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★ ★ ★ ★ ★ THIS THURSDAY – JULY 4th – RED, WHITE AND BOOM



SCARECROW IS BACK ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

THURSDAY, JULY 4

RED, WHITE & BOOM!

Spend the evening of July 4th with us. We've planned something for everyone in a night full of thrills, spills and mayhem. Anyone is welcome in the pits between 5 and 7 to check out the monster trucks and hop a bus for free rides around the track. It will be crowded so plan ahead and don't get stuck in traffic. The show starts at 7:30 sharp!



DETAILS: THURSDAY, JULY 4 RED, WHITE & BOOM

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| Pit Party & Bus Rides | 5-7:00 PM |
| Adults | \$20 |
| Youth 6-12 | \$10 |
| Kids 5 & Under | FREE |
| Program Starts | 7:30 Sharp |

RED WHITE & BOOM

Scarecrow Stunt I
Spectator Drags
FMX Freestyle I
Monster Trucks Freestyle I
Zoo's Stacker Cars Preview
FMX Freestyle II
Last Shot Enduro

INTERMISSION

Scarecrow Stunt II
Road Rage Drags
Monster Trucks Freestyle II
FWD Compact Demolition Derby
Trailer Race
Scarecrow Finale

FIREWORKS

Scarecrow is back with two new stunts and an amazing finale.

Be a star of the show! Make some jingle!! Space available for Spectator Drags, Enduro, Trailer Race, Mini Enduro, Demolition Derby or Road Rage. Must have own vehicle.

The FMX stunt riders will be using ramps.

We have previews of what the September Night of Destruction has in store.

And what would the night be without Monster Trucks and the FWD Demolition Derby?

And then, the fan favorite trailer races before Scarecrow offers his finale and fireworks close out the night.

Advance tickets can be purchased at Howe Patio & Windows in Plainwell today (July 3) from 8-4:00. The ticket windows at the track will open at noon on July 4.

Coolers 14" and smaller are allowed.

JULY 13: WEEK #12 – WEEKLY RACING (ALL CLASSES COMPETE)

We don't race on July 5 (think clean up from the Red, White & Boom on the night before). We go back to #fastfridays on July 12 with all five classes on the program. We will see you at the races.

KALAMAZOO KLASH XXVII – WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

In 2014 the Kalamazoo Klash was named one of the top five short track events in the nation. Now it's been named one of Speedway Illustrated Hot Spots (Places to Be, Races to Watch) for 2019! Mark your calendars! Wednesday, August 7.



TECH BULLETIN – ZOO STOCK CLASS

At the beginning of the season Kalamazoo Speedway established 16.850 as the fastest lap a Zoo Stock could run, reserving the right to adjust the time over the course of the season to help maintain a level playing field. Moving drivers who dip below the established lap time in the Zoo Stocks impacts both the Zoo Stocks and the Outlaw FWDs. The mere size of the Zoo Stock class has sorted slower and/or more inexperienced drivers into a 'B' feature race where recreational and/or those drivers needing to build skills and confidence may race with others possessing comparable skill levels and equipped cars.

Effective immediately, we are adjusting the top lap time for the Zoo Stock class to 16.750. Drivers who have not exceeded this lap speed in 2019 have been reinstated to the Zoo Stock class. Points, payout and race outcomes will not be restored.

Warning! This is NOT an invitation to power up Zoo Stock cars with the idea of overpowering the field. Cars on the bubble will be receiving extra scrutiny in tech and Kalamazoo Speedway will retain its option of moving a driver up to the Outlaw FWD class if the driver's performance exceeds most of the other drivers in the class.

RECAP – JUNE 28



It was Howe Patio & Windows Double Trouble Night with 2 features for each class plus a 20-lap Zoo Stock 'B' feature. The only rain cell in the area decided to check us out and got so excited by the racing that it dropped a little too much of its load and the track had to be dried. As unwelcome as race night rain is, it was hot enough the rain felt kind of good and the drying brigade got the track dried off quickly.

Matt Elsey Jr. posted quick time (16.866) of the 37 Zoo Stocks that showed up to race. On the second lap of the 18-car, 20-lap 'B' feature, Hannah Zwart (below right) and Jacob Nickoloff (in his first visit) both rolled. Nickoloff and Zwart were fine but their night ended early. Don Porter captured the early lead in the race giving it up to Matt Elsey Sr. (right) who finished out the race in the top spot.



