



TRACK TALK

March 24, 2025

NOW HEAR THIS!!!

Open Practice April 12 19 days!
 Season Opener April 18 25 days!!

DRIVERS: Register in MyRacePass!!

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APRIL 12: OPEN PRACTICE

It's finally here! (We'll ignore the snow that's falling as we go to press). Kalamazoo Speedway kicks off its 75th year of racing with an Open Practice on Saturday, April 12. Come on out and test those cars!

ALL DRIVERS! It's time to register for the 2025 season in MyRacePass. Please see the next page for information.

OPEN PRACTICE QUICK FACTS	
Ticket Windows Open	NOON
Pit Passes (13 years and up)	\$20
Junior Pit Passes (12 & under)	\$10
Adult Grandstands (13+)	FREE
Youth Grandstands (6-12)	FREE
Kids 5 & under	FREE
Pits Open	NOON
Practice Begins	1:00 PM
Practice Ends	5:00 PM
Sessions (by class) will repeat with testing being completed by 5:00 or until no more cars want to hit the track, whichever comes first.	

OPEN PRACTICE
 Saturday, April 12

KALAMAZOO SPEEDWAY 75 YEARS OF RACING

Pits Open at Noon
Practice Runs 1-5 pm
Adult Pit Pass - \$20
Youth 12 & Under Pit Pass - \$10
Grandstands FREE!

Join us to kick off our 75th year of Kalamazoo Speedway Racing!

kalamazoospeedway.com

DRIVERS: GET REGISTERED IN MYRACEPASS

Reminder: **ALL DRIVERS** must register for the 2025 race season. Registering in a past year does not carry forward to 2025. Registering is easily done through **MYRACEPASS**.

For drivers who have used MyRacePass before, log into your existing account and complete the 2025 Registration. Please remember to fill in all fields accurately. It never hurts to review your entries before saving just in case a number was transposed or there's a typo in your name. Scoring, points, payout checks, tax forms, etc., all feed from the information you provide. Don't forget to check Kalamazoo Speedway as the track where you're registering. Drivers can be registered at multiple tracks.

For new drivers, you'll need to create an account (user name and password). There is **NO CHARGE** to register. Drivers may elect to purchase other services offered by MyRacePass, but this is not required. Once you have an account, complete the form as it's presented. Both the driver and owner sections must be completed, even if you own your own car. Checks are printed using the owner information; scoring and points use the driver information.

Completing the registration a day prior to arriving at the track will greatly cut down on the time it takes to get a transponder. As a friendly reminder, no payout checks will be distributed to drivers who have slipped past the registration step.

For your convenience there is a MRP link on the Kalamazoo Speedway website. You'll find the icon (pictured at right) along the right side of the home page if using a tablet or laptop; scroll down to the posts. If using your phone, the link follows the posts. Click on the icon and you'll be taken to the MRP site and asked to either log in or create an account.



MINORS IN THE PIT'S

Kalamazoo Speedway allows **minors (under the age of 18) in the pit areas** when parents complete a Minor Waiver form. Any driver under the age of 18 **MUST** have both parents' written approval to race. If only one parent will be onsite, the other parent must complete the waiver form (under Forms on the Driver Tab) and have it notarized. The parent accompanying the youth may turn the notarized form in at the track. Minors will be placed on the 2025 seasonal approval list when both parents complete the waiver process. It is strongly preferred that both parents complete the waiver process for any minor who will be visiting the pit areas regularly. Without seasonal approval, the parent accompanying the minor will need to fill out a form at each visit. For anyone using the Notarized Form, please note "All Events for the 2025 Season" under description. We thank you for your cooperation.

Minors 13 and up pay the adult pit pass price, while minors 12 and under pay \$15 on most nights. On premium nights the pit pass price for minors is \$20.

2025 SPONSORS

Welcome this year's sponsors! We are grateful for their generosity in supporting Kalamazoo Speedway and the sport of short-track racing. Let's show our gratitude by choosing from our sponsors for services as the need arises. It never hurts to let a sponsor know you appreciate the support they provide. Thank you!

Late Model Class Sponsor: Steak 'n Shake West Main
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 FWD (Warriors): O'Reilly Auto Parts
 FWD (Hornets): Spartan Insulation
 FWD (Stingers): Property Revolution

General Track Sponsor: Lane Automotive

Triple Diamond Series Sponsor: 4J Trucking



TRIPLE DIAMOND OUTLAW SUPER LATE MODEL SERIES



	DATE	PRIZE	SPONSOR	DEALS!
INTIMIDATOR 100	FRIDAY, JUNE 6	\$5,000 TO WIN	4J	EARLY BIRD SPECIAL
OWNERS' RACE OF CHAMPIONS	FRIDAY, JULY 11	\$7,500 TO WIN	4J	PURCHASE BY MAY 1 NO COURTESY FEE
KALAMAZOO KLASH XXXIII	FRIDAY, AUG. 8 PRACTICE - AUG. 7	\$10,000 TO WIN	TRUCKING, INC.	THREE TICKET PACKAGE \$70 BY PHONE ONLY

OUTLAW SUPER LATE MODEL
 TRIPLE DIAMOND SERIES

The Intimidator 100, the Owners' Race of Champions (honoring past and present track owners) and the Speedway's signature event, the Kalamazoo Klash, will make our 75th year of racing memorable!

General admission tickets may be purchased now (by phone only) for \$70 for the three events. Save a few bucks and there's no courtesy fee for using a credit card. This deal is only good through May 1.

Drivers! You can score a FREE set of tires for racing in the Klash. How? Compete in the first two races of the Triple Diamond Series (June 6 and July 11). Receive a set of tires (a \$700 value) to use for racing in the Klash. Teams must pay the sales tax. This offer isn't transferrable. Only drivers who race in the Intimidator 100 and the Owners' Race of Champions AND race in the Klash are eligible to receive the set of tires.

CIRCLE OF LIFE: ADAM VANAVERY



We've been using this space far too many times since December. This time we say goodbye to Adam VanAvery who was the victim of a freak accident. Arrangements were not available as we went to print. Our heartfelt thoughts and prayers are with the VanAvery family.

Memory graphic by Kevin England.

MARCH 22 DRIFTING RECAP

AutoMODIFIED held their first 2025 Open Drifting event on March 22. A little windy and definitely cold, but 62 drivers (that's a record, by the way) came out to show off their stuff. The upper and 3rd pits were just about full and close to 40 cars were on the grid. Chris Barton kept the grid moving and wait times between runs were minimal AND not a single crash! New and seasoned drifters were on hand and there were people wrapped up in the stands to watch! During the off season, staff members Tessa Miller and Martin Gruizenga welcomed Charles Trafalgar Gruizenga on February 4. (photo by Michelle Ruple: Fearless Frames by Michelle) Charles brought his parents to the ticket office (where there was heat) for a quick visit to show off his very adorable self! And of course, there was drifting! AutoMODIFIED will be back on April 5.



WE WILL SEE YOU AT THE RACES!