 6. 5J, Larry Ball Jr., Knoxville, IA (8) 7. 2, Mike Trent, Rocheport, MO (6) 8. 3, Nate Van Haaften, Otley, IA (4)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 2:06.0: 1. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (2*) 2. 00, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (4*) 3. 11m, Troy Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (5*) 4. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA (8*) 5. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (3) 6. 65, Danny Heskin, St. Michael, MN (7) 7. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (1) 8. 5, Rod Richards, Runnells, IA (6)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 2:01.8: 1. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (2*) 2. 10, Jeff Mitrisin, Oskaloosa, IA (3*) 3. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (5*) 4. 22N, Nate Mosher, Prairie City, IA (4*) 5. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS (7) 6. 15, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (6) 7. 7c, Chris Morgan, Topeka, KS (8) 8. 56, Davey Heskin, St. Michael, MN (1)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 2:05.4: 1. 8L, Tom Lenz, Marion, IA (2*) 2. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (3*) 3. 5G, Brett Golik, Newton, IA (1*) 4. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (6*) 5. 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS (7) 6. 48, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA (4) 7. 4G, John Anderson, Des Moines, IA (5)

B main (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. John Kearney (1) 2. Pete Crall (2) 3. Josh Schneiderman (3) 4. Jon Corbin (7) / 5. Mike Trent (8) 6. Mike Houseman Jr. (11) 7. Davey Heskin (12) 8. Tyler Thompson (6) 9. Nate Van Haaften (13) 10. Rod Richards (10) 11. Danny Heskin (4) 12. Alan Zoutte (5) 13. Chris Morgan (9) DNS - Larry Ball Jr., John Anderson



A main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Johnny Anderson (2) 2. Josh Higday (1) 3. Joe Beaver (9) 4. Jake Peters (4) 5. Jeff Mitrisin (8) 6. Dustin Lindquist (6) 7. David Hall (5) 8. Brett Mather (14) 9. Stacey Alexander (7) 10. John Kearney (17) 11. Nate Mosher (16) 12. Frankie Heimbaugh (12) 13. Jon Corbin (20) 14. Troy Meyer (10) 15. Josh Schneiderman (19) 16. Tom Lenz (3) 17. Brett Golik (13) 18. Tyler Houseman (11) 19. Eric Mason (15) 20. Pete Crall (18). **Lap Leaders:** Johnny Anderson 1-3; Higday 4-5; Johnny Anderson 6-15.

7/20/06

Hedrick is 15th Harris Clash Winner

by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - July 20 - Jeremie Hedrick of Shawano, Wisconsin is \$2,000 richer as a result of winning the 15th annual Harris Clash at Knoxville Raceway Thursday night. The race was an IMCA sanctioned event.

The first several laps were wild as first Dave Trauernicht led lap one from his pole position start. Third row starter Hedrick took lap two with Trauernicht and Kevin Stoa coming across the line in a blanket finish for second. Lap three saw Stoa with the lead as he shot out of turn four on the low side to pick off the top spot. A yellow flag then brought the field of 28 cars into single file and temporarily ended the fight for the lead.

On the restart Stoa placed his modified on the bottom of this half-mile dirt oval and claimed the point position on the next two go-arounds. Lap six was nearly a carbon copy of lap five but this time Hedrick roared out of turn four on the bottom and shot down the front chute with the lead. As he roared into turn three of that lap, he somehow became crossed up in the mid-track. At this same time a close running Stoa slammed into Hedrick but each car managed to keep running with what could be perceived as only cosmetic damage. None the less, Stoa captured that lap and the next five as well.

Little by little Hedrick began to creep back into contention and as he and Stoa to the flag ending lap twelve, there was only a half car length separating the two. On the next circuit Hedrick had the lead at the start finish line by 15 feet. While this action was taking place for the lead, Trauernicht remained close but was not a contender at this time.

At lap 15 it must be noted that Johnny Saathoff had moved to seventh after starting 20th.

With Hedrick beginning to put some distance between himself and those who followed, a great battle for the runner-up spot developed among Stoa, Trauernicht, Jeff Anderson and Rick Stephan. Positions two through five changed often as the laps began to wind down. Saathoff soon came into the mix as he was perhaps the fastest car on the track.

Laps 20 to the end of the race saw Hedrick extend his margin and when he took the checkered flag, second place Trauernicht was beginning his exit of turn four. Third went to Stephan, Anderson garnered fourth and Saathoff took the fifth spot. Rounding out the top ten finishers were Brian Mullen, Stoa, defending champion Greg Metz, Bill Osbourne and Troy Cordes.

In the companion Sport Modified feature, Jacob Murray of Hartford, Iowa led the 15-lap distance to capture the \$500 paycheck. Murray held the lead all the way despite two slow-down yellows. Andy Tiernon, Brett Ladehoff, Ryan Lundy and Austin Kaplan formed the top five finishers.

IMCA Modified Harris Clash Results

Heat one, 8 laps, NT: 1. 98, Kevin Stoa, Polk City, IA 2. 05, Mike Mashl, DePere, WI / 3. 8x, Scott Olson, Ellsworth, IA 4. 43, Brian Foote, Essex, IA 5. 14R, Rod Scheuermann, Scranton, IA 6. 62, Greg Cox, Altoona, IA 7. 25T, Paul Thorpe, New London, WI 8. 34x, Jon Snyder, Ames, IA 9. 57, Denny Stoneburner, Boone, IA 10. 99m, Tim Murty, Tama, IA 11. 21D, Daniel Drury, Eldora, IA

Heat two, 8 laps, NT: 1. 69, Mark Elliott, Webster City, IA 2. 16, Reese Coffee, Hinton, IA / 3. 3z, Randy Havlik, Cedar Rapids, IA 4. 1x, Bill Davis Jr., Des Moines, IA 5. 75, Clint Wendel, Mason City, IA 6. 3, Matt Corporon 7. 10B, Dan Banker, Mitchellville, IA 8. 38, Rick Huff, Monroe, IA 9. 44, Scotty Brown, Seagoville, TX 10. 96JP, Jeremy Payne, Cave City, AR

Heat three, 8 laps, 3:06.8: 1. 25, Ricky Stephan, South Sioux City, NE 2. 5m, Jason Murray, Hartford, IA / 3. 4ord, Bob Sutherland, Blairsburg, IA 4. 1cc, Clayton Christensen, Spencer, IA 5. 12H, Mike Hansen, Alton, IA 6. 7, Jeremy Tibben, Stanton, IA 7. 83G, Josh Gilman, Van Meter, IA 8. 92, Jeff Stephens, Dow City, IA 9. 1, TJ Stalker, Mason City, IA 10. 21, Kendall Sather, Ankeny, IA 11. 57B, Dennis Betzer, Central City, IA

Heat four, 8 laps, 3:04.1: 1. c19, Jeremie Hedrick, Shawano, WI 2. 12, Bill Osbahr, Avoca, IA / 3. 77x, Dean Wray, Trenton, MO 4. 47, Josh Truman, Indianola, IA 5. 4P, Skeeter Paris, Boone, IA 6. 77, Jack Larson, Creston, IA 7. 55, Greg Querry, Bethany, MO 8. 11J, Jim Brown, Altoona, IA 9. 77w, Cory Wray, Jamesport, MO 10. 74, Clint Hatlestad, Glencoe, MN

Heat five, 8 laps, 3:01.1: 1. 10, Jeremy Mills, Garner, IA 2. 23, JJ Scott, Dallas Center, IA / 3. 5T, Todd Inman, Runnells, IA 4. 1m, Scott Mullen, Seymour, IA 5. 22BW, Brad Williams, Lytton, IA 6. 80, Josh Pruitt, Dexter, IA 7. 19, Jimmy Gustin, Marshalltown, IA 8. 43s, Scott Simatovich, State Center, IA 9. 37, Tyler Pemble, Scranton, IA 10. 02, John Davis, Altoona, IA 11. 7D, Dusty Leonard, Marysville, KS

Heat six, 8 laps, 3:07.0: 1. 2x, Mike O'Lear, Marshalltown, IA 2. 58, Curt Badker, Clear Lake, IA / 3. 72, Brian Mullen, Seymour, IA 4. 18, Jake Durbin, Perry, IA 5. 33m, Mike Molle, Glidden, IA 6. 1K, Pat Graham, Ames, IA 7. 15x, Scott Baker, Boone, IA 8. 22I, Jeff Ignaszewski, Wells, MN 9. 98x, Jason Snyder, Dunkerton, IA 10. 19G, Richie Gustin, Marshalltown, IA

Heat seven, 8 laps, 3:03.6: 1. 45, Dave Trauernicht, Beatrice, NE 2. 7N, Joey Noteboom / 3. 5, Todd Shute, Des Moines, IA 4. 71, Troy Cordes, Raymond, IA 5. 70, Jerry King, Waterloo, IA 6. 5L, Todd Luther, Laurel, IA 7. 44G, Randy Grimmatt, Lathrop, MO 8. 22, Charlie McKenna, Clear Lake, IA 9. 82, Joe McBirnie, Boone, IA 10. 2L, Adam Larson, Ames, IA

Heat eight, 8 laps, 3:02.6: 1. 78, Jeff Anderson, Atlantic, IA 2. 29, Greg Metz, Washington, KS / 3. 55x, Jim Cole, Sioux City, IA 4. 25x, Keith Schmitz, Swaledale, IA 5. 96J, Johnny Saathoff, Beatrice, NE 6. c191, Chris Wilke, Urbandale, IA 7. E18, Jake Elmquist, Ogden, IA 8. 28, Chad McWhirter 9. 20T, Mike Tanner, Kansas City, MO 10. 49T, Tim Stevens, Cedar Rapids, IA

B main #1, 10 laps, 3:59.6: 1. Randy Havlik 2. Bill Davis Jr. 3. Rick Gustin / 4. Brian Foote 5. Jeremy Payne 6. Matt Corporon 7. Clint Wendel 8. Paul Thorpe 9. Dan Banker 10. Scott Olson 11. Jon Snyder 12. Rod Scheuermann 13. Greg Cox 14. Rick Huff 15. Denny Stoneburner 16. Scotty Brown 17. Daniel Drury

B main #2, 10 laps, NT: 1. Josh Truman 2. Dean Wray 3. Mike Hansen / 4. Skeeter Paris 5. Jeff Stephens 6. Bob Sutherland 7. Jeremy Tibben 8. Josh Gilman 9. Clayton Christensen 10. Kendall Sather 11. Greg Querry 12. Jack Larson 13. Dennis Betzer 14. Clint Hatlestad 15. TJ Stalker 16. Jim Brown 17. Cory Wray

B main #3, 10 laps, 4:02.6: 1. Brian Mullen 2. Todd Inman 3. Pat Graham / 4. Jeff Ignaszewski 5. Brad Williams 6. Scott Baker 7. Jake Durbin 8. Jimmy Gustin 9. Tyler Pemble 10. Mike Molle 11. Jason Snyder 12. Dusty Leonard 13. Scott Mullen 14. Josh Pruitt 15. Scott Simatovich 16. John Davis 17. Richie Gustin

B main #4, 10 laps, NT: 1. Johnny Saathoff 2. Troy Cordes 3. Todd Luther / 4. Mike Tanner 5. Jake Elmquist 6. Chad McWhirter 7. Randy Grimmatt 8. Todd Shute 9. Keith Schmitz 10. Charlie McKenna 11. Jerry King 12. Chris Wilke 13. Jim Cole 14. Tim Stevens 15. Adam Larson 16. Joe McBirnie



A main, 25 laps, NT: 1. Jeremie Hedrick 2. Dave Trauernicht 3. Ricky Stephan 4. Jeff Anderson 5. Johnny Saathoff 6. Brian Mullen 7. Kevin Stoa 8. Greg Metz 9. Bill Osbahr 10. Troy Cordes 11. Reese Coffee 12. Mike O'Leary 13. Joey Noteboom 14. Todd Inman 15. Curt Badker 16. Bill Davis Jr. 17. Dean Wray 18. Josh Truman 19. Mike Hansen 20. Randy Havlik 21. Pat Graham 22. JJ Scott 23. Todd Luther 24. Mike Mashl 25. Mark Elliott 26. Jeremy Mills 27. Jason Murray 28. Rick Gustin. **Lap Leaders:** Trauernicht 1; Hedrick 2; Stoa 3-5; Hedrick 6; Stoa 7-12; Hedrick 13-25.

Sport Modified Results

Sport Modified Heat one, 6 laps, 2:26.7: 1. 15m, Jacob Murray, Hartford, IA 2. 81D, Scott Davis, Boone, IA 3. 2, Dustin Dalton, Madrid, IA 4. 11, Jason Mallicoat, Boone, IA 5. 1c, Lyle Shepard 6. 69m, Greg Magsam, Gillette, WI 7. 38R, Ralph Risius 8. 14, Kyle Wahlert, Des Moines, IA 9. 63, Mike Whaley, Carlisle, IA

Sport Modified Heat two, 6 laps, 2:26.4: 1. 1, TJ Stalker, Mason City, IA 2. 3x, Brad Bricco, Shawano, WI 3. 8R, Randy Rudolph, Grand Junction, IA 4. 3, Matt Corporon 5. 30, Matt Pinegar, Des Moines, IA 6. H2O, Gary Stajcar, Bondurant, IA 7. 77, Jack Larson, Afton, IA 8. 20w, Keith Williamson, Maxwell, IA

Sport Modified Heat three, 6 laps, 2:28.6: 1. 3K, Ryan Lundy, Knoxville, IA 2. 24, Brian Miller, Grand Junction, IA 3. 12x, Brett Ladehoff, Marshalltown, IA 4. 88T, Chad Malone, Monroe, IA 5. 30w, Travis Wassenberg, Shawano, WI 6. 3xx, Scott Durlin, State Center, IA 7. 19T, Dean Taylor, Boone, IA 8. 57, Denny Stoneburner, Boone, IA



Sport Modified A main, 15 laps, NT: 1. Jacob Murray 2. Matt Corporon 3. Brett Ladehoff 4. Ryan Lundy 5. TJ Stalker 6. Jason Mallicoat 7. Lyle Shepard 8. Kyle Wahlert 9. Randy Rudolph 10. Scott Durlin 11. Travis Wassenberg 12. Dean Taylor 13. Denny Stoneburner 14. Mark Elliott 15. Rick Huff 16. Mike Whaley 17. Jack Larson 18. Gary Stajcar 19. Dustin Dalton 20. Scott Davis 21. Matt Pinegar 22. Chad Malone 23. Brad Bricco.
Lap Leader: Murray 1-15

7/21/06

Birkhofer Waits Till Late Race Pass to Win Lucas Oil Late Model Event

by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - July 21 - The Iowa Boy, Brian Birkhofer, showed some of the best late model drivers in the nation the fast way around the half-mile Marion County fairgrounds oval as he captured the Iowa Telecom Summer Classic Friday night. The win paid the Muscatine driver \$10,000.

In the end, the race would boil down to four drivers who had a chance at winning the event. The early going saw Jimmy Mars and Matt Miller dice with each other and exchange the lead until they hit the five mile mark. That is when Mars took the lead which he held for nearly the entire 50-lap distance.

A yellow for a stopped car on lap 13 was one of several slowdowns that brought an exciting race to calm and order. At this point Mars led Miller, Birkhofer, Scott Bloomquist, Don O'Neal, Donnie Moran and Earl Pearson, Jr.

When the race resumed, Mars was able to put some distance on his nearest challengers as Miller and Birkhofer battled for the runner-up spot. Bloomquist waited in the wings for either of those two to error as his mount held a close fourth.

At the end of seventeen laps the Miller-Birkhofer shootout came down to a blanket finish as they raced under the flag stand for second. When they raced out of turn two with Birkhofer on the high side, the eastern Iowa driver edged ahead to claim the second place position. Shortly thereafter two more yellow flags slowed the action as the race edged toward the half-way point.

When the race indeed hit the 25-lap mark, the fourth yellow of the race was shown for Moran who had slowed

to a near stop. During this caution, Steve Casebolt and Ronny Lee Hollingsworth also came pitside. None of the cars returned to the track.

The restart saw Mars, Birkhofer, Miller, Bloomquist, Darren Miller and Pearson, Jr. take the green in that order. Yet another yellow slowed those battles on the 28th go around. When the race again went green, Birkhofer began to chase Mars in close order. At the end of thirty laps only one car length separated those top two cars.

It was during this time that those three top running cars began to sort out what they felt were the fast lines around the Knoxville oval. Mars used the cushion in turns one and two and drove the bottom line in turns three and four. Birkhofer and Bloomquist drove the cushion at the high Knoxville fences all the way around. Little by little Birkhofer was able to pull away and was soon on the heels of Mars.

As the race edged toward the forty lap point, the leaders headed into heavy lap traffic. Bloomquist was able to get by Birkhofer for a lap but Birkhofer repaid the pass on the next go around. All the while, Birkhofer was gaining on the leader using his patience and Knoxville track savvy. When those two front runners flew past the start-finish line, it was a near dead heat and only the transponders told the name of Mars as the leader.

Having headed once again into turn one on the cushion, Birkhofer this time roared out of turn two with the lead on lap 42. Mars was ever so close but he was unable to thwart the Birkhofer momentum. In the remaining laps of this 25-mile sprint, Birkhofer was able to pull away and in the end he had mounted a margin of 15 car lengths at the checkered flags. Chasing him to the stripe were Mars, Bloomquist, Matt Miller, Darren Miller, O'Neal, Pearson, Jr., Chris Wall, Freddy Smith and Brady Smith.

A companion division of 305 winged sprints accompanied the Friday night program and saw 18-year-old Jonathan Cornell win the 15-lap feature. It was thought at press time that the win was Cornell's 13th of the season around the upper mid-west, one of the high marks for sprint wins in the nation.

Cornell did not take the lead until lap eight but once he had the point he walked away with the show. Trailing him to the checkers were Marty Stephenson, Tom Lenz, Matt Stephenson, Mark Widmar, Doug Bratrud, Kenny Potter, Nate Van Haaften, Kevin Tanner and Bob Thompson. Twenty-four cars started the feature event.

Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series RESULTS

Time Trials: 1. 15B, Brian Birkhofer, Muscatine, IA, 18.505; 2. F15, Justin Fegers, Mound, MN, 18.577; 3. 18H, Ronny Lee Hollingsworth, Northport, AL, 18.595; 4. 28, Jimmy Mars, Menomonie, WI, 18.611; 5. 32D, Darren Miller, Chadwick, IL, 18.641; 6. 2, Brady Smith, Solon Springs, WI, 18.658; 7. 71, Don O'Neal, Martinsville, IN, 18.749; 8. 99, Donnie Moran, Dresden, OH, 18.816; 9. 83, Scott James, Lawrenceburg, IN, 18.836; 10. c9, Steve Casebolt, Richmond, IN, 18.852; 11. 0, Scott Bloomquist, Mooresburg, TN, 18.892; 12. 7, Matt Miller, Arlington, OH, 18.939; 13. 00, Freddy Smith, Seymour, TN, 18.984; 14. 1, Earl Pearson Jr., Jacksonville, FL, 19.025; 14. 71w, Chris Wall, Holden, LA; 15. 25, Kerry Hansen, Spencer, WI, 19.078; 16. 11, Ace Ihm, Hazel Green, WI, 19.104; 17. 2J, Johnny Bone Jr., Pea Ridge, AR, 19.218; 18. 5E, Michael England, Glasgow, KY, 19.231; 19. 5J, Jay Johnson, West Burlington, IA, 19.273; 20. 25s, Chris Smyser, Lancaster, MO, 19.289; 21. 71m, Andrew McKay, Edina, MN, 19.290; 22. 51, Matt Furman, Iowa City, IA, 19.356; 23. 45DW, Denny Woodworth, Mendon, IL, 19.374; 24. 5m, Todd Shute, Des Moines, IA, 19.425; 25. 56, Chris Spieker, Massena, IA, 19.456; 26. 14, Boone McLaughlin, Mediapolis, IA, 19.635; 27. 99J, Johnny Johnson, West Burlington, IA, 19.766; 28. 2V, Ryan Vicker, Creston, IA, 19.900; 29. 1F, Jeff French, Waukee, IA, 20.074; 30. 22, Jill George, Cedar Falls, IA, 20.100; 31. 33P, Paul Glendenning, Mount Ayr, IA, 20.597; 32. 00F, Richard Foster, Holts Summit, MO, NT; 33. 44zo, Alonzo Grosse, Council Bluffs, IA, NT.

Heat one, 10 laps, 3:16.3: 1. Jimmy Mars 2. Don O'Neal 3. Brian Birkhofer 4. Steve Casebolt 5. Kerry Hansen / 6. Freddy Smith 7. Todd Shute 8. Andrew McKay 9. Johnny Johnson 10. Michael England 11. Jill George
DNS – Richard Foster

Heat two, 10 laps, 3:18.0: 1. Scott Bloomquist 2. Donnie Moran 3. Earl Pearson Jr. 4. Matt Furman 5. Ace Ihm / 6. Jay Johnson 7. Chris Spieker 8. Paul Glendenning 9. Ryan Vicker 10. Justin Fegers 11. Darren Miller

Heat three, 10 laps, 3:17.5: 1. Matt Miller 2. Brady Smith 3. Chris Wall 4. Ronny Lee Hollingsworth 5. Scott James / 6. Chris Smyser 7. Denny Woodworth 8. Boone McLaughlin 9. Johnny Bone Jr. 10. Jeff French 11. Alonzo Grosse

B main, 12 laps, NT: 1. Freddy Smith 2. Chris Spieker 3. Boone McLaughlin 4. Todd Shute 5. Darren Miller 6. Justin Fegers 7. Denny Woodworth / 8. Chris Smyser 9. Michael England 10. Paul Glendenning 11. Johnny Bone Jr. 12. Andrew McKay 13. Johnny Johnson 14. Ryan Vicker 15. Jeff French 16. Jill George 17. Jay Johnson 18. Alonzo Grosse



A main, 50 laps, NT: 1. Brian Birkhofer 2. Jimmy Mars 3. Scott Bloomquist 4. Matt Miller 5. Darren Miller 6. Don O'Neal 7. Earl Pearson Jr. 8. Chris Wall 9. Freddy Smith 10. Brady Smith 11. Justin Fegers 12. Boone McLaughlin 13. Todd Shute 14. Michael England (pr.) 15. Steve Ihm 16. Jay Johnson (pr.) 17. Scott James 18. Steve Casebolt 19. Ronny Lee Hollingsworth 20. Donnie Moran 21. Chris Spieker 22. Matt Furman 23. Denny Woodworth 24. Kerry Hansen. **Lap Leaders:** Mars 1; M. Miller 2-3; Mars 4-8; M. Miller 9. Mars 10-42; Birkhofer 43-50.

305 Results

Heat one, 6 laps, NT: 1. 11A, Bruce Anderson, Trimont, MN 2. 28, Jonathan Cornell, Sedalia, MO 3. 55P, Kenny Potter, Kansas City, MO 4. 55, Matt Stephenson, Altoona, IA 5. J6, Jack Potter, Kansas City, MO 6. 63, Nate Van Haften, Otley, IA 7. 3, Bob Thompson, Des Moines, IA 8. 47s, Bob Lamb, Mitchellville, IA 9. 11, Larry Webb, Ankeny, IA 10. 23K, Rob Kubli, Milo, IA 11. 5Y, Ryan Yager, Fenton, IA

Heat two, 6 laps, NT: 1. 6, Mitchell Alexander, Knoxville, IA 2. 66, Steve Breazeale, Trenton, MO 3. 36, Marty Stephenson, Mitchellville, IA 4. 7w, Mark Widmar, Ottumwa, IA 5. 8L, Tom Lenz, Strawberry Point, IA 6. 4, Todd Pankow, Trimont, MN 7. 33, Kevin Tanner, Russell, IA 8. 11s, Shadrach Spora, Iowa Falls, IA

Heat three, 6 laps, 1:58.7: 1. 0, Mike Mayberry, Fremont, IA 2. 71, Louis Lynch, Glenwood, MO 3. 55KC, Bob Hildreth, Iowa Falls, IA 4. 33A, Austin Alumbaugh, Higginsville, MO 5. 47, Adam Thurmer, Jackson, MN 6. 22s, Doug Bratrud, Jackson, MN 7. 4E, Jeff Edgington, Sioux Falls, SD 8. 34, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA



A main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Jonathan Cornell (4) 2. Marty Stephenson (8) 3. Tom Lenz (14) 4. Matt Stephenson (10) 5. Mark Widmar (11) 6. Doug Bratrud (18) 7. Kenny Potter (7) 8. Nate Van Haaften (16) 9. Kevin Tanner (20) 10. Bob Thompson (19) 11. Bruce Anderson (1) 12. Mike Mayberry (3) 13. Bob Hildreth (9) 14. Larry Webb (24) 15. Shadrach Spora (23) 16. Adam Thurmer (15) 17. Jeff Edgington (21) 18. Jack Potter (13) 19. Todd Pankow (17) 20. Louis Lynch (6) 21. Austin Alumbaugh (12) 22. Steve Breazeale (5) 23. Mitchell Alexander (2) 24. Bob Lamb (22) DNS – Chris Walraven, Rob Kubli, Ryan Yager. **Lap Leaders:** Anderson 1-4; Matt Stephenson 5; Marty Stephenson 6-7; Cornell 8-15.

7/22/06

Aussie Jeffrey Takes First; East Des Moines' Higday Takes Eleventh by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - July 22 - A very happy and joyful Lynton Jeffrey captured his initial 410 feature event at Knoxville Raceway Saturday night to become one of the few to ever win here at this historic oval. Josh Higday took the 360 feature, the 11th of his career.

Jeffrey's win adds a good deal of salve to his runner-up finish of three weeks ago when a yellow flag on the white flag lap cost him his lead and probably the win. On this night, the state-side Aussie who lives no more than 25 miles from this track, was not to be denied the \$5,000 victory in his family-owned sprinter.

Starting in the front row after a random draw of the top sixteen starters, Jeffrey utilized the cushion to roar to the lead heading out of turn two and down the backstretch. He was closely chased by Wayne Johnson and Eric Vanderploeg at this point. His quick line around this big half mile was the low route and it soon paid dividends as he roared to a full straight away lead at the two-mile mark. Second running Johnson drove on the cushion in turns one and two and placed his sprinter on the bottom in three and four.

It was lap eight that Jeffrey entered heavy lap traffic and all bets were no doubt on Johnson to catch the Jeffrey J & J. But that really didn't happen as Jeffrey was able to thread his way past the backmarkers and was in no danger of being caught and passed. It was also during this time that fourth running Rager Phillips slowed and pulled into the pit area. And, at this time, Brian Brown, who started fifteenth, had guided his mount to third.

Lap 15 was a pivotal time in the race as Eric Vanderploeg slowed dramatically as he took the flag and stopped at the entrance of turn one in the middle of the track, the victim of a broken transmission. Some would say that Johnson had indeed made up a bit of the distance in which he had trailed Jeffrey when both entered lap traffic.

On the restart, Jeffrey again went to the bottom and began to pull away from Brown, who had taken second from Johnson. Within four laps the leader had built a 10-15 car length advantage over the runner-up.

For whatever reason, the 22nd lap saw Jeffrey slow or Brown soar, but, the Missouri driver was suddenly on the bottom only four car lengths from catching the eventual winner. On the next round Brown was running nose to tail and as they took the white flag, Brown, who raced to the bottom of turn one, took a momentary lead.

What Brown may not have known was that Jeffrey shot to the top of the track because the lap car ahead of them was running the bottom line. As the two front runners exited turn two, Jeffrey again took the top spot as Brown was impeded and the Aussie roared by on the outside. Immediately Brown steered to the outside as Jeffrey dove low in turn three. As the top duo came out of turn four, one could see it would be close at the finish.

Jeffrey nipped Brown by half a car length at the stripe (.1 of a second according to the transponder on the Brown sprinter). Following those two were Jesse Giannetto and Clint Garner, both of whom came on strong in the waning laps. Johnson slipped to fifth. Completing the top ten finishers were Skip Jackson, Billy Alley, Bronson Maeschen from twentieth, Ricky Logan and Trevor Green.

51 sprinter competed during this Iowa Telecom Interstate Racing Association (IRA) vs. Knoxville Summer classic.

In the companion 360 sprint feature, Stacy Alexander led the first lap only to drop from the event on the next lap. That is when fellow front row starter Josh Higday picked up the lead. Higday led Nate Mosher and Joe Beaver around the big half-mile oval as all three placed their right rears on the cushion.

Lap four saw the only slowdown of the event as third running Beaver banged the backstretch fence and then took a tumble in turn three, apparently the victim of something breaking on his sprinter due to the fence encounter.

When the race resumed, Higday again took the point with Mosher and now Larry Ball, Jr. in tow. Wasting no time was the defending track champ Jake Peters who passed both Mosher and Ball on the next circuit. From this point to the end, the race to watch was for first place as Higday would have his hands full.

