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**RE: May 7th Results**

**SHAUN WALKER WINS MODIFIED SPRING CHAMPIONSHIP WORTH $1,500. BRAD CICIO COLLECTS FIRST EVER FIVE MILE POINT SPEEDWAY VICTORY WITH CRATE SPORTSMAN HONORS.**

**KIRKWOOD, NY…**Another outstanding night of action at Five Mile Point Speedway found Defending Modified Track Champion Shaun Walker claiming the top honors in the Spring Championship 30. The victory was worth $1,500 for Walker. Brad Cicio makes the weekly haul from New Jersey to Five Mile Point Speedway and on Saturday his persistence paid off with his first ever victory in the Crate Sportsman 20 lapper.

The 30 lap Modified Spring Championship found Brad Szulewski and Chris Wood on the front row for the start. Szulewski raced out to the early lead but Shaun Walker wasted no time charging from his fourth starting slot to claim the lead on lap 2. A number of heavy hitters were working in the top five on second place rookie Szulewski as Wood, Kevin Bates, Jeff Crambo and Rusty Smith all battled for position. It didn’t take long for fans to watch the progress of two drivers coming from back in the field. Ryan Watt started eleventh and was quickly on the move and Mike Colsten started twenty-second and also was on a charge from the drop of the green.

Watt was in to the top five by lap 9 as the caution would fly on lap 10 for a slowing Kenny Hildebrandt. Walker, who had opened up a sizeable lead now had Szulewski, Watt, Wood and Nick Petrilak looking to make their advance to the front. On the restart Walker pulled back out front with a great battle taking shape between Szulewski and Watt for second place. Anthony Perrego began to be a factor as he broke in to the top five as the race hit the lap 20 point. Watt had now made his way past Szulewski and tried to catch Walker out front. The final caution of the race would give Watt his opportunity on lap 26. On the restart Walker showed why he is the defending track champion as he pulled away again. At the finish it would be Walker, Watt, Szulewski, Petrilak and Perrego. Colsten made it all the way to sixth from his twenty-second starting spot with P.J. Goodwin, Wood, Don Hart and Mike Dougherty Jr. completing the top ten.

Brad Cicio hauls to Five Mile Point Speedway every Saturday from Wantage, New Jersey. On Saturday his persistence paid off as he notched his first ever victory at the speedway. Cicio led all 20 laps of the feature event on a lightning fast quarter mile oval. The victory was hard fought as Kyle Roehner charged from his eleventh starting slot to actually take the lead with a lap to go. Unfortunately for Roehner the caution came out at the same time and Cicio retained his lead per the last complete lap. That last lap caution set up an outstanding one lap dash where fans were on their feet as Cicio tried to claim his first win. A good restart gave Cicio the edge but Roehner had a great charge high off turn 1 and almost made the winning pass down the backstretch. At the finish it would be Cicio holding on by a car length. Roehner finished second with Brad Weaver, Kyle Pierce and Tyler Singleton completing the top five. Weaver also came from back in the field after starting in tenth place. In victory lane Cicio commented on the long tow to the speedway every weekend. “We love coming here, we could go to a number of other tracks but this place is governed well and it’s certainly worth the long drive every Saturday.”

The 20 lap IMCA Modified feature found Gary Smith and Mike Stoddard on the front row. Smith darted out to the early lead as Gary Roberts immediately worked in to second place. James Cornell started sixth and he raced his way through the field quickly in the early stages. On lap 7 Cornell made his way past Smith for the lead and would he would not surrender it over the final 13 laps. Smith would hang on for second place with Eddie Sites advancing from seventh to third. Roberts wound up fourth with Scott Bennett charging from twelfth to fifth at the wire.

The Lightning Cat Expert main event went to Tucker Harpell. Harpell led all 15 laps over fellow Kirkwood resident Dave Simms. For Harpell it was 13th straight season with a feature win. Simms applied the pressure late but was forced to settle for second at the finish. Troy Kress finished third with Adam Gilbert and Kenny Underwood rounding out the top five. The race was slowed by one caution.

The Factory Stock 15 lap feature event went to newcomer Jeremy Williams. Williams started fourth on the field and held off defending track champion Chuck Culbertson for the win. Josh Towner, Jason Neyra and Ned Fitch rounded out the top five.

