**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**JESSE KLINE RECORDS FIRST EVER FIVE MILE POINT SPEEDWAY MODIFIED VICTORY ON SATURDAY NIGHT. SEVERAL FIRST TIME WINNERS VISIT VICTORY LANE ON SATURDAY.**

**KIRKWOOD, NY…**Jesse Kline raced to his first ever Five Mile Point Speedway Sunoco Modified victory on Saturday night. Kline had previously recorded wins in the Open Sportsman division at the speedway before moving to the Modified ranks several years ago. Tighe Sherlock invaded and took home the Insinger Performance Crate Sportsman feature win on Saturday. The speedway is idle this Saturday and returns to action on Saturday, June 5th.

Jesse Kline and Justin Andrews led the field to Jim Olin’s green flag at the start of the 30 lap Modified feature event. The race got off to a shaky start as two back to back cautions on lap 1 reset the field. When racing resumed Kline shot out to the race lead with Andrews running in the second slot. Brett Tonkin slid into the third position and last weeks winner Nick Rochinski moved up to fourth from sixth during the early circuits. On lap 8 both Tonkin and Rochinski slipped past Andrews as Kline had quickly opened his advantage up over the field. The race remained under green flag conditions until lap 13. The first attempt at a restart saw the field scramble into turn 1 three and four wide and the result was a multi-car tangle that ultimately eliminated Scott Landers, Justin Holland and Aleia Geisler.

Once racing got back underway Kline continued to show the fast way around the quarter mile as he held Tonkin in check. Rochinski continued to run in the third slot with Andrews and Frank Yankowski in the top five. Kline was dialed in as Tonkin kept pace but could not seriously challenge for the race lead. The pace was slowed again when Leah Decker came to a stop resulting in a caution flag. On the restart Kline continued to set a fast pace but now Tonkin stayed within striking distance. Rochinski joined the battle up front hoping for any mistake by the race leaders. On lap 26 Yankowski worked his way past Andrews for fourth place as the battle out front intensified. The final caution of the race flew on lap 29 as a one lap dash for the win was in place. On the restart Kline was flawless as Tonkin and Rochinski were ready to pounce at any error. Kline went on for the popular win with Tonkin, Rochinski, Yankowski and Andrews completing the top five. Joey Colsten, Barry White, Bobby Puckett Jr., Brian Mady and Arthur Bray completed the top ten. Heat wins went to Landers, Brian Puckett and Brian Malcolm.

In victory lane Kline commented, “You never want to go backwards and we were able to take advantage of a good starting spot tonight, this victory is special being our first in the Modified. Brett (Tonkin) ran us hard and clean but we were on rails tonight, I couldn’t be happier.” He added, “We are on two year old rear tires tonight and could use them again if we wanted, the track was outstanding.”

By virtue of the redraw Brad Weaver and Tighe Sherlock sat on the front row for the 25 lap Insinger Performance Crate Sportsman feature event. Weaver raced out to the race lead at the start but the pace slowed quickly as Matt Sobiech slowed on the speedway. On the restart Sherlock got the better of Weaver as he took the race lead. The caution flew again on lap 3 for a spinning Brandon Christ. When racing went back green Sherlock quickly raced out to a sizeable lead. Weaver ran in second as Ray Leonard continued his strong 2021 running in third. A long stretch of green flag racing allowed several drivers to advance forward from deep in the field as Sherlock had command out front. The caution flew for the final time on 17 and at this point the top five consisted of Sherlock, Weaver, Leonard, Blaine Klinger and Bryce Bailey. When the green flew again Sherlock didn’t miss a beat as he again opened up his lead. Weaver and Leonard battled hard for second. On lap 21 Seth Zacharias broke into the top five after starting in eleventh place. Defending Track Champion Gary Smith was trying to follow his lead from his twelfth starting spot as he too advanced. At the checkers Sherlock went on for the win. Weaver, Leonard, Klinger and Zacharias completed the top five. Rookie Doug Smith, Gary Smith, fellow rookie Bryce Bailey, Leo McGurrin and Dominic Roselli rounded out the top ten. Heat winners were Gary Smith, Sherlock and Dominic Roselli.

Jerry Lobdell led wire to wire in the 20 lap Street Stock main event on Saturday. Lobdell held off Spring Series Champion Doug Polhamus to record the win. Lanson Albanese advanced from fifth to third but could never seriously challenge without the benefit of a yellow. The 20 lap event went caution free. The top five finishers were Lobdell, Polhamus, Albanese, Gene Sharpsteen and Shane Wolf. Heat winners were Polhamus and Albanese.