Eighteen cars also ran in the first of two 15-lap features. Tod Watson went hard into the wall and we had our second red flag stop in as many races. When the race went back to green, Tyler Reading (in his second race of the year at the Speedway) went green to checkered holding off a persistent Mason May and Logan Hiemstra. Jordan Brinkert came on fast at the end, finishing third.

In the second feature, 16 cars remained to race and newcomer Mike Reynolds in only his second race at the Speedway, drove from green to checkered in his red PT Cruiser. He was swarmed by Matt Elsey Jr, Matt Majewski, Dillon Rose and Duane Green but fought everyone off. In the end he was disqualified for going 0.026 seconds faster than allowed (see Tech article on page 2), giving the win for the second week in a row to Matt Elsey, Jr. (right). With 7 point races complete Rielly Meade is still on top followed by Jordan Brinkert (-40), Ross Bergman (-51), Jared Blanchard (-107), Logan Hiemstra (-125), Matt Elsey Jr. (-139), Renae Letts (-364), Logan Meade (-382), Kenny Head II (-409) and Chris Bradshaw (-413).



ZOO STOCK TOP 10

| 'B' Feature | | 'A' Feature #1 | | 'A' Feature #2 | |
|-------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1 | Matt Elsey | 1 | Tyler Reading | 1 | Matt Elsey Jr. |
| 2 | John Gonzales | 2 | Logan Hiemstra | 2 | Matt Majewski |
| 3 | CJ French | 3 | Jordan Brinkert | 3 | Dillon Rose |
| 4 | Roger Zimmerman | 4 | Mason May | 4 | Duane Green |
| 5 | Dale Leonard | 5 | Ross Bergman | 5 | Jordan Brinkert |
| 6 | Don Porter | 6 | Dillon Rose | 6 | Rielly Meade |
| 7 | Bill Evink | 7 | Matt Elsey Jr. | 7 | Ross Bergman |
| 8 | Brianna Town | 8 | Mike Reynolds | 8 | Logan Hiemstra |
| 9 | Chad VandenBerg | 9 | Rielly Meade | 9 | Tyler Reading |
| 10 | Corey VanSparrentak | 10 | Kenny Head II | 10 | Kenny Head II |



In the **Outlaw FWDs** 17 cars qualified. Gabe Carr broke the fast time track record (15.040) by 0.003 of a second, his third record this year. In the 15-lap first feature Corey Woods flew from the tail of the field to within striking distance of the leader in a couple of laps then shot out to the lead following the rain delay with Kyle Jansen joining him in outpacing the pack. Gabe Carr came charging toward the front, also from the tail of the field. Carr got around Woods to lead late in the race, but Woods (left) pulled off the victory.

Fourteen cars ran in the second feature. Drew Losey and Adam VanAvery drove 1-2 for the first laps. Gabe Carr was in third when Pete Doxey joined the party and took the lead from Van Avery with 2 laps remaining. Carr and Van Avery gave Doxey a run for his money, but Doxey prevailed. With six point races complete, Corey Woods is the frontrunner followed by Adam Van Avery (-5), Gabe Carr (-59), Pete Doxey (-65), Drew Losey (-119), John Munro (-160), Camille Lewis (-192), John Carr (-200), Nick Layman (-276) and Wayne Stack (-289).



OUTLAW FWD TOP 10

| Feature #1 | | Feature #2 | |
|------------|----------------|------------|----------------|
| 1 | Corey Woods | 1 | Pete Doxey |
| 2 | Gabe Carr | 2 | Gabe Carr |
| 3 | Kyle Jansen | 3 | Adam Van Avery |
| 4 | Wayne Stack | 4 | Drew Losey |
| 5 | Pete Doxey | 5 | Corey Woods |
| 6 | Adam Van Avery | 6 | Kyle Jansen |
| 7 | John Munro | 7 | Wayne Stack |
| 8 | John Carr | 8 | John Carr |
| 9 | Drew Losey | 9 | John Munro |
| 10 | Camille Lewis | 10 | Andrew Peters |



Kyle Ribble maintained his season-long lock by putting up the fastest time (14.815) of the 21 **Street Stocks** lining up for Double Trouble Night. Matt Corliss in Bubba Brooks #84 outpaced the field in the first 20-lap feature. Brandon Zachary and Tom Rutherford weren't put off by the gap and with 12 to go they'd closed it. Kyle Ribble moved around Zack Cook for fourth. Rutherford made a move to pass Corliss on the outside and took the lead with 5 remaining. Tom Rutherford (left) in his second race at the Speedway this year headed to Victory Lane.