At the lap ten juncture, Higday could claim only a five car-length advantage. Soon after this, Higday began to realize he was being tracked down by Peters and slammed the door on him as they headed into turn one. Peters, not willing to give up, experimented with several different lines on the track as Higday had now closed off any passes by Peters on the bottom.

On the final two laps, Higday continued to drive his self-owned Eagle on the bottom while Peters continued to look for ways around him. In the end it would be a close one as Higday collected his third win of the season by no more than one-car length as he pocketed \$2,000 in the process. Although second, Peters extended his points lead in the 360 division.

Third in this race was eleventh starting Jeff Mitrisin as Mosher held for fourth. Fifth went to Johnny Anderson who started right behind Mitrisin. Rounding out the top ten finishers were Ball, Jr., John Kearney, Dustin Lindquist, a sixteenth position starter, Bret Golik and Jon Corbin who transferred out of the B Main and started in the final row of the twenty-car field.

410 Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (6) 15.194; 2. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (4) 15.266; 3. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (20) 15.322; 4. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (38) 15.361; 5. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (49) 15.396; 6. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (29) 15.405; 7. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (43) 15.409; 8. 7N, Larry Pinegar II, Des Moines, IA (1) 15.421; 9. 1, Brent Antill, Ankeny, IA (46) 15.426; 10. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (34) 15.436; 11. 81, Randy Anderson, Clarion, IA (14) 15.437; 12. 14AJ, Wayne Johnson, Oklahoma City, OK (15) 15.487; 13. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (35) 15.555; 14. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (37) 15.596; 15. 55, Ricky Logan, Little Rock, AR (48) 15.596; 16. 9, Travis Whitney, Champlin, MN (18) 15.602; 17. 10, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (23) 15.646; 18. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (47) 15.778; 19. 21J, John Haeni, Lomira, WI (2) 15.890; 20. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (44) 15.906; 21. 86, Eric Vanderploeg, Altoona, IA (24) 15.954; 22. 02, Mike Reinke, Howards Grove, WI (21) 15.996; 23. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (50) 16.029; 24. 2w, Scott Neitzel, Beaver Dam, WI (45) 16.034; 25. 4, Jon Agan, Knoxville, IA (39) 16.076; 26. 1m, Kim Mock, Pleasant Prairie, WI (36) 16.085; 27. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (26) 16.133; 28. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (7) 16.166; 29. 7, Scott Uttech, New Berlin, WI (41) 16.338; 30. 95, Bill Warren, Beaver Dam, WI (22) 16.417; 31. 80, KJ Skelton, Cascade, WI (19) 16.475; 32. 85m, Steve Meyer, Sheboygan Falls, WI (28) 16.481; 33. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (10) 16.525; 34. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (16) 16.541; 35. 35s, Mike Stefka, Racine, WI (8) 16.564; 36. 68, Dave Uttech, Kenosha, WI (9) 16.600; 37. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (11) 16.655; 38. 12m, James Mosher, Albuquerque, NM (13) 16.690; 39. 4B, Scott Biertzer, West Bend, WI (42) 16.753; 40. 1H, Billy Balog, Cameron, WI (27) 16.757; 41. 97, Todd King, Sheboygan Falls, WI (51) 16.807; 42. 77, Wayne Modjeski, Oak Creek, WI (5) 16.853; 43. 49, Ryan Irwin, McHenry, IL (30) 16.940; 44. 53w, Bill Wirth, Cudhay, WI (40) 17.241; 45. 7m, Michael Strader, Rock Island, IL (3) 18.018; 46. 71, Robert Bell, Colfax, IA (17) 18.033; 47. 21G, Howie Gleason, East Troy, WI (12) 19.203; 48. 96s, Joe Symoens, Yorkville, WI (25) NT; 49. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (31) NT; 50. 75, Ty Bartz, Howards Grove, WI (32) NT; 51. 03, Dave Saffell, Pleasantville, IA (33) NT.

Heat one (started), 8 laps, 2:11.7: 1. Brian Brown (6) 2. Eric Vanderploeg (2) 3. Kim Mock (1) 4. Travis Whitney (3) / 5. Calvin Landis (5) 6. Randy Anderson (4) 7. KJ Skelton (7) 8. Todd King (9) 9. Robert Bell (10) 10. Dave Uttech (8) DNS – Dave Saffell

Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:12.2: 1. Wayne Johnson (4) 2. Rager Phillips (3) 3. Skip Jackson (5) 4. Lynton Jeffrey (6) / 5. Chris Walraven (1) 6. Mike Reinke (2) 7. Steve Meyer (7) 8. Greg Jones (8) 9. Howie Gleason (10) 10. Wayne Modjeski (9)

Heat three (started), 8 laps, 2:11.8: 1. Clint Garner (4) 2. Bronson Maeschen (1) 3. Larry Pinegar II (5) 4. Ryan Anderson (2) / 5. Matt Moro (3) 6. Chad Meyer (6) 7. Mike Moore (7) 8. James Mosher (8) 9. Ryan Irwin (9) DNS – Ty Bartz

Heat four (started), 8 laps, 2:13.2: 1. Scott Neitzel (2) 2. Dusty Zomer (4) 3. Billy Alley (6) 4. Brent Antill (5) / 5. Scott Biertzer (8) 6. John Haeni (3) 7. Tony Shilling (7) 8. Bill Wirth (9) 9. Scott Uttech (1) DNS – Joe Symoens

Heat five (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Ricky Logan (4) 2. Jesse Giannetto (6) 3. Jon Agan (2) 4. Trevor Green (5) / 5. Bill Warren (1) 6. Tim St. Arnold (3) 7. Billy Balog (8) 8. Michael Strader (9) 9. Mike Stefka (7) DNS – Joe Beaver

C main (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. James Mosher (2) 2. Todd King (5) 3. Greg Jones (1) / 4. Bill Wirth (8) 5. Ty Bartz (10) 6. Wayne Modjeski (4) 7. Howie Gleason (9) 8. Robert Bell (8) 9. Scott Biertzer (3) 10. Michael Strader (7) DNS – Billy Balog, Ryan Irwin

B main (started), 12 laps, 3:03.4: 1. Chad Meyer (1) 2. Calvin Landis (2) 3. Tim St. Arnold (6) 4. Matt Moro (4) / 5. Randy Anderson (3) 6. Mike Reinke (7) 7. Steve Meyer (10) 8. Mike Moore (13) 9. Tony Shilling (12) 10. Dave Uttech (14) 11. KJ Skelton (11) 12. Greg Jones (18) 13. Mike Stefka (15) 14. Scott Uttech (9) 15. John Haeni (5) 16. Bill Warren (8) 17. James Mosher (17) 18. Todd King (16) DNS – Chris Walraven



A main (started), 25 laps, NT: 1. Lynton Jeffrey (2) 2. Brian Brown (15) 3. Jesse Giannetto (10) 4. Clint Garner (16) 5. Wayne Johnson (4) 6. Skip Jackson (12) 7. Billy Alley (14) 8. Bronson Maeschen (20) 9. Ricky Logan (7) 10. Trevor Green (9) 11. Matt Moro (24) 12. Chad Meyer (21) 13. Ryan Anderson (5) 14. Calvin Landis (22) 15. Tim St. Arnold (23) 16. Dusty Zomer (11) 17. Travis Whitney (8) 18. Scott Neitzel (17) 19. Kim Mock (19) 20. Jon Agan (18) 21. Brent Antill (6) 22. Eric Vanderploeg (1) 23. Larry Pinegar II (13) 24. Rager Phillips (3). **Lap Leader:** Jeffrey 1-25.

360 Results

Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 56, Davey Heskin, St. Michael, MN (2*) 2. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (7*) 3. 00, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (6*) 4. 11m, Troy Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (3*) 5. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA (1) 6. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (5) 7. 77, Terry Alexander, Knoxville, IA (10) 8. 5, Rod Richards, Runnells, IA (8) 9. 69m, Chad Meinholdt, Topeka, KS (9) 10. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (4)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 2:02.2: 1. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS (3*) 2. 22N, Nate Mosher, Prairie City, IA (1*) 3. 10, Jeff Mitrison, Oskaloosa, IA (4*) 4. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (6*) 5. 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (7*) 6. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (2) 7. 51J, Ryan Jamison, Mediapolis, IA (10) 8. 4G, John Anderson, Des Moines, IA (5) 9. 2x, Bryan Dobesh, Sioux Falls, SD (9) DNS – 7H, John Hall, Marion, IA (8)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 2:00.9: 1. 5J, Larry Ball Jr., Knoxville, IA (1*) 2. 5G, Brett Golik, Newton, IA (5*) 3. 3, Nate Van Haaften, Otley, IA (4*) 4. 8L, Tom Lenz, Marion, IA (3) 5. 13F, Larry Pinegar II, Des Moines, IA (8*) 6. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (6) 7. 48, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA (7) 8. D12, Dr. Christopher Sloan, Imperial, MO (9) 9. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (2) 10. 53H, Matt Harms, Morton, IL (10)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 2:01.1: 1. 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS (1*) 2. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (5*) 3. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (7*) 4. B29, Eric Mason, Knoxville, IA (2) 5.

15, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (6) 6. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (4) 7. 7w, Matt Stephenson, Des Moines, IA (9) 8. 2, Jarrod Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (8) DNS – 65, Danny Heskin, St. Michael, MN (3)

B main (started), 10 laps, 3:03.4: 1. Eric Mason (2) 2. Tom Lenz (1) 3. Jon Corbin (3) 4. Frankie Heimbaugh (5) / 5. Josh Schneiderman (8) 6. David Hall (6) 7. Brett Mather (18) 8. Chad Meinholdt (16) 9. Ryan Jamison (10) 10. Bryan Dobesh (17) 11. Terry Alexander (9) 12. Tyler Thompson (11) 13. Matt Stephenson (12) 14. John Anderson (15) 15. Alan Zoutte (7) 16. Rod Richards (14) 17. Dr. Christopher Sloan (13) 18. Tyler Houseman (4) 19. John Hall (19) DNS - Matt Harms, Danny Heskin



A main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Josh Higday (2) 2. Jake Peters (10) 3. Jeff Mitrison (11) 4. Nate Mosher (3) 5. Johnny Anderson (13) 6. Larry Ball Jr. (6) 7. John Kearney (9) 8. Dustin Lindquist (16) 9. Brett Golik (7) 10. Jon Corbin (19) 11. Pete Crall (5) 12. Troy Meyer (15) 13. Eric Mason (17) 14. Frankie Heimbaugh (20) 15. Davey Heskin (8) 16. Tom Lenz (18) 17. Nate Van Haaften (12) 18. Larry Pinegar II (14) 19. Joe Beaver (4) 20. Stacey Alexander (1). **Lap Leaders:** S. Alexander 1, Higday 2-15.

7/29/06

Madsen Returns and Wins; Higday Garners Third July Victory

by Bob Wilson

KNOXVILLE, Iowa - July 29 - Defending Knoxville Raceway track champion Kerry Madsen picked up career win number fourteen at this central Iowa race facility as he led flag to flag in the Selma Shell sprint car to grab a \$3,000 pay day. Madsen had just recently left the weekly Knoxville shows to compete with the National Sprint Tour. Higday took a late race lead to capture what might be called the "warm-up feature" for the 16th annual 360 Knoxville Nationals being held next Thursday through Saturday, August 3-5.

Madsen, who started on the pole of the 20-lap feature event, was never truly in danger of losing the race once it started. By lap five he had created a fifteen car-length lead over second running Tim St. Arnold who was battling hard to fend off the advances of Skip Jackson. Behind those two came Ricky Stenhouse, Jr. and Ryan Anderson.

Lap seven saw Stenhouse begin a torrid battle with Jackson as they banged wheels at the flagstand and darted

into turn one. On the next go around they came past the start-finish line in a dead heat. The next tour finally saw Stenhouse win out but Jackson kept right on his tail.

Behind the Stenhouse-Jackson duel yet another fight broke out between Dusty Zomer and Danny Lasoski. Zomer, who started right in front of Lasoski in row four, would have no part of a Lasoski pass and kept him at bay as Jason Meyers began to catch the two on each passing lap.

Lap ten saw Madsen head into lap traffic and with that, Stenhouse was able to make a pass of St. Arnold to take the runner-up spot. With each passing lap, St. Arnold began to drift backward as the fast cars in the 12-car invert began to move forward.

All the excitement of the racing in lap traffic was brought to a sudden halt when the red flag was thrown on lap fourteen. Tony Bruce, Jr. somehow slammed solidly into the turn two fence. His car was destroyed but he walked away from the mess.

When the race resumed, Madsen again pulled away from the pack. With the track free of backmarkers the Australian ran his mount full bore around the big half-mile oval. Behind him Stenhouse again had his hands full with Jackson. The radios had reported after the red condition push off that Lasoski's engine did not sound healthy. True to the report, Lasoski began to drift backward.

As the laps wound down Stenhouse disposed of Jackson as then Meyers passed him and finally Zomer got by on the final lap. That meant that the top five were Madsen, Stenhouse, Meyers, Zomer and Jackson. Rounding out the top ten finishers were Brian Brown (from 18th), Billy Alley, Shane Stewart (who started beside Brown), Lasoski and Lynton Jeffrey.

In the companion 360 sprint division, Josh Higday led the 15-lap distance to claim his 12th career feature event at this fairgrounds oval. That places the Des Moines driver fifth on the all-time 360 win list here.

The win was never assured for Higday as Joe Beaver took the immediate lead from his pole position start. Through ten laps Beaver had the lead but on lap seven when Higday got by two cars, it looked like he would have company by race's end.

Lap eleven saw Higday seemingly catch Beaver napping on the backstretch and zoomed by him as he roared into turn three. Beaver stayed close but this was not to be his night as on the next round disaster struck. He had been using the low groove and as he exited turn four on the bottom he came upon a slow car that was heading to pull into one of the pit roads. Beaver struck him sidelining himself from the race and perhaps a runner-up finish.

When the race resumed it was just a matter of Higday going through the motions to take the \$1.250 win. Jeff Mitrison, who had run in the top five the entire race finished second. Jon Corbin, a fifth row starter was third, Chuck Swenson, who started behind Corbin was fourth and Jake Peters, a B Main transfer who started near the tail of the 20-car field took fifth. Completing the top ten finishers were Bryan Dobesh, Frankie Heimbaugh, Luke Cranston, Larry Ball, Jr. and tail-end starter Johnny Anderson.

Forty-three 360s and thirty-four 410s were fielded for this last event of July.

410 Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 14, Jason Meyers, Clovis, CA (7) 15.043; 2. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (25) 15.050; 3. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (23) 15.089; 4. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (11) 15.094; 5. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (5) 15.102; 6. 81, Randy Anderson, Clarion, IA (32) 15.111; 7. 83, Danny Lasoski, Dover, MO (20) 15.116; 8. 55, Ricky Logan, Little Rock, AR (21) 15.124; 9. 10, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (26) 15.138; 10. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (29)

15.162; 11. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (28) 15.187; 12. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (17) 15.191; 13. 40R, Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Olive Branch, MS (9) 15.206; 14. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (30) 15.218; 15. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (19) 15.279; 16. 11H, Kerry Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (13) 15.285; 17. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (33) 15.297; 18. 86, Eric Vanderploeg, Altoona, IA (1) 15.306; 19. 18, Tony Bruce, Jr., Liberal, KS (16) 15.334; 20. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (15) 15.349; 21. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (6) 15.351; 22. 26, Shane Stewart, Bixby, OK (8) 15.368; 23. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (10) 15.408; 24. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (14) 15.415; 25. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (31) 15.519; 26. 1, Brent Antill, Ankeny, IA (34) 15.521; 27. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (12) 15.728; 28. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (27) 15.812; 29. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (2) 15.858; 30. 03, Dave Saffell, Pleasantville, IA (4) 15.931; 31. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA (24) 16.223; 32. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (3) 16.242; 33. 71, Robert Bell, Colfax, IA (22) 17.392; 34. 7m, Michael Strader, Rock Island, IL (18) NT.

Heat one (started), 8 laps, 2:06.5: 1. Trevor Green (1) 2. Jason Meyers (6) 3. Chad Meyer (2) 4. Ricky Stenhouse Jr. (3) 5. Kaley Gharst (7) / 6. Rager Phillips (4) 7. Chris Walraven (5) 8. Mike Moore (8) 9. Robert Bell (9)

Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:04.8: 1. Shane Stewart (1) 2. Skip Jackson (3) 3. Lynton Jeffrey (6) 4. Dusty Zomer (4) 5. Randy Anderson (5) / 6. Brent Antill (7) 7. Eric Vanderploeg (2) 8. Dave Saffell (8) DNS – Michael Strader

Heat three (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Brian Brown (1) 2. Ryan Anderson (4) 3. Tim St. Arnold (3) 4. Tony Bruce Jr. (2) 5. Danny Lasoski (5) / 6. Bronson Maeschen (6) 7. Matt Moro (7) 8. Tyler Houseman (8)

Heat four (started), 8 laps, 2:06.9: 1. Jesse Giannetto (1) 2. Clint Garner (2) 3. Billy Alley (4) 4. Kerry Madsen (3) 5. Ricky Logan (5) / 6. Calvin Landis (6) 7. Greg Jones (7) 8. Tony Shilling (8)

B main (started), 12 laps, 3:15.6: 1. Calvin Landis (2) 2. Bronson Maeschen (1) 3. Chris Walraven (3) 4. Brent Antill (5) / 5. Matt Moro (6) 6. Eric Vanderploeg (4) 7. Mike Moore (8) 8. Greg Jones (7) 9. Robert Bell (11) 10. Dave Saffell (9) 11. Tyler Houseman (10) DNS – Tony Shilling, Rager Phillips, Michael Strader



A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Kerry Madsen (1) 2. Ricky Stenhouse Jr. (4) 3. Jason Meyers (12) 4. Dusty Zomer (7) 5. Skip Jackson (3) 6. Brian Brown (18) 7. Billy Alley (5) 8. Shane Stewart (17) 9. Danny Lasoski (9) 10. Lynton Jeffrey (11) 11. Ricky Logan (8) 12. Jesse Giannetto (19) 13. Ryan Anderson (6) 14. Kaley

Gharst (20) 15. Chad Meyer (13) 16. Trevor Green (16) 17. Calvin Landis (21) 18. Brent Antill (24) 19. Chris Walraven (23) 20. Bronson Maeschen (22) 21. Randy Anderson (10) 22. Tim St. Arnold (2) 23. Tony Bruce Jr. (14) 24. Clint Garner (15). **Lap Leader:** Madsen 1-20.

360 Results

Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:55.9: 1. 2x, Bryan Dobesh, Sioux Falls, SD (1*) 2. 10, Jeff Mitrisin, Oskaloosa, IA (3*) 3. 8L, Tom Lenz, Marion, IA (2*) 4. 56, Davey Heskin, St. Michael, MN (5) 5. 51J, Ryan Jamison, Mediapolis, IA (4) 6. 51s, Lee Sowell, Nesbit, MS (8) 7. 48, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA (7) 8. 6, Mitchell Alexander, Knoxville, IA (9) 9. 2, Bart Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (6)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:56.1: 1. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (1*) 2. 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (5*) 3. B29, Eric Mason, Knoxville, IA (3*) 4. 5G, Brett Golik, Newton, IA (6*) 5. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS (7) 6. 34, Luke Hall, Troy, OH (8) 7. 3, Nate Van Haaften, Otley, IA (4) 8. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (2) 9. 11x, Garry Lee Maier, Cimarron, KS (9)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:56.3: 1. 15, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (2*) 2. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (3*) 3. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (6*) 4. 20, Luke Cranston, Ness City, KS (8*) 5. 4G, John Anderson, Des Moines, IA (4) 6. 47, Mark Tischer, Hannibal, MO (9) 7. 65, Danny Heskin, St. Michael, MN (1) 8. 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS (5) 9. 5B, Rick Ideus, Silver City, IA (7)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 5J, Larry Ball Jr., Knoxville, IA (2*) 2. X, Chuck Swenson, Watertown, SD (7*) 3. 00, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (3) 4. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (5) 5. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (6) 6. 7, Dustin Selvage, Indianola, IA (8) 7. 7H, John Hall, Marion, IA (4) 8. 22N, Nate Mosher, Prairie City, IA (1)

Heat five (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:55.4: 1. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (1*) 2. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (2*) 3. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (4*) 4. 7w, Matt Stephenson, Des Moines, IA (6) 5. 15s, Sam Hafertepe Jr., Sunnyvale, TX (7) 6. 11m, Troy Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (5) 7. 18, Tim Newman, Cameron, MO (8) 8. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (3)

C main (started), 8 laps, 2:16.9: 1. Tyler Thompson (2) 2. Nate Van Haaften (3) / 3. Mike Houseman Jr. (8) 4. David Hall (7) 5. Mitchell Alexander (6) 6. Danny Heskin (4) 7. Bart Schneiderman (9) 8. John Hall (5) 9. Tim Newman (1) DNS – Pete Crall, Nate Mosher

B main (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. Jake Peters (4) 2. Davey Heskin (3) 3. John Kearney (5) 4. Josh Schneiderman (6) / 5. Lee Sowell (8) 6. Luke Hall (11) 7. Matt Stephenson (2) 8. Nate Van Haaften (12) 9. Dustin Selvage (13) 10. John Anderson (10) 11. Mark Tischer (7) 12. Stacey Alexander (1) 13. Ryan Jamison (9) 14. Tyler Thompson (14) DNS – Sam Hafertepe Jr., Troy Meyer



A main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Josh Higday (6) 2. Jeff Mitrison (5) 3. Jon Corbin (10) 4. Chuck Swenson (12) 5. Jake Peters (17) 6. Bryan Dobesh (8) 7. Frankie Heimbaugh (4) 8. Luke Cranston (2) 9. Larry Ball Jr. (9) 10. Johnny Anderson (1) 11. Dustin Lindquist (11) 12. Brett Mather (7) 13. Davey Heskin (18) 14. John Kearney (19) 15. Tom Lenz (14) 16. Josh Schneiderman (20) 17. Alan Zoutte (13) 18. Brett Golik (16) 19. Joe Beaver (3) 20. Eric Mason (15). **Lap Leaders:** Beaver 1-10; Higday 11-15.

8/3/06

Anderson Opens Knoxville 360 Nationals with Win

by Bob Wilson

KNOXVILLE, Iowa (August 3) Knoxville regular Johnny Anderson captured the opening night feature event of the 16th annual 360 Knoxville Nationals at Knoxville Raceway Thursday night. The win paid the Indianola (Iowa) driver \$2,000 and assured him of a starting nod in Saturday's championship feature.

The opening lap saw pole-sitter Gary Wright take the point but shortly after he completed that tour of the half-mile oval Tyler Thompson rode the fence through turns one and two bringing out the yellow flag. He did not restart.

When the race resumed, Wright again led the field with Anderson following. Larry Pinegar II made a huge jump to garner third and Ian Madsen held down fourth. Wright found the bottom to be the fast way around on this night as Anderson trailed patiently behind him.

At the five lap mark, Wright could claim an eight car-length lead over Anderson as they began to pull away from Pinegar. Madsen was still in fourth but Larry Ball, Jr. was right on his rear nerf bar ready to take that spot.

It was lap nine that saw Wright edge into lap traffic with a 15 car-length lead over Anderson. At first the slower cars did not seem to make any difference as Wright hit the turns where he could run on the bottom and keep his lead, but as he advanced things began to change.

Lap twelve saw Anderson begin to make a dent in the Wright lead. Two laps later he had pulled almost even with the Texan. Wright, who had made his living on the bottom during this race, made the mistake of following a backmarker into turn one on the low route. Anderson went to the cushion and as they roared out of turn two on the fifteenth circuit, he had the lead while Wright languished behind him.

Wright was not about to give up as the veteran picked up the chase of the new leader. Fortunately for Anderson, it seemed that every circuit to the end found a lap car between them. In the end, Anderson forged his father's Eagle/Ostrich to a ten car-length win over Wright. For Anderson, it was his fourth win at this speedway this season.

Pinegar claimed third at a distance while Clint Garner, who started 12th, came home fourth. Ball, Jr. completed the top five. Forming the top ten finishers were Jonathan Allard (who started beside Garner), Madsen, Jesse Hockett, a ninth row starter, Jeff Mitrising (who started in front of Hockett and Scott Winters.

Qualifying heat races went to Danny Jennings, Pinegar, Jake Peters, Wade Nygaard and Garner. Jan Howard won the Last Chance heat. Randy Martin took the C Main and Bryan Howland was the victor in the B Main.

Sixty-seven cars went through qualifying time trials. During that event Pete Crall set a new one-lap track record of 16.136 for 360 c.i. sprint cars eclipsing the mark set in 2001 by Cliff Woodward.

Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS (10) 16.136 (**NTR, old track record 16.191 Cliff Woodward, June 1, 2001**); 2. 5J, Larry Ball Jr., Knoxville, IA (15) 16.283; 3. 51H, Bryan Howland, Auburn, NY (18) 16.310; 4. R19, Scott Winters, Butterfield, MN (2) 16.335; 5. 23, Eric Jobe, Kansas City, MO (9) 16.353; 6. 11c, Roger Crockett, Eugene, OR (27) 16.358; 7. 7w, Larry Pinegar II, Des Moines, IA (19) 16.413; 8. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (3) 16.414; 9. 18x, Tony Bruce Jr., Liberal, KS (47) 16.418; 10. 17J, Lance Yonge, Penn Yan, NY (21) 16.419; 11. 55, Ian Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (5) 16.466; 12. 35, Ron Blair, Troy, OH (30) 16.502; 13. 9x, Gary Wright, Hooks, TX (53) 16.510; 14. 48, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA (4) 16.573; 15. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS (40) 16.589; 16. 61a, Toby Brown, Carthage, MO (14) 16.620; 17. 0, Jonathan Allard, Chico, CA (45) 16.623; 18. 2m, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (22) 16.636; 19. 41K, Ray Allen Kulhanek, Danbury, TX (7) 16.64; 20. 27, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (28) 16.645; 21. 22N, Nate Mosher, Prairie City, IA (23) 16.664; 22. 14, Randy Martin, California, MO (33) 16.696; 23. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (51) 16.700; 24. 10, Jeff Mitrising, Oskaloosa, IA (62) 16.767; 25. 98, JD Johnson, Goddard, KS (24) 16.777; 26. 8, John Carney II, El Paso, TX (11) 16.788; 27. 97, Cory Seeling, Beaverdam, OH (8) 16.810; 28. 75, Jesse Hockett, Warsaw, MO (31) 16.847; 29. 9N, Wade Nygaard, Fargo, ND (57) 16.857; 30. 31, Mark Pace, Lincoln, NE (12) 16.866; 31. 61J, Danny Jennings, Norman, OK (66) 16.943; 32. 67, Brian Thomas, Auburn, GA (20) 16.944; 33. 33x, Cameron McGahan, Kenai, AK (16) 16.957; 34. B4, Eric Baldaccini, Keller, TX (17) 16.965; 35. 29x, Brandon Harkness, Sedro Woolley, WA (43) 16.993; 36. 20, Luke Cranston, Ness City, KS (59) 17.009; 37. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (67) 17.017; 38. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (49) 17.020; 39. 94, Jerrod Hull, Sikeston, MO (42) 17.043; 40. 4G, John Anderson, Des Moines, IA (56) 17.057; 41. 99, Curt Michael, Ocean View, DE (65) 17.076; 42. 7c, Chris Morgan, Topeka, KS (35) 17.077; 43. 5c, Chad Hillier, Sedro Woolley, WA (60) 17.135; 44. D12, Dr. Christopher Sloan, Imperial, MO (6) 17.153; 45. 4L, Lee Grosz, Harwood, ND (61) 17.170; 46. 11F, Foster Landon, Collinsville, OK (46) 17.174; 47. 69m, Chad Meinholdt, Topeka, KS (58) 17.208; 48. 65, Danny Heskin, St. Michael, MN (29) 17.227; 49. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (34) 17.235; 50. 5G, Brett Golik, Newton, IA (38) 17.241; / 51. 17, Jimmy Martin III, Felton, DE (13) 17.259; 52. 51J, Ryan Jamison, Mediapolis, IA (25) 17.278; 53. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (41) 17.328; 54. 46, Jan Howard, Byhalia, MS (37) 17.366; 55. 43, AJ Selenke, Wichita, KS (32) 17.396; 56. 25m, Ken Mackey, Manitou Beach, MI (63) 17.400; 57. 15, Sam Hafertepe Jr., Sunnyvale, TX (50) 17.462; 58. 56, Davey Heskin, St. Michael, MN (44) 17.481; 59. 20BG, Bubba Clem, St. Petersburg, FL (52) 17.493; 60. 91, Darren Stewart, Bixby, OK (48) 17.556; 61. 38m, Nick Mulheim, Navarre, OH (54) 17.575; 62. 23F, Matthew Fox, Sedalia, MO (39) 17.784; 63. 00x, Ryan Grubaugh, St. Johns, MI (36) 17.862; 64. 47x, Louie Carufel, Port Huron, MI (56) 18.311; 65. s1, Garry Chippindall, Warragul, VIC, Aust. (1) 18.663; 66. 18, Tim Newman, Cameron, MO (64) 21.630; 67. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (26) 25.222.

