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# TRACK TALK

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## TRACK TALK IN THE OFF SEASON

The Kalamazoo Speedway schedule was completed with Super Shoe XXXVI. We've got four leased events remaining in 2023:

- October 14 (Open Drifting)
- October 28 (Open Drifting)
- November 11 (Open Drifting)
- November 25 (4<sup>th</sup> Annual Bad Santa)

The Kalamazoo Speedway e-newsletter (Track Talk) will be published monthly (more often when there is news to share—like a sneak preview of the 2024 schedule and payout). We'll start publishing again weekly in April.

## OCTOBER 14 OPEN DRIFTING (LEASED EVENT)

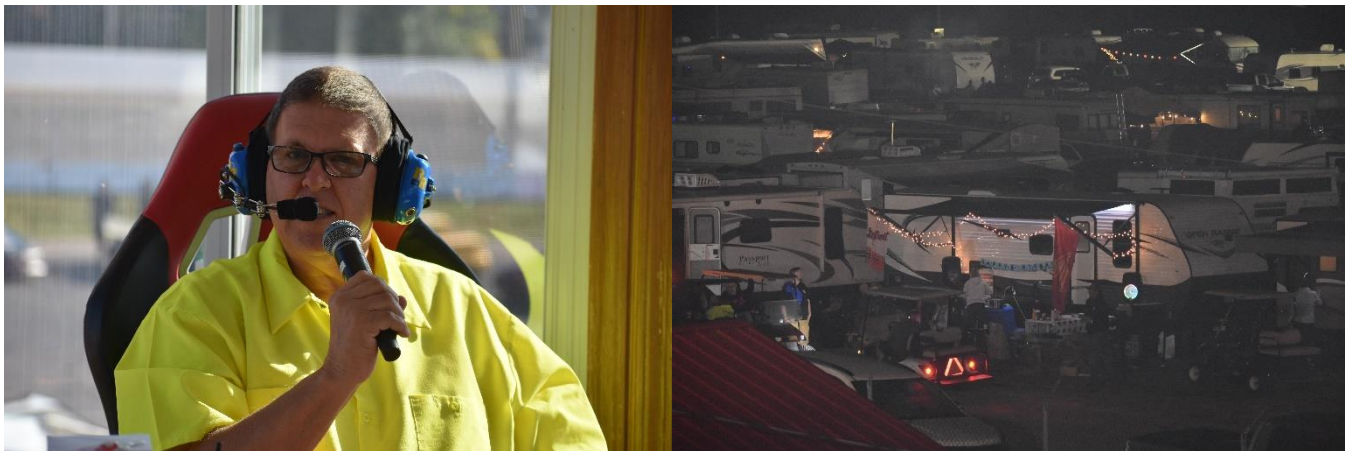


Over the next month, AutoMODIFIED offers its last three open drifting events of the 2023 season. First up is the October 14 event (followed by October 28 and November 11). AutoMODIFIED will be back in 2024 for another full season. The track goes hot from 2:00 PM through 9:00 PM (drifting under the lights). Pit passes are \$20 for non-drivers. Drivers are always happy to talk about their car and their sport—and some offer ride-a-longs. Drifting is a rain or shine event. Grandstands are \$5 for adults; no charge for 12 and under. Limited skyboxes are available. (Photo from the 2022 Night of Destruction)



## SUPER SHOE XXXVI PHOTOS

We'll close out this edition of track talk with a few extra photos from Super Shoe. Below, Gary Howe delivers the drivers' meeting over the track's PA system; a night shot of a small segment of the campgrounds.



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Right, then clockwise: Michael Sullins' day didn't end the way he planned; John Culp making some last second adjustments before his feature; Matthew Elsey Jr. dominated his class at Super Shoe and his car spouted off its excitement at the end of the feature; Tim Horvath brought some tunes to the make-ready chute before his feature; it's OK to stare at this tail; Chad Vandenberg dressed up for the occasion; a future racer checks out the action from the infield.



