

Dexter Canipe, Jr. Captures Win "Paramount Kia Challenge" Race #3 On Hickory News & Record Nite

April 9nd , 2016 - With unseasonably cool weather canceling races at tracks all across the Mid-Atlantic region, the Birthplace of the NASCAR Stars would host the 3rd Round of the Paramount Kia 'Big 10' Challenge Series for the NASCAR Whelen All American Series Bojangles Late Models on Saturday night.

The Super Trucks would lead off the night's events with their 35 lap feature. Tyler Dayton in the #36 would set the fast lap in qualifying and take the pole position with the #09 of Dillon Faggart starting to his outside. Dayton would take the early lead with Faggart, Sheflon Clay in the #15, and Allen Huffman in the #51 battling for the 2nd spot. Dayton would cruise on to the win and a short victory lane celebration and on to his date at the prom. Clay would grab the runner up spot with Faggart holding on for 3rd. Travis Baity in the #70 would get his best finish with a 4th and Huffman would round out the top 5 after mechanical problems would slow him.



After getting rained out twice this season the Renegades would get the opportunity to run twin 20 lap features. The 1st feature would see Kenneth Roberts leading the pack to the green flag. Roberts would jump to the early lead while Charlie Neill in the #6 would work his way towards the front after a parts failure would hamper his qualifying efforts. After several cautions the battle would be between Roberts and Neill to settle it out for the win. Neill would take the top spot and drive on to the victory with Roberts holding on for 2nd. Kyle Divanna in the #71 would battle back from an early race spin to finish 3rd, Steve Griffith in the #68 would come home in 4th, and the #83 of David Hasson would round out the top 5.

Next up would be the Limited Late Models and their 35 lap feature. Ross 'Boo Boo' Dalton in the #50 would make the quick lap around HMS to grab the pole and the #18 of Evan Swilling 2nd fast starting to his outside. Dalton and Swilling would race hard for the early lead and see Dalton take the advantage. Charlie Watson in the #9, Mitch Walker in the #29, and Jeremy Pelfrey in the #51 would all do battle and look to get into the fray with the top two. After several early cautions and restarts Swilling would use the opportunity to move by Dalton and take the top spot. Swilling would hold on to his advantage and grab his 1st HMS victory after several great runs to open up the season. Dalton would hold on and grab the 2nd position just ahead of Watson who would come home 3rd. Amber Lynn in the #2 would make her first start of the year at Hickory but make the most of it finishing 4th while winner of the 2 previous races, Jeremy Pelfrey in the #51, would finish off the night with 5th.

The Street Stocks would hit the track next with fast timer Kevin Townsend in the #10 pacing the field to the green flag with Kevin Eby in the #03 to his outside. At the start Townsend would head to the point and see challenges from Eby and the #18 of Cody DeMarmels but would hang on to grab the top position and another trip to victory lane. DeMarmels would move up to finish 2nd while 3rd would see Eby come across the line with fire under the car and parts trailing him all the way down the front stretch as a driveshaft had come apart as he exited turn 4 coming to the checkers. Jeremy Harrell in the #32 would get a hard fought 4th place finish and Mark Whitten in the #77 would finish out the top 5.

Round #3 of the Paramount Kia 'Big 10' Challenge Series for the Bojangles Late Models would roll off next. Dexter Canipe Jr. in the #5 would set the hot lap for the division with 2015 NASCAR Whelen All American Series Track Champion Matt Piercy in the #21 would be close behind. Brandon Setzer would make a rare NASCAR Whelen All American Series Bojangles Late Model appearance at Hickory Motor Speedway in the Price Racing #28 and grab the 3rd starting spot with Ryan Millington in the #17 in 4th. Canipe and Piercy would have a spirited battle for several laps until the 2015 Hickory Motor Speedway Track Champion Piercy would finally nose into the lead. The pair would race nose to tail for the majority of the race and be joined by Millington who would look to add to his win total on the year. The trio would be joined for a while by Setzer until he would spin after using the high groove and just a little bit more. This would bunch the field one more time for a crucial restart. Piercy and Canipe would once again have a spirited battle for the lead and after several laps Canipe would move ahead for the lead. Canipe would hang on to the lead until the checkers flew and grab the win, which would also mark his 100th career victory. Mike Darne in the #21M would make the most out of visit to the Birthplace of the NASCAR Stars and bring home the runner up position. Zachary Dabbs in the #23 would have a great finish, after starting outside the top 10, and come home in 3rd. Millington would continue his string of good finishes with a 4th and Anthony Alfredo in the #5 would bounce back after early contact would cause him to spin and bring back a 5th place finish.