The Lightning Cat Novice 12 lap feature was won by Amanda Brigham. Brigham took the lead on lap 2 and led the duration. The Slingshot feature event was won by Bryce Cherko with Bob Crandall taking the checkers in the first ever Empire Truck Series nightcap.

**COUNTER POINTS…**114 race teams jammed the pit are on Saturday night…The only invader to tow in was Ryan Watt but he certainly put on a memorable performance in the Modified feature…Shaun Walker showed why he is the defending track champion as he once again quietly dominated the 30 lap feature for the win…Walker’s smooth style sometimes goes unnoticed but has certainly raised the bar on Saturday nights in the Modified ranks…Third place Modified finisher Brad Szulewski was on his third straight week using the same tires and was a contender to win his first Modified feature throughout the 30 lapper…Track crews did an outstanding job putting the race track back together after heavy week long rains made the speedway surface oversaturated on Saturday…The program was almost canceled around mid-day as packer trucks could not even negotiate the heavy surface…After four hours of grading and repacking racing got underway at the 6 p.m. slated starting time…This Saturday and Sunday Five Mile Point Speedway will host two days of racing action…For more information please phone 607-775-5555 or log on to [www.5milepointspeedway.com](http://www.5milepointspeedway.com)...

**MODIFIED OFFICIAL SEASON OPENING FEATURE FINISH (30): SHAUN WALKER ($1,500),** Ryan Watt, Brad Szulewski, Nick Petrilak, Anthony Perrego, Mike Colsten, P.J. Goodwin, Chris Wood, Don Hart, Mike Dougherty, Joey Colsten, Cory Lowitt, Jeff Crambo, Randy Green, George Hildebrandt, Dan Morden, Glenn Knapp, Rusty Smith, Dan Solomon, Kevin Bates, Kenny Hildebrandt, Brad Knapp. **Open Sportsman Bonus:** Randy Green ($150).

**CRATE SPORTSMAN OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (20): BRAD CICIO,** Kyle Rohner, Brad Weaver, Kyle Pierce, Tyler Singleton, Mike Austin, Matt Roberts, Marty Bunker, Tanner Harpell, Randy Fox, Cliff Pierce, Tom Hampton, Leo McGurrin, Moose Gulley, Justin Lawrence, Rosalyn Trautschold.

**IMCA MODIFIED OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (20): JAMES CORNELL,** Gary Smith, Eddie Sites, Gary Roberts, Scott Bennett, Tyler Stoddard, Keith Lamphere, Jake Maynard, Tony Harris, Gary Lamphere, Matt Cole, Mike Stoddard, Jeff Austin, Tom Velez, Brandon Shepard, Joe Novak, Harry Ely, Robert Maynard.

**LIGHTNING CAT EXPERT OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (15): TUCKER HARPELL,** Dave Simms, Troy Kress, Adam Gilbert, Ken Underwood, Nick Kennedy, Andy Brigham, Mat Mather, Dennis Keesler, Matt McKernan, Jason Colwell, Dave Bainbridge, Joshua Hubbard, Rick Lunn, Jeremy Warren, Frank Smith, Ronnie Welch, Josh Wilder, John Siedlecky. DNS – Don Doster.

**LIGHTNING CAT NOVICE OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (12): AMANDA BRIGHAM,** Randy Lane, Charlie Towner, Lynda Lawrence, Jimmy Difulvio, Andrew Bolles, Jason Colwell Jr.

**FACTORY STOCK OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (15): JEREMY WILLIAMS,** Chuck Culbertson, Josh Towner, Jason Neyra, Ned Fitch, Ryan Brockner, Jason Rinker, Fred Peters, Kevin McDonald, Joe Donahue III.

**TOBIAS SLINGSHOT OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (15): BRYCE CHERKO,** Bob Boughton, Jim Pollard, Dalton Maynard, Blaine Klinger, Marty Kelly III, Shane Lewis, Meckenzie Marsh, Alex Boughton, Kyle Button, Spencer Cherko.

**EMPIRE TRUCK SERIES OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (15): BOB CRANDALL,** Trey Palmer, Doug O’Hara, Rob Loucks, Rob Northrup, James Fowlston, Josh Kane, Wayne VanDusen Jr. DNS – Brandon Clapperton, Chris Kugler.