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## TRACK TALK

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**FRIDAY | AUGUST 16 | ALL CLASSES COMPETE**  
**BACKPACK GIVEAWAY**  **AUTOGRAPH NIGHT**



### FRIDAY, AUGUST 16: WEEKLY RACING (All classes compete)



All five classes race. With point races too close to call in four of the five classes, a lot is at stake. Plus—meet the drivers! Take photos. Mingle. It's Autograph Night. And there's more, it's Backpack Giveaway Night.

#### RACE DAY INFORMATION

Pits Open	3:30 PM
Pit Passes (12 years & up)	\$30
Adults	\$12
Youth 6-12	\$5
Kids 5 & Under	FREE
Autograph/Backpacks	7:00 PM
Racing Starts	8:00 PM

## AUGUST 17: BANDIT BIG RIG SERIES (leased event)

The Bandit Big Rigs are coming to Michigan for the first time and they are coming to the Kalamazoo Speedway. These Bandits fly around the track at speeds of up to 100 MPH. A full house is expected to see the show. Racing starts at 7:00 PM; check out the Big Rigs website for pre-race activities.



<https://www.banditseries.com>

## AUGUST 23: WEEK #15 – SEASON CHAMPIONSHIP NIGHT



The Outlaw Super Late Models will be running 100 laps to finish out the regular racing season and determine who takes home their track championship. Three of the other classes are also too close to call. We will see you at the races!

## AUGUST 31 – CALL OF THE WILD

Throw away the rule book for this one. Not only will the top five cars in qualifying be able to go for the track speed record, but there will be plenty of racing action.

## SEPTEMBER 14 – NIGHT OF DESTRUCTION

Is an explanation even needed? Thrills. Spills. Novelty races. Mayhem. Monster Trucks. Scarecrow.

## SEPTEMBER 27 – SUPER SHOE WEEKEND STARTS

It's Super Shoe Weekend. Camping. Racing. The ultimate year-end party.

## OCTOBER 26 – AWARDS BANQUET (details to follow)

## RECAP: KALAMAZOO KLASH XXVII

Brian Campbell took fast time for the **ARCA/CRA Super Series** with a time of 31.058 (photo on next page [left]).

The 125 lap ARCA/CRA race was won by Kyle Crump who raced in both the ARCA/CRA race and the Klash. In a race punctuated by more than a few cautions, Brian Campbell retired early in the race and Carson Hocevar had his share of issues, also retiring from the race before its conclusion. Hocevar had the fastest time in practice and both drivers were expected to be contenders. Johnny VanDoorn led for the bulk of the race before Travis Braden led a few laps. VanDoorn and Braden set about trading paint for the lead with about 50 laps remaining; VanDoorn ultimately prevailing in that duel. Crump and VanDoorn exchanged the lead 10 laps later. Crump maintained the lead through a series



of cautions until late in the race when VanDoorn fleetingly took the lead back on a restart. Crump wrested the lead back almost immediately with nine laps to go. Travis Braden finished the race behind Crump, followed by Josh Brock, Hayden Sprague, Logan Runyon, Austin Kunert, Justin Schroeder, Jordan Dahlke, Trevor McCoy and James Krueger. VanDoorn finished 12<sup>th</sup> of the 21 car field having left the race with a couple of laps remaining.



Four-time Klash winner Andy Bozell took fast time for **Kalamazoo Klash XXVII** posting a time of 12.889. Nine drivers ran in the 'B' feature, including two first time Klash entrants: Paul Jakubik and former Street Stock track champion Zack Cook. Cook showed strong promise having only driven an Outlaw Super Late Model once previously and never at the Zoo. Jakubik had an issue with his car in practice, missed qualifying and ran his back-up car in the feature, not what he had in mind for his first Klash. Kevin Sauer won the 'B' feature followed across the line by Cook. Sauer (above right) said he came to race and gave up his winnings to start in the main event. He earned the win and got to keep the trophy.



Bozell tossed the dice to set the inversion (value of two dice plus 8) and started in the 17<sup>th</sup> position. Adam Terry qualified 17<sup>th</sup> and started on the pole. Two-time Klash winner Tyler Roahrig started the race in the 16<sup>th</sup> position. Adam Terry immediately took the lead followed by Craig Everage, Doug True, TK Whitman, 2015 Klash winner Jeff Ganus and Monte Tolan. With 20 laps complete, the order of the top five remained the same; with 25 down, 2011 Klash winner Phil Bozell (who also ran in the ARCA/CRA race) moved into the top five. Ganus and Phil Bozell both moved up a spot over the next 10 laps. Following a caution with 87 laps remaining, Adam Terry was out to a fast start and Ganus got around Everage for second place. With 65 laps remaining Terry had a commanding lead over the rest



of the field with tight racing for position going on behind him. With 50 laps remaining, 2009 Klash winner Steve Needles had moved to the 5<sup>th</sup> position with Andy Bozell and both JR and Tyler Roahrig behind him. Tyler Roahrig moved into the top five with 43 to go. A red flag stop caution with 34 to go set up a déjà vu of the Intimidator 100 with Adam Terry and Tyler Roahrig (Terry prevailing). Terry took the outside with Roahrig on the inside for the restart. Unlike the Intimidator 100, Roahrig got the jump on Terry and won his 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive Klash (matching Terry Seeker's feat from 2012-2014). Adam Terry was second followed by Phil Bozell, Steve Needles, JR Roahrig, Andy Bozell, Jeff Ganus, Brian Bergakker, Justin Clougherty and Craig Everage. It was not a good night for the Sennekers: Rick departed with only 12 laps complete and Terry, going for his 6<sup>th</sup> Klash win, retired after completing 38 laps.



Clockwise: When the pits opened at 10:00 AM on Klash Wednesday, the pits were immediately a busy place; Race Director Shawn McLaughlin shares a laugh (but not his food!) with first time Klash entrant Zack Cook; continuing our efforts to highlight our racing families, JR (left) and Tyler Roahrig and Andy (left) and Phil Bozell.





Clockwise: Klash drivers listen to instructions during the drivers' meeting; Billy Shannon helps a young fan into his race car during the autograph session; Kalamazoo Speedway fans wave during the wave lap for Kalamazoo Klash XXVII and Steve Dorer during driver introductions.



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We will see you at the races.