In feature #2, Greg Brown and Zack Cook led the field side by side. Cook shot out to the lead following a caution and Kyle Ribble muscled his way into third. Ribble and Cook were door to door fighting for the lead with Brandon Zachary on their tail. Cook looked to get a bit loose in turn 2 on the final lap but still maintained his edge over Ribble and drove his way into Victory Lane.



With point six races run, it's Kyle Ribble over Brandon Zachary (-24), Zack Cook (-32), Colin Bozell (-179), Shane Miller (-203), Barry Jenkins (-203), Greg Brown (-226), Heath Bronkema (-324), Jerry Zachary (-373) and Doug Gallandt (-374).



Pictured, Kyle Ribble throwing the dice to set the inversion for the first Street Stock feature. Each class fast qualifier threw the dice and whatever came up was added to the number 6 to set the inversion. The winner of the first feature for each class threw the dice to set the inversion for the second feature.

| STREET STOCK TOP 10 | | | | LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN TOP 10 | | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|----------------|------------|---------------|
| Feature #1 | | Feature #2 | | Feature #1 | | Feature #2 | |
| 1 | Tom Rutherford | 1 | Zack Cook | 1 | Chris Garrett | 1 | Buddy Head |
| 2 | Matt Corliss | 2 | Kyle Ribble | 2 | Jon Beach | 2 | Jon Beach |
| 3 | Brandon Zachary | 3 | Brandon Zachary | 3 | Chris Shannon | 3 | Chris Shannon |
| 4 | Kyle Ribble | 4 | Matt Corliss | 4 | Buddy Head | 4 | Kenny Head |
| 5 | Zack Cook | 5 | Tom Rutherford | 5 | Kenny Head | 5 | Dylan Stovall |
| 6 | Colin Bozell | 6 | Greg Brown | 6 | Dylan Stovall | 6 | Chris Garrett |
| 7 | Kyle Santora | 7 | Barry Jenkins | 7 | Bill Tomlinson | 7 | Ryan Stutz |
| 8 | Greg Brown | 8 | Kyle Santora | 8 | Jesse VanAvery | 8 | Lane Head |
| 9 | Barry Jenkins | 9 | Shane Miller | 9 | Ryan Stutz | 9 | Jeff Bozell |
| 10 | Doug Gallandt | 10 | Doug Gallandt | 10 | Keith Wilfong | 10 | Ralph Wine |

Chris Shannon was the fastest qualifier (13.847) over a field of 22 in the **Late Model Sportsman**. The first 25-lap feature had Chris Garrett and Dylan Stovall take the field to green. Garrett (right) was the frontrunner for the whole race holding off challenges from Stovall, Jon Beach, Chris Shannon and Buddy Head.

In feature #2, Dylan Stovall and Kenny Head led the field to green. Stovall had the early lead before Kenny Head drove into the top spot and maintained the lead despite serious grief being heaped on him by Jon Beach, brother, Buddy with Chris Shannon just waiting for his chance. With under 5 to go, lapped traffic looked like it was going to become a factor. Beach (inside), Kenny Head (next to him), Makena Snyder (lapped car) and Buddy Head on the outside made it four wide as Buddy shot out to the lead with Beach in second. Beach had to settle for second place for the second time tonight and Buddy Head went to Victory Lane.



With eight point races complete it's Buddy Head with a comfortable 112 point lead over Chris Shannon, Chris Garrett (-154), Dylan Stovall (-285), Jeff Bozell (-339), Kenny Head (-369), Ryan Stutz (-391), Keegan Dykstra (-427), Keith Wilfong (-433), Lane Head (-438).



K. Barthel race video



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