



Kalamazoo, Michigan. Over 100 cars came to race at Kalamazoo Speedway on July 29. The Speedway welcomed back Lounsbury Excavating to the hospitality deck and the Michigan Auto Racing Fan Club that presented Carlos Pizarro with a go-bag to honor his contributions to the sport. Tonight was a \$1,000 to win purse for all classes plus IAC-Mendon sponsored the \$200 to win Zoo Stock 'B' feature and Looking Good Maintenance and Reconditioning sweetened the purse for the Zoo Stock (2nd – 6th places) and the rest of the classes 2nd – 3rd).

The Spartan Insulation Zoo Stock were 41 cars strong. Tyler McGhan and Jimmy Hammann both put up a 16.759 qualifying time. Scott Monroe, Marq Eaton, Brandon Tichelaar, and John Rupe won the heat races. Chris Pryor picked up his first racing win in the 15-lap 'C' feature. Jeff Bozell won the 15-lap 'B' feature. Dave Miller took home the \$1,000 purse in the 20-lap 'A' feature amidst tough competition, followed by Scott Monroe, Aaron Anderson, Christina Rantz and Summer Velasquez. Ryan Diamond tops the point standings over Logan Meade (-95).

Matthew Elsey, Jr., sporting a cast, took fast-time in the O'Reilly Auto Part Outlaw FWD (15.183). Ben Wilcox and Nick Layman won the heat races. Ben Wilcox fought off all challengers to win the 25-lap feature. Will Slaughter was the runner-up, followed by Matthew Elsey Jr., Dave Leonard, Jr and Chris Harman rounding out the top five. Slaughter retains the point lead over Elsey Jr. (-26).

The Techworks Street Stock put up a field of 29. Ricky LaDuke was at the top of the leader board qualifying with a time of 14.751. Jeremy Young, Bobby Oxford and Brian Slater took the heat races. Colin Bozell won the Last Chance Race; Curtis Towne, DJ Oxford and Thomas Sprague also advanced to the feature. Alex Sexton led the 30-lap feature until a mid-race caution when Zach Westdorp took the lead and the checkered flag. Brock Ganus was the runner-up, followed by Alex Sexton, Keith Wilfong and Andrew Rutherford. Ricky LaDuke extended his point lead over Jeremy Young to 37.

Billy Shannon took quick-time in the Hutcherson Construction Template Late Models (13.573). Billy Yates and Jeff Ganus won the heat races. Jeff Ganus was leading the race last week when his car failed him and he had to pull out. This week was a different story and he jumped out to a quick lead in the 35-lap feature and never gave it up. Dylan Stovall followed him over the line along with Lucas Krick, Billy Shannon and Kenny Head. Billy Shannon extended his lead over Kenny Head to 48.

On Friday, August 5 it's fan appreciation night at the track. It's Autograph Night with a backpack giveaway. The Michiana Vintage Racers will be showing off their cars in the pits, during the Autograph session and in doing a few parade laps. The Template Late Models, Street Stock, Outlaw FWD and the Zoo Stock all see action. For more expanded news and photos of the July 29 races, upcoming events and driver information, catch the Kalamazoo Speedway e-newsletter, Track Talk.