Last Chance Heat (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Jan Howard (4) 2. Ryan Jamison (2) 3. Ken Mackey (6) 4. Joe Beaver (3) 5. Darren Stewart (10) 6. AJ Selenke (5) 7. Sam Hafertepe Jr. (7) 8. Davey Heskin (8) 9. Jimmy Martin III (1) 10. Nick Mulheim (11) / 11. Ryan Grubaugh (13) 12. Matthew Fox (12) 13. Louie Carufel (13) 14. Bubba Clem (9) 15. Garry Chippindall (15) DNS - Tim Newman, Bronson Maeschen

Heat one (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Danny Jennings (7) 2. Nate Mosher (2) 3. John Carney II (1) 4. Ian Madsen (4) / 5. Curt Michael (9) 6. Toby Brown (3) 7. Luke Cranston (8) 8. Roger Crockett (5) / 9. Foster Landon (10) 10. Pete Crall (6)

Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:19.4: 1. Larry Pinegar II (5) 2. Jonathan Allard (3) 3. Larry Ball Jr. (6) 4. Ryan Anderson (8) / 5. Chad Meinholdt (10) 6. Chris Morgan (9) 7. Cory Seeling (1) 8. Brian Thomas (7) / 9. Randy Martin (2) 10. Ron Blair (4)

Heat three (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Jake Peters (2) 2. Gary Wright (4) 3. Jesse Hockett (1) 4. Johnny Anderson (5) / 5. Matt Moro (3) 6. Chad Hillier (9) 7. Bryan Howland (6) 8. Frankie Heimbaugh (8) / 9. Cameron McGahan (7) 10. Danny Heskin (10)

Heat four (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Wade Nygaard (1) 2. Jeff Mitrisin (2) 3. Tyler Thompson (4) 4. Scott Winters (6) / 5. Tony Bruce Jr. (5) 6. Ray Allen Kulhanek (3) 7. Jerrod Hull (8) 8. Dr. Christopher Sloan (9) / 9. Eric Baldaccini (7) 10. Alan Zoutte (10)

Heat five (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Clint Garner (3) 2. John Kearney (4) 3. Eric Jobe (6) 4. Lance Yonge (5) / 5. JD Johnson (2) 6. Brett Golik (10) 7. Brandon Harkness (7) 8. Lee Grosz (9) / 9. Mark Pace (1) 10. John Anderson (8)

C main (started), 10 laps, 3:00.1: 1. Randy Martin (1) 2. Jan Howard (7) / 3. Foster Landon (6) 4. Ryan Jamison (10) 5. Davey Heskin (16) 6. Mark Pace (2) 7. Eric Baldaccini (4) 8. Jimmy Martin III (13) 9. Alan Zoutte (8) 10. John Anderson (5) 11. Cameron McGahan (3) 12. Joe Beaver (12) 13. Darren Stewart (9) 14. AJ Selenke (14) 15. Sam Hafertepe Jr. (11) 16. Nick Mulheim (15) DNS - Pete Crall, Ron Blair, Danny Heskin, Ken Mackey

B main (started), 12 laps, 3:41.0: 1. Bryan Howland (1) 2. Roger Crockett (2) 3. Luke Cranston (11) 4. Jerrod Hull (13) / 5. Curt Michael (14) 6. Chad Meinholdt (19) 7. JD Johnson (7) 8. Jan Howard (22) 9. Chris Morgan (15) 10. Chad Hillier (16) 11. Frankie Heimbaugh (12) 12. Ray Allen Kulhanek (6) 13. Tony Bruce Jr. (3) 14. Lee Grosz (18) 15. Brandon Harkness (10) 16. Brett Golik (20) 17. Cory Seeling (8) 18. Dr. Christopher Sloan (17) 19. Brian Thomas (9) 20. Toby Brown (4) 21. Randy Martin (21) 22. Matt Moro (5)



A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Johnny Anderson (4) 2. Gary Wright (1) 3. Larry Pinegar II (5) 4. Clint Garner (12) 5. Larry Ball Jr. (8) 6. Jonathan Allard (11) 7. Ian Madsen (2) 8. Jesse Hockett (17) 9. Jeff Mitrising (15) 10. Scott Winters (7) 11. Danny Jennings (19) 12. Lance Yonge (3) 13. Nate Mosher (13) 14. Jake Peters (14) 15. Eric Jobe (6) 16. Bryan Howland (21) 17. Roger Crockett (22) 18. Jerrod Hull (24) 19. Wade Nygaard (18) 20. Luke Cranston (23) 21. Ryan Anderson (20) 22. John Carney II (16) 23. John Kearney (10) 24. Tyler Thompson (9). **Lap Leaders:** Wright 1-14; Anderson 15-20.

8/4/06

Alley Cruises to Win at Knoxville's Friday 360 Nationals Prelim

by Bob Wilson

KNOXVILLE, Iowa - August 4 - Billy Alley 'rocked and rolled' 'em at Knoxville Raceway Friday as he soared to a feature event win at the 16th annual 360 Knoxville Nationals. The Nebraska driver matched his preliminary win of one year ago and is the defending champion.

Alley had a fortunate starting nod for the twenty-lap race as he began on the front row of the feature event. Right away he took control and made a run away from the 24-car field. His nearest opponent was Dale Howard from the Gulf Coast state of Mississippi. Howard was no match for Alley on this night as the leader roared away to an entire chute margin by lap five. By lap seven Alley hit lap traffic and he negotiated it with superb skill. At the half-way point of the race he was fully a half lap in front of the second place running car.

Lap thirteen saw the first of two red flags for the event. Jon Corbin, who was running sixth at the time, went high into turn one, hit the loose soil and struck the fence. The force caused him to flip several times. He walked away from his wrecked sprinter.

At this juncture the rundown showed Brian Brown running seventh. Brown had been disqualified from his second place finish in his qualifying heat race for running too large a tire. That debacle would force the Missouri driver to run the C Main on this qualifying night.

In the C Main, Brown simply destroyed the field and then transferred to the tail of the 22-car B-Main field. Again, Brown put on a show for the fans as he wound up finishing second and transferred to the twenty-second starting spot in the A Main. Now, just after the half-way point of the A Main, Brown had plowed his way to

within striking of the leaders.

When the race went green again, Alley went to the front running the cushion of the big half-mile oval. Behind him, Brown had already disposed of two cars and had placed his sprinter in fourth. One lap later the red was again displayed when Brett Mather struck the turn four fence very hard. Mather had been battling with Howard and Travis Rilat for seventh place when he and Howard collided and with Mather receiving the worst of it.

On the restart, Brown disposed of second running Dustin Lindquist, but by the time that had occurred Alley had taken off again. In the remaining laps Alley kept Brown at bay by at least fifteen car lengths and placed his Mark Burch WolfWeld in victory lane. Lindquist settled for third, Jason Johnson was fourth and Jesse Giannetto came across the stripe in fifth. Rounding out the top ten finishers were Travis Rilat, a ninth row starter, Josh Higday, Howard, Steve King, also a ninth row starter and Don Droud, Jr.

In qualifying time trials, Josh Higday established a new one-lap track record as he became the first 360 driver at Knoxville to drop below the sixteen second barrier with a run of 15.991. That time eclipsed the mark set twenty-four hours earlier by Pete Crall on the first night of qualifications.

Heat races were won by Skip Jackson, Rager Phillips, Dustin Daggett, Chuck Swenson and Dave Glennon. Two Last Chance heats were contested and they were captured by Ricky Logan and Nick Smith. The victor in the C Main was of course Brown while David Hall paced the field in the B Main.

Seventy 360 sprinters took to the track for qualifying time trials.

Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (10) 15.991 (**NTR, old track record 16.136, Pete Crall, August 3, 2006**); 2. 21, Brian Brown, Higginsville, MO (30) 16.153; 3. 29N, Larry Neighbors, Oklahoma City, OK (5) 16.162; 4. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (8) 16.237; 5. 34, Luke Hall, Troy, OH (19) 16.281; 6. 1, Sean McClelland, Collinsville, OK (3) 16.361; 7. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (31) 16.393; 8. 5B, Rick Ideus, Silver City, IA (12) 16.397; 9. 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (45) 16.422; 10. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (34) 16.423; 11. K9, Justin Zimmerman, Royce City, TX (17) 16.428; 12. 2x, Bryan Dobesh, Sioux Falls, SD (23) 16.461; 13. 15, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (6) 16.466; 14. 1m, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (48) 16.472; 15. 47, Dale Howard, Byhalia, MS (11) 16.539; 16. 41, Jason Johnson, Eunice, LA (65) 16.620; 17. 9, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (55) 16.643; 18. 2J, Don Droud Jr., Lincoln, NE (27) 16.648; 19. X, Chuck Swenson, Watertown, SD (70) 16.648; 20. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (13) 16.680; 21. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (59) 16.771; 22. 11P, Preston Peebles II, Lubbock, TX (2) 16.787; 23. 85, Dustin Daggett, Portland, MI (38) 16.824; 24. 00, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (67) 16.825; 25. 5x, Dave Glennon, Casselton, ND (1) 16.840; 26. 88, Steve King, Jetmore, KS (36) 16.840; 27. 29, Travis Rilat, Forney, TX (9) 16.854; 28. 53H, Matt Harms, Morton, IL (7) 16.856; 29. 7, Dustin Selvage, Indianola, IA (62) 16.864; 30. 02, Gene Lasker, Tampa, FL (14) 16.875; 31. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (20) 16.883; 32. 2w, Kevin Welsh, Far Hills, NJ (28) 16.888; 33. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (69) 16.939; 34. 03, Joe Wood Jr., Oklahoma City, OK (29) 16.956; 35. 4, Mike Chadd, Lincoln, NE (56) 16.999; 36. 11T, Tom "TJ" Winegardner Jr., Pierson, FL (26) 17.001; 37. 00m, Danny Martin Jr., Sarasota, FL (37) 17.005; 38. 19T, Matt Tiffany, Daytona Beach, FL (39) 17.017; 39. 51s, Lee Sowell, Nesbit, MS (50) 17.025; 40. 14J, Josh Riggins, Lincoln, NE (49) 17.036; 41. 84, Toby Chapman, Lincoln, NE (35) 17.042; 42. 7m, Kevin Ramey, Fort Worth, TX (42) 17.059; 43. 1x, Jake Martens, Fairview, OK (61) 17.076; 44. 11x, Garry Lee Maier, Cimarron, KS (44) 17.098; 45. 13, Seth Brahmer, Wisner, NE (47) 17.128; 46. 75H, Danny Horner, Cottage Grove, OR (54) 17.142; 47. m20, Mike Brecht, Leipsic, OH (40) 17.149; 48. 11m, Troy Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (53) 17.195; 49. 94s, Natalie Sather, Fargo, ND (33) 17.211; 50. 23x, Ben Rutan, Somerset, MI (46) 17.222; / 51. 11A, Tyler Thompson, Cape Girardeau, MO (24) 17.227; 52. 15s, Nick Smith, Broken Arrow, OK (68) 17.246; 53. A12, Ricky Logan, Little Rock, AR (51) 17.280; 54. 4x, Tim Gee, Leduc, ALB, Can. (60) 17.284; 55. 56x, Brook Weibley, York Springs, PA (21) 17.289; 56. 57c, Chris Schmelzle, Victoria,

BC, Can. (32) 17.304; 57. 15x, BJ Fay, Claremore, OK (18) 17.345; 58. 2H, Ryan Voss, Okobojo, IA (22) 17.353; 59. 5, Eric Lutz, Sioux Falls, SD (58) 17.389; 60. 26, Gary Fast, Kalkaska, MI (41) 17.421; 61. 44J, Abe Sherwood, Tulsa, OK (66) 17.436; 62. 92, Mike Sitzmann Jr., Tappen, ND (52) 17.472; 63. 3, Nate Van Haften, Otley, IA (63) 17.548; 64. 12, Robert Ballou, Rocklin, CA (15) 17.576; 65. 5H, Herman Klein, Sacramento, CA (43) 17.655; 66. 17Jx, Jerry Brey, Billings, MT (4) 17.914; 67. 37, Sye Anderson, Brainerd, MN (64) 17.935; 68. 1JZ, Jessica Zemken, Sprakers, NY (57) 18.517; 69. 1B, Brett Geldner, St. Peter, MN (25) 18.838; 70. 14v, Sean Walden, Bentonville, AR (16) NT.

Last Chance Heat one (started), 8 laps, 2:19.8: 1. Ricky Logan (2) 2. Brook Weibley (3) 3. Tyler Thompson 11A (1) 4. BJ Fay (4) 5. Herman Klein (8) / 6. Sye Anderson (7) 7. Brett Geldner (9) 8. Nate Van Haften (7) 9. Abe Sherwood (6) DNS - Eric Lutz

Last Chance Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:23.5: 1. Nick Smith (1) 2. Tim Gee (2) 3. Gary Fast (5) 4. Robert Ballou (7) 5. Jessica Zemken (9) / 6. Ryan Voss (4) 7. Mike Sitzmann Jr. (6) 8. Jerry Brey (8) 9. Chris Schmelzle (3) 10. Sean Walden (10)

Heat one (started), 8 laps, 2:18.1: 1. Skip Jackson (2) 2. Steve King (1) 3. Jason Johnson (3) 4. Josh Higday (6) / 5. Justin Zimmerman (4) 6. Sean McClelland (5) 7. Tom "TJ" Winegardner Jr. (8) 8. Josh Schneiderman (7) / 9. Danny Horner (10) 10. Toby Chapman (9)

Heat two (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Rager Phillips (1) 2. Jesse Giannetto (3) 3. Travis Rilat (9) 4. Kevin Welsh (5) / 5. Bryan Dobesh (4) 6. Preston Peebles II (2) 7. Kevin Ramey (7) 8. Mike Brecht (10) / 9. Danny Martin Jr. (8) DQ - (tire, crossed 2nd) Brian Brown (6)

Heat three (started), 8 laps, 2:17.0: 1. Dustin Daggett (2) 2. Jon Corbin (4) 3. Rick Ideus (5) 4. Don Droud Jr. (3) / 5. Matt Tiffany (8) 6. Jake Martens (9) 7. Troy Meyer (10) 8. Matt Harms (1) / 9. Larry Neighbors (6) 10. Dusty Zomer (7)

Heat four (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Chuck Swenson (3) 2. Stacey Alexander (2) 3. Billy Alley (4) 4. Dustin Lindquist (5) / 5. Garry Lee Maier (9) 6. David Hall (6) 7. Joe Wood Jr. (7) 8. Dustin Selvage (1) / 9. Natalie Sather (10) 10. Lee Sowell (8)

Heat five (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Dave Glennon (2) 2. Dale Howard (4) 3. Mike Chadd (7) 4. Brett Mather (5) / 5. Seth Brahmer (9) 6. Luke Hall (6) 7. Josh Riggins (8) 8. Gene Lasker (1) / 9. Ben Rutan (10) 10. Mike Houseman Jr. (3)

C main (started), 10 laps, 3:01.8: 1. Brian Brown (1) 2. Larry Neighbors (2) / 3. Lee Sowell (4) 4. Danny Horner (6) 5. Nick Smith (8) 6. Tim Gee (10) 7. Toby Chapman (7) 8. Brook Weibley (13) 9. Robert Ballou (14) 10. Gary Fast (12) 11. Mike Houseman Jr. (3) 12. Natalie Sather (9) 13. Ricky Logan (11) 14. Danny Martin Jr. (5) 15. Herman Klein (18) 16. BJ Fay (17) 17. Jessica Zemken (16) 18. Tyler Thompson 11A (15) DNS - Dusty Zomer, Ben Rutan

B main (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. David Hall (1) 2. Brian Brown (19) 3. Luke Hall (2) 4. Sean McClelland (3) / 5. Justin Zimmerman (4) 6. Josh Schneiderman (10) 7. Garry Lee Maier (15) 8. Bryan Dobesh (5) 9. Kevin Ramey (13) 10. Larry Neighbors (21) 11. Dustin Selvage (8) 12. Matt Tiffany (11) 13. Troy Meyer (20) 14. Preston Peebles II (6) 15. Jake Martens (16) 16. Matt Harms (7) 17. Joe Wood Jr. (9) 18. Seth Brahmer (18) 19. Josh Riggins (14) 20. Mike Brecht (17) 21. Tom "TJ" Winegardner Jr. (12) DNS - Gene Lasker



A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Billy Alley (2) 2. Brian Brown (20) 3. Dustin Lindquist (5) 4. Jason Johnson (9) 5. Jesse Giannetto (7) 6. Travis Rilat (16) 7. Josh Higday (8) 8. Dale Howard (1) 9. Steve King (17) 10. Don Droud Jr. (11) 11. Rick Ideus (6) 12. Chuck Swenson (12) 13. Dave Glennon (14) 14. Rager Phillips (24) 15. Skip Jackson (13) 16. David Hall (21) 17. Luke Hall (23) 18. Stacey Alexander (15) 19. Mike Chadd (18) 20. Sean McClelland (22) 21. Kevin Welsh (19) 22. Dustin Daggett (14) 23. Brett Mather (4) 24. Jon Corbin (3).
Lap Leader: Alley 1-20.

8/5/06

Giannetto Takes 16th annual 360 Knoxville Nationals

by Bob Wilson

KNOXVILLE, Iowa - August 5 - Jesse Giannetto took the lead at about the half-way point and coasted to a victory in the 16th annual 360 Knoxville Nationals at Knoxville Raceway Saturday night. The win paid the Iowa native \$10,000 for his efforts in the 25-lap event. A crowd estimated at 5,000 witnessed the proceedings which went non-stop once the race went green.

Initial leader, Larry Pinegar II started on the outside front row and controlled the early pace of the race. With an accompanying 410 card also on tap, the big Knoxville half mile struggled to keep a surface worthy of the event. In the early going it seemed that the fast cars utilized the high cushion as the best way around this historic oval. But as the race proceeded the bottom became nearly as quick as the top.

Pinegar entered lap traffic during lap eight and Giannetto soon cut the lead to only five car lengths. Behind this twosome came Josh Higday and pole sitter Larry Ball, Jr. Brian Brown, a fourth row starter, soon filled in behind and was the fifth car in the chase.

It was the 12th lap that saw the change in leadership as Giannetto made a slide job on Pinegar that would stick in turns one and two, and the Palo, Iowa driver took the lead for good. Pinegar stayed close at first but as the race proceeded he began to fall back. Eventually he pulled in and was credited with a 24th place finish.

With Giannetto at the point, his closest challengers were Pinegar and Higday. Those two made a race of it and traded the runner-up position several times. On one such slide, Pinegar came ever so close to clipping Higday in turn two. Both men hit the binders and somehow managed to avoid disaster. As this occurred, Giannetto began

to check out on the field with ten laps still remaining.

As was mentioned, Pinegar began a slow descent backwards allowing first Brown and then Dustin Lindquist to get by him. Lap twenty saw Pinegar exit the race and pull into the pits.

In the end, Giannetto commanded a huge lead and lapped all but the 13th place finisher in his Bulldogg Motorsports Eagle//Wesmar. He could realize nearly a straightaway distance between himself and second place finisher Josh Higday (\$6,000) and third running Brown (\$3,000). Fourth went to Lindquist (\$2,500) as Ball, Jr. (\$2,250) claimed fifth. Completing the top ten finishers were Johnny Anderson, Billy Alley, Jason Johnson, Clint Garner and Travis Rilat who made a tremendous run from a twenty-third starting nod.

Preliminary feature events were captured by Troy Meyer (E Main), Randy Martin (D Main), Dustin Daggett (C Main) and Chuck Swenson (B Main). Accounting for scratches, 100 cars showed up for the final 360 Nationals events.

'05 Nationals Rookie of the Year Gharst Takes Knoxville pre-Nationals Feature

by Bob Wilson

KNOXVILLE, Iowa - August 5 - Kaley Gharst, the 2005 Nationals Rookie of the Year, was awarded the 20-lap feature event at Knoxville Raceway Saturday night after the initial winner, Jeff Mitrison was declared to have an illegal top wing and was penalized to last place in the race. The racing was held in conjunction with the 16th annual 360 Knoxville Nationals.

The start of the feature race saw an incident that eliminated two cars right off the bat. As the green flag waved and the field of 24 cars roared down the front stretch, fifth row starter Lynton Jeffrey was crowded into the front stretch fence and he began a series of gyrating flips catching several cars but especially Brent Antill. Neither of those two men were able to restart.

Once the race went green again it was a ten-mile sprint that would only be stopped by one additional yellow flag. Pole sitter Chad Meyer grabbed the lead spot but was closely followed by Mitrison. Lap four saw that yellow show as Skip Jackson began slowing noticeably in turn three and ended up coasting slowly around the track till he was able to stop just above the infield berm in turn one. It was said that his car's rear end had broken.

When the race resumed, Meyer drove to the cushion of the big half-mile oval and set sail utilizing that upper line. By lap five he had establish a fifteen car-length advantage. Like a string of beads Mitrison, Billy Alley, Dusty Zomer and Ricky Logan followed him.

Mitrison began to eat into the Meyer lead soon after that and by lap eight he had come within five car lengths of Mitrison's machine. Lap ten saw Mitrison attempt a failed slide job in turns one and two and on the next go around both drivers interred into lap traffic.

Still, the top running cars stayed on the cushion as most of the backmarkers were running on the bottom. It was lap 13 that Mitrison again slid Meyer and made it stick in that same turn one and two. Once in front he began to check out on the field.

In the remaining laps, it was Alley and Meyer who began to put on the show as they fought bitterly for the runner-up spot. The question was not whether Mitrison would win this one but rather, who would get second.

On the final lap, Bronson Maeschen, a lap car, slammed into the turn three fence. The impact must have been enough to compromise both the steering and the brakes as the rookie driver continued erratically on the racing surface. He was missed by most of the onrushing traffic but Meyer and Alley slowed dramatically in order to

miss him. This allowed fourth running Gharst to pass them both and come across the stripe in second place. Maeschen's hapless sprinter finally came to a halt about fifty yards from the start finish line.

With the race now complete, the top finishing cars continued through inspection by the tech officials. That is when Mitrison's top wing was found to be illegal.

Gharst was declared the winner and Meyer and Alley were awarded second and third. Fourth went to Tyler Walker and Dusty Zomer took fifth. Gharst, who started fourteenth was also given the Hard Charger Award. Rounding out the top ten finishers were Clint Garner, Logan, Jesse Giannetto, Trevor Green and Matt Moro, a ninth row starter.

Forty-three sprinters competed on the night's racing.

16th Annual 360 Knoxville Nationals Results

E main (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. 11m, Troy Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (1) 2. 84, Toby Chapman, Lincoln, NE (8) 3. 00m, Danny Martin Jr., Sarasota, FL (10) 4. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (13) 5. 75H, Danny Horner, Cottage Grove, OR (7) 6. 51s, Lee Sowell, Nesbit, MS (6) / 7. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (9) 8. 4x, Tim Gee, Leduc, ALB, Can. (11) 9. 33x, Cameron McGahan, Kenai, AK (5) 10. D12, Dr. Christopher Sloan, Imperial, MO (2) 11. m20, Mike Brecht, Leipsic, OH (4) 12. 51J, Ryan Jamison, Mediapolis, IA (12) 13. 31, Mark Pace, Lincoln, NE (3) DNS – B4, Eric Baldaccini, Keller TX, 5G, Brett Golik, Newton, IA, 11F, Foster Landon, Collinsville, OK, 46, Jan Howard, Byhalia, MS, 4G, John Anderson, Des Moines, IA, 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS, 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD, 35, Ron Blair, Troy, OH, 23x, Ben Rutan, Somerset, MI, 56x, Brook Weibley, York Springs, PA, A12, Ricky Logan, Little Rock, AR

D main (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. 14, Randy Martin, California, MO (3) 2. 11x, Garry Lee Maier, Cimarron, KS (5) 3. 69m, Chad Meinholdt, Topeka, KS (8) 4. 7c, Chris Morgan, Topeka, KS (6) 5. 97, Cory Seeling, Beaverdam, OH (1) / 6. 7m, Kevin Ramey, Fort Worth, TX (11) 7. Danny Martin Jr. (19) 8. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (9) 9. Joe Beaver (21) 10. Toby Chapman (18) 11. 29x, Brandon Harkness, Sedro Woolley, WA (7) 12. Danny Horner (20) 13. 19T, Matt Tiffany, Daytona Beach, FL (4) 14. Troy Meyer (17) 15. 53H, Matt Harms, Morton, IL (2) 16. 14J, Josh Riggins, Lincoln, NE (14) 17. 1x, Jake Martens, Fairview, OK (13) 18. Lee Sowell (22) 19. 67, Brian Thomas, Auburn, GA (12) 20. 4L, Lee Grosz, Harwood, ND (16) 21. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (15) 22. 03, Joe Wood Jr., Oklahoma City, OK (10) DNS – 02, Gene Lasker, Tampa, FL, 11T, Tom "TJ" Winegardner, Pierson, FL, 13, Seth Brahmaer, Wisner, NE

C main (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. 85, Dustin Daggett, Portland, MI (1) 2. K9, Justin Zimmerman, Royce City, TX (2) 3. 18x, Tony Bruce Jr., Liberal, KS (7) 4. 2x, Bryan Dobesh, Sioux Falls, SD (5) 5. 9N, Wade Nygaard, Fargo, ND (3) / 6. 29N, Larry Neighbors, Oklahoma City, OK (4) 7. 94, Jerrod Hull, Sikeston, MO (10) 8. 41K, Ray Allen Kulhanek, Danbury, TX (8) 9. 8, John Carney II, El Paso, TX (6) 10. 99, Curt Michael, Ocean View, DE (16) 11. 2w, Kevin Welsh, Far Hills, NJ (9) 12. Garry Lee Maier (18) 13. 98, JD Johnson, Goddard, KS (11) 14. 11P, Preston Peebles II, Lubbock, TX (12) 15. 20, Luke Cranston, Ness City, KS (13) 16. Randy Martin (19) 17. Chris Morgan (20) 18. 7, Dustin Selvage, Indianola, IA (17) 19. Chad Meinholdt (21) 20. Cory Seeling (22) 21. 61a, Toby Brown, Carthage, MO (15) 22. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (14) DNS – 4, Mike Chadd, Lincoln, NE, 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA, 2m, Matt Moro, Des Moines, IA

B main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. X, Chuck Swenson, Watertown, SD (3) 2. 2J, Don Droud Jr., Lincoln, NE (4) 3. 29, Travis Rilat, Forney, TX (9) 4. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (11) / 5. 10, Jeff Mitrison, Oskaloosa, IA (7) 6. 75, Jesse Hockett, Warsaw, MO (14) 7. 9, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (2) 8. 34, Luke Hall, Troy, OH (1) 9. 88, Steve King, Jetmore, KS (10) 10. 15, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (13) 11. 11c, Roger Crockett, Eugene, OR (5) 12. Dustin Daggett (18) 13. Tony Bruce Jr. (20) 14. 1, Sean McClelland, Collinsville, OK (6) 15. 00, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (17) 16. Bryan Dobesh (21) 17. 5x, Dave Glennon, Casselton, ND (12) 18. 48, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA (15) 19. 61J, Danny Jennings, Norman, OK (16) 20. 22N, Nate

Mosher, Prairie City, IA (8) 21. Justin Zimmerman (19) 22. Wade Nygaard (22) DNS – 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust., 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA, 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS



A main (started), 25 laps, 7:48.5: 1. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (4) 2. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (3) 3. 21, Brian Brown, Higginsville, MO (8) 4. 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (6) 5. 5J, Larry Ball Jr., Knoxville, IA (1) 6. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (5) 7. 1m, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (9) 8. 41, Jason Johnson, Eunice, LA (14) 9. 27, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (15) 10. Travis Rilat (23) 11. 0, Jonathan Allard, Chico, CA (17) 12. 9x, Gary Wright, Hooks, TX (7) 13. R19, Scott Winters, Butterfield, MN (10) 14. 5B, Rick Ideus, Silver City, IA (11) 15. Jake Peters (24) 16. Don Droud Jr. (22) 17. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (19) 18. 47, Dale Howard, Byhalia, MS (16) 19. Chuck Swenson (21) 20. 17J, Lance Yonge, Penn Yan, NY (18) 21. 55, Ian Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (12) 22. 51H, Bryan Howland, Auburn, NY (20) 23. 23, Eric Jobe, Kansas City, MO (13) 24. 7w, Larry Pinegar II, Des Moines, IA (2). **Lap Leaders:** Pinegar 1-11; Giannetto 12-25.

