

# TRACK TALK

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## **OPEN PRACTICE**

It's Open Practice at the Zoo on Wednesday, June 24. Pit gates open at 5:00 PM and practice runs from 6:00 – 9:00 PM. Pre-registration is no longer necessary. The grandstands are open (free) to fans (just social distance). Then it's the Friday, July 3 Season Opener featuring all five classes and the Intimidator 100 for the Outlaw Super Late Models.

## **RULE CHANGE**

We've reviewed our rules, tire choices and payouts in anticipation of finally going green at Kalamazoo Speedway and will be making one rule change. The general rule (applicable to all classes) requiring exhaust to exit below the car is being dropped. Cars must still have working mufflers and there is still a 100 decibel noise limit; we'll be checking decibel levels each week.

#### TICKETS FOR THE SEASON OPENER

Opening Night (July 3) grandstand tickets are being sold now. If you are planning to attend the Season Opener, call the Speedway office at (269) 355-4628. The number of fans Kalamazoo Speedway can allow in the stands is limited by Executive Order and falls far below the number of fans who typically attend on opening night (or any race night). It is likely we will sell out of available grandstand tickets prior to Opening Night.

Drivers/crew pit passes are NOT being sold in advance. Advance tickets for other nights are not available at this point.

#### VISITING SERIES

Kalamazoo Speedway welcomes several traveling series to the track in 2020.

The Midwest Classic Racing Association begins its 26<sup>th</sup> year promoting Dwarf Car Racing and the MCR Dwarfs are on the July 5 program joining the Merica 250 Enduro and the always hilarious stacker cars.

Photo compliments of Rand Thompson, Flat Rock Speedway photographer.





On July 10 the Midwest Compact Touring Series returns to the Speedway for the first of two visits. The Speedway's Outlaw FWD run with the Compacts on July 10 and again in the Super Shoe Tune Up on September 12.

Photo compliments of Midwest Compacts.

On August 8, Burkett Nester Racecars brings the \$5,000 to win Mod Wars to the Zoo. Joining them are the Street Stocks (\$1,000 to win) and the Zoo Stock (\$500 to win).

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The Auto Value Winged Super Sprints are racing on August 21 and the Auto Value contingent will be on the party deck catching the action.



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