



Kalamazoo, Michigan. Super Shoe XXXV was condensed into Super Shoe Saturday (September 24) for a packed day of qualifying and features to avoid what was shaping up to be a soggy Super Shoe Sunday.

Matthew Elsey Jr. was the top qualifier (14.781) in the 87 front wheel drive division. Based on qualifying times, drivers were divided into four feature races. Marq Eaton led off the night with a win in the 20-lap 'D' feature. Brian Reames crossed the finish line first in the 25-lap 'C' feature. Matt Elsey won the 25-lap 'B' feature. In the caution-free, 30-lap FWD Super Shoe Nationals it was Ben Wilcox making it two Super Shoe championships in a row. Matthew Elsey Jr., Dave Leonard Jr., Paul Bittle and Ryan Osborne rounded out the top five. Gavin McGuffey was sixth followed by Rodney Russell II, Ira Hosner (who led for the first third of the race), Corey Holtzlander and Sheldon Lindlag completed the top 10.

Adam Terry, 2019 Outlaw Super Late Model champion, was fast qualifier (12.799) for the rear wheel drive division. This division was also divided into four features. Bobby Bering Jr. won the 25-lap 'D' feature. Ricky LaDuke (2022 Street Stock Champion) showed why he's the Street Stock champion in winning the 30-lap 'C' feature. A number of drivers gave Josh Trammell a workout in the 35-lap 'B' feature, but Trammell prevailed. Billy Shannon gave fans a masterful performance and earned the Super Shoe Nationals title for the rear wheel drives. Shannon is the 2022 Template Late Models track champion, also earning the Template championship in 1995. Shannon took the lead five laps into the race and held off a persistent Zack Cook. Cook was the runner-up, followed by Nick Pressler, Bobby Schisler and Rich Boal. Bryce Bozell, Thomas O'leary, Ron Allen, Adam Terry and Justin Lanting finished in the top 10.

With Billy Shannon's victory, the 2022 race season comes to a close, but Kalamazoo Speedway isn't quite ready for the off-season yet. On Saturday, October 15, AutoMODIFIED brings Slidewayz to the Zoo for a drifting show. And on Saturday, November 26, in another leased event, it's the 3rd Annual Bad Santa 200 lap Compact Enduro. Coverage of the Super Shoe XXXV plus other news and photos may be found in the September 26 Kalamazoo Speedway e-newsletter, Track Talk.