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Time Trials (Group Qualifying): 1. 55, Ricky Logan, Little Rock, AR, 14.987; 2. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA, 15.084; 3. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA, 15.094; 4. 81, Randy Anderson, Clarion, IA, 15.120; 5. 5, Tyler Walker, Los Angeles, CA, 15.178; 6. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA, 15.192; 7. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE, 15.193; 8. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA, 15.193; 9. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD, 15.213; 10. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA, 15.221; 11. 33c, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO, 15.229; 12. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust., 15.234; 13. 86, Eric Vanderploeg, Altoona, IA, 15.264; 14. 10J, Jeff Mitrison, Oskaloosa, IA, 15.281; 15. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA, 15.282; 16. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD, 15.309; 17. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD, 15.317; 18. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL, 15.341; 19. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA, 15.357; 20. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust., 15.362; 21. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA, 15.377; 22. 4, Jon Agan, Knoxville, IA, 15.443; 23. 5c, Chad Hillier, Sedro Woolley, WA, 15.444; 24. 12, Robert Ballou, Rocklin, CA, 15.457; 25. 1, Brent Antill, Ankeny, IA, 15.488; 26. 0, Jonathan Allard, Chico, CA, 15.489; 27. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA, 15.523; 28. 99, Kyle Hirst, Elk Grove, CA, 15.549; 29. 15s, Nick Smith, Broken Arrow, OK, 15.570; 30. 4x, Toni Lutar, White Rock, BC, Can., 15.605; 31. 10, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA, 15.636; 32. NZ3, Jamie McDonald, Birkenhead Point, NI, NZ, 15.654; 33. 4w, Matt Wasmund, Jackson, MN, 15.724; 34. 25m, Ken Mackey, Manitou Beach, MI, 15.775; 35. 13, Seth Brahmaer, Wisner, NE, 15.790; 36. 94s, Natalie Sather, Fargo, ND, 15.919; 37. 57c, Chris Schmelzle, Victoria, BC, Can., 16.217; 38. 03, Dave Saffell, Pleasantville, IA, 16.218; 39. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA, 16.268; 40. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA, 16.468; 41. 71,

Robert Bell, Colfax, IA, 16.483; 42. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA, 16.581; 43. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO, 17.256.

Heat one (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Clint Garner (2) 2. Matt Moro (1) 3. Dusty Zomer (4) 4. Ricky Logan (6) 5. Tyler Walker (5) / 6. Eric Vanderploeg (3) 7. Nick Smith (8) 8. Chris Schmelzle (10) 9. Robert Bell (11) 10. Matt Wasmund (9) 11. Brent Antill (7)

Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:06.9: 1. Kaley Gharst (2) 2. Jeff Mitrisin (3) 3. Jon Agan (1) 4. Bronson Maeschen (5) 5. Ryan Anderson (6) / 6. Chris Walraven (4) 7. Ken Mackey (9) 8. Jonathan Allard (7) 9. Toni Lutar (8) 10. Dave Saffell (10) DNS – Tony Shilling

Heat three (started), 8 laps, 2:07.5: 1. Jesse Giannetto (2) 2. Calvin Landis (5) 3. Jon Corbin (4) 4. Chad Hillier (1) 5. Lynton Jeffrey (6) / 6. Rager Phillips (8) 7. Brian Brown (11) 8. Mike Moore (7) 9. Tim St. Arnold (3) 10. Seth Brahmmer (9) 11. Greg Jones (10)

Heat four (started), 8 laps, 2:07.5: 1. Skip Jackson (2) 2. Billy Alley (5) 3. Trevor Green (4) 4. Robert Ballou (1) 5. Chad Meyer (3) / 6. Randy Anderson (6) 7. Jamie McDonald (8) 8. Kyle Hirst (7) 9. Tyler Houseman (10) 10. Natalie Sather (9)

B main (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. Brent Antill (5) 2. Tim St. Arnold (4) 3. Rager Phillips (11) 4. Toni Lutar (10) 5. Seth Brahmmer (15) / 6. Natalie Sather (16) 7. Chris Schmelzle (17) 8. Matt Wasmund (13) 9. Tyler Houseman (20) 10. Robert Bell (21) 11. Randy Anderson (1) 12. Jonathan Allard (6) 13. Mike Moore (7) 14. Kyle Hirst (8) 15. Greg Jones (19) 16. Dave Saffell (18) 17. Brian Brown (22) 18. Nick Smith (9) 19. Jamie McDonald (12) 20. Ken Mackey (14) 21. Eric Vanderploeg (3) DQ – (Light, crossed 1st) Chris Walraven (2) DNS – Tony Shilling

A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Kaley Gharst (12) 2. Chad Meyer (1) 3. Billy Alley (4) 4. Tyler Walker (9) 5. Dusty Zomer (5) 6. Clint Garner (13) 7. Ricky Logan (10) 8. Jesse Giannetto (15) 9. Trevor Green (3) 10. Matt Moro (17) 11. Calvin Landis (7) 12. Jon Agan (16) 13. Ryan Anderson (11) 14. Rager Phillips (20) 15. 33c, Brian Brown (22) 16. Toni Lutar (21) 17. Chad Hillier (19) 18. Seth Brahmmer (23) 19. Bronson Maeschen (6) 20. Skip Jackson (14) 21. Robert Ballou (24) 22. Lynton Jeffrey (8) 23. Brent Antill (18) 24. DQ (Wing, crossed 1st) Jeff Mitrisin (2). **Lap Leaders:** Meyer 1-12; Mitrisin 13-20.

8/6/06

Wright has the Right Stuff in Winning the Knoxville Brodix Tournament

by Bob Wilson

KNOXVILLE, Iowa - August 6 - Gary Wright of Hooks, Texas captured the 8th annual Brodix Tournament of Champions at Knoxville Raceway Sunday night besting a stellar field of 65 entrants from across America. The win paid the Lone Star State native \$5,000. The apparent winner, Chuck Swenson of Watertown, South Dakota was penalized and scored last after being found to have illegal heads in post-race inspections.

Front row starter Gary Wright grabbed the immediate lead and wheeled his sprinter in the low groove around this historic half mile oval to lead the field of 30 starters. Just as he entered lap two the red flag was displayed for a wreck on the backstretch. That incident involved Randy Martin who had run up over a slowing Mike Brecht.

The restart saw one more lap in the books before the caution flew for a stopped Garry Lee Maier, the defending event champion. Maier's hood had broken loose from its fastenings. He was able to restart but the same problem would continue to plague him.

When the race resumed, Wright continued to lead with Swenson in second, Troy Meyer in third, Josh Higday in fourth, having just taken that position away from Sam Hafertepe, Jr. The rush to the front would quickly come to a halt again as the red flag once again waved, this time for Abe Sherwood who also had run up and over a tire of a car he chased.

At this early stage of this 15-mile race, the top ten looked like this: Wright, Swenson, Meyer, Higday, Hafertepe, Dustin Daggett, Tim Allison, Jake Martens, Nate Mosher and Jason Johnson.

The lap seven restart was a crucial point of this race as Swenson was able to pull along side Wright on the backstretch and as they flew into turn three, Swenson had the lead. The only question was if he could keep that spot through turn four and down the front stretch.

Wright stayed close but it would take a major error on the part of Swenson for him to make a pass. Those two cars separated and pulled away from Meyer and Higday. As they flew past the flagstand at the end of thirteen laps, they entered lap traffic. For the next five circuits both Swenson and Wright fought to get through the backmarkers with neither driver making a mistake.

It was lap 17 that Johnny Anderson stopped against the turn four fence bringing out the next caution. He could not restart due to mechanical problems.

On the restart, Swenson resumed the point and by lap 20 he could count a fifteen car-length advantage over Wright. Meyer and Higday were still in the mix but Jason Johnson had joined the fray and began to hound them. Lap 22 saw Higday pass Meyer but the Des Moines driver was never able to mount a challenge to the two front runners.

Two additional yellows were displayed on laps twenty-five and twenty-six. The latter was for Meyer who no doubt had finally lost an engine as he had been smoking in the previous laps. The South Dakota driver had run in the top three for most of the race.

In the final laps, Swenson, who competes in the ASCS Northern Plains Region was able to keep his self-owned Maxim in front of Wright and finish about fifteen car lengths ahead of him at the checkers. Wright, a member of Team American Sprint Cars on Tour (ASCoT) settled for second and a \$3,000 check. Fellow ASCoT runner Jason Johnson passed Higday late in the race to take show honors and \$2,000. Higday, driving under the KNOX (Knoxville) banner received \$1,500 for fourth. Fifth place honors went to Dustin Lindquist (KNOX)(who started 19th) as well as a check for \$1,000.

Rounding out the top ten finishers were Hafertepe, Jr., Danny Horner (started 28th), Curt Michael (started 22nd), Kevin Welsh and Joe Beaver.

Results

Heat one (started, *qualified for feature, Organization), 8 laps, NT: 1. X, Chuck Swenson, Watertown, SD (2*, ASCS-NP) 2. 11, Tim Allison, Cridersville, OH (6*, NRA) 3. m20, Mike Brecht, Leipsic, OH (1, NRA) 4. 41, Jason Johnson, Eunice, LA (8*, ASCoT) 5. 15s, Nick Smith, Broken Arrow, OK (4, ASCoT) 6. 29R, Travis Rilat, Forney, TX (5, ASCoT) 7. 46, Jan Howard, Byhalia, MS (7, ASCoT) 8. 51J, Ryan Jamison, Mediapolis, IA (9, SIA) 9. 19T, Matt Tiffany, Daytona Beach, FL (3, USCS)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature, Organization), 8 laps, NT: 1. 9x, Gary Wright, Hooks, TX (1*, ASCoT) 2. 8L, Tom Lenz, Marion, IA (2*, KNOX) 3. 11x, Garry Lee Maier, Cimarron, KS (3, NCRA) 4. 99, Curt Michael, Ocean View, DE (6, URC) 5. 10, Jeff Mitrisin, Oskaloosa, IA (4, KNOX) 6. 00m, Danny Martin

Jr., Sarasota, FL (8, USCS) 7. 11c, Roger Crockett, Eugene, OR (5, NST) 8. 14, Randy Martin, California, MO (7, WOW)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature, Organization), 8 laps, NT: 1. 15, Sam Hafertepe Jr., Sunnyvale, TX (1*, ASCS-S) 2. 44J, Abe Sherwood, Tulsa, OK (2*, ASCoT) 3. 98, JD Johnson, Goddard, KS (3, NCRA) 4. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (6, KNOX) 5. 57c, Chris Schmelzle, Victoria, BC, Can. (4, NST) 6. 1, Sean McClelland, Collinsville, OK (8, ASCS-S) 7. s1, Garry Chippindall, Warragul, VIC, Aust. (5, PASS) 8. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (7, SIA)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature, Organization), 8 laps, NT: 1. 85, Dustin Daggett, Portland, MI (4*, ASCoT) 2. 2w, Kevin Welsh, Far Hills, NJ (1*, URC) 3. 41K, Ray Allen Kulhanek, Danbury, TX (2, ASCS-GS) 4. 75, Jesse Hockett, Warsaw, MO (3, ASCoT) 5. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (6, KNOX) 6. 01, Mike Trent, Rocheport, MO (7, WOW) 7. 47x, Louie Carufel, Port Huron, MI (5, ASCS-SOD) 8. 4, Tim Gee, Leduc, ALB, Can. (8, AST)

Heat five (started, *qualified for feature, Organization), 8 laps, NT: 1. 1x, Jake Martens, Fairview, OK (1*, NCRA) 2. 11m, Troy Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (6*, KNOX) 3. 4L, Lee Grosz, Harwood, ND (2, ASCS-NP) 4. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (8*, KNOX) 5. 75H, Danny Horner, Cottage Grove, OR (3, NST) 6. 20, Luke Cranston, Ness City, KS (4, NCRA) 7. 51, Lee Sowell, Nesbit, MS (USCS-MS) 8. 97, Cory Seeling, Beaverdam, OH (5, NRA)

Heat six (started, *qualified for feature, Organization), 8 laps, NT: 1. 33, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (3*, KNOX) 2. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (4*, KNOX) 3. 5B, Rick Ideus, Silver City, IA (2, ASCS-M) 4. 17J, Lance Yonge, Penn Yan, NY (8, ESS) 5. 1z, Jessica Zemken, Sprakers, NY (5, ESS) 6. 51H, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (6, KNOX) 7. 23F, Matthew Fox, Sedalia, MO (7, WOW) DNS - 5, Eric Lutz, Sioux Falls, SD (1, ASCS-NP)

Heat seven (started, *qualified for feature, Organization), 8 laps, NT: 1. 22N, Nate Mosher, Prairie City, IA (1*, KNOX) 2. 56, Brook Weibley, York Springs, PA (2*, URC) 3. 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (3, KNOX) 4. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS (6, KNOX) 5. 00, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (7, KNOX) 6. 88, Steve King, Jetmore, KS (8, NCRA) 7. B4, Eric Baldaccini, Keller, TX (4, ASCS-S) 8. 17, Jimmy Martin III, Felton, DE (5, URC)

Heat eight (started, *qualified for feature, Organization), 8 laps, NT: 1. 29, Brandon Harkness, Sedro Woolley, WA (1*, AST) 2. 18, Tony Bruce Jr., Liberal, KS (2*, NCRA) 3. 91, Darren Stewart, Bixby, OK (ASCS-MS) 4. 9, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (5, SIA) 5. 26, Gary Fast, Kalkaska, MI (4, ASCS-SOD) 6. 51B, Bryan Howland, Auburn, NY (6, ASCS-PSG) 7. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (7, KNOX) 8. 53x, Dave Anderson, Burlington, IA (8, SIA)

B main one (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Dustin Lindquist (4) 2. Curt Michael (2) / 3. Ray Allen Kulhanek (3) 4. Rager Phillips (5) 5. Lance Yonge (1) 6. Randy Martin (14) 7. Danny Horner (8) 8. Frankie Heimbaugh (6) 9. Cory Seeling (15) 10. Louie Carufel (12) 11. Danny Martin Jr. (7) 12. Eric Baldaccini (13) 13. Gary Fast (9) 14. Jan Howard (11) 15. Luke Cranston (10) DNS - Eric Lutz

B main two (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Mike Brecht (1) 2. JD Johnson (2) / 3. John Kearney (4) 4. Jesse Hockett (5) 5. Lee Grosz (3) 6. Lee Sowell (12) 7. Jessica Zemken (8) 8. Chris Schmelzle (7) 9. Josh Schneiderman (14) 10. Matt Tiffany (16) 11. Brett Mather (13) 12. Jimmy Martin III (15) 13. Mike Trent (9) 14. Roger Crockett (11) 15. Nick Smith (6) 16. David Hall (10)

B Feature three (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Johnny Anderson (2) 2. Garry Lee Maier (1) / 3. Darren Stewart (4) 4. Travis Rilat (9) 5. Jeff Mitrison (6) 6. Rick Ideus (3) 7. Steve King (8) 8. Sean McClelland (7) 9. Ryan

Jamison (13) 10. Bryan Howland (10) 11. Garry Chippindall (11) 12. Matthew Fox (12) 13. Dave Anderson (14) 14. Stacey Alexander (5) DNS – Tim Gee

A main (started), 30 laps, NT: 1. Gary Wright (2) 2. Jason Johnson (12) 3. Josh Higday (9) 4. Dustin Lindquist (19) 5. Sam Hafertepe Jr. (1) 6. Danny Horner (28, pr.) 7. Curt Michael (22) 8. Kevin Welsh (15) 9. Joe Beaver (16) 10. Tony Bruce Jr. (18) 11. Rick Ideus (29, pr.) 12. Brandon Harkness (11) 13. Dustin Daggett (6) 14. JD Johnson (23) 15. Tom Lenz (13) 16. Jessica Zemken (26, pr.) 17. Garry Chippindall (25, pr.) 18. Tim Allison (5) 19. Troy Meyer (4) 20. Jake Martens (7) 21. Jon Corbin (8) 22. Nate Mosher (10) 23. Johnny Anderson (21) 24. Garry Lee Maier (24) 25. Bryan Howland (27, pr.) 26. Abe Sherwood (13) 27. Mike Brecht (20) 28. Randy Martin (30, pr.) 29. Brook Weibley (17) DQ (motor, crossed 1st) - Chuck Swenson (3). **Lap Leaders:** Wright 1-6, Swenson 7-30.

ToC Team Points

1. Knoxville - 124
2. ASCoT - 78
3. NCRA - 52
4. URC - 46
5. ASCS-NP - 30
6. ASCS-S - 25
7. NST - 24
8. ASCS-M - 19
9. AST - 18
10. NRA - 15
11. ESS - 14
12. PASS - 13
13. ASCS-PSG - 5
14. WOW - 2

8/9/06

Rahmer wins Wednesday night Nationals opener

by Stacy Ervin

For the second year in a row, Pennsylvania's Fast Freddy Rahmer opened up the biggest race week of the sprint-car season with a win on opening night. And for the second year in a row, he can credit some of his success to the misfortune of another driver.

Rahmer took the \$12,000 win on opening night of the 46th annual Knoxville Nationals presented by Super Clean, Midwest Ford Dealers and Hoosier Racing Tires.

Starting sixth in the feature, he stayed near the front as fellow Pennsylvanian Lance Dewease, who started outside the front row, dominated the race.

On the start, Dewease got a good jump on polesitter Gary Wright to take the point.

Jerrod Hull was the first to fall from the main event, pulling in on the second circuit.

Meanwhile, Dewease was running away with the race as Steve Kinser and Rahmer were passing Wright. Dewease hit lapped traffic at lap seven, around the same time as Jan Howard was pulling into the pit area. Behind Dewease, Kinser and Rahmer were exchanging slide jobs as early as lap nine and they would continue

to fight it out well behind Dewease.

By lap 13, Daryn Pittman had caught up to Kinser and Rahmer and was trying to wrestle second place away from the duo. Dewease had run away and hid from his closest competitors at this time, leaving the best race in the second spot.

Therefore it was a shock to the large crowd when the red flag came out on the 18th circuit as Dewease went straight into the fence in turn one and got upside down. Rahmer had been second at the time and he inherited the lead for the restart.

When the race went green, Rahmer took off while Kinser and Pittman nearly got together in the fight to catch up. In the waning laps, Pittman drove away from Kinser in second. That left Donny Schatz to pick up the pace. He got around Kinser and several others eventually followed.

The race was on the white-flag lap when another red flag came out for Steve King, who had taken a hard flip into the turn-three wall.

On the green, white, checkered restart, Rahmer again drove away, while Schatz got second. Pittman took third, Travis Rilat fourth, Craig Dollansky fifth and Brandon Wimmer sixth. Kinser slipped back to seventh. Chad Layton was eighth, Ed Lynch Jr. was ninth and Chad Kemenah 10th.

In victory lane, Rahmer noted it was a shame to see Dewease crash when two Pennsylvania cars had been running good.

"I'm awful proud to win tonight," he said. "I just couldn't be happier."

At last year's running of the event, Rahmer inherited the win on Wednesday night's opener when Kinser suffered a crash while leading the race.

Knoxville Raceway season point leader Billy Alley thrilled the local fans when he set quick time for the night with a 15.151. The last-chance race was won by Natalie Sather. Heat races were won by King, Layton, PJ Chesson, Jeremy Campbell and Trevor Green.

Becca Anderson won the C-Main to transfer on to the B with Kenny Jacobs. The B-Main was won by Alley and other transfers to the A were Sammy Swindell, Jason Solwold and Jonathon Allard. A notable non-transfer from the B was perennial Nationals favorite Danny Lasoski, who finished fifth, just one spot out of a transfer.

There were a couple of unfortunate incidents on the night. In the third heat race, Jon Agan got together with Anderson and took a nasty flip into the turn-one billboards on the first lap.

Lynton Jeffrey suffered in the B-Main, when he slowed to a stop on lap four. The unfortunate thing for him was that he was running in a transfer spot to the A at the time.

Dollansky changed a motor before the feature after time-trialing third and finishing third in his heat.

Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (40) 15.151; 2. R19, Jason Solwold, Mt. Vernon, WA (35) 15.298; 3. 7, Craig Dollansky, Elk River, MN (11) 15.326; 4. 5w, Lucas Wolfe, Mechanicsburg, PA (15) 15.350; 5. 15, Donny Schatz, Fargo, ND (59) 15.374; 6. 1s, Sammy Swindell, Germantown, TN (12) 15.380; 7. D1x, Justin Henderson, Sioux Falls, SD (26) 15.385; 8. 26, Shane Stewart, Bixby, OK (23) 15.399; 9. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (3) 15.406; 10. 2, Skip

Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (14) 15.407; 11. 0, Jonathan Allard, Chico, CA (27) 15.416; 12. 22, Fred Rahmer, Salfordville, PA (58) 15.426; 13. 19x, Becca Anderson, Houston, DE (29) 15.433; 14. 8J, Kenny Jacobs, Holmesville, OH (39) 15.440; 15. 2L, Ed Lynch Jr., Apollo, PA (52) 15.449; 16. 21x, Daryn Pittman, Owasso, OK (32) 15.467; 17. 83, Danny Lasoski, Dover, MO (46) 15.469; 18. 7s, Jason Sides, Bartlett, TN (55) 15.483; 19. 81, Randy Anderson, Clarion, IA (18) 15.509; 20. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (60) 15.517; 21. 33c, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (19) 15.522; 22. 11, Steve Kinser, Bloomington, IN (45) 15.530; 23. 4A, Jon Agan, Knoxville, IA (51) 15.558; 24. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (48) 15.561; 25. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (34) 15.569; 26. 3, Bob Bennett, Lewisberry, PA (2) 15.586; 27. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (36) 15.611; 28. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (54) 15.614; 29. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (57) 15.625; 30. 86, Eric Vanderploeg, Altoona, IA (17) 15.636; 31. 25, Lance Dewease, Fayetteville, PA (24) 15.637; 32. 9w, Gary Wright, Hooks, TX (49) 15.651; 33. 12m, James Mosher, Albuquerque, NM (43) 15.665; 34. 15K, Chad Kemenah, Findlay, OH (50) 15.673; 35. 29, Travis Rilat, Forney, TX (4) 15.696; 36. 4x, Toni Lutar, White Rock, BC, Can. (10) 15.714; 37. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (38) 15.739; 38. 44x, Luke Cranston, Ness City, KS (6) 15.741; 39. 7TW, Brandon Wimmer, Fairmont, IN (30) 15.757; 40. 12L, John Lambertz, Sioux Falls, SD (20) 15.776; 41. 88, Steve King, Jetmore, KS (21) 15.777; 42. 12c, Chad Layton, Harrisburg, PA (1) 15.802; 43. 55K, PJ Chesson, Far Hills, NJ (56) 15.816; 44. 10c, Jeremy Campbell, Monroe, MI (44) 15.830; 45. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (42) 15.847; 46. 13, Mark Dobmeier, Grand Forks, ND (9) 15.882; 47. 5c, Chad Hillier, Sedro Woolley, WA (5) 15.883; 48. 46, Jan Howard, Byhalia, MS (7) 15.932; 49. 94, Jerrod Hull, Sikeston, MO (16) 15.950; 50. 17J, Jerry Brey, Billings, MT (8) 16.001; / 51. 94s, Natalie Sather, Fargo, ND (53) 16.008; 52. 98, Dan Shetler, Johnstown, PA (13) 16.013; 53. 1A, Gordy Vogelaar, Worthington, MN (25) 16.029; 54. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (28) 16.036; 55. 57c, Chris Schmelzle, Victoria, BC, Can. (33) 16.087; 56. 15m, Bobby Mincer, Burlington, IA (61) 16.155; 57. 61J, Danny Jennings, Norman, OK (31) 16.306; 58. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA (41) 16.457; 59. 75, Ty Bartz, Howards Grove, WI (22) 16.594; 60. 98x, JD Johnson, Goddard, KS (37) 16.624; 61. 03, Dave Saffell, Pleasantville, IA (47) 16.938; 62. 2D, Doug Day, Winder, GA (62) 17.102.

Last Chance Heat (started), 8 laps, 2:10.0: 1. Natalie Sather (1) 2. Dan Shetler (2) 3. Mike Moore (4) 4. Bobby Mincer (6) 5. Danny Jennings (7) 6. Chris Schmelzle (5) 7. Ty Bartz (9) 8. Tyler Houseman (8) 9. Doug Day (10) 10. Gordy Vogelaar (3) / DNS - JD Johnson, Dave Saffell

Heat one (started), 10 laps, 2:39.0 (NTR, old track record 2:39.6, Wayne Johnson, August 1, 2003): 1. Steve King (2) 2. Mark Dobmeier (1) 3. Lance Dewease (4) 4. Daryn Pittman (7) / 5. Jon Corbin (6) 6. Jonathan Allard (8) 7. Sammy Swindell (9) 8. Billy Alley (10) / 9. Toni Lutar (3) 10. Bob Bennett (5)

Heat two (started), 10 laps, 2:39.1: 1. Chad Layton (2) 2. Steve Kinser (6) 3. Fred Rahmer (8) 4. Gary Wright (4) / 5. Danny Lasoski (7) 6. Chad Hillier (1) 7. Jason Solwold (10) 8. Bronson Maeschen (3) / 9. Justin Henderson (9) 10. Jake Peters (5)

Heat three (started), 10 laps, 2:39.2: 1. PJ Chesson (2) 2. Jan Howard (1) 3. Craig Dollansky (10) 4. Luke Cranston (3) / 5. Shane Stewart (9) 6. Jason Sides (7) 7. Tim St. Arnold (5) 8. James Mosher (4) / 9. Jon Agan (6) 10. Becca Anderson (8)

Heat four (started), 10 laps, 2:40.1: 1. Jeremy Campbell (2) 2. Brandon Wimmer (3) 3. Chad Kemenah (4) 4. Jerrod Hull (1) / 5. Ryan Anderson (5) 6. Lynton Jeffrey (9) 7. Lucas Wolfe (10) 8. Calvin Landis (6) / 9. Randy Anderson (7) 10. Kenny Jacobs (8)

Heat five (started), 10 laps, 2:40.5: 1. Trevor Green (2) 2. Travis Rilat (4) 3. Donny Schatz (10) 4. Ed Lynch Jr. (8) / 5. John Lambertz (3) 6. Skip Jackson (9) 7. Matt Moro (6) 8. Clint Garner (7) / 9. Jerry Brey (1) 10. Eric Vanderploeg (5)

C main (started), 10 laps, 2:44.4: 1. Becca Anderson (2) 2. Kenny Jacobs (3) / 3. Justin Henderson (1) 4. Randy Anderson (4) 5. Jake Peters (5) 6. Toni Lutar (7) 7. Eric Vanderploeg (8) 8. Dan Shetler (12) 9. Bob

Bennett (6) 10. Danny Jennings (13) 11. Jerry Brey (10) 12. Natalie Sather (9) 13. Ty Bartz (15) 14. Bobby Mincer (14) 15. Mike Moore (11) 16. Chris Schmelzle (16) 17. Doug Day (17) 18. Tyler Houseman (18) 19. DNS - Gordy Vogelaar, Jon Agan

B main (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. Billy Alley (1) 2. Sammy Swindell (4) 3. Jason Solwold (2) 4. Jonathan Allard (8) / 5. Danny Lasoski (9) 6. Calvin Landis (13) 7. Shane Stewart (5) 8. Jason Sides (10) 9. Skip Jackson (7) 10. Clint Garner (11) 11. Jon Corbin (12) 12. Lucas Wolfe (3) 13. Matt Moro (14) 14. Ryan Anderson (16) 15. Bronson Maeschen (18) 16. Chad Hillier (20) 17. Tim St. Arnold (15) 18. John Lambertz (19) 19. Becca Anderson (21) 20. Kenny Jacobs (22) 21. James Mosher (17) 22. Lynton Jeffrey (6)



A main (started), 25 laps, NT: 1. Fred Rahmer (6) 2. Donny Schatz (7) 3. Daryn Pittman (4) 4. Travis Rilat (10) 5. Craig Dollansky (8) 6. Brandon Wimmer (12) 7. Steve Kinser (3) 8. Chad Layton (14) 9. Ed Lynch Jr. (5) 10. Chad Kemenah (9) 11. Jason Solwold (23) 12. Gary Wright (1) 13. Billy Alley (21) 14. PJ Chesson (15) 15. Jonathan Allard (24) 16. Sammy Swindell (22) 17. Trevor Green (17) 18. Mark Dobmeier (18) 19. Jeremy Campbell (16) 20. Luke Cranston (11) 21. Steve King (13) 22. Lance Dewease (2) 23. Jan Howard (19) 24. Jerrod Hull (20). **Lap Leaders:** Dewease 1-18; Rahmer 19-25.

