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**JERRY LOBDELL, JR. WINS CHAD SINDONI MEMORIAL 34 LAP STREET STOCK EVENT AT FIVE MILE POINT SPEEDWAY. RAY LEONARD RECORDS OPENING ROUND WIN OF FALL SERIES IN CRATE SPORTSMAN GRIT RACE.**

**KIRKWOOD, NY…**Jerry Lobdell, Jr. raced to his second Street Stock feature win of the season Saturday at Five Mile Point Speedway. This victory was special as he topped a field of twenty-five starters in the Chad Sindoni Memorial 34 lap special. The victory was worth $1,034 and was race number one of the five race Fall Series Championship at Five Mile Point Speedway.

Defending Chad Sindoni Memorial race winner Steven Deinhardt and Don Russell started on the front row for the 34 lap special event. Deinhardt quickly jumped out to the race lead at the drop of the green. An immediate caution reset the field and the pack quickly settled down for a ten lap stretch of great two and three wide racing. Deinhardt set a rapid pace as he opened up his lead over Russell during the first one-third of the race. Sixth place starter Jon Carpenter was making his third appearance of the season and quickly advanced to third. He was looking to keep his winning streak alive as he won both of his prior to starts in 2021. Lobdell was following Carpenter through the field as he advanced from the ninth starting spot. A rash of yellows occurred over three straight laps (11-13) for minor incidents. During the lap 13 caution the complexity of the race changed dramatically. Race leader Deinhardt headed to the pits as issues in the rear end of his car ended his chance for a repeat of his 2020 win.

When racing resumed Russell and Carpenter were on the front row. At the drop of the green Carpenter utilized the outside line to take over the race lead. Russell continued to run in second place as Lobdell now began to challenge for the runner-up position. Lobdell worked past Russell for second on lap 15 and wasted no time in moving past Carpenter for the race lead the following lap. The caution would wave again on lap 18 as Shane Wolfe, Jr. slowed on the speedway. Wolfe had started in the twenty-fifth slot and was all the way up to the top five when his race came to an early conclusion. When the green flew again Lobdell was never seriously challenged over the balance of the race. Carpenter stayed close but could not mount a serious threat for the lead. Lobdell would go on for the prestigious victory and $1,034 winners share. Carpenter settled for second place with Russell having a strong run in third. Shawn Boynton and Doug Stack Sr. completed the top five. Jakub Ingham, Abe Romanick, Mike Morse, Tyler Stoddard and Mike Wilbur completed the top ten. Wilbur ended up earning the Hard Charger Award after starting twenty-first on the field. After breaking while leading Steven Deinhardt was the Hard Luck Award recipient.

The 25 lap GRIT Crate Sportsman feature event got off to a tough start as several cautions slowed the early going. When things settled down Brad Weaver and Ray Leonard had a spirited battle for the race lead over a span of six laps. The two switched the number 1 spot several times between laps 7 and 13. On lap 13 Leonard took the lead for good and he would not look back. Weaver stayed close over the balance of the race but would ultimately have to settle for second at the finish. Brian Malcolm started in eighth and raced to third with Blaine Klinger charging from tenth to fourth at the stripe. Mike Nagel, Jr. put on an impressive showing by finishing fifth after starting in the seventeenth spot. Doug Smith, Leo McGurrin, Gary Smith, Alex Knopka and Byron Worthing completed the top ten.

Jason Rhodes did “double duty” on Saturday night as he pulled off the win in the 20 lap Factory Stock feature event and finished fifth in the 600 Modified feature. In the Factory Stock feature event Rhodes started on the pole with Curtis Stickle after the re-draw. Rhodes led every lap on his way to the victory. Buck Mills, Sr. ran second for the majority of the race only to be forced to the pits with a flat tire on lap 13. Mills charged back through the field late to re-take the runner-up finish. Rich Sharpsteen finished third after starting sixth. Casey McPherson and Blake Furman completed the top ten.

The 600 Modified Feature event was filled with excitement as the teams utilized all lanes of the quarter mile oval. Tom Groover and Jared Green sat on the front row for the start of the 20 lap feature event. Groover was making only his second start in the division after being a top Factory Stock contender all season. At the start Green jumped out to the lead using the extreme outside of the quarter mile. Green was hooked up and looked like he would go unchallenged for the win. Josh Towner was making his first 600 Modified start as he too was moved from the Factory Stock class. Towner put on a show after starting in ninth he took over the second spot on lap 7. The top two were on rails as they pulled away from the balance of the field. Towner was impressive in his first start but Green had the edge in experience with the cars as he would prevail. Green collected the victory with Towner settling for second. Nolan Smith, Camron Searls and Jason Rhodes completed the top five.