Matthew Backus took the lead from last weeks winner Dale Folejewski on lap 3 and never looked back in the 20 lap Futures Crate Sportsman class. For Backus, it was his first win of the season. Ned Fitch, Folejewski, Nathan Decker and Amanda Scholtisek completed the top five.

Jason Sullivan recorded his first Five Mile Point Speedway victory in the 20 lap 600 Modified feature event. Sullivan led every lap after starting in fourth. Devon Sieben, Sheldon Whitman, John Glover and David Brown were the top five finishers.

Tommy Groover was a back to back winner in the 20 lap Factory Stock feature event. The race went caution free as Groover was dominate. Rich Sharpsteen, Justin Slezak, Josh Towner and Mike Chilson completed the top five finishers.

Andy Bolles won the Front Wheel Drive Four Expert feature for the second straight week as he and runner-up Dave Simms had a spirited battle. Bolles took the lead for good from Simms on lap 12 of 15. Simms, Doug Newbigging, Josh Wilder and Rich Wagner completed the top five.

The Novice feature saw a first-time winner in Scott Beach. Beach took the lead from Jason Seymour on lap 3 of 12 and went on for the win. Bethany Gilbert, Josh Gunn and Anthony Zecchino rounded out the top five.

**COUNTER POINTS…**Modified feature winner Jesse Kline was a graduate of the old former Open Sportsman division at the speedway where he had great success…His first Modified win was notable as he held off top drivers Brett Tonkin and opening night winner Nick Rochinski…Once again very few cautions slowed the pace of the majority of the feature events on Saturday…Despite temperatures in the mid 80’s and a strong wind the quarter mile oval was smooth with virtually no tire wear…Four first-time winners graced the Robert J. Green Roofing Victory Lane on Saturday…The speedway is idle this Saturday with racing set to resume on Saturday, June 5th…

**SUNOCO RACE FUELS MODIFIED OFFICIAL FEATURE FINSH (30 LAPS): JESSE KLINE ($1,200),** Brett Tonkin, Nick Rochinski, Frank Yankowski, Jason Andrews, Joey Colsten, Barry White, Bobby Puckett, Brian Mady, Arthur Bray, Brad Szulewski, Brandon Fritsch, Gregg Turner, Brian Malcolm, Brian Puckett, Leah Decker, Scott Landers, Justin Holland, Aleia Geisler. DNS – Glenn Knapp.

I**NSINGER PERFORMANCE CRATE SPORTSMAN OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (25 LAPS): TIGHE SHERLOCK,** Brad Weaver, Ray Leonard, Blaine Klinger, Seth Zacharias, Doug Smith, Gary Smith, Bryce Bailey, Leo McGurrin, Dominic Roselli, Jason Feinberg, Mark Longstreet, Matt Sobiech, Brian Franko, Brandon Christ, Dan Solomon, Jake Mele, Fred Christ.

**FACTORY STOCK OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (20 LAPS): TOM GROOVER**, Rich Sharpsteen, Justin Slezak, Josh Towner, Mike Chilson, Charlie Towner, Billy Shoemaker. DQ – Jason Beebe.

**FRONT WHEEL DRIVE FOUR CYLINDER OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (15 LAPS): ANDY BOLLES,** Dave Simms, Doug Newbigging, Josh Wilder, Rich Wagner, Gregg Slater, Keith Beach, Jason Colwell, Mike Jenks, Josh Hubbard, Brian Salmini, John Maynard, Billy Colwell. DNS – Jeff Hayes.

**FRONT WHEEL DRIVE FOUR CYLINDER OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (12 LAPS): SCOTT BEACH,** Jason Seymour, Bethany Gilbert, Josh Gunn, Anthony Zecchino, Lucas Plaisted, Austin Slater, Josh Griffin.

**STREET STOCK OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (20 LAPS): JERRY LOBDELL,** Doug Polhamus, Lanson Albanese, Gene Sharpsteen, Shane Wolf Jr., Josh Butler, Tyler Stoddard, Bobby Wagner, Dustin Maynard, Don Reeves.

**FUTURE SPORTSMAN OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (20 LAPS): MATTHEW BACKUS,** Ned Fitch, Dale Folejewski, Ethan Decker, Amanda Scholtisek, Joe Buchanan, Dan Specht, Steve Walsh, Mike Walsh, Adam Gilbert.

**600 MODIFIED OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (20 LAPS): JASON SULLIVAN,** Devon Sieben, Sheldon Whitman, John Glover, David Brown.