8/10/06

Jason Johnson wins Thursday night Nationals qualifier

by Stacy Ervin

Louisiana's "Cajun Sensation" Jason Johnson took the \$12,000 win on the second qualifying night of the 46th annual Knoxville Nationals, presented by Super Clean, Midwest Ford Dealers and Weld Racing. The race was contested on Thursday, August 10.

Starting fourth on the grid for the 25-lap main event, Johnson followed polesitter Brian Paulus through the first several laps before he ran away and hid from the competition.

This race had trouble getting started as Robert Ballou jumped the cushion on the fight for space in turn one of the first lap and flipped. Also at that time, Dusty Zomer pulled to the work area with brake-caliper problems.

When the race was going to restart from that, Chris Walraven's machine slowed on the pace laps in turn three.

Brian Ellenberger also pulled to the work area with brake problems. Walraven's machine would not refire, and that short delay was a good thing for Zomer, who had enough time to get repairs made to his machine and restart.

When the race attempted to go green again, Kerry Madsen spun in turn one to bring out another yellow flag.

After that, the race went green and Paulus jumped out to lead. By lap five, he and Johnson began a torrid battle for the lead, racing side-by-side for much of the next three laps.

On the eighth lap, Johnson finally wrestled the lead away from Paulus just as the two were headed for lapped traffic.

From there, Johnson set sail. On the 13th lap, Tim Kaeding got around Paulus for second place and began to set his sights on Johnson.

On the 16th lap, the yellow flag came back when Jesse Hockett's machine went up in smoke in turn one.

On the restart, Johnson again cruised around the hallowed half-mile, never looking back en route to victory. Kaeding was second, Jason Meyers third and Kaley Gharst fourth. Paulus slipped back to fifth. Wayne Johnson was sixth. Joey Saldana came from the tail of the field after transferring from the B-Main and ended up seventh. Madsen also charged back to finish eighth. Paul McMahan was ninth and Terry McCarl 10th.

In victory lane following the win, Jason Johnson noted he did not have as good a time trial as he would have liked, but winning the qualifying-night feature "is what's it's about."

Don Droud Jr. set the bar in time trials, turning the only sub-15-second lap of this year's Nationals. The former Knoxville Raceway track record holder turned a 14.927. The last-chance race was won by Brian Carlson. Heat races were won by Jason Johnson, Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Travis Whitney, McCarl and Walraven.

The C-Main was won by Ricky Logan. The other transfer to the B-Main was Dion Hindi, who took the spot by a mere six one-thousandths of a second over third-place Brock Mayes.

The B-Main was won by Droud. Other transfers to the A were Saldana, Zomer and Brian Brown.

There were several mishaps and misfortunes on this night. Starting off in time trials, Troy Little suffered a broken rear end on his machine going into turn one. Likewise, Jesse Giannetto suffered a broken driveline on his machine. Those two drivers, along with Robert Bell and Mallory Armfield, did not take time trials in this Nationals.

In the first heat race, Jeff Mitrisin, who was to start third, was late getting to the staging area and was relegated to start at the tail. He could not make the transfer to the A from there. On the start of that heat, Wayne Johnson tried a bold move, tagged another car and spun in turn two. On the next attempt at a start, Tyler Walker tried a bold move, got into Jessica Zemken and hit the turn-one fence. Walker did not return to start the C-Main on this night.

In the second heat race, Saldana and Gharst got together at the start and that sent Saldana spinning. He suffered a broken front end on his machine, but his award-winning pit crew was able to get him back out for the race. Ironically, it was Gharst who would later keep Saldana from transferring to the feature through his heat race. As the heat was winding down, Saldana put a slide job on Gharst, but the youngster kept up and the pair raced side-by-side. In turn one of the last lap, Saldana tried to squeeze Gharst down to the low side of the speedway and got a wheel from Gharst to push Saldana up out of his groove. Gharst went on to take the fourth and final transfer away.

Also in that second heat, the yellow came out on lap four when Josh Higday's machine began to smoke in turn one. As he slowed a bit, Logan was caught in between Higday and the fence in turn two. The contact broke the front axle on Logan's car and he was not able to get it fixed in time to restart.

In the B-Main, the red flag came out on the first lap when Higday jumped the cushion and flipped in turn three. The red returned on lap two when a melee ensued involving Jason Martin, Dean Jacobs and Danny Smith. The result saw Smith's machine standing straight up on its tail and Martin's machine mangled into the turn-four fence.

Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 44, Don Droud Jr., Lincoln, NE (5) 14.927; 2. 9, Joey Saldana, Brownsburg, IN (43) 15.125; 3. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (31) 15.126; 4. 1x, Randy Hannagan, Pittsboro, IN (16) 15.134; 5. 77, Todd Shaffer, Millerstown, PA (4) 15.178; 6. 14AJ, Wayne Johnson, Oklahoma City, OK (33) 15.229; 7. 55, Ricky Logan, Little Rock, AR (21) 15.253; 8. 10, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (18) 15.264; 9. 18, Tony Bruce Jr., Liberal, KS (26) 15.283; 10. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (63) 15.324; 11. 14, Jason Meyers, Clovis, CA (30) 15.348; 12. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (47) 15.383; 13. w20, Greg Wilson, Benton Ridge, OH (6) 15.385; 14. 35, Jac Haudenschild, Wooster, OH (56) 15.387; 15. 36, Jason Martin, Liberal, KS (11) 15.414; 16. 41, Jason Johnson, Eunice, LA (3) 15.424; 17. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (23) 15.434; 18. 20, Paul McMahan, Nashville, TN (27) 15.459; 19. 11K, Tim Kaeding, San Jose, CA (41) 15.463; 20. 28, Brian Paulus, Mechanicsburg, PA (40) 15.467; 21. 1K, Kraig Kinser, Bloomington, IN (34) 15.476; 22. 4K, Kelly Kinser, Bloomington, IN (19) 15.484; 23. 4N, Neil Shepherd, Warsaw, IN (45) 15.504; 24. 11D, Dion Hindi, Albuquerque, NM (12) 15.546; 25. 6, Dean Jacobs, Wooster, OH (55) 15.547; 26. 5, Tyler Walker, Los Angeles, CA (35) 15.567; 27. 1T, Kevin Swindell, Germantown, TN (9) 15.570; 28. 4J, Jeff Shepard, Upperco, MD (13) 15.585; 29. 11B, Brock Mayes, Bucyrus, OH (46) 15.593; 30. 9x, Rich Bubak, Golden, CO (1) 15.595; 31. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (44) 15.641; 32. 35m, Dennis Moore Jr., Grinnell, IA (66) 15.705; 33. 15s, Nick Smith, Broken Arrow, OK (39) 15.725; 34. 24x, Terry McCarl, Altoona, IA (64) 15.744; 35. 19, Stevie Smith, Broken Arrow, OK (32) 15.753; 36. 10J, Jeff Mitrison, Oskaloosa, IA (54) 15.769; 37. 40R, Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Olive Branch, MS (60) 15.791; 38. 20E, Brian Ellenberger, Butler, PA (37) 15.814; 39. 8, Brooke Tatnell, San Souci, NSW, Aust. (49) 15.825; 40. 47D, Dale Howard, Byhalia, MS (2) 15.828; 41. 75x, Jesse Hockett, Warsaw, MO (15) 15.847; 42. 11H, Kerry Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (42) 15.879; 43. 4, Danny Smith, Danville, IN (65) 15.900; 44. 1, Brent Antill, Ankeny, IA (62) 15.901; 45. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (58) 15.965; 46. 1JZ, Jessica Zemken, Sprakers, NY (52) 15.993; 47. 7N, Larry Pinegar II, Des Moines, IA (20) 16.027; 48. 9T, Travis Whitney, Champlin, MN (50) 16.078; 49. 2H, Tim Hunter, Millersburg, OH (48) 16.093; 50. 12x, Robert Ballou, Rocklin, CA (38) 16.117; / 51. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (24) 16.118; 52. 18x, Brian Carlson, Linden, IN (36) 16.183; 53. 1m, Kim Mock, Pleasant Prairie, WI (53) 16.344; 54. 99, Kyle Hirst, Elk Grove, CA (61) 16.390; 55. 13x, Seth Brahmer, Wisner, NE (57) 16.440; 56. 15s, Jerrel Slinkard, Melcher-Dallas, IA (39) 16.449; 57. 33, Cameron McGahan, Kenai, AK (17) 16.507; 58. 48, Shawn Sander, El Paso, TX (14) 16.608; 59. 51e, Dave Enders, Kiel, WI (29) 16.845; 60. NZ3, Jamie McDonald, Birkenhead Point, NI, NZ (59) 16.975; 61. 22B, Jesse Baker, Grants, NM (10) 17.170; 62. 7m, Michael Strader, Rock Island, IL (51) 17.952; 63. 54, Troy Little, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (7) NT; 64. 71, Robert Bell, Colfax, IA (8) NT; 65. 5MA, Mallory Armfield, St. Joseph, MO (22) NT; 66. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (28) NT.

Last Chance Heat (started), 8 laps, 2:18.7: 1. Brian Carlson (2) 2. Kim Mock (3) 3. Greg Jones (1) 4. Kyle Hirst (4) 5. Jamie McDonald (10) 6. Seth Brahmer (5) 7. Dave Enders (9) 8. Shawn Sander (8) 9. Cameron McGahan (7) 10. Jesse Baker (11) / 11. Michael Strader (12) 12. Jerrel Slinkard (6) DNS - Robert Bell, Troy Little, Mallory Armfield, Jesse Giannetto

Heat one (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. Jason Johnson (7) 2. Jason Meyers (8) 3. Jesse Hockett (2) 4. Wayne Johnson (9) / 5. Chad Meyer (4) 6. Don Droud Jr. (10) 7. Kraig Kinser (6) 8. Jeff Mitrisin (3) / 9. Jessica Zemken (1) 10. Tyler Walker (5)

Heat two (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. Ricky Stenhouse Jr. (3) 2. Kerry Madsen (2) 3. Dennis Moore Jr. (4) 4. Kaley Gharst (8) / 5. Joey Saldana (10) 6. Josh Higday (7) 7. Kelly Kinser (6) 8. Larry Pinegar II (1) / 9. Kevin Swindell (5) 10. Ricky Logan (9)

Heat three (started), 10 laps, 2:46.6: 1. Travis Whitney (1) 2. Jeff Shepard (5) 3. Paul McMahan (7) 4. Brian Ellenberger (3) / 5. Danny Smith (2) 6. Greg Wilson (8) 7. Dusty Zomer (10) 8. Rager Phillips (9) / 9. Neil Shepherd (6) 10. Nick Smith (4)

Heat four (started), 10 laps, 2:49.2: 1. Terry McCarl (4) 2. Brooke Tatnell (3) 3. Tim Kaeding (7) 4. Tony Bruce Jr. (9) / 5. Brent Antill (2) 6. Tim Hunter (1) 7. Randy Hannagan (10) 8. Jac Haudenschild (8) / 9. Brock Mayes (5) 10. Dion Hindi (6)

Heat five (started), 10 laps, 2:50.0: 1. Chris Walraven (2) 2. Stevie Smith (4) 3. Brian Paulus (7) 4. Robert Ballou (1) / 5. Brian Brown (9) 6. Jason Martin (8) 7. Todd Shaffer (10) 8. Dean Jacobs (6) / 9. Rich Bubak (5) 10. Dale Howard (3)

C main (started), 10 laps, 2:57.1: 1. Ricky Logan (1) 2. Dion Hindi (3) / 3. Brock Mayes (4) 4. Kevin Swindell (5) 5. Nick Smith (6) 6. Kim Mock (10) 7. Neil Shepherd (2) 8. Kyle Hirst (12) 9. Greg Jones (11) 10. Dale Howard (9) 11. Rich Bubak (7) 12. Seth Brahmmer (16) 13. Dave Enders (15) 14. Jessica Zemken (8) 15. Jamie McDonald (13) 16. Shawn Sander (16) 17. Brian Carlson (19) 18. Jesse Baker (18) 19. Cameron McGahan (17) DNS - Tyler Walker

B main (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. Don Droud Jr. (1) 2. Joey Saldana (2) 3. Dusty Zomer (3) 4. Brian Brown (7) / 5. Randy Hannagan (4) 6. Greg Wilson (8) 7. Ricky Logan (21) 8. Jeff Mitrisin (16) 9. Jac Haudenschild (9) 10. Kraig Kinser (12) 11. Rager Phillips (6) 12. Todd Shaffer (5) 13. Kelly Kinser (13) 14. Tim Hunter (20) 15. Danny Smith (17) 16. Dion Hindi (22) 17. Brent Antill (18) 18. Chad Meyer (15) 19. Larry Pinegar II (19) 20. Dean Jacobs (14) 21. Jason Martin (10) 22. Josh Higday (11)



A main (started), 25 laps, NT: 1. Jason Johnson (4) 2. Tim Kaeding (2) 3. Jason Meyers (6) 4. Kaley Gharst (5) 5. Brian Paulus (1) 6. Wayne Johnson (8) 7. Joey Saldana (22) 8. Kerry Madsen (17) 9. Paul McMahan (3) 10. Terry McCarl (11) 11. Jeff Shepard (9) 12. Stevie Smith (12) 13. Brooke Tatnell (15) 14. Ricky Stenhouse Jr. (13) 15. Don Droud Jr. (21) 16. Brian Brown (24) 17. Tony Bruce Jr. (7) 18. Dusty Zomer (23) 19. Travis Whitney (19) 20. Dennis Moore Jr. (10) 21. Jesse Hockett (16) 22. Brian Ellenberger (14) 23. Chris Walraven (18) 24. Robert Ballou (20). **Lap Leaders:** Paulus 1-7; J. Johnson 8-25.

8/11/06

Landis takes Friday non-qualifiers' show at the Knoxville Nationals

by Stacy Ervin

Arizona native Calvin Landis, who became a Knoxville transplant to run weekly at the Knoxville Raceway several years ago, nearly retired from racing at the end of last season due to lack of funding.

But friends and family scraped together enough to keep him going and on Friday, August 11, Landis took home the \$5,000 win in the non-qualifiers' main event at the 46th annual Knoxville Nationals presented by Super Clean, Midwest Ford Dealers and Northland Oil.

Starting on the pole of the 20-lap race, Landis fended off a brief challenge from fellow front-row starter Lynton Jeffrey.

As the race went green, the red flag quickly came out when Matt Moro jumped the cushion in turn one and flipped into turn two. When the race started a second time, the restart was called back because flagman Doug Clark felt Landis and Jeffrey did not stay together.

The next attempt at a start was better and Landis took off with the lead. By lap six, Landis had hit lapped traffic as Jerrod Hull was pulling to the infield. The heavy traffic allowed Jeffrey to close the gap that Landis had built.

On the ninth lap, Landis got a little too high in turn three and that allowed Jeffrey to get around him for the lead. From there, Jeffrey used the lapped traffic to his advantage.

But on the next lap, the yellow flag came out for Chad Meyer, who stopped in turn one. That put Landis on Jeffrey's tail for the restart. However, the first attempt at a restart was called back by Clark because he felt Jeffrey had taken off too early.

On the next restart, Landis used a masterful slide job to take the point from Jeffrey and he never looked back, even while hitting lapped traffic again on the 16th circuit.

Landis was a happy celebrant in victory lane, performing a wing dance and hugging those around him. He noted the \$5,000 payday and said it would probably mean more to his little team than the \$140,000 payday the winner of Saturday's Knoxville Nationals finale would get.

Jeffrey settled for second, Jesse Hockett was third, Brian Ellenberger fourth, Jason Martin fifth, Justin Henderson sixth, Jeremy Campbell seventh, Clint Garner eighth, Dion Hindi ninth and Travis Whitney 10th.

The sixth-place finish for Henderson was particularly noteworthy since he came from the back of the field after winning the B-Main. He had suffered a misfortune in his heat race when his left-rear tire went flat while he was leading. The race went under a yellow flag for a stopped car and Henderson was forced to pull in to the work area for the tire, giving up the lead. He could not make it back into a transfer spot.

Non-qualifiers' heat races were won by Landis, Jeffrey, Ellenberger, Hockett and Martin. The B-Main was won by Henderson, who transferred to the A along with Danny Smith, Kyle Hirst and James Mosher. Knoxville Raceway's 360 point leader Jake Peters suffered the biggest misfortune in the B-Main as he and Hirst got together while fighting for the final transfer spot. The contact sent Peters spinning in turn one.

In addition to the non-qualifiers' events, scramble races were held for the top 10 qualifiers for Saturday's C-Main, B-Main and A-Main. Jon Corbin won the C Scramble while Gary Wright won the B Scramble.

The A Scramble saw a melee at the start as cars were fighting for position near the back of the field. Fred Rahmer and Craig Dollansky got together on that first lap and the contact left Dollansky with serious front-end damage. He did not restart. Rahmer was able to restart despite having skimmed the fence in turn three.

After that incident, the race stayed green with Don Droud Jr. getting the win. Donny Schatz put a last-corner move on Jason Solwold to get second. That helped Schatz to amass enough points to put himself on the pole for Saturday night's A-Main finale.

In the accompanying Factory Value Parts World Challenge, a special non-points race for drivers who qualify through various international events, Australia's Brooke Tatnell took the \$10,000 win in the 16-lap, 16-car event. Missouri's Brian Brown, a regular weekly competitor at the Knoxville Raceway, took second. Schatz took third.

Results

Heat one (started), 8 laps, 2:04.0: 1. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (2) 2. 10c, Jeremy Campbell, Monroe, MI (1) 3. 46, Jan Howard, Byhalia, MS (4) 4. 4K, Kelly Kinser, Bloomington, IN (3) / 5. 4, Danny Smith, Danville, IN (6) 6. 99, Kyle Hirst, Elk Grove, CA (9) 7. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (5) 8. 5c, Chad Hillier, Sedro Woolley, WA (7) 9. 47D, Dale Howard, Byhalia, MS (8)

Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:03.9: 1. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (1) 2. 13, Mark Dobmeier, Grand Forks, ND (2) 3. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (4) 4. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (5) / 5. 12m, James Mosher, Albuquerque, NM (6) 6. 19x, Becca Anderson, Houston, DE (3) 7. 2H, Tim Hunter, Millersburg, OH (7) 8. 17J, Jerry Brey, Billings, MT (8) DNS - Brian Carlson

Heat three (started), 8 laps, 2:04.9: 1. 20E, Brian Ellenberger, Butler, PA (1) 2. 9T, Travis Whitney, Champlin, MN (2) 3. 6, Dean Jacobs, Wooster, OH (5) 4. 94, Jerrod Hull, Sikeston, MO (4) / 5. 3, Bob Bennett, Lewisberry, PA (7) 6. 4N, Neil Shepherd, Warsaw, IN (6) 7. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (9) 8. 1m, Kim Mock, Pleasant Prairie, WI (8) 9. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (3)

Heat four (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Jesse Hockett (1) 2. Dion Hindi (4) 3. Brock Mayes (6) 4. Chris Walraven (2) / 5. Justin Henderson (3) 6. Randy Anderson (5) 7. Rich Bubak (7) 8. Dan Shetler (8)

Heat five (started), 8 laps, 2:04.4: 1. Jason Martin (2) 2. Clint Garner (1) 3. Robert Ballou (4) 4. Matt Moro (3) / 5. Jake Peters (6) 6. John Lambertz (5) 7. Toni Lutar (7) 8. Greg Jones (8)

B main (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. Justin Henderson (4) 2. Danny Smith (1) 3. Kyle Hirst (6) 4. James Mosher (2) / 5. Neil Shepherd (8) 6. Tim St. Arnold (11) 7. Randy Anderson (9) 8. Tim Hunter (12) 9. Becca Anderson (7) 10. Chad Hillier (16) 11. John Lambertz (10) 12. Bob Bennett (3) 13. Mike Moore (13) 14. Toni Lutar (15) 15. Greg Jones (20) 16. Kim Mock (18) 17. Dale Howard (19) 18. Rich Bubak (14) 19. Jake Peters (5) 20. Brian Carlson (21) 21. Jerry Brey (17) DNS - Dan Shetler, Josh Higday



A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Calvin Landis (1) 2. Lynton Jeffrey (2) 3. Jesse Hockett (4) 4. Brian Ellenberger (3) 5. Jason Martin (5) 6. Justin Henderson (21) 7. Jeremy Campbell (6) 8. Clint Garner (10) 9. Dion Hindi (9) 10. Travis Whitney (8) 11. Brock Mayes (14) 12. Dean Jacobs (13) 13. Mark Dobmeier (7) 14. Robert Ballou (15) 15. Danny Smith (22) 16. Ryan Anderson (12) 17. Kelly Kinser (16) 18. Kyle Hirst (23) 19. Jan Howard (11) 20. Chris Walraven (19) 21. James Mosher (24) 22. Chad Meyer (17) 23. Jerrod Hull (18) 24. Matt Moro (20). **Lap Leaders:** Landis 1-9; Jeffrey 10; Landis 11-20.

C Scramble (started), 12 laps, 3:28.7: 1. 33c, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (1) 2. 35, Jac Haudenschild, Wooster, OH (5) 3. 55K, PJ Chesson, Far Hills, NJ (6) 4. 25, Lance Dewease, Fayetteville, PA (7) 5. 7s, Jason Sides, Bartlett, TN (4) 6. 8, Brooke Tatnell, San Souci, NSW, Aust. (10) 7. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (3) 8. 35m, Dennis Moore Jr., Grinnell, IA (8) 9. 10, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (9) 10. 44x, Luke Cranston, Ness City, KS (2)

B Scramble (started), 12 laps, 3:20.2: 1. 9w, Gary Wright, Hooks, TX (1) 2. 15K, Chad Kemenah, Findlay, OH (2) 3. 26, Shane Stewart, Bixby, OK (4) 4. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (10) 5. 24x, Terry McCarl, Altoona, IA (5) 6. 7TW, Brandon Wimmer, Fairmont, IN (3) 7. 29, Travis Rilat, Forney, TX (7) 8. 4J, Jeff Shepard, Upperco, MD (8) 9. 1x, Randy Hannagan, Pittsboro, IN (6) 10. 0, Jonathan Allard, Chico, CA (9)

A Scramble (started), 12 laps, 3:21.4: 1. 44, Don Droud Jr., Lincoln, NE (1) 2. 15, Donny Schatz, Fargo, ND (10) 3. R19, Jason Solwold, Mt. Vernon, WA (2) 4. 41, Jason Johnson, Eunice, LA (4) 5. 9, Joey Saldana, Brownsburg, IN (8) 6. 14, Jason Meyers, Clovis, CA (7) 7. 14AJ, Wayne Johnson, Oklahoma City, OK (5) 8. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (3) 9. 22, Fred Rahmer, Salfordville, PA (6) 10. 7, Craig Dollansky, Elk River, MN (9)



Factory Value Parts World Challenge (started), 16 laps, 4:33.8 (NTR, old track record 4:46.2 Danny Lasoski July 7, 1990): 1. Brooke Tatnell (1) 2. Brian Brown (3) 3. Donny Schatz (8) 4. Chad Kemenah (2) 5. 20, Paul McMahan, Nashville, TN (4) 6. Jason Johnson (6) 7. 21x, Daryn Pittman, Owasso, OK (5) 8. 11H, Kerry Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (10) 9. Lynton Jeffrey (12) 10. Trevor Green (11) 11. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (9) 12. Toni Lutar (13) 13. NZ3, Jamie McDonald, Birkenhead Point, NI, NZ (15) 15. Craig Dollansky (7) 16. 57c, Chris Schmelzle, Victoria, BC, Can. (14) 16. 54, Troy Little, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (16). **Lap Leader:** Tatnell 1-16.

8/12/06

Schatz no longer a bridesmaid with win at 46th annual Knoxville Nationals

by Stacy Ervin

Four times in recent history, Fargo, North Dakota, sprint-car driver Donny Schatz has had to stand on the second rung of the victory podium and listen to someone else talk about how it feels to win the biggest race of the year, the Knoxville Nationals at the Knoxville Raceway.

This year, Schatz finally was able to shake that "bridesmaid" history by winning the 46th annual Knoxville Nationals, presented by Super Clean and Midwest Ford Dealers. The win came at the Central Iowa mecca of mud, the Sprint Car Capitol of the World, just before midnight on Saturday, August 12. Schatz earned \$140,000 for the win.

The 30-lap race saw the yellow flag come out on the original start when Kaley Gharst and Jason Solwold got together. The contact left Solwold with a broken drive line and a broken rear end on his machine. He could not restart, but Gharst, who had to change a nose wing, did restart.

On the next attempt at a start, Tim Kaeding spun in turn four to bring out another yellow flag.

When the race finally went green, outside front-row starter Joey Saldana took off with the lead over Schatz and held it until Schatz got around him on lap four. The next time by, Saldana got back around Schatz and held the lead through lapped traffic until lap 12.

Schatz kept trying to make a move in heavy lapped traffic, but the traffic held him up lap after lap. Finally on

the 13th circuit, Schatz got the lead on the backstretch and he would never relinquish it.

The yellow flag came out on the 19th lap when Terry McCarl spun in turn four after working his way up to ninth from his 23rd starting spot. McCarl had come from the B-Main, as had Steve Kinser, who was up to sixth at that time and Danny Lasoski, who inherited the ninth spot when McCarl spun out.

The yellow put lapped cars to the tail, letting Saldana start right up behind Schatz. However, the red flag came out on the 20th lap when a melee broke loose on the frontstretch. Shane Stewart and Brian Paulus took the brunt of the damage, with Paulus unable to restart since the rear end of his car was broken in half.

After that red-flag period, the race stayed green and Schatz ran off with a straightaway lead over Saldana. Third-starter Jason Johnson held on for a third-place finish, which was particularly impressive since his car was smoking badly in the hot-lap session and his crew had to make quick work of fixing an oil leak.

Lasoski moved up to a fourth-place finish. Jason Meyers was fifth. Kinser stayed in sixth. Craig Dollansky was seventh. Wayne Johnson was eighth. Don Droud Jr. was ninth. Daryn Pittman was 10th.

The 22-lap B-Main was an exciting race, with Jeff Shepard of Upperco, Maryland, taking the win after starting fifth. Stewart was second after starting fourth. McCarl was third after starting seventh. Lasoski was fourth after starting way back in 22nd. Lasoski was to start 20th, but was sent to the tail at the original start by flagman Doug Clark for jumping. When the race went green, polesitter Brian Brown took off with the lead. A yellow flag at lap five was displayed for a spin by Jonathon Allard in turn one. He had been running sixth at the time. On the restart, Stewart took the lead away and held it for two laps. Brown got it back on lap eight. The yellow came out on lap nine when Brandon Wimmer stopped in turn two.

On the restart, Stewart again took the lead, but the yellow returned on the next circuit when Skip Jackson spun in turn two. Stewart held the lead through the next several laps until things really got crazy. On the 16th lap, the red flag came out when Lasoski and Kerry Madsen got together in a torrid fight for fifth place.

Madsen was sent spinning in turn four from the Lasoski tap and the yellow came out. Stewart led another green-flag lap before the yellow flag came out again when Lasoski got together with his nephew, Brown, in the fight for the fourth and final transfer spot. Lasoski was sent spinning, which was what prompted the yellow flag, but he kept going and was allowed to keep the fifth spot. On the yellow-flag laps, there was much banging between uncle and nephew. And when the race went back to green, Lasoski was able to keep Brown out of the transfer. While all of that was going on, Shepard took the lead away from Stewart and held it through the end of the race.

The 15-lap C-Main was won by Jac Haudenschild of Wooster, Ohio, who started fourth and used a yellow flag to his advantage. Brooke Tatnell started on the pole and took the other transfer to the B-Main. Tatnell took the early lead of the race, but a yellow came out on the second lap when a skirmish between several cars left Dennis Moore Jr. slowing to a stop. The red flag came out on lap four when PJ Chesson spun in turn one and Jason Martin had nowhere to go but to flip over him. Jeremy Campbell and Clint Garner were also involved in the melee. Campbell and Garner were able to restart. Chesson and Martin could not restart, nor could Lynton Jeffrey, who pulled to the pit area with a bent drag link.

On the ninth lap, the yellow returned again for Moore, who looped his car in turn one as the leaders were coming to him. When the race restarted, Haudenschild wrestled the lead way from Tatnell and held it for the win.

The 12-lap D-Main was won by Brock Mayes of Bucyrus, Ohio, who started on the pole and led all the way. Dean Jacobs, who started outside the front row, ran in second all the way and took the other transfer spot to the C-Main. The first red flag of the night was thrown in this event when Neil Shepherd blew a left-rear tire and went for a hard hit into the turn-two fence. He had been running in 12th at the time.