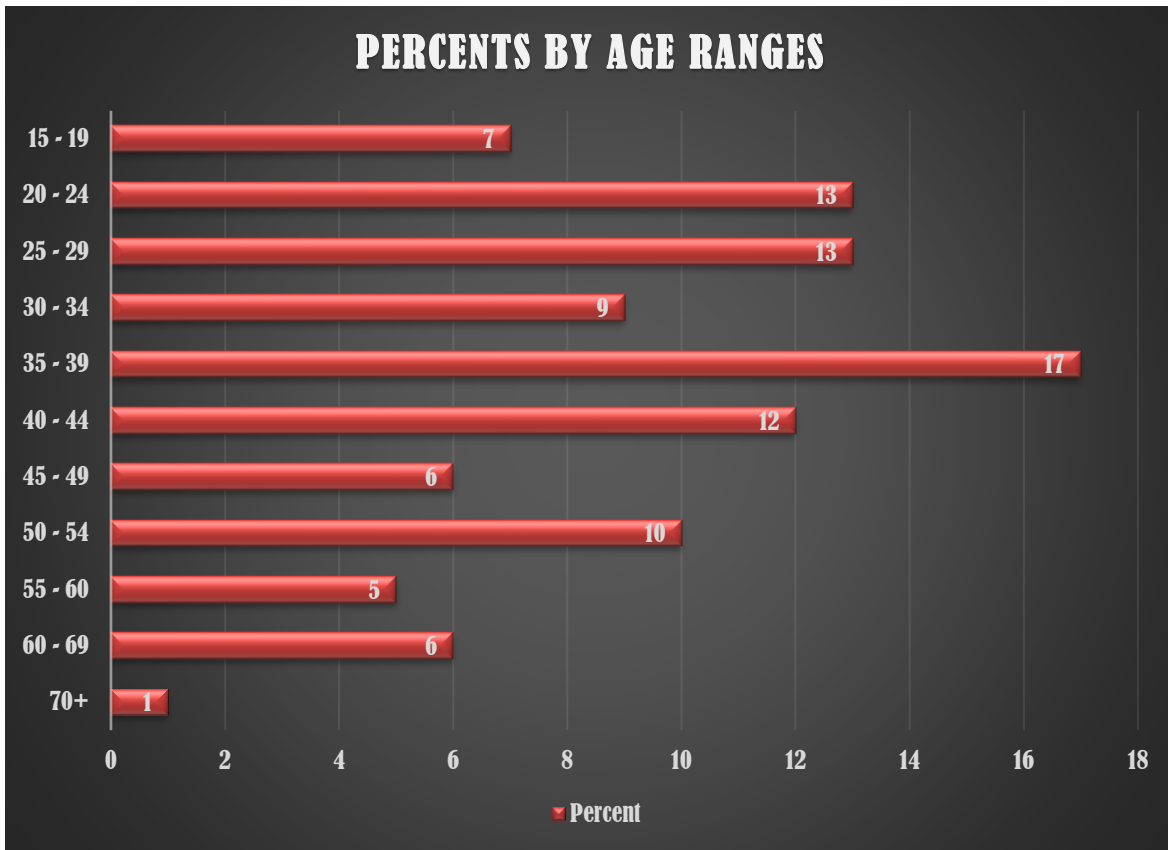
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Adam Terry and Tim Horvath (not in picture) see who can shotgun a Coors Light fastest—we think it was Terry having just won the RWD Super Shoe Nationals (Horvath won the RWD-Stock B feature earlier in the day); Ryan Smith (after winning a RWD-Not Stock heat) quipped that with all the celebration in Victory Lane you'd have thought he'd won the feature); best in show for pit stall decoration; front row seats; our great staff, Tina Lewis (scoring) and Tyler McGhan (head flagman); from FWD-DDT cars driven by Ryan Hufford #83 (heat winner at Super Shoe) and Joel Areaux (regular season Zoo Stock 3<sup>rd</sup> place 'B' feature and heat winner) to Jeremy Young rocking his #24 RWD-Stock car and placing second in the 'A' feature.



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We had a broad range of men and women who came out to race Super Shoe: novices and seasoned racers. We thank everyone who came up and look forward to seeing drivers and crew members during the 2024 regular season and Super Shoe XXXVII.



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