"Trotter Scores Big, Berry Continues to Win"





9/13/2020 - After showers would stop the show on Saturday night racing returned Sunday afternoon to Hickory Motor Speedway with the running of the MTP Tire 220. Sundays have always proved to be special at Hickory Motor Speedway and this one would not disappoint.

Leading off the day's racing would be the NASCAR Advance Auto Parts Weekly Series Late Models for 40 laps in race one of their doubleheader. NASCAR Advance Auto Parts National Late Model points leader Josh Berry in the #88 would take the top spot in qualifying with Sam Butler in the #81 to his outside. Second place runner for the NASCAR Advance Auto Parts National Late Model standings Ryan Millington in the #15 and Kody Swanson in the #77 would make up row two for the start. Berry would pull to the early lead and bring Millington with him to second. After the Saturday rains washed away the fresh rubber on the track the field would look to quickly go single file and rework the track in. While Millington would run second, he would face constant pressure from Butler. Butler would look to move back towards the front after getting his first taste of victory lane last weekend in the Bobby Isaac Memorial. Butler would make the pass on Millington and take second at the halfway point. Berry, Butler, Millington, Swanson, and AnnaBeth Barnes-Crum in the #12 would be the top five at halfway. Fifth through ninth would be a five car slugfest between Crum, Will Cox in the #3, Thomas Beane in the #31, Mitch Walker in the #29, and Mason Ludwig in the #12. As those cars would battle contact would send Ludwig hard into the backstretch wall collecting Vince Midas in the #14. Both cars would have to leave the track on the wrecker. The restart would see Berry and Butler on the front row with Millington and Swanson in row two. Berry would move back to the point and bring Millington back up to second. Millington and Butler would spend the last five laps battling side by side, but Berry would drive on from and take the win. Millington would hold on to 2nd with Butler 3rd. Swanson would finish 4th and Beane would take 5th.

Next up would see the 4-Cylinders hit the track for 25 laps of action. Brian Mundy in the #6 would set the pace in qualifying and start from the point with Curtis Pardue in the #17 to his outside. Mundy would pull to the early lead, but as the field would come off of turn four three cars, Pardue, Robert Trivette in the #11, and Cody Combs in the #9, would spin and bring out the caution for a full restart. Mundy and Charlie Neill in the #83 would lead the field to the green flag. Mundy and Neill would duel side by side for a full lap until they would hook tires sending them

both hard into the turn two wall. The restart would see Pardue and Combs bringing the field to the restart. Pardue would pull to the lead as the green flag would fly. Pardue and Combs would set a torrid pace but Pardue would hang on for the win. Combs would finish 2nd with Don Pardue in the #59 grabbing 3rd. Mundy would finish 4th and Neill would take 5th.

The Super Trucks would roll off next for their 35 lap battle. After setting fast time in qualifying, Charlie Watson in the #9 would start from the pole position with points leader Joey Shuryan in the #30 to his outside. Watson would pull to the early lead on lap one. Shuryan would settle in to second while third place would be a three truck battle between Ricky Dennie in the #6, Hannah Newhouse in the #46, and Dennis Trivette in the #28. Dennie would take the spot and set sail for Shuryan in second. After a hard fought battle Trivette would move around Newhouse for fourth. Watson would prove too strong on the day and drive on to the win. Shuryan and Dennie would run the last five laps side by side with Shuryan taking 2nd by inches with Dennie having to settle for 3rd. Trivette and Newhouse would duel it out door to door for the last few laps with Newhouse nosing ahead to take 4th and Trivette finishing 5th.

Round #9 of the Paramount Kia 'BIG 10' Chase for the Championship for the Paramount Auto Group Limited Late Models would be up next with 50 action packed laps. Josh Kossek in the #44K would pace qualifying and start from the top spot with Akinori Ogata in the #14 to his outside. Row two would see Todd Midas in the #1 and Max Price in the #22 side by side for the green flag. Kossek would take the early lead with Ogata close behind. Ogata would move around Kossek to take the lead on lap fifteen. Lap 21 would see the caution fly as Kossek would roll to a stop in turn two. Ogata and Midas would lead the field to the green flag. Ogata would move back to the top spot. The caution would fly as the cars of Ashton Trivette in the #57 and Chris Martin in the #30 would spin on the front stretch. Ogata and Midas would pace the field back to the green flag. Ogata would pull to the lead with the #21 of Dylan Ward moving to second. The caution would fly again on lap 35 as Kossek would come to a stop in turn four. Ogata and award would bring the field back to the green flag. Ogata would pull to the lead, but contact between Ogata and Ward would send him spinning on the front stretch. The caution would see Ward and Ogata restart from the rear. Midas and the #47 of Chase Janes pacing the field back to the green flag. Midas would pull to the lead with Janes and the #66 of Kevin Dill close behind. The caution would fly on lap 44 as Josh Stark would spin in turn two. The restart would see Midas and Janes door to door. Midas would pull ahead on lap 48, but the caution would fly with the #14G of Mark Goin spinning on the backstretch. The restart would see Midas and Janes dueling for the win. Janes would move to the lead and drive on to take the win. Midas would finish 2nd with the #22 of Max Price taking 3rd. Ogata would battle back from the late spin and finish 4th with Dill finishing 5 th backing across the line