The 10-lap E-Main was won by John Lambertz of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, who started on the pole, led all the way in the green-flag affair and won by a straightaway. Fourth starter Toni Lutar took second with a turn-one slide job on Bob Bennett on lap nine. Bennett took the third and final transfer spot to the D-Main after starting outside the front row.

The 2006 Best Dressed Pit Crew award was given to Chad Kemenah's crew. Second place went to Stevie Smith's crew and third place went to Jason Johnson's crew. There was no award given this year for Best Appearing Car. Jason Johnson won the Mr. Sprint Car title for amassing the most points through 10 nights of racing in Southern Iowa. Tony Bruce Jr. of Liberal, Kansas, was the 2006 Knoxville Nationals Rookie of the Year.

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E main (started), 10 laps, 2:44.4: 1. 12L, John Lambertz, Sioux Falls, SD (1) 2. 4x, Toni Lutar, White Rock, BC, Can. (4) 3. 3, Bob Bennett, Lewisberry, PA (2) / 4. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (3) 5. 1m, Kim Mock, Pleasant Prairie, WI (6) 6. 9x, Rich Bubak, Golden, CO (8) 7. 98, Dan Shetler, Johnstown, PA (11) 8. 47D, Dale Howard, Byhalia, MS (7) 9. 18x, Brian Carlson, Linden, IN (10) 10. 17J, Jerry Brey, Billings, MT (9) 11. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (5) DNS – 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD, 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA

D main (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. 11B, Brock Mayes, Bucyrus, OH (1) 2. 6, Dean Jacobs, Wooster, OH (2) / 3. 13, Mark Dobmeier, Grand Forks, ND (3) 4. 4, Danny Smith, Danville, IN (5) 5. 4K, Kelly Kinser, Bloomington, IN (7) 6. 12x, Robert Ballou, Rocklin, CA (4) 7. 99, Kyle Hirst, Elk Grove, CA (8) 8. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (6) 9. 46, Jan Howard, Byhalia, MS (9) 10. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (16) 11. 1w, Chad Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD (12) 12. Toni Lutar (22) 13. 5c, Chad Hillier, Sedro Woolley, WA (20) 14. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (14) 15. 94, Jerrod Hull, Sikeston, MO (13) 16. 12m, James Mosher, Albuquerque, NM (11) 17. 19x, Becca Anderson, Houston, DE (17) 18. John Lambertz (19) 19. Bob Bennett (21) 20. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (10) 21. 4N, Neil Shepherd, Warsaw, IN (15) 22. 2H, Tim Hunter, Millersburg, OH (18) DNS – 81, Randy Anderson, Clarion, IA

C main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. 35, Jac Haudenschild, Wooster, OH (4) 2. 8, Brooke Tatnell, San Souci, NSW, Aust. (1) / 3. 7s, Jason Sides, Bartlett, TN (6) 4. 25, Lance Dewease, Fayetteville, PA (3) 5. D1x, Justin Henderson, Sioux Falls, SD (16) 6. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (9) 7. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (11) 8. Dean Jacobs (22) 9. 75x, Jesse Hockett, Warsaw, MO (13) 10. 44x, Luke Cranston, Ness City, KS (10) 11. 11D, Dion Hindi, Albuquerque, NM (19) 12. 9T, Travis Whitney, Champlin, MN (20) 13. 33c, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (8) 14. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (18) 15. Brock Mayes (21) 16. 10c, Jeremy Campbell, Monroe, MI (17) 17. 20E, Brian Ellenberger, Butler, PA (14) 18. 10, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (7) 19. 35m, Dennis Moore Jr., Grinnell, IA (5) 20. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (12) 21. 55K, PJ Chesson, Far Hills, NJ (2) 22. 36, Jason Martin, Liberal, KS (15)

B main (started), 22 laps, NT: 1. 4J, Jeff Shepard, Upperco, MD (5) 2. 26, Shane Stewart, Bixby, OK (4) 3. 24x, Terry McCarl, Altoona, IA (7) 4. 83, Danny Lasoski, Dover, MO (20) / 5. 29, Travis Rilat, Forney, TX (3) 6. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (1) 7. Brooke Tatnell (22) 8. 1x, Randy Hannagan, Pittsboro, IN (9) 9. 55, Ricky Logan, Little Rock, AR (19) 10. 40R, Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Olive Branch, MS (15) 11. w20, Greg Wilson, Benton Ridge, OH (16) 12. 0, Jonathan Allard, Chico, CA (2) 13. Jac Haudenschild (21) 14. 19, Stevie Smith, Broken Arrow, OK (11) 15. 12c, Chad Layton, Harrisburg, PA (13) 16. 77, Todd Shaffer, Millerstown, PA (14) 17. 5w, Lucas Wolfe, Mechanicsburg, PA (12) 18. 11H, Kerry Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (18) 19. 15K, Chad Kemenah, Findlay, OH (6) 20. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (17) 21. 7TW, Brandon Wimmer, Fairmont, IN (10) 22. 9w, Gary Wright, Hooks, TX (8)



A main (started), 30 laps, NT: 1. 15, Donny Schatz, Fargo, ND (1) 2. 9, Joey Saldana, Brownsburg, IN (2) 3. 41, Jason Johnson, Eunice, LA (3) 4. Danny Lasoski (24) 5. 14, Jason Meyers, Clovis, CA (4) 6. 11, Steve Kinser, Bloomington, IN (19) 7. 7, Craig Dollansky, Elk River, MN (5) 8. 14AJ, Wayne Johnson, Oklahoma City, OK (6) 9. 44, Don Droud Jr., Lincoln, NE (7) 10. 21x, Daryn Pittman, Owasso, OK (11) 11. 20, Paul McMahan, Nashville, TN (17) 12. 22, Fred Rahmer, Salfordville, PA (9) 13. Jeff Shepard (21) 14. 11K, Tim Kaeding, San Jose, CA (12) 15. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (16) 16. 2L, Ed Lynch Jr., Apollo, PA (15) 17. Shane Stewart (22) 18. 1s, Sammy Swindell, Germantown, TN (20) 19. Terry McCarl (23) 20. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (13) 21. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (10) 22. 18, Tony Bruce Jr., Liberal, KS (18) 23. 28, Brian Paulus, Mechanicsburg, PA (14) 24. R19, Jason Solwold, Mt. Vernon, WA (8). **Lap Leaders:** Saldana 1-3; Schatz 4; Saldana 5-12; Schatz 13-30.

8/26/06

Sioux Falls Drivers earn Victories on Knoxville Soil

by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - August 26 - Clint Garner and Jake Peters each grabbed feature event wins in their respective divisions at Knoxville Raceway Saturday night.

For Garner, it was his initial win in the 410 division after graduating through the 360s and picking up one win there. He was paid \$3,000 for his efforts.

Garner started on the pole of the twenty lap race and beat fellow front row starter Billy Alley through the first and second turns by running the bottom. Alley kept pace with the Sioux Falls pilot but could not make a dent in Garner's lead. By lap three, Brian Brown was running third and it looked to be one of these three drivers who would make it into victory lane.

By lap five, Alley was still nipping at Garner's heels and was only five car lengths behind. Brown was in the chase but something had to happen before he would be able to track down the front running duo.

Lap eight saw Garner edge into lap traffic and most would have guessed that Alley and Brown would make their moves to the front at this point. One lap later the red was thrown for Trevor Green who had tipped his racer in turn four.

The restart saw Alley again follow Garner around the big half mile. Alley began trying different lines and Garner sensing when he needed to block. At lap 15 Alley darted to the bottom of turns one and two and actually pulled along side Garner. With the momentum on his side, Garner pulled away on the high side and ran to the bottom in turns three and four to block the pesky Alley.

A yellow slowed the field on lap 16 when Kaley Gharst stopped above the cushion in turn four. It was a significant caution as Garner had again just entered lap traffic.

When the race went green again, Garner got a great jump on Alley and began to pull away with just four laps remaining. Alley, in the mean time, had his hands full with Brown who needed a second place finish to reclaim the season point's lead.

In the end, the race finished with the checkered and red flags showing for a looped Brent Antill in turn two. Garner took the top spot, Alley was second and Brown came across the line for third. Randy Anderson and Lynton Jeffrey completed the top five. Rounding out the top ten were Ricky Logan, Mark Dobmeier, Jesse Hockett from dead last, Dusty Zomer and Tim St. Arnold.

The 360 division saw South Dakota driver Jake Peters lead the distance to take his 8th career win at this central Iowa fairgrounds. After all was said and done, Peters was never challenged in this race that saw only green.

Starting on the front row, Peters took an immediate lead and by lap five he had acquired a full straightaway margin over second running Johnny Anderson. One lap later Jeff Mitrison moved into third sending pole sitter Brett Mather to fourth.

Peters moved into lap traffic on the eighth go around but he was not impeded by the backmarkers. At lap ten he entered into heavy lap traffic but Anderson was unable to reel him in as he too had come upon slower cars.

This was to be Peters night as the Sioux Falls driver simply made no mistakes in the fifteen lap chase and came across the stripe to take the checkered flags as Anderson flew out of turn four. Trailing in third was Jeff Mitrison with Dustin Lindquist fourth and Mather maintaining fifth. Josh Higday, Chuck Swenson, John Kearney from fifteenth, Josh Schneiderman and Eric Mason rounded out the top ten finishers.

Thirty-three 360s and twenty-nine 410s competed in the weekly program with next weekend marking the season finale for the track championships. One additional 410 event remains after that with the World of Outlaws making an appearance on October 7.

410 Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (2) 14.999; 2. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (4) 15.076; 3. 81, Randy Anderson, Clarion, IA (22) 15.094; 4. 55, Ricky Logan, Little Rock, AR (28) 15.168; 5. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (11) 15.182; 6. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (18) 15.291; 7. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (27) 15.316; 8. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (12) 15.317; 9. 1L, Mark Dobmeier, Grand Forks, ND (10) 15.338; 10. 1, Brent Antill, Ankeny, IA (1) 15.341; 11. 15s, Jerrel Slinkard, Melcher-Dallas, IA (5) 15.413; 12. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (7) 15.416; 13. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (26) 15.429; 14. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (13) 15.451; 15. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (24) 15.453; 16. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (23) 15.473; 17. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (21) 15.489; 18. 10, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (29) 15.489; 19. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (20) 15.531; 20. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (9) 15.606; 21. 75, Jesse Hockett, Warsaw, MO (19) 15.683; 22. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (25) 15.856; 23. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (14) 15.879; 24. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA (8) 16.328; 25. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (17) 16.330; 26. 5m, Dean Summers, Darwin, NT, Aust. (3) 16.593; 27. 03, Dave Saffell, Pleasantville, IA (15)

16.839; 28. 71, Robert Bell, Colfax, IA (16) 16.890; 29. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (6) DQ (Light, timed 4th).

Heat one (started), 8 laps, 2:06.5: 1. Kaley Gharst (1) 2. Jesse Giannetto (2) 3. Brian Brown (6) 4. Calvin Landis (4) 5. Ricky Logan (5) 6. Brent Antill (3) / 7. Ryan Anderson (7) 8. Mike Moore (8) 9. Greg Jones (9) 10. Robert Bell (10)

Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:05.1: 1. Dusty Zomer (2) 2. Lynton Jeffrey (4) 3. Rager Phillips (1) 4. Jerrel Slinkard (3) 5. Billy Alley (5) 6. Matt Moro (6) / 7. Skip Jackson (10) 8. Tony Shilling (8) 9. Chris Walraven (7) 10. Dean Summers (9)

Heat three (started), 8 laps, 2:07.6: 1. Trevor Green (1) 2. Bronson Maeschen (2) 3. Tim St. Arnold (3) 4. Clint Garner (5) 5. Mark Dobmeier (4) 6. Randy Anderson (6) / 7. Jesse Hockett (7) 8. Tyler Houseman (8) 9. Dave Saffell (9)

B main (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Ryan Anderson (1) 2. Jesse Hockett (3) / 3. Skip Jackson (11) 4. Mike Moore (4) 5. Tony Shilling (5) 6. Greg Jones (7) 7. Tyler Houseman (6) 8. Robert Bell (10) 9. Chris Walraven (2) 10. Dave Saffell (9) 11. Dean Summers (8)



A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Clint Garner (1) 2. Billy Alley (2) 3. Brian Brown (6) 4. Randy Anderson (4) 5. Lynton Jeffrey (8) 6. Ricky Logan (3) 7. Mark Dobmeier (9) 8. Jesse Hockett (20) 9. Dusty Zomer (14) 10. Tim St. Arnold (12) 11. Rager Phillips (17) 12. Calvin Landis (7) 13. Matt Moro (5) 14. Ryan Anderson (19) 15. Bronson Maeschen (15) 16. Jerrel Slinkard (11) 17. Brent Antill (10) 18. Jesse Giannetto (13) 19. Kaley Gharst (16) 20. Trevor Green (18). **Lap Leader:** Garner 1-20.

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Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:57.9: 1. 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS (2*) 2. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (4*) 3. 3, Nate Van Haaften, Otley, IA (1*) 4. 5J, Larry Ball Jr., Knoxville, IA (6*) 5. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls KS (7*) 6. 2x, Bryan Dobesh, Sioux Falls, SD (3) 7. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (5) 8. 15, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (8) 9. 2m, Tony Moro, Des Moines, IA (9)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:55.5: 1. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (1*) 2. 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (3*) 3. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (5*) 4. 00, Stacey Alexander,

Lacona, IA (2*) 5. 5B, Rick Ideus, Silver City, IA (7) 6. 2, John Schulz, West Burlington, IA (4) 7. 6, Mitchell Alexander, Knoxville, IA (6) 8. 4G, John Anderson, Des Moines, IA (8)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:58.4: 1. X, Chuck Swenson, Watertown, SD (2*) 2. 10, Jeff Mitrisin, Oskaloosa, IA (7*) 3. 5G, Brett Golik, Newton, IA (1*) 4. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (3) 5. 8L, Tom Lenz, Marion, IA (5) 6. 56, Davey Heskin, St. Michael, MN (6) 7. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (8) 8. 48, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA (4)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:58.6: 1. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (1*) 2. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (2*) 3. B29, Eric Mason, Knoxville, IA (4*) 4. 69m, Chad Meinholdt, Topeka, KS (8*) 5. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (7) 6. 7, Dustin Selvage, Indianola, IA (5) 7. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (6) 8. 65, Danny Heskin, St. Michael, MN (3)

B main (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. Rick Ideus (1) 2. Frankie Heimbaugh (2) 3. Joe Beaver (3) 4. David Hall (10) / 5. Bryan Dobesh (5) 6. Dustin Selvage (8) 7. John Schulz (6) 8. Tony Moro (16) 9. Mitchell Alexander (11) 10. Alan Zoutte (12) 11. John Anderson (14) 12. Tom Lenz (4) 13. Davey Heskin (7) 14. Mike Houseman Jr. (9) 15. Tyler Thompson (15) 16. Jon Corbin (13) DNS - Danny Heskin



A main (started), 15 laps, 4:20.6: 1. Jake Peters (2) 2. Johnny Anderson (3) 3. Jeff Mitrisin (6) 4. Dustin Lindquist (7) 5. Brett Mather (1) 6. Josh Higday (8) 7. Chuck Swenson (4) 8. John Kearney (15) 9. Josh Schneiderman (9) 10. Eric Mason (11) 11. Joe Beaver (19) 12. Pete Crall (5) 13. David Hall (20) 14. Larry Ball Jr. (13) 15. Rick Ideus (17) 16. Nate Van Haaften (12) 17. Stacey Alexander (16) 18. Frankie Heimbaugh (18) 19. Brett Golik (14) 20. Chad Meinholdt (10). **Lap Leader:** Peters 1-15.

9/2/06

Rain and Jon Corbin claim Knoxville season-ending races
by Bob Wilson

KNOXVILLE, Iowa - September 2 - The 53rd season of weekly racing at Knoxville Raceway ended Saturday night as Jon Corbin captured the final 360 feature event. The final 410 feature was rain-postponed until October 7 during the make-up World of Outlaws event. Track officials are hoping to run it right after qualifying time trials on that night.

The rain event forced a two-hour delay until the call was made to postpone the season championship for the 410 division until October. The track championship will be up in the air until then as Billy Alley holds a narrow 45 points lead over runner-up Brian Brown in one of the closest championship battles in decades. With the feature race now being run in one month, the drivers can decide the outcome rather than allowing the weather to do so.

In the 360 sprint division, Jon Corbin captured his second feature event of the season when he took the 20-lap season championship race. It paid the Missouri driver \$1,500. Jake Peters had wrapped up the title on the prior week.

Pole sitter Josh Schneiderman took the immediate lead when the race went green. On a narrow track the front running cars found the bottom to be the fast way around the half-mile oval. A quick yellow flew after lap three for debris on the track and by lap five, Schneiderman had developed an eight-car-length advantage over second running Corbin.

Lap six saw Jeff Mitrison move into third as the top five cars had settled on the bottom line. Just as Schneiderman finished lap nine, the yellow was displayed for the slowing car of Josh Higday who had been running in the seventh spot. He did not restart.

When the race went green again it did not stop until it was finished. Schneiderman continued at the point with Corbin following. At the half-way point of this ten-mile race, Mitrison still trailed Corbin as Bryan Dobesh followed in fourth and Johnny Anderson completed the top five.

The race continued in this order and looked like it would finish that way until the leader hit lap traffic on the backstretch of the seventeenth circuit. Schneiderman came upon a slower car and ran up over the left-rear tire and ended up nearly standing his car on its tail. As this happened, Corbin flew by him to take the lead. Schneiderman was able to correct his sprinter but now had to protect his second place spot from Mitrison.

In the end, Corbin took the win with Schneiderman following. Mitrison maintained third, Dobesh was fourth and Anderson finished fifth. Completing the top ten were Dustin Selvage, Brett Mather, Dustin Lindquist from nineteenth, John Kearney from fifteenth and Joe Beaver from dead last.

410 Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (18) 14.906; 2. 81, Randy Anderson, Clarion, IA (5) 14.946; 3. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (27) 14.997; 4. D1, Jesse Giannetto, Palo, IA (11) 15.011; 5. 7w, Tim St. Arnold, Des Moines, IA (26) 15.037; 6. 21, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (17) 15.041; 7. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (13) 15.043; 8. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (10) 15.052; 9. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (19) 15.057; 10. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (7) 15.094; 11. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (16) 15.115; 12. 55, Kerry Madsen, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (20) 15.129; 13. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (6) 15.131; 14. 1L, Mark Dobmeier, Grand Forks, ND (14) 15.148; 15. 1, Brent Antill, Ankeny, IA (28) 15.181; 16. 10, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (2) 15.223; 17. 11AU, Trevor Green, Adelaide, SA, Aust. (23) 15.236; 18. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (12) 15.24; 19. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (24) 15.241; 20. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (21) 15.362; 21. 71R, Ryan Anderson, Charter Oak, IA (3) 15.410; 22. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (22) 15.419; 23. 15s, Jerrel Slinkard, Melcher-Dallas, IA (1) 15.432; 24. 44G, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (9) 15.572; 25. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (25) 15.685; 26. 50, Tyler Houseman, Runnells, IA (15) 15.834; 27. 03, Dave Saffell, Pleasantville, IA (4) 16.331; 28. 71, Robert Bell, Colfax, IA (8) 16.508.

Heat one (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Jake Peters (2) 2. Billy Alley (3) 3. Jesse Giannetto (5) 4. Chris Walraven (6) 5. Bronson Maeschen (4) 6. Matt Moro (7) / 7. Greg Jones (9) 8. Robert Bell (10) 9. Rager Phillips (1) 10. Tony Shilling (8)

Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:05.3: 1. Trevor Green (1) 2. Mark Dobmeier (2) 3. Tim St. Arnold (5) 4. Skip Jackson (3) 5. Lynton Jeffrey (4) 6. Clint Garner (7) / 7. Randy Anderson (6) 8. Jerrel Slinkard (8) DNS – Tyler Houseman

Heat three (started), 8 laps, 2:03.6: 1. Brent Antill (2) 2. Dusty Zomer (4) 3. Kerry Madsen (3) 4. Mike Moore (1) 5. Calvin Landis (6) 6. Brian Brown (5) / 7. Ryan Anderson (7) 8. Dave Saffell (8) DNS - Kaley Gharst

B main (started), 10 laps, 2:36.9 (NTR, old track record - 2:36.9 Steve King, August 9, 2006): 1. Randy Anderson (1) 2. Tony Shilling (2) / 3. Ryan Anderson (3) 4. Jerrel Slinkard (5) 5. Robert Bell (6) 6. Greg Jones (4) 7. Dave Saffell (7) DNS – Rager Phillips, Tyler Houseman, Kaley Gharst

A main postponed by rain to October 7...

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Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:55.6: 1. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (2*) 2. 7, Dustin Selvage, Indianola, IA (4*) 3. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (6*) 4. 00, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (7*) 5. 4G, John Anderson, Des Moines, IA (3) 6. 84, Davey Heskin, St. Michael, MN (5) 7. 5G, Brett Golik, Newton, IA (8) 8. 65, Danny Heskin, St. Michael, MN (1)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 10, Jeff Mitrison, Oskaloosa, IA (3*) 2. 15, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (4*) 3. 2x, Bryan Dobesh, Sioux Falls, SD (7*) 4. 5J, Larry Ball Jr., Knoxville, IA (6*) 5. 2, John Schulz, West Burlington, IA (5) 6. 48, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA (2) 7. B29, Eric Mason, Knoxville, IA (8) 8. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (1)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 2:01.6: 1. 11, Pete Crall, DeSoto, KS (2*) 2. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (1*) 3. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (6*) 4. 83, John Kearney, Valley Falls, KS (5*) 5. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (7*) 6. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (4) 7. 7w, Larry Pinegar II, Des Moines, IA (8) 8. 8L, Tom Lenz, Marion, IA (3)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 6, Mitchell Alexander, Knoxville, IA (2*) 2. 5B, Rick Ideus, Silver City, IA (1*) 3. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (6*) 4. 3, Nate Van Haaften, Otley, IA (4) 5. 2m, Tony Moro, Des Moines, IA (5) 6. 55L, Dustin Lindquist, Floodwood, MN (3) 7. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (7)

B main (started), 10 laps, 2:53.4: 1. Nate Van Haaften (1) 2. John Anderson (2) 3. Dustin Lindquist (8) 4. Joe Beaver (12) / 5. John Schulz (3) 6. Tony Moro (4) 7. Eric Mason (10) 8. Davey Heskin (5) 9. Larry Pinegar II (11) 10. Alan Zoutte (7) 11. Tyler Thompson (6) 12. Danny Heskin (13) 13. Brett Golik (9) DNS - Mike Houseman Jr., Tom Lenz

A main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Jon Corbin (3) 2. Josh Schneiderman (1) 3. Jeff Mitrison (8) 4. Bryan Dobesh (2) 5. Johnny Anderson (11) 6. Dustin Selvage (4) 7. Brett Mather (10) 8. Dustin Lindquist (19) 9. John Kearney (15) 10. Frankie Heimbaugh (9) 11. Joe Beaver (20) 12. Larry Ball Jr. (14) 13. Mitchell Alexander (5) 14. Nate Van Haaften (17) 15. Stacey Alexander (13) 16. John Anderson (18) 17. Rick Ideus (12) 18. Josh Higday (7) 19. Pete Crall (6) 20. David Hall (16). **Lap Leaders:** Schneiderman 1-16; Corbin 17-20.

9/9/06

Knoxville Enduro Rescheduled to September 24th

The annual Knoxville Raceway Enduro, which was rained out on September 9th, has been rescheduled for Sunday, September 24th at 7:00pm. Initially rescheduled for Saturday, September 23rd, the Sunday date will allow drivers to compete at the previously scheduled Oskaloosa Enduro as well as the at Knoxville on Sunday night.

9/24/06

Fall Knoxville Enduro Won by Rob Akers

by Bob Wilson

Knoxville, Iowa - September 24- Rob Akers from the western Iowa town of Walnut captured the annual Fall Enduro 200 at Knoxville Raceway Sunday night. He received \$1,000 for his efforts in the two-hour event which had been weather-postponed from September 9.

The race, which was marked by numerous (9) red flags for safety reasons, saw the top two finishers disqualified for mechanical illegalities. Akers was in the right spot at the right time at the end and was awarded the win.

Phil Wares of Des Moines was in charge of the race for the first 50 laps with Matt Sanderson of Knoxville and Mike Goff of Lacona trailing him. Just after the one hour mark Goff had secured the lead on the famous half-mile oval. Wares would stay in contention but would finally drop after 100-laps had been completed.

Annual contender, Mark Fee of Knoxville, took control of the race at that century mark. His closest challengers, who were running second and third, would later be disqualified.

With only twelve minutes to go, Fee, who was running in heavy traffic spun his car completely around in turn three but managed to keep going. Soon after that his vehicle began belching smoke and shortly there after he parked his car having completed 150 laps.

When the race reached the two hours point the checkered flag was thrown with only 24 of the 70-car starting field still running. Goff was second and Dave Vander Hart of Knoxville was third.

Results

Enduro 200: 2 Hours

Finish: 1. 218, Rob Akers, Walnut, IA, 167 laps 2. 5M, Mike Goff, Lacona, IA, 166 laps 3. 75, Dave Vander Hart, Knoxville, IA, 165 laps 4. 18A, Arlan DeHeer, Otley, IA, 162 laps 5. 44, Shane Spaulding, Knoxville, IA, 159 laps 6. 172, Andy DeJong, Moravia, IA, 158 laps 7. 7J, John Juline, Knoxville, IA, 158 laps 8. 23, Mitch Enfield, Melcher-Dallas, IA, 158 laps 9. 271, Matt Sanderson, Knoxville, IA, 157 laps 10. 34D, Terry Darnell, Otley, IA, 154 laps 11. 3A, Joey Reed, Knoxville, IA, 154 laps 12. 52x, Mark Fee, Knoxville, IA, 150 laps 13. OWI, Mike McGill, Knoxville, IA, 149 laps 14. 45, Josh Noftsger, Melcher-Dallas, IA, 143 laps 15. 42L, Ben Lenger, Knoxville, IA, 135 laps 16. 74, Josh Emerick, Knoxville, IA, 131 laps 17. 99, Kyle Stull, Melcher-Dallas, IA, 130 laps 18. 38, Chris Dillon, Columbia, IA, 129 laps 19. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA, 125 laps 20. 2, Tyler Brooks, Knoxville, IA, 120 laps.

9/28/06

Bloomquist Blasts to win in Knoxville Late Model Thursday Nationals

by Bob Wilson

KNOXVILLE, Iowa - Scott Bloomquist picked up where he left off last year at this track as he captured the

Thursday night preliminary feature of the 3rd annual Lucas Oil Knoxville Nationals. It was nearly one year ago that Bloomquist took all the marbles back to Mooresville, Tennessee as he won the 2005 finale.

The first two circuits of the 25-lap feature belonged to pole sitter Billy Moyer of Batesville, Arkansas. Bloomquist, who started in the second row, rode the low line out of turn four into the lead at the end of the third lap. It was a lead he would never relinquish although he was challenged for it the rest of the way.

Lap five saw the first of three slow-down yellows as Rick Eckert of York, Pennsylvania slowed, stopped and later changed a flat right-rear tire. He had been running 10th but with the yellow he was relegated to the rear of the 25-car field. Of note at this point in the race was Brian Birkhofer of Muscatine, Iowa who had moved from a 21st starting spot to 11th.

On the restart Bloomquist once again took the point with Moyer nipping at his heels. Moyer, who set a new one lap track record earlier (17.525) during qualifying time trials kept in contact, Shannon Babb of Moweaqua, Illinois in third, Billy Drake of Bloomington, Indiana in fourth and Darrell Lanigan of Union, Kentucky in fifth.

Lanigan made the first move of the front pack as he made a pass of Babb at the ten laps mark. Drake too had fallen back as Jimmy Mars of Menomonie, Wisconsin took over fifth. One lap later Lanigan sailed into the runner-up position just before the second yellow of the race came out for Babb, who had been running fourth. Babb did not restart.

When the race went green again, Bloomquist began to experiment for different lines on a track which basically had two grooves: a bottom and the cushion which was creeping ever nearer to Knoxville's tall fences. At this point there seemed to be little differences in either groove as both were fast.

Birkhofer moved to fourth on the fifteenth go around and began to challenge Mars. Each driver tried to best the other by switching grooves and lines. Steve Francis of Ashland, Kentucky entered the picture for that hotly contested spot by lap eighteen. Just after nineteen laps had been completed, Birkhofer had secured third and the yellow flag flew for the final time for NASCAR star Tony Stewart who then came to the pits to change a flat right-front tire. Stewart, who had transferred out of the B Main into the feature had been running in the top fifteen. After the tire change he too went to the rear of the field where he would finish 17th.