Finishing out the night would be the 2nd 20 lap feature for the Renegades. Kenneth Roberts in the #8 would once again start from the pole. Roberts would quickly jump to the point as Charlie Neill in the #6 would hurriedly make his way to the front after starting from the rear. Kyle Divanna in the #71 would look to challenge the pair for the top spots but a late race spin would end his hopes for a top spot. Neill would go on to win and sweep the pair of Renegades races for the night while Roberts would settle for 2nd in both events. After a 4th place finish in race #1 Steve Griffith in the #68 grabbed a podium spot in the front stretch celebration with a 3rd place finish in the nightcap. Danny Crump Jr. In the #97 and the #83 of David Hasson would round out the top 5.

This coming Saturday night, April 16th, the Must See Racing Sprint Series will invade America's Most Famous Short Track and bring with them the open wheeled sprint cars. Tickets are only \$15 for Adults, \$5 for 6-12 year olds and 5 & under Free.

The NWAAS returns to action at Hickory Motor Speedway on April 23rd for 84 Lumber Night at the Races.

Hickory Motor Speedway				
Race Results for 4/9/2016				
Late Model - Feature				
Finish	Car No	Driver	Hometown	DQ/DNS/DNF
1	5C	Dexter Canipe, Jr.	Conover, NC	
2	21M	Mike Darne	Mooreville, NC	
3	23D	Zachary Dabbs	Mooreville, NC	
4	17M	Ryan Millington	Statesville, NC	
5	5A	Anthony Alfredo	Ridgefield, CT	
6	6E	Enrique Baca	, NC	
7	77T	Tal Davidson	Mooreville, NC	
8	2C	Madeline Crane	Meansville, GA	
9	21P	Matt Piercy	Conover, NC	
10	1W	Dylon Wilson	Taylorsville, NC	
11	17G	Greg Bohanon Jr	Arden, NC	
12	28B	Brandon Setzer	Newton, NC	
13	18P	Casey Pierce	Lenoir, NC	
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Limited Late Model - Feature				
Finish	Car No	Driver	Hometown	DQ/DNS/DNF
1	18S	Evan Swilling	Cohutta, GA	
2	50R	Jaylee Ross Dalton	Greensboro, NC	
3	9	Charlie Watson	Lenoir, NC	
4	2B	Amber Lynn	Walkertown, NC	
5	51	Jeremy Pelfrey	Lenoir, NC	
6	43	Greg Wise	Candler, NC	
7	3D	Dylan Oliver	Stanley, NC	
8	25	Jacob York	Asheville, NC	
9	41	Dennis Trivette	Newton, NC	
10	8	Marion Thomas	Marshall, NC	
11	29	Mitch Walker	Newton, NC	
12	11C	Dawson Cram	Mooreville, NC	
13	47P	Kenneth Pardue	Millers Creek, NC	
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Renegades - Qualifying

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1	8	Kenneth Roberts	Hickory, NC	
2	83	David Hasson	Newton, NC	
3	68	Steve Griffith	Morganton, NC	
4	69	Ben Campbell	Hudson, NC	
5	71	Kyle Divanna	Statesville, NC	
6	97	Danny Crump, Jr.	Morganton, NC	
7	6N	Charlie Neill	Hickory, NC	
8	4	Gregory Austin	Granite Falls, NC	DNS

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6	4	Gregory Austin	Granite Falls, NC	
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Street Stocks - Feature

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1	10T	Kevin Townsend	Lenoir, NC	
2	18D	Cody DeMarmels	Newton, NC	
3	3	Kevin Eby	Lenior, NC	
4	32J	Jeremy Harrell	Newton, NC	
5	77P	Mark Whitten	Hogtown, VA, VA	
6	16S	Jonathon Smith	Hudson, NC	
7	64	Marshall Sutton	Burnsville, NC	
8	69	Trey Buff	Hickory, NC	
9	10	Ethan Johnson	Hudson, NC	
10	78	Robert Fink	Anticoke, PA	

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Super Trucks - Feature

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1	36D	Tyler Dayton	Mooreville, NC	
2	15C	Sheflon Clay	Asheville, NC	
3	09F	Dillon Faggart	Concord, NC	
4	70B	Travis Baity	Hays, NC	
5	51	Allen Huffman	Hickory, NC	
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