The Street Stocks would roll off next for 30 laps of racing. Jesse Clark in the #5 would set fast time and start from the pole position with Mark Whitten in the #77 to his outside. Gary Ledbetter in the #48 and Kevin Eby in the #03 would make up row two. Clark would pull to the early lead with Ledbetter battling Whitten for second. Lap 6 would see the caution fly as the #2 of Ethan Johnson would spin coming off turn four. Clark and Ledbetter would bring the field back to the green flag. Clark would move back to the lead with Ledbetter stalking close behind. Ledbetter would make a late charge but Clark would hang on for the win. Ledbetter would finish 2nd with Eby finishing 3rd. Whitten would bring it home 4th and Marshall Sutton in the #64 would take 5th.

Closing out the day's action would be the NASCAR Advance Auto Parts Late Models for 40 laps of racing. After a 9 car invert Zack Wells in the #66 and Gracie Trotter in the #20 would make up the front row for the green flag. Row two would see Mitch Walker in the #29 and Will Cox in the #3 side by side for the start. After a couple laps side by side Trotter would pull to the lead around Wells. The cars of Sam Butler in the #81, Josh Berry in the #88, and Ryan Millington in the #15 would work their way into the top five on lap 13. The halfway point would see Trotter, Kody Swanson in the #77, Butler, Berry, and Millington the top five. Trotter would build a large lead but Swanson would start chipping away at that lead. With five laps to go Swanson would reach Trotter's bumper. While Swanson would look inside and out to get around Trotter for the lead, Butler and Berry would also reach the top two for the five lap shootout. But Trotter would save just enough to drive on and take the win, becoming the fourth female to win a late model race at Hickory Motor Speedway. Swanson would finish 2nd with Butler finishing 3rd. Berry would finish 4th and Millington would take home 5th.

Racing returns next week with a full slate of racing action for the NASCAR Advance Auto Parts Weekly Series.

Hickory Motor Speedway Results 9/12/20

Late Model – Twin Feature 1

- 1 #88 Josh Berry
- 2 #15 Ryan Millington
- 3 #81 Sam Butler (r)
- 4 #77 Kody Swanson
- 5 #31 Thomas Beane
- 6 #3 Will Cox III
- 7 #29 Mitch Walker
- 8 #20 Gracie Trotter
- 9 #66 Zack Wells
- 10 #12M Garin Mash
- 11 #26 Joey Trent
- 12 #11 Kyle Campbell
- 13 #12B Annabeth Barnes Crum
- 14 #12 Mason Ludwig (r)
- 15 #14 Vince Midas
- 16 #98 Ryan Vasconcellos
- 17 #12C Tyler Church
- 18 #3C Dexter Canipe Jr.

Late Model - Twin Feature 2

- 1 #20 Gracie Trotter
- 2 #77 Kody Swanson
- 3 #81 Sam Butler (r)
- 4 #88 Josh Berry
- 5 #15 Ryan Millington
- 6 #29 Mitch Walker
- 7 #12B Annabeth Barnes Crum
- 8 #3 Will Cox III
- 9 #31 Thomas Beane
- 10 #66 Zack Wells
- 11 #12M Garin Mash
- 12 #11 Kyle Campbell
- 13 #26 Joey Trent

- 14 #98 Ryan Vasconcellos
- 15 #12C Tyler Church
- 16 #3C Dexter Canipe Jr.
- 17 #12 Mason Ludwig (r) DNS
- 18 #14 Vince Midas DNS

Limited Late Model

- 1 #47 Chase Janes
- 2 #1 Todd Midas
- 3 #22 Max Price (r)
- 4 #14 Akinori Ogata
- 5 #66 Kevin Dill
- 6 #14G Mark Goin
- 7 #32 Josh Stark
- 8 #8 Travis Powell
- 9 #80 Toni Breidinger
- 10 #44K Josh Kossek
- 11 #57 Ashton Trivette
- 12 #21 Dylan Ward
- 13 #30 Chris Martin

Street Stocks

- 1 #5 Jesse Clark
- 2 #48 Gary Ledbetter
- 3 #03 Kevin Eby
- 4 #77 Mark Whitten
- 5 #64 Marshall Sutton
- 6 #2 Ethan Johnson
- 7 #31 Derek Fowler
- 8 #7 Zach Hale
- 9 #94 Luke Fox
- 10 #3 Kayla Eby

Super Trucks

- 1 #9 Charlie Watson
- 2 #30 Joey Shuryan
- 3 #6 Ricky Dennie
- 4 #46 Hannah Newhouse