Bloomquist once again had his hands full with Lanigan on the restart. In the mix too was Birkhofer. Both Bloomquist and Birkhofer had raced on Knoxville soil in the past but this was Lanigan's maiden voyage.

As the race began to wind down Bloomquist discovered a line which allowed him to slowly pull away from the two cars which were giving him chase. The route was to take turns one and two on the cushion, dive hard into turn three and drift up into four, then stomp the accelerator out of the final corner. With this line Bloomquist looked to be the winner.

The fight for second was still anybody's race as Lanigan and Birkhofer came across the line to complete lap 24 in a blanket finish. Heading into turn one and out of turn two Birkhofer put a slider on Lanigan and secured the runner-up spot.

For the finish it was Bloomquist taking the \$6,000 first place check, Birkhofer winning the \$3,000 place money and Lanigan finishing in the show position for \$2,000. Behind them it was Mars for \$1,500 and fourth while Steve Francis of Ashland, Kentucky fifth and \$1,000 in this, the first of two preliminary events.

Completing the top ten finishers of the 60-car field were Moyer, Darren Miller who was a tail-ender from a B-Main transfer, Josh Richards, Dan Schlieper and Scott James.

A companion Dirt Truck division accompanied the night of racing with Brett Moyer of Polk City, Iowa the winner.

Late Model Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 21, Billy Moyer, Batesville, AR (2) 17.525 (**NTR, old track record 17.673 Justin Fegers September 29, 2005**); 2. 30s, Steve Shaver, Vienna, WV (12) 17.640; 3. 32D, Darren Miller, Chadwick, IL (39) 17.725; 4. 99m, Donnie Moran, Dresden, OH (24) 17.848; 5. s9, Dan Schlieper, Sullivan, WI (7) 17.909; 6. 18, Shannon Babb, Moweaqua, IL (26) 17.935; 7. 15B, Brian Birkhofer, Muscatine, IA (61) 17.968; 8. 20, Tony Stewart, Rushville, IN (6) 18.007; 9. 39, Tim McCreadie, Avon, NY (17) 18.042; 10. 44, Chris Madden, Gaffney, SC (29) 18.184; 11. 31T, Trent Follmer, Elk River, MN (13) 18.194; 12. 0, Scott Bloomquist, Mooresburg, TN (27) 18.196; 13. 28m, Jimmy Mars, Menomonie, WI (50) 18.274; 14. 1, Josh Richards, Shinnston, WV (60) 18.280; 15. 4B, Jackie Boggs, Grayson, KY (10) 18.301; 16. 25, Kerry Hansen, Spencer, WI (16) 18.321; 17. 75, Bart Hartman, Zanesville, OH (18) 18.322; 18. 51, Matt Furman, Iowa City, IA (25) 18.331; 19. 5, Eric Jacobsen, Santa Cruz, CA (30) 18.335; 20. 15, Steve Francis, Ashland, KY (51) 18.372; 21. 1*, Chub Frank, Bear Lake, PA (44) 18.442; 22. 2, Brady Smith, Solon Springs, WI (3) 18.447; 23. 24, Rick Eckert, York, PA (58) 18.455; 24. F15, Justin Fegers, Mound, MN (4) 18.459; 25. 29, Darrell Lanigan, Union, KY (59) 18.461; 26. 56x, Chris Spieker, Massena, IA (54) 18.464; 27. 3s, Brian Shirley, Chatham, IL (20) 18.470; 28. 55, Jeep Van Wormer, Pinconning, MI (52) 18.615; 29. 33, Nick Marolf, Moscow, IA (19) 18.627; 30. 28, Eddie Carrier Jr., Salt Rock, WV (33) 18.637; 31. 5m, Todd Shute, Des Moines, IA (53) 18.642; 32. 10B, Mike Balcaen, Winnipeg, MB, Can. (34) 18.657; 33. 23, John Blankenship, Williamson, WV (42) 18.699; 34. 25s, Chris Smyser, Lancaster, MO (45) 18.706; 35. 33G, Paul Glendenning, Mount Ayr, IA (22) 18.723; 36. 83, Scott James, Lawrenceburg, IN (28) 18.742; 37. 12, Jeff Tharp, Sherrill, IA (1) 18.752; 38. 9, Billy Drake, Bloomington, IL (49) 18.766; 39. 45m, Curt Martin, Independence, IA (9) 18.790; 40. 21sr, Mike Marlar, Winfield, TN (57) 18.809; 41. 52, Steve Kosiski, Papillion, NE (46) 18.810; 42. 11w, Jeff Aikey, Cedar Falls, IA (35) 18.813; 43. 56, Andy Eckrich, Iowa City, IA (37) 18.817; 44. 99s, Ken Schrader, Concord, NC (15) 18.841; 45. 45DW, Denny Woodworth, Mendon, IL (40) 18.894; 46. 71, Andrew McKay, Edina, MN (23) 18.913; 47. 30, Todd Cooney, Des Moines, IA (36) 18.956; 48. 14, Boone McLaughlin, Mediapolis, IA (11) 18.961; 49. 22*, GR Smith, Mooresville, NC (14) 19.012; 50. 45x, Jason Conoyer, Ursa, IL (32) 19.059; 51. 14B, Levi Benn, Dyersville, IA (41) 19.148; 52. 8, Johnny Spaw, Cedar Rapids, IA (56) 19.160; 53. 99, Johnny Johnson, West Burlington, IA (47) 19.161; 54. 12A, Matt Aukland, Fargo, ND (5) 19.183; 55. 99D, Darrel DeFrance, Marshalltown, IA (43) 19.451; 56. 5J, Jay Johnson, West Burlington, IA (55) 19.538; 57. 00, Mitch Johnson, Hickson, ND (48) 19.546; 58. 44zo, Alonzo Grosse, Council Bluffs, IA (38) 20.030; 59. 22, Jill George, Cedar Falls, IA (21) 20.416; 60. 10, Junior Coover, Norfolk, NE (8) 20.903; 61. 21B, Rich Bell, Sheffield, IL (31) NT.

Heat one (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. Scott James (5) 2. Shannon Babb (11) 3. Billy Moyer (12) 4. Jay Johnson (1) / 5. Chris Spieker (7) 6. Chub Frank (8) 7. Trent Follmer (10) 8. Todd Shute (6) / 9. Kerry Hansen (9) 10. Steve Kosiski (4) 11. Levi Benn (2) 12. Andrew McKay (3) DNS – Rich Bell

Heat two (started), 12 laps, 3:47.2: 1. Brady Smith (8) 2. Scott Bloomquist (10) 3. Jeff Aikey (4) 4. Johnny Spaw (2) / 5. Brian Shirley (7) 6. Brian Birkhofer (11) 7. Steve Shaver (12) 8. Bart Hartman (9) / 9. Todd Cooney (3) 10. Mike Balcaen (6) 11. Jeff Tharp (5) 12. Mitch Johnson (1)

Heat three (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. Jimmy Mars (10) 2. Rick Eckert (8) 3. Andy Eckrich (4) 4. Matt Furman (9) / 5. Darren Miller (12) 6. Tony Stewart (11) 7. Boone McLaughlin (3) 8. Jeep Van Wormer (7) / 9. John Blankenship (6) 10. Alonzo Grosse (1) 11. Johnny Johnson (2) 12. Billy Drake (5)

Heat four (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. Josh Richards (10) 2. Curt Martin (5) 3. Ken Schrader (4) 4. Eric Jacobsen (9) / 5. Nick Marolf (7) 6. Matt Aukland (2) 7. Justin Fegers (8) 8. Chris Smyser (6) / 9. Jill George (1) 10. GR Smith (3) 11. Tim McCreadie (11) 12. Donnie Moran (12)

Heat five (started), 12 laps, 3:51.2: 1. Steve Francis (9) 2. Eddie Carrier Jr. (7) 3. Darrell Lanigan (8) 4. Dan Schlieper (12) / 5. Chris Madden (11) 6. Mike Marlar (5) 7. Denny Woodworth (4) 8. Darrel DeFrance (2) / 9. Paul Glendenning (6) 10. Jackie Boggs (10) 11. Junior Coover (1) 12. Jason Conoyer (3)

C main (started), 15 laps, 5:01.5: 1. Kerry Hansen (2) 2. Jackie Boggs (1) 3. Mike Balcaen (3) 4. Jeff Tharp (6) / 5. Steve Kosiski (8) 6. Andrew McKay (9) 7. Billy Drake (7) 8. Paul Glendenning (5) 9. Mitch Johnson (15) 10. John Blankenship (4) 11. Johnny Johnson (14) 12. GR Smith (11) 13. Levi Benn (13) 14. Alonzo Grosse (16) 15. Junior Coover (18) 16. Todd Cooney (10) 17. Jason Conoyer (12) 18. Jill George (17) DNS – Donnie Moran, Tim McCreadie, Rich Bell

B main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Brian Birkhofer (3) 2. Darren Miller (2) 3. Tony Stewart (4) 4. Chris Madden (5) / 5. Chub Frank (8) 6. Bart Hartman (7) 7. Jeep Van Wormer (12) 8. Kerry Hansen (21) 9. Justin Fegers (9) 10. Chris Smyser (15) 11. Nick Marolf (13) 12. Chris Spieker (10) 13. Matt Aukland (19) 14. Todd Shute (14) 15. Jackie Boggs (22) 16. Denny Woodworth (17) 17. Jeff Tharp (23) 18. Darrel DeFrance (20) 19. Mike Marlar (16) 20. Boone McLaughlin (18) 21. Trent Follmer (6) 22. Brian Shirley (11) 23. Steve Shaver (1) DNS – Mike Balcaen



A main (started), 25 laps, NT: 1. Scott Bloomquist (4) 2. Brian Birkhofer (21) 3. Darrell Lanigan (12) 4. Jimmy Mars (5) 5. Steve Francis (9) 6. Billy Moyer (1) 7. Darren Miller (22) 8. Josh Richards (6) 9. Dan Schlieper (2) 10. Scott James (14) 11. Brady Smith (10) 12. Rick Eckert (11) 13. Chris Madden (24) 14. Ken Schrader (18) 15. Matt Furman (7) 16. Andy Eckrich (17) 17. Tony Stewart (23) 18. Curt Martin (15) 19. Eric Jacobsen (8) 20. Jeff Aikey (16) 21. Jay Johnson (20) 22. Mike Balcaen (25, pr.) 23. Johnny Spaw (19) 24. Eddie Carrier Jr. (13) 25. Shannon Babb (3) **Lap Leaders:** Moyer 1-2; Bloomquist 3-25

Dirt Truck Results

Heat one (started), 6 laps, 2:23.8: 1. 00, Michael Hofmann, Adel, IA (5) 2. 98, Bret Moyer, Polk City, IA (4) 3. 22, Josh Hull, Altoona, IA (2) 4. 3, Carl Moyer, Ankeny, IA (6) 5. 26A, Al Thayer, Indianola, IA (1) 6. 9, Jim Philipsen, Des Moines, IA (3)

Heat two (started), 6 laps, 2:24.4: 1. 13, Matt Waugh, Des Moines, IA (5) 2. 6B, Brian Murray, Altoona, IA (3) 3. 95, Lou Sipolt Jr., Altoona, IA (4) 4. 74x, Bob Murray, Urbandale, IA (6) 5. 27, Jeff Luke, Earlham, IA (1) 6. 02, Del Enos, Des Moines, IA (2)



A main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Bret Moyer (3) 2. Carl Moyer (7) 3. Lou Sipolt Jr. (1) 4. Josh Hull (6) 5. Michael Hofmann (2) 6. Jeff Luke (10) 7. Brian Murray (5) 8. Bob Murray (8) 9. Al Thayer (9) 10. Jim Philipsen (11) 11. Del Enos (12) 12. Matt Waugh (4)

9/29/06

Miller Thrills 'Em at Knoxville Late Model Thursday night Nationals

by Bob Wilson

KNOXVILLE, Iowa - Darren Miller of Chadwick, Illinois captured the second night of the Lucas Oil Late Model Nationals at Knoxville Raceway Friday night. The win paid him \$6,000 for a thrilling end to a 25-lap feature event.

Pole starter Steve Shaver of Vienna, West Virginia took the lead at the outset with Miller glued to his back bumper. Rick Eckert of York, Pennsylvania followed the top two at a very short distance. Shaver utilized the bottom of the big Knoxville half mile in order to set the pace.

Lap five saw the first yellow slow down as Minnesota's Justin Fegers stalled on the back chute. He re-entered the race but just as quickly pulled back to the pits.

Shaver continued to lead and he seemed to have the field covered as he worked the low line. Of note once again was the advancement of fifth row starter Brian Birkhofer of Muscatine, Iowa who had moved into the fifth position. Lap six saw him take fourth and by lap ten he had soared into third but he would still have to battle Eckert for some time in order to keep that spot.

Shaver, meanwhile, used the bottom advantageously and held off all challenges that Miller could mount as the eventual winner was never more than three car-lengths behind.

A yellow on lap 14 brought the field back to single file as the leaders hit lap traffic and as Billy Moyer of Batesville, Arkansas stopped on the front stretch just past the flagstand. Also at this time, Scott James of Lawrenceburg, Indiana and Jimmy Mars of Menomonie, Wisconsin exited the race along with Moyer.

No one knew it at the time, but the heat of the race was ready to be turned up several more notches.

On the restart, Shaver was able to protect his lead but the following lap belonged to Miller as he, Shaver and Birkhofer roared three-wide past the start-finish line and into turn one. The next go around found Shaver back in the lead as he took the point again for two laps. Each lap saw Miller take the lead only to lose it to Shaver who had the momentum off the cushion.

Lap nineteen found Miller again in the lead with Shaver and Birkhofer right after him. One lap later Shaver crossed the stripe first after exiting the cushion off turn two with the momentum for the remainder of that circuit. Yet another three-car blanket finish came at the conclusion of lap twenty-one with Miller's front bumper being the difference.

With that lead change Miller held the point for good as Birkhofer made one last challenge on the final lap and nearly spun between turns three and four in his efforts. Birkhofer held on though and garnered his second runner-up finish in 24 hours. Shaver, who erased the 24-hour-old one-lap track record in time trials (17.433) was right behind him for third. The brilliant fourth place finish of Eckert was overshadowed by the efforts of the top three drivers. Fifth went to Mooresburg, Tennessee's Scott Bloomquist, who had taken the Thursday night feature.

Completing the top ten finishers of the 59-car participating field were Brady Smith, Darrell Lanigan, Donnie Moran, Steve Francis and Billy Drake.

Mark Widmar of Ottumwa, Iowa captured the 15-lap feature event for the companion 305 winged sprint division. Steve Breazeale had led the entire race until Widmar discovered that the top was the fastest way around on this evening.

Late Model Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 30s, Steve Shaver, Vienna, WV (15) 17.433 (**NTR, Old track record, Billy Moyer 17.525 September 28, 2006**); 2. 32D, Darren Miller, Chadwick, IL (28) 17.462; 3. 29, Darrell Lanigan, Union, KY (25) 17.786; 4. 24, Rick Eckert, York, PA (36) 17.824; 5. 0, Scott Bloomquist, Mooresburg, TN (14) 17.861; 6. 39, Tim McCreddie, Avon, NY (42) 17.888; 7. 83, Scott James, Lawrenceburg, IN (6) 17.908; 8. 44, Chris Madden, Gaffney, SC (48) 17.923; 9. 21, Billy Moyer, Batesville, AR (31) 17.950; 10. 28m, Jimmy Mars, Menomonie, WI (47) 17.953; 11. 2, Brady Smith, Solon Springs, WI (11) 17.967; 12. 52, Steve Kosiski, Papillion, NE (20) 17.994; 13. 15B, Brian Birkhofer, Muscatine, IA (7) 18.016; 14. 99m, Donnie Moran, Dresden, OH (57) 18.034; 15. 15, Steve Francis, Ashland, KY (43) 18.036; 16. 18, Shannon Babb, Moweaqua, IL (27) 18.081; 17. 3s, Brian Shirley, Chatham, IL (16) 18.113; 18. 55, Jeep Van Wormer, Pinconning, MI (3) 18.179; 19. s9, Dan Schlieper, Sullivan, WI (5) 18.215; 20. 5m, Todd Shute, Des Moines, IA (18) 18.218; 21. F15, Justin Fegers, Mound, MN (32) 18.219; 22. 1, Josh Richards, Shinnston, WV (38) 18.276; 23. 25s, Chris Smyser, Lancaster, MO (21) 18.315; 24. 75, Bart Hartman, Zanesville, OH (53) 18.324; 25. 71, Andrew McKay, Edina, MN (17) 18.336; 26. 25, Kerry Hansen, Spencer, WI (46) 18.336; 27. 56, Andy Eckrich, Iowa City, IA (34) 18.377; 28. 23, John Blankenship, Williamson, WV (24) 18.442; 29. 45DW, Denny Woodworth, Mendon, IL (26) 18.481; 30. 30, Todd Cooney, Des Moines, IA (40) 18.498; 31. 4B, Jackie Boggs, Grayson, KY (1) 18.515; 32. 5, Eric Jacobsen, Santa Cruz, CA (58) 18.516; 33. 1*, Chub Frank, Bear Lake, PA (19) 18.519; 34. 51, Matt Furman, Iowa City, IA (45) 18.519; 35. 9, Billy Drake, Bloomington, IL (13) 18.611; 36. 10B, Mike Balcaen, Winnipeg, MB, Can. (54) 18.626; 37. 22*, GR Smith, Mooresville, NC (39) 18.643; 38. 99, Johnny Johnson, West Burlington, IA (41) 18.662; 39. 11w, Jeff Aikey, Cedar Falls, IA (52) 18.683; 40. 33, Nick Marolf, Moscow, IA (49) 18.716; 41. 92, John Seitz, Bemidji, MN (37) 18.782; 42. 5J, Jay Johnson, West Burlington, IA (44) 18.797; 43. 21sr, Mike Marlar, Winfield, TN (23) 18.811; 44. 14B, Levi Benn, Dyersville, IA (50) 18.813; 45. 28, Eddie Carrier Jr. Salt Rock, WV (59) 18.862; 46. 00, Mitch Johnson, Hickson, ND (33) 18.916; 47. 45x, Jason Conoyer, Ursa, IL (10) 18.935; 48. 21B, Rich Bell, Sheffield, IL (29) 19.029; 49. 8, Johnny Spaw, Cedar Rapids, IA (9) 19.091; 50. 14, Boone McLaughlin, Mediapolis, IA (56) 19.394; 51. 22, Jill George, Cedar Falls, IA (22) 19.555; 52. 99D, Darrel DeFrance, Marshalltown, IA (2) 19.612; 53. 44zo, Alonzo

Grosse, Council Bluffs, IA (35) 19.863; 54. 10, Junior Coover, Norfolk, NE (30) 20.476; 55. 12A, Matt Aukland, Fargo, ND (55) 20.539; 56. 12, Jeff Tharp, Sherrill, IA (8) 21.466; 57. 15c, Curt Schroeder, Des Moines, IA (4) 22.345; 58. 45m, Curt Martin, Independence, IA (12) NT; 59. 56x, Chris Spieker, Massena, IA (51) NT.

Heat one (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. Justin Fegers (8) 2. Brady Smith (10) 3. Steve Shaver (12) 4. Shannon Babb (9) / 5. John Seitz (4) 6. Mitch Johnson (3) 7. Jackie Boggs (6) 8. Kerry Hansen (7) / 9. Mike Balcaen (5) 10. Jill George (2) 11. Curt Schroeder (1) 12. Tim McCreadie (11)

Heat two (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. Darren Miller (11) 2. Brian Shirley (8) 3. Eric Jacobsen (5) 4. Josh Richards (7) / 5. Andy Eckrich (6) 6. GR Smith (4) 7. Steve Kosiski (9) 8. Jay Johnson (3) / 9. Darrel DeFrance (1) 10. Scott James (10) 11. Jason Conoyer (2)

Heat three (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. Chub Frank (5) 2. Darrell Lanigan (11) 3. Brian Birkhofer (9) 4. Chris Madden (10) / 5. Jeep Van Wormer (8) 6. John Blankenship (6) 7. Rich Bell (2) 8. Johnny Johnson (4) / 9. Alonzo Grosse (1) 10. Mike Marlar (3) 11. Chris Smyser (7)

Heat four (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. Rick Eckert (11) 2. Jeff Aikey (4) 3. Billy Moyer (10) 4. Matt Furman (5) / 5. Bart Hartman (7) 6. Dan Schlieper (8) 7. Donnie Moran (8) 8. Denny Woodworth (6) / 9. Levi Benn (3) 10. Johnny Spaw (2) 11. Junior Coover (1)

Heat five (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. Billy Drake (5) 2. Jimmy Mars (10) 3. Steve Francis (9) 4. Scott Bloomquist (11) / 5. Boone McLaughlin (2) 6. Eddie Carrier Jr. (3) 7. Matt Aukland (1) 8. Todd Shute (8) / 9. Nick Marolf (4) 10. Andrew McKay (7) 11. Todd Cooney (6)

C main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Tim McCreadie (1) 2. Scott James (2) 3. Chris Smyser (3) 4. Mike Balcaen (6) / 5. Andrew McKay (4) 6. Johnny Spaw (7) 7. Levi Benn (5) 8. Alonzo Grosse (9) 9. Jill George (10) 10. Curt Schroeder (11) 11. Jason Conoyer (8) DNS – Todd Cooney, Nick Marolf, Mike Marlar, Darrel DeFrance, Junior Coover, Jeff Tharp, Curt Martin, Chris Spieker

B main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. Jeep Van Wormer (3) 2. Bart Hartman (4) 3. Donnie Moran (2) 4. Kerry Hansen (7) / 5. Steve Kosiski (1) 6. Denny Woodworth (8) 7. Andy Eckrich (6) 8. Mitch Johnson (17) 9. Jackie Boggs (11) 10. Johnny Johnson (13) 11. GR Smith (10) 12. Mike Balcaen (20) 13. Todd Shute (5) 14. Jay Johnson (15) 15. John Seitz (12) 16. Matt Aukland (16) 17. Tim McCreadie (21) 18. Chris Smyser (22) 19. Eddie Carrier Jr. (14) 20. Scott James (18) 21. John Blankenship (9) 22. Boone McLaughlin (19) DNS – Dan Schlieper, Rich Bell



A main (started), 25 laps, NT: 1. Darren Miller (2) 2. Brian Birkhofer (10) 3. Steve Shaver (1) 4. Rick Eckert (4) 5. Scott Bloomquist (5) 6. Brady Smith (9) 7. Darrell Lanigan (3) 8. Donnie Moran (23) 9. Steve Francis (11) 10. Billy Drake (19) 11. Brian Shirley (13) 12. Chris Madden (6) 13. Bart Hartman (22) 14. Shannon Babb (12) 15. Josh Richards (15) 16. Chub Frank (17) 17. Jeep Van Wormer (21) 18. Matt Furman (18) 19. Steve Kosiski (25, pr.) 20. Kerry Hansen (24) 21. Eric Jacobsen (16) 22. Jeff Aikey (20) 23. Jimmy Mars (8) 24. Billy Moyer (7) 25. Scott James (26, pr.) 26. Justin Fegers (14). **Lap Leaders:** Shaver 1-15; Miller 16; Shaver 17-18; Miller 19; Shaver 20; Miller 21-25.

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Heat one (started), 6 laps, NT: 1. 55x, Matt Stephenson, Altoona, IA (1) 2. 91, Curtis Thorson, Newton, IA (4) 3. 7w, Mark Widmar, Ottumwa, IA (9) 4. 55, Kenny Potter, Kansas City, MO (6) 5. 71, Louis Lynch, Glenwood, MO (8) 6. 47, Bob Lamb, Mitchellville, IA (3) / 7. 0, Mike Mayberry, Fremont, IA (10) 8. 98, Steve Yarns, Jackson, MN (5) 9. 82, Michael Brown, Kingsville, MO (7) 10. 40, Shawn Lee, Spickard, MO (2)

Heat two (started), 6 laps, NT: 1. 66, Steve Breazeale, Trenton, MO (2) 2. 28, Jonathan Cornell, Sedalia, MO (1) 3. 7, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (3) 4. 6, Jack Potter, Kansas City, MO (8) 5. 6K, Mitchell Alexander, Knoxville, IA (5) 6. 7H, Chad Huston, Jamesport, MO (9) / 7. 5, Mitchell Moore, Edgerton, KS (4) 8. 75, Dave Bouzek, Trenton, MO (7) 9. 11, Larry Webb, Ankeny, IA (10) 10. 16, Shawn Deman, Knoxville, IA (6)

Heat three (started), 6 laps, NT: 1. 55KC, Bob Hildreth, Iowa Falls, IA (1) 2. 46, Michael White, Lamonte, MO (2) 3. 63, Nate Van Haaften, Otley, IA (5) 4. 11s, Shadrach Spora, Iowa Falls, IA (3) 5. 36, Marty Stephenson, Mitchellville, IA (6) 6. 8L, Tom Lenz, Strawberry Point, IA (10) / 7. 4E, Jeff Edgington, Sioux Falls, SD (4) 8. 44, Mike White, Lamonte, MO (7) 9. 49, Zach Goulden, Gladstone, MO (9) 10. 34, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (8)

B main (started), 10 laps, NT: 1. Steve Yarns (1) 2. Jeff Edgington (3) / 3. Mike Mayberry (2) 4. Mike White (4) 5. Michael Brown (7) 6. Dave Bouzek (5) 7. Larry Webb (6) 8. Shawn Lee (8) 9. Shawn Deman (9) DNS – Mitchell Moore, Zach Goulden, Chris Walraven



A main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Mark Widmar (7) 2. Steve Breazeale (2) 3. Matt Stephenson (1) 4. Jonathan Cornell (5) 5. Marty Stephenson (15) 6. Curtis Thorson (4) 7. Kenny Potter (10) 8. Jack Potter (11) 9. Nate Van Haaften (9) 10. Tom Lenz (18) 11. Bob Hildreth (3) 12. Michael White (6) 13. Louis Lynch (16) 14. Bob Lamb (13) 15. Mitchell Alexander (14) 16. Jeff Edgington (20) 17. Rager Phillips (8) 18. Chad Huston (17) 19. Shadrach Sporaa (12) 20. Steve Yarns (19). **Lap Leaders:** Breazeale 1-14; Widmar 15.

9/30/06

Brian Shirley is Surprise Winner of Knoxville's Late Model Nationals

by Bob Wilson

KNOXVILLE, Iowa - Brian Shirley of Chatham, Illinois fooled 'em all as he captured the 3rd annual Lucas Oil Late Model Nationals at Knoxville Raceway Saturday night. After being sent to the rear of the 31-car field early, he picked his way back to take the lead late in the race and grabbed the \$35,000 first place payoff. NASCAR star Tony Stewart was the second story of the race as he scored a \$17,500 runner-up finish.

The third story of the event was the dominance of Darren Miller throughout most of the 100-lap race. From his pole position start, Miller led virtually all of the first half of the race and most would have said at that point that he was the odds on favorite. But, he never won it so that is yet another part of this story.

With only two laps in the books, Shirley spun his car onto the berm in turn two bringing out the first of many caution flags. He restarted on the tail.

Miller continued his dominance when the race was restarted and by lap seven his main challenger, Brian Birkhofer, was running in second. By lap ten Miller could count on a six car-length advantage but as he entered into lap traffic two laps later Birkhofer was right on his tail. Lap fifteen saw what would be only one of many laps where Miller and Birkhofer ran side by side throughout most of the half-mile circuit.

A yellow was displayed on lap eighteen as row one starter Steve Shaver stopped on the track. It was learned later that a fuel pump had gone bad. Eddie Carrier, Jr. also exited at that time.

With the race once again green, the Miller-Birkhofer battle picked up right where it had left off. Lap after lap saw side by side racing between the two especially in turns one and two and down the backstretch. Birkhofer

was content to use the bottom line in turns one and two while Miller slung his late model low in three and four. Only once during these laps did Birkhofer manage to claim a lap.

The caution was displayed on lap 28 for a Billy Drake miscue which saw him strike the turn two fence. At this point in the race the scoring showed Miller, Birkhofer, Rick Eckert, Darrell Lanigan and Steve Francis as the top runners.

When the race resumed it was still a battle between Miller and Birkhofer. During this portion of the race Miller utilized the top of the big half-mile oval while Birkhofer was content to take the bottom line as there were definitely two major lines on the race track.

A yellow on lap thirty-three for Tim McCreddie turned into a red as race officials ruled that too many laps had been run under caution. Teams were then allowed a fuel only stop.

On lap 35 after the restart a yellow was thrown for defending event champion Scott Bloomquist who had backed his mount into the turn three wall. He was able to drive back to the pits but he did not restart.

Miller found a new line once the race went green as he seemed to create a run right through the middle of the turns. Birkhofer stayed on the bottom and heroically challenged for the lead but every lap at this point fell in the Miller column. From lap forty to the half-way point fans witnessed a continued nose to tail or side by side race for the lead. On top of that, Lanigan and Steve Francis were able to catch the front-running twosome.