Ryan Zelosko raced to his first ever Five Mile Point Speedway feature win in the Futures Sportsman on Saturday. Zelosko and Ned Fitch had a great battle for the race lead during the first 13 lap of the 20 lap main event. Fitch led the first 13 circuits with Zelosko side by side for most of those laps. During a lap 13 caution Fitch went to the pits with mechanical issues. Zelosko took over the race lead and went unchallenged over the final seven laps. Brady Cordova, Chuck Culbertson, Josh Akshar and Ava Coons completed the top five finishers.

A pair of Front Wheel Drive Four Cylinder features were also on the card Saturday and the two features had a common theme. Both the Expert and Novice winners led every lap of the feature. In the 20 lap Expert feature Ken Underwood led all twenty laps on his way to the win. During the first half of the race he was challenged by Brian Salmini and during the second half of the race Doug Newbigging applied the pressure. In both instance Underwood proved to be up to the challenge. Underwood picked up the win with Newbigging, Josh Wilder, Billy Colwell and Scott Miller completing the top five. In the Novice feature Austin Slater led all 15 laps for the victory. He was followed across the line by Dakota Fuller, Greg Slater, Shaun Furman and John Maynard.

**COUNTER POINTS**…Saturday was race number 1 of the 5 race Fall Championship Series…Race number two will take place on Saturday, October 2nd…The area was hit with heavy late afternoon storms but they all missed the speedway as racing went on as scheduled…All of the divisions had great racing once again on Saturday as the pits were jamming with race teams looking to get the leg up on the Fall Series…The Series will take a drivers best four out of five finishes…Thank you to the Sindoni and Stack Families for their support of the Chad Sindoni Memorial event…

**CHAD SINDONI MEMORIAL STREET STOCK OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (34 LAPS): JERRY LOBDELL ($1,034),** Jon Carpenter, Don Russell, Shawn Boynton, Doug Stack Sr., Jakub Ingham, Abe Romanick, Mike Morse, Tyler Stoddard, Mike Wilbur, Dusty Decker, Bill Nichols, Thomas Moon, Oliver Gage, Marcus Springer, Gene Sharpsteen, Doug Polhamus, Tyler Yeagle, Cody Kershner, Dave Stalker, Doug Stack Jr., Trevor Dudley, Damon Decker, Shane Wolfe, Steven Deinhardt. **Hard Charger: Mike Wilbur – Hard Luck: Steven Deinhardt.**

**GRIT SERIES** I**NSINGER PERFORMANCE CRATE SPORTSMAN OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (25 LAPS): RAY LEONARD ($1,000),** Brad Weaver, Brian Malcolm, Blaine Klinger, Mike Nagel Jr., Doug Smith, Leo McGurrin, Gary Smith, Alex Konopka, Byron Worthing, Brandon Loucks, Randy Brokaw, Jordan Millard, Dave Rosa, Kyle Plumstead, Jake Mele, Mackenzie Marsh, John Bush, Tyler Lawrence, Bryce Bailey, Nick Plumstead. DQ – Dom Roselli, DNS – Ed Mrochko.

**FACTORY STOCK OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (20 LAPS): JASON RHODES,** Buck Mills Sr., Rich Sharpsteen, Casey McPherson, Blake Furman, Kurtis Stickle, Will Jones, Matt Millard, Bob Mills, Buck Mills Jr., Rich Green, Josh Vanderpool.

**FRONT WHEEL DRIVE FOUR CYLINDER EXPERT OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (20 LAPS): KEN UNDERWOOD,** Doug Newbigging, Josh Wilder, Billy Colwell, Scott Miller, Rich Wagner, Brian Salmini, Dave Simms, Jeremy Trunzo. DNS – 7f

**FRONT WHEEL DRIVE FOUR CYLINDER NOVICE OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (15 LAPS): AUSTIN SLATER,** Dakota Fuller, Greg Slater, Shaun Furman, John Maynard. DNS – Rich Eggleston, Gary Nixon.

**FUTURE SPORTSMAN OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (20 LAPS): RYAN ZELOSKO,** Brady Cordova, Chuck Culbertson, Josh Akshar, Ava Coons, Jeremy Hamilton, Mark Connoly, Josh Fedo, Ned Fitch, Carter Miller, Eric Windsor, Joe Buchanan.

**600 MODIFIED OFFICIAL FEATURE FINISH (20 LAPS): JARED GREEN,** Josh Towner, Nolan Smith, Camron Searls, Jason Rhodes, Tom Groover, Zachary Diedrickson, Chase Searls, Mike Frye, Brian Rhodes, Jason Waibel, Carl Hills, Nick Johnson, Howard Jones.