With the race now running beyond fifty laps, the leaders began to hit lap traffic on most every circuit. That is also when Josh Richards came into the mix and grabbed fourth place. At 58 laps Miller had a miscue and jumped the cushion allowing Birkhofer to finally make a pass for the lead. The next circuit saw Birkhofer suddenly slow with smoke out of his rear and stall in turn four. He was able to re-enter the race at the rear but was never again a factor.

With 18 cars still running, Miller again led them to the green. Four laps later fourth-running Richards struck the fence in one and two forcing the West Virginian to the sidelines. At that same time, Eric Jacobs and Scott James came together on the front stretch and spun into the infield fence. At this juncture in the race the top five looked like Miller, Donnie Moran, Lanigan, Eckert and Shirley; the same Brian Shirley who had been sent to the tail just after two laps had been completed at the start of the event.

Miller again led the field back to green having led sixty-four of the seventy laps. At this point, the story of Tony Stewart began to be written as he moved into sixth spot after starting seventeenth. Quietly, Stewart had clawed his way through the pack and the backmarkers to gain that spot.

In the meantime, Miller began to extend his lead so that by lap 75 he had roared to a full straightaway advantage. By lap 80 it was even more so. As the race went past the forty-mile mark the battle on the track was for the runner-up spot and that was between Moran and Shirley. Shirley garnered that position on lap 85 as Moran trailed him. Eckert and Stewart followed but another yellow slowed down the action.

Shirley can point to lap 86 as the golden lap as that is when he came low out of turn four and took the top spot away from Miller. With only twelve cars on the lead lap, very few backmarkers inhibited the front running cars.

Lap 89 can be counted as Miller's undoing as that is when the second running driver bumped the cushion and seemed to be pulled into the turn four fence. The incident forced Miller to the sidelines and a sixteenth place finish.

The final resumption of the race saw Stewart make a pass of Moran for second. Stewart and Moran would contest the spot to the end with Stewart finally settling the issue on lap 97.

With the race hitting the century mark in lap count, 25-year-old Brian Shirley came across the finish line as Stewart exited turn four. Clearly the Illinois driver had answered the headline written in a regional race paper: "Who the Heck is Brian Shirley?"

Results

C main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. 5J, Jay Johnson, West Burlington, IA (1) 2. 99, Johnny Johnson, West Burlington, IA (2) 3. 00, Mitch Johnson, Hickson, ND (3) 4. 12A, Matt Aukland, Fargo, ND (8) 5. 71, Andrew McKay, Edina, MN (6) 6. 44zo, Alonzo Grosse, Council Bluffs, IA (5) 7. 15c, Curt Schroeder, Des Moines, IA (9) 8. 92, John Seitz, Bemidji, MN (4) / 9. 45x, Jason Conoyer, Ursa, IL (7)

B main (started), 20 laps, NT: 1. F15, Justin Fegers, Mound, MN (1) 2. 28, Eddie Carrier Jr., Salt Rock, WV (3) 3. 1*, Chub Frank, Bear Lake, PA (2) 4. 5m, Todd Shute, Des Moines, IA (10) 5. 45m, Curt Martin, Independence, IA (5) 6. 25s, Chris Smyser, Lancaster, MO (18) / 7. 11w, Jeff Aikey, Cedar Falls, IA (6) 8. 39, Tim McCreadie, Avon, NY (8) 9. 56, Andy Eckrich, Iowa City, IA (7) 10. 45DW, Denny Woodworth, Mendon, IL (13) 11. 8, Johnny Spaw, Cedar Rapids, IA (17) 12. 4B, Jackie Boggs, Grayson, KY (11) 13. Mitch Johnson (19) 14. Matt Aukland (18) 15. John Seitz (22) 16. Alonzo Grosse (20) 17. 33, Nick Marolf, Moscow, IA (12) 18. 25, Kerry Hansen, Spencer, WI (4) 19. 10B, Mike Balcaen, Winnipeg, MB, Can. (9) 20. Curt Schroeder (23) 21. Johnny Johnson (16) 22. 23, John Blankenship, Williamson, WV (15) 23. Andrew McKay (21) DNS – Jay Johnson



A main (started), 100 laps, NT: 1. 3s, Brian Shirley, Chatham, IL (14) 2. 20, Tony Stewart, Rushville, IN (17) 3. 99m, Donnie Moran, Dresden, OH (15) 4. 24, Rick Eckert, York, PA (3) 5. 29, Darrell Lanigan, Union, KY (5) 6. 21, Billy Moyer, Batesville, AR (4) 7. 18, Shannon Babb, Moweaqua, IL (16) 8. s9, Dan Schlieper, Sullivan, WI (9) 9. 15B, Brian Birkhofer, Muscatine, IA (7) 10. 2, Brady Smith, Solon Springs, WI (10) 11. Chub Frank (27) 12. 15, Steve Francis, Ashland, KY (13) 13. 5, Eric Jacobsen, Santa Cruz, CA (21) 14. 52, Steve Kosiski, Papillion, NE (19) 15. 32D, Darren Miller, Chadwick, IL (1) 16. 28m, Jimmy Mars, Menomonie, WI (8) 17. 1, Josh Richards, Shinnston, WV (11) 18. 83, Scott James, Lawrenceburg, IN (23) 19. 55, Jeep Van Wormer, Pinconning, MI (20) 20. Tim McCreadie (31, pr.) 21. 44, Chris Madden, Gaffney, SC (12) 22. 0, Scott Bloomquist, Mooresburg, TN (6) 23. 51, Matt Furman, Iowa City, IA (18) 24. Chris Smyser (30) 25. 9, Billy Drake, Bloomington, IL (24) 26. Todd Shute (28) 27. Curt Martin (29) 28. Justin Fegers (25) 29. 30s, Steve Shaver, Vienna, WV (2) 30. Eddie Carrier Jr. (26) 31. 75, Bart Hartman, Zanesville, OH (22). **Lap Leaders:**

Miller 1-22; Birkhofer 23; Miller 24-48; Birkhofer 49; Miller 50; Birkhofer 51-53; Miller 54-57; Birkhofer 58; Miller 59-85; Shirley 86-100.

10/7/06

Schatz Captures WoO Knoxville Finale

by Bob Wilson

KNOXVILLE, Iowa - (October 7) The 2006 Knoxville Nationals champ, Donny Schatz, picked up from where he left off in August as he captured the season ending World of Outlaws (WoO) feature event at Knoxville Raceway Saturday night. The race marked the conclusion of the 53rd season of weekly racing at this Marion County fairgrounds facility.

On a track which turned hard and dry from numerous racing events during the night, Craig Dollansky grabbed the early lead from his front row starting position. He immediately headed to the bottom of the big half mile with Randy Hannagan in chase. Schatz was third at this juncture as most of the field figured the bottom was quickest.

Also during this time, Terry McCarl, who started 15th, took to the top of the track and quickly began picking off car after car. By lap four he had worked his way to sixth while most other drivers were floundering on the bottom of the track.

Lap six saw Dollansky enter into lap traffic and with the bottom plugged it kept the racing close. At the five-mile mark Hannagan, Schatz, Daryn Pittman and Jeff Shepard trailed.

The race belonged to the Minnesota driver through fifteen laps. Hannagan and Schatz had both stayed extremely close with never more than five car lengths separating the leader from those two. It was lap sixteen which saw the deciding move of the race made by Schatz as he glided on the cushion through turns three and four while Dollansky and Hannagan stayed on the bottom. When Schatz exited turn four he had the lead and those two drivers would now chase him.

As the laps began winding down on this WoO race, Dollansky managed to stay close through the twentieth circuit. That is when Schatz began to pull away for the win. Both drivers liked the low side but would take to the top when faced with backmarkers.

In the end the 25-lap race went non-stop and Schatz took the \$10,000 first place check by twenty car lengths. Dollansky and Hannagan trailed and McCarl's exciting run placed the former Knoxville track champion in fourth. Pittman settled for fifth. Rounding out the top ten finishers were Shepard, Brian Brown, Joey Saldana, Brandon Wimmer and Tony Bruce, Jr.

In addition to the WoO race, the track also staged its season championship points feature which had been rain-postponed from September 2. A companion division of 360 sprints also competed.

It took over a month to settle the issue, but Billy Alley of Lincoln, Nebraska was crowned the 2006 points champion at Knoxville Raceway Saturday night. The long wait was brought about by a rain postponement on September 2 of the 410 feature event of that night and was then run in conjunction with a World of Outlaws program which was also rained out and rescheduled on this same October night.

Nothing is simple on a night when the full moon is shining upon it. That being said, Alley came into the make-up race with only a 45 points advantage over Brian Brown. With a hefty check at the annual raceway banquet and the prestige of being Knoxville Raceway track champion, both men had a chance of winning it all.

Pole sitter Dusty Zomer took the early advantage and Brown settled in right behind him. With a track which had become hard and dry early, most of the front runners headed to the top for the fastest way around this big half mile oval. At lap five Zomer led Brown by five car lengths as Alley languished in the sixth spot.

One lap later the leaders hit lap traffic and it was really just a matter of when that would impede Zomer enough for Brown to challenge him. Heavy lap traffic on the eighth go around saw Brown with his chance but he did not make good on it till lap ten when he pulled a slider in turns one and two and took the lead as he shot down the backstretch.

Lap eleven saw the red flag fly for a violent crash on the backstretch as Dennis Moore, Jr. and Brent Antill tagged each other. The contact sent Antill flying through a series of wild flips as he finally came to a rest at the entrance of turn three. Both cars retired from the race placing Alley in the fifth spot for the restart.

When the race was flagged green, Alley made a bid on fourth running Lynton Jeffrey but came up empty handed as Jeffrey fended off his moves. Three laps later the red was displayed for second running Zomer who flipped hard at the entrance of turn two. Neither Zomer nor Antill required medical assistance.

The lap 14 restart saw Alley running in fourth, just one spot shy of where he needed to be in order to capture the points title. He jostled with Jeffrey but could make no headway for a pass.

It wasn't until lap 19 that the deciding factor in the race happened. That is when third running Jeffrey popped a right-rear tire and coasted to a halt in turn four. This incident allowed Alley to move to third, a spot which would give him the points he would need in order to capture the track title.

On the restart, Brown began to pull away from second running Calvin Landis. Lap after lap Brown did what he needed to do to insure himself of the best points finish possible. With Alley running third, there was nothing more he could do.

The moonlit night had created some surreal situations in this race and one more was about to happen. Lap 22 saw smoke beginning to flow from the Alley machine. Was this a sign of a terminal problem with the Alley power plant? There were only three laps to go and both Brown and Alley were on missions to the end.

Although the smoke did become greater, Alley managed to keep his sprinter together and to get it across the finish line in third place and a five points advantage in the season's points race. The big check for the night belonged to Brown in the Doogs Racing Maxim, as he became \$4,000 richer but certainly found disappointment in the outcome. It had boiled down to the closest points finish in the history of Knoxville Raceway.

Though most eyes were on Brown and Alley, Landis had a great run and finished in the runner-up position. Fourth went to Randy Anderson and Kaley Gharst took fifth. Rounding out the top ten were Matt Moro, Bronson Maeschen, Chris Walraven, Mike More and Clint Garner.

A non-points slate of events was also held for the 360 sprint division. Capturing the feature was Jeff Mitrison who led flag to flag in doing so. It was the second of the season for Mitrison in the Steve Wares-owned sprinter. Randy Martin, Jon Corbin, Tony Bruce, Jr. and Rager Phillips completed the top five finishers.

410 Results

Time Trials (Qualifying Order): 1. 21, Daryn Pittman, Owasso, OK (3) 14.872; 2. 70, Calvin Landis, Knoxville, IA (6) 14.944; 3. 7, Craig Dollansky, Elk River, MN (1) 14.980; 4. 81, Randy Anderson, Clarion, IA (12) 15.026; 5. 55, Dennis Moore Jr., Grinnell, IA (14) 15.029; 6. 8, Jeff Shepard, Upperco, MD (13) 15.036; 7. 1z, Dusty Zomer, Brandon, SD (15) 15.038; 8. 15, Donny Schatz, Fargo, ND (42) 15.053; 9. 1x, Randy

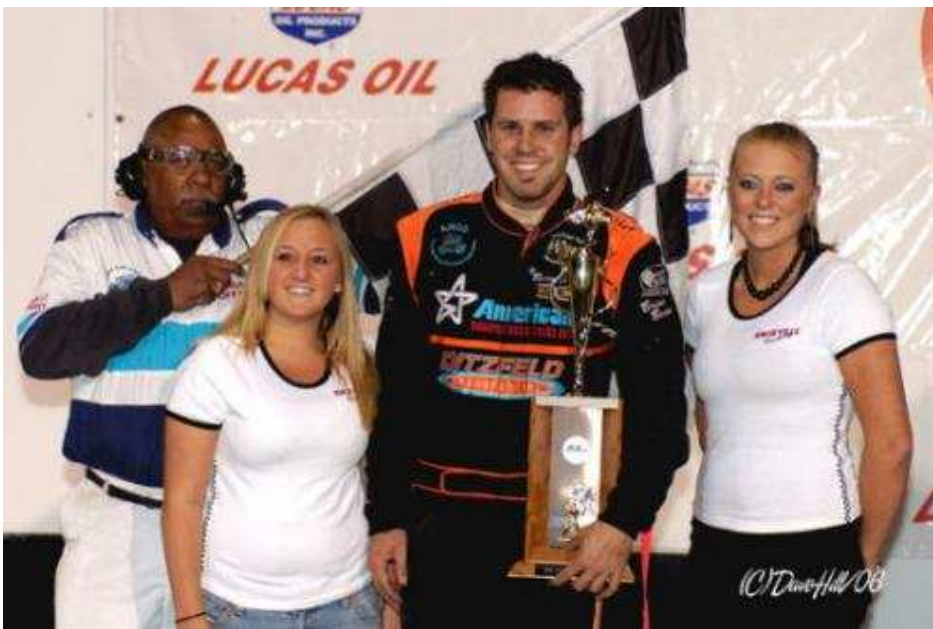
Hannagan, Pittsboro, IN (11) 15.063; 10. 21x, Brian Brown, Grain Valley, MO (8) 15.078; 11. 9, Joey Saldana, Brownsburg, IN (37) 15.101; 12. 12, Lynton Jeffrey, Sydney, NSW, Aust./Prairie City, IA (18) 15.112; 13. 7TW, Brandon Wimmer, Fairmont, IN (2) 15.120; 14. 35, Jac Haudenschild, Wooster, OH (33) 15.120; 15. 18T, Tony Bruce Jr., Liberal, KS (17) 15.160; 16. 24, Terry McCarl, Altoona, IA (4) 15.167; 17. 17G, Billy Alley, Lincoln, NE (9) 15.180; 18. 36, Jason Martin, Liberal, KS (29) 15.180; 19. 15K, Chad Kemenah, Findlay, OH (5) 15.184; 20. 96, Bronson Maeschen, Knoxville, IA (24) 15.226; 21. D1, Justin Henderson, Sioux Falls, SD (35) 15.244; 22. 2, Skip Jackson, Sydney, NSW, Aust. (40) 15.356; 23. 5B, Chad Blonde, Litchfield, MI (23) 15.359; 24. 47T, Tony Shilling, Knoxville, IA (25) 15.364; 25. 18, Brian Carlson, Linden, IN (34) 15.384; 26. 56, Chris Walraven, Knoxville, IA (28) 15.386; 27. 86, Don Droud Jr., Lincoln, NE (30) 15.401; 28. 19, Becca Anderson, Houston, DE (41) 15.431; 29. 5, Wayne Johnson, Oklahoma City, OK (38) 15.441; 30. 6, Bill Rose, Plainfield, IN (16) 15.527; 31. 11D, Dion Hindi, Albuquerque, NM (21) 15.535; 32. 10c, Jeremy Campbell, Monroe, MI (43) 15.558; 33. 1, Brent Antill, Ankeny, IA (26) 15.601; 34. 47, Matt Moro, Ankeny, IA (36) 15.635; 35. 69, Mike Moore, Des Moines, IA (27) 15.737; 36. R19, Scott Winters, Butterfield, MN (39) 15.850; 37. 3J, Greg Jones, Earlham, IA (19) 16.109; 38. 7w, Kaley Gharst, Decatur, IL (10) 16.123; 39. 03, Dave Saffell, Pleasantville, IA (32) 16.444; 40. 71, Robert Bell, Colfax, IA (31) 16.640; 41. 57x, Jake Peters, Sioux Falls, SD (7) NT; 42. 40, Clint Garner, Sioux Falls, SD (20) NT; 43. 1L, Mark Dobmeier, Grand Forks, ND (22) NT.

Heat one (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Jason Martin (2) 2. Randy Hannagan (4) 3. Terry McCarl (3) 4. Donny Schatz (5) 5. Daryn Pittman (6) / 6. Greg Jones (10) 7. Brian Carlson (7) 8. Brent Antill (9) 9. Tony Shilling (1) 10. Wayne Johnson (8) DNS – Jake Peters

Heat two (started), 8 laps, 2:09.1: 1. Brian Brown (4) 2. Chad Blonde (1) 3. Tony Bruce Jr. (3) 4. Calvin Landis (6) 5. Billy Alley (2) / 6. Kaley Gharst (10) 7. Dusty Zomer (5) 8. Chris Walraven (7) 9. Bill Rose (8) 10. Matt Moro (9) DNS – Clint Garner

Heat three (started), 8 laps, NT: 1. Joey Saldana (4) 2. Craig Dollansky (6) 3. Chad Kemenah (2) 4. Jac Haudenschild (3) 5. Jeff Shepard (5) / 6. Mike Moore (9) 7. Don Droud Jr. (7) 8. Skip Jackson (1) 9. Dion Hindi (8) DNS – Dave Saffell, Mark Dobmeier

Heat four (started), 8 laps, 2:12.6: 1. Justin Henderson (1) 2. Brandon Wimmer (3) 3. Lynton Jeffrey (4) 4. Randy Anderson (6) 5. Dennis Moore Jr. (5) / 6. Jeremy Campbell (8) 7. Bronson Maeschen (2) 8. Scott Winters (9) 9. Becca Anderson (7) 10. Robert Bell (10)



Make-up A main from 9/2 (started), 25 laps, NT: 1. Brian Brown (4) 2. Calvin Landis (5) 3. Billy Alley (7) 4. Randy Anderson (11) 5. Kaley Gharst (13) 6. Matt Moro (9) 7. Bronson Maeschen (3) 8. Chris Walraven (6) 9. Mike Moore (12) 10. R19, Clint Garner (14) 11. Lynton Jeffrey (2) 12. 17x, Skip Jackson (15) 13. Dusty Zomer (1) 14. Dennis Moore Jr. (18) 15. Tony Shilling (16) 16. Brent Antill (10) 17. 36, Tim St. Arnold (17) 18. Jake Peters (8) DNS – Mark Dobmeier, Trevor Green, Jesse Giannetto. **Lap Leaders:** Zomer 1-9; Brown 10-25.

Dash (started), 6 laps, NT: 1. Randy Hannagan (1) 2. Craig Dollansky (6) 3. Donny Schatz (2) 4. Daryn Pittman (8) 5. Jeff Shepard (3) 6. Dennis Moore Jr. (4) 7. Brian Brown (7) 8. Joey Saldana (9) 9. Randy Anderson (5) DNS - Calvin Landis

B main (started), 12 laps, NT: 1. Don Droud Jr. (3) 2. Brian Carlson (1) 3. Bronson Maeschen (2) 4. Dion Hindi (7) / 5. Jeremy Campbell (10) 6. Bill Rose (8) 7. Mike Moore (9) 8. Matt Moro (12) 9. Kaley Gharst (16) 10. Becca Anderson (6) 11. Robert Bell (15) 12. Scott Winters (14) 13. Dave Saffell (13) 14. Greg Jones (11) 15. Chris Walraven (4) 16. Wayne Johnson (5) DNS – Dusty Zomer, Skip Jackson, Tony Shilling, Brent Antill, Jake Peters, Clint Garner, Mark Dobmeier



A main (started), 25 laps, NT: 1. Donny Schatz (3) 2. Craig Dollansky (2) 3. Randy Hannagan (1) 4. Terry McCarl (15) 5. Daryn Pittman (4) 6. Jeff Shepard (5) 7. Brian Brown (7) 8. Joey Saldana (8) 9. Brandon Wimmer (12) 10. Tony Bruce Jr. (14) 11. Lynton Jeffrey (11) 12. Justin Henderson (20) 13. Dennis Moore Jr. (6) 14. Jason Martin (16) 15. Chad Kemenah (18) 16. Billy Alley (17) 17. Dion Hindi (24) 18. Randy Anderson (9) 19. Don Droud Jr. (23) 20. Bronson Maeschen (19) 21. Jac Haudenschild (13) 22. Chad Blonde (21) 23. Calvin Landis (10) 24. Brian Carlson (22). **Lap Leaders:** Dollansky 1-15; Schatz 16-25.

360 Results

Heat one (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:57.2: 1. 00, Stacey Alexander, Lacona, IA (2*) 2. 9, Rager Phillips, Pleasantville, IA (5*) 3. B29, Adam Mason, Indianapolis, IN (3*) 4. 5B, Rick Ideus, Silver City, IA (6*) 5. 19J, Jay Jordan, Lincoln, NE (1) 6. 65, Danny Heskin, St. Michael, MN (4) 7. 76, Jay Russell, Elwood, KS (8) 8. 29, Russ Hall, Des Moines, IA (7)

Heat two (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, NT: 1. 18T, Tony Bruce Jr., Liberal, KS (1*) 2. 10, Jeff Mitrison, Oskaloosa, IA (4*) 3. 14, Randy Martin, California, MO (6*) 4. 48, Tyler Thompson, Des Moines, IA

(8*) 5. 3, Nate Van Haaften, Otle, IA (3) 6. 04, Frankie Heimbaugh, Des Moines, IA (5) 7. 71, Mike Trent, Rocheport, MO (7) 8. Y5, Mike Houseman Jr., Des Moines, IA (2)

Heat three (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 2:00.1: 1. 15, Jon Corbin, Carrollton, MO (2*) 2. 2, John Schulz, West Burlington, IA (6*) 3. 7, Dustin Selvage, Indianola, IA (3*) 4. 15x, Joe Riedel, Harrisburg, SD (1) 5. 54, Brett Mather, Ames, IA (8*) 6. 31, Mark Pace, Lincoln, NE (4) 7. 28, Mitch Runge, Sioux Falls, SD (7) 8. 11, Tyler Thompson, Cape Girardeau, MO (5)

Heat four (started, *qualified for feature), 7 laps, 1:59.5: 1. 24, Josh Higday, Des Moines, IA (4*) 2. 33, Alan Zoutte, Knoxville, IA (1*) 3. 49, Josh Schneiderman, West Burlington, IA (3*) 4. 51, David Hall, Des Moines, IA (7*) 5. 53, Joe Beaver, Knoxville, IA (5) 6. 36, Marty Stephenson, Des Moines, IA (2) 7. 7a, Johnny Anderson, Indianola, IA (6)

B main (started), 10 laps, 2:16.2: 1. Joe Beaver (4) 2. Joe Riedel (1) 3. Mark Pace (7) 4. Mike Trent (10) / 5. Frankie Heimbaugh (6) 6. Mike Houseman Jr. (12) 7. Jay Jordan (2) 8. Mitch Runge (11) 9. Jay Russell (9) 10. Danny Heskin (5) 11. Tyler Thompson 11 (14) 12. Marty Stephenson (8) 13. Russ Hall (13) 14. Nate Van Haaften (3) DNS - Johnny Anderson



A main (started), 15 laps, NT: 1. Jeff Mitrison (2) 2. Randy Martin (1) 3. Jon Corbin (4) 4. Tony Bruce Jr. (3) 5. Rager Phillips (5) 6. Josh Higday (8) 7. Stacey Alexander (6) 8. John Schulz (7) 9. David Hall (11) 10. Tyler Thompson 48 (9) 11. Brett Mather (16) 12. Rick Ideus (13) 13. Joe Beaver (17) 14. Josh Schneiderman (15) 15. Mark Pace (19) 16. Dustin Selvage (14) 17. Joe Riedel (18) 18. Adam Mason (12) 19. Mike Trent (20) 20. Alan Zoutte (10). **Lap Leader:** Mitrison 1-15.



2006 410 Final Point Standings and Feature Winners:

Driver	Feature Wins (Feature Laps Led)	Points	Primary car(s)
1. Billy Alley	2 (30)	2915	Gifford Motorsports 17G
2. Brian Brown	2 (40)	2910	Tim & Gina Doogs 21
3. Clint Garner	1 (20)	2260	Garner 40
4. Skip Jackson	1 (24)	2220	J&S Motorsports 2
5. Lynton Jeffrey	1 (44)	1770	Jeffrey 12
6. Calvin Landis	1 (34)	1745	Landis 70
7. Jesse Giannetto	-	1725	Bulldogg Motorsports D1
8. Dusty Zomer	0 (1)	1565	Zomer 1z
9. Kaley Gharst	2 (19)	1445	Gharst 44G
10. Bronson Maeschen	-	1340	Maeschen 96
11. Matt Moro	-	1285	Strange Performance 47
12. Ryan Anderson	-	1170	Anderson 71R
13. Tim St. Arnold	-	1140	Williams 7w
14. Chad Meyer	0 (12)	1055	Lunstra 1w
15. Rager Phillips	-	870	Phillips 9, VanderEcken 10
16. Chris Walraven	-	820	Muddy Lush Racing 56
17. Randy Anderson	-	800	Johnson 81
18. Trevor Green	-	775	Lewis 11AU
19. Mike Moore	-	565	Moore 69
20. Jerrel Slinkard	-	505	Slinkard 15s
21. Tony Shilling	-	430	Shilling 47T
22. Greg Jones	-	370	Jones 3J
23. Tyler Houseman	-	300	Houseman 50
24. Dave Saffell	-	195	Saffell 03

Other 410 Feature Winners (Laps Led): Danny Lasoski 2 (37), Donny Schatz 2 (29), Kerry Madsen 2 (25), Joey Saldana 1 (22), Brent Antill 1 (19), Jason Johnson 1 (18), Terry McCarl 1 (17), Fred Rahmer 1 (7), Lance Dewease 0 (18), Craig Dollansky 0 (15), Jeff Mitrising 0 (8), Wayne Johnson 0 (7), Brian Paulus 0 (7), Shane Stewart 0 (1), Blake Feese 0 (1)

2006 360 Final Point Standings and Feature Winners:

Driver	Feature Wins (Feature Laps Led)	Points	Primary car(s)
1. Jake Peters	3 (55)	1444	Peters 57x
2. Jeff Mitrising	2 (25)	1406	Wares 10
3. Johnny Anderson	4 (48)	1297	Anderson 7a
4. Josh Higday	4 (43)	1254	Higday Motorsports 24
5. Dustin Lindquist	2 (22)	1213	Lindquist/Loucks 55L
6. John Kearney	1 (11)	1185	K&R Racing 83
7. Joe Beaver	0 (10)	1061	Beaver 53
8. Jon Corbin	2 (13)	935	Brunner 15, Corbin/Smith 33
9. Brett Mather	0 (7)	871	Burnham Enterprises 54
10. Stacey Alexander	0 (1)	829	Weeks 00, Shaw 2Tx
11. David Hall	0 (13)	773	Hall Competition 51
12. Frankie Heimbaugh	-	706	Heimbaugh 04
13. Josh Schneiderman	0 (16)	654	Deuce Motorsports, Ltd. 49
14. Eric Mason	0 (2)	642	Mason B29
15. Troy Meyer	-	576	Meyer 11m
16. Tom Lenz	-	554	Lenz 8L
17. Nate Mosher	-	551	Mosher 22N
18. Pete Crall	-	537	Crall 11
19. Brett Golik	-	418	Golik Racing 5G
20. Alan Zoutte	-	400	Zoutte Motorsports 33
21. Mike Houseman Jr.	-	398	Houseman Y5
22. Davey Heskin	-	392	Maxwell 56
23. Dustin Selvage	0 (1)	377	Grimes 7
24. Nate Van Haaften	-	336	Van Haaften 3
25. Tyler Thompson	-	314	Thompson 2T/48
26. Mitchell Alexander	-	308	Alexander Family 6
27. John Anderson	-	283	Anderson 4G
28. Danny Heskin	-	202	Maxwell 65, Heskin 84

Other 360 Feature Winners (Laps Led): Chuck Swenson 1 (38), Gary Wright 1 (20), Billy Alley 1 (20), Shane Carson 1 (15), Jesse Giannetto 1 (14), Larry Pinegar II 0 (11), Mike Trent 0 (5)