

“Watson Flexes Muscle On Championship Night”

Bojangles Late Models on Cargo Transporters Championship Night presented by NAPA

Sept. 16th , With championships yet to be decided in 6 different divisions, Cargo Transporters Championship Night presented by NAPA would prove to be a night of great racing action.

The Renegades would lead off the night with the #6 or Darren Dickinson on the pole. David Hasson in the #83 would take the early lead. Dickinson would reel in the leader with 2 to go and battle for the lead at the white flag lap. Dickinson would grab 1st place with Hasson close behind in 2nd. Justin Austin in the #1 would finish 3rd, R.J. Williams in the #21 would finish 4th, and the 2017 Renegades Champion Kyle DiVanna in the #71 would finish in 5th.

The One Design Super Trucks would be next on the track with the first two in division points, Allen Huffman in the #51 and Sheflon Clay in the #15, leading the way on the front row. Huffman would take an early lead with Clay staying right behind mirroring his every move. A caution at lap 15 would bunch the field for a restart. Huffman would once again get the jump on the start and move to the point, but Clay would stay right on his tail. Another caution on lap 34 would set up the championship battle for a green white checkered restart. Huffman would get the jump and lead the final laps and take the win, his second in a row. Clay would hold on for 2nd on the night and win the 2017 One Design Super Trucks track championship. Colby White in the #3 would have her best finish of the season with a 3rd place and a spot in the front stretch celebration. Keith Norville in the #91 and Travis Baity in the #70 would round out the top 5.

The Paramount Auto Group Limited Late Models would roar to life for the next 50 laps in the finale of the Paramount Kia 'Big 10' Chase for the Championship. Jeremy Pelfrey in the #51 and Landon Huffman in the #88 would lead the pack to the green flag. Pelfrey and Huffman would dive into turn 1 side by side. As the lead pair would come through the turn Pelfrey's car would make an odd move and as he corrected the car would turn hard into the outside backstretch wall collecting the majority of the cars that were behind him. Pelfrey would fortunately be able to walk away from his seriously damaged Championship car and be done for the night. Pelfrey would have enough of a points to secure the 2017 Paramount Auto Group track Championship and also the 2017 Paramount Kia 'Big 10' Chase for the Championship. Huffman would take the point on the next restart and drive to the lead until a caution would bunch the field on lap 10. Huffman would once again go to the front until a single car spin and another caution would fly at lap 23. Huffman would once again remain in the lead and drive on to the victory. The #18 of Alex Reece would work his way through the field to finish 2nd with damage from the earlier incident. Pat Rachels in the #34 would fight back from extensive damage to finish 3rd as would Monty Cox in the #21 as he came home in 4th. Akinori Ogata in the #14 would have his best HMS finish with a 5th.

The 4-Cylinders would roll off with the #17 of Curtis Pardue leading the pack. Pardue would lead early until a hard crash by the #9 of Cody Combs would bring out the caution. Combs would walk away from the lap 9 incident. Pardue would take the advantage on the restart and drive on to the win and the 2017 4-Cylinders track championship. Robert Trivette in the #11 finished 2nd. Allison Houston in the #29 would finish 3rd. Brian Mundy in the #6 and Robbie Lewis in the #98 would round out the top 5.

The NASCAR Whelen All American Series Bojangles Late Models would hit the historic 3/8 mile oval with the #76 of Ryan Millington leading the pack to the green flag and the #12 of past NASCAR Whelen All American Series Bojangles track champion Austin McDaniel starting to his outside. McDaniel would take the early lead and create a comfortable lead for the first 25 laps. In stark contrast the #9 of Charlie Watson would spend the first 25 laps working his way through the field and up to McDaniel's bumper. The pair would make slight contact and Watson would move by to the point. The field would string out without benefit of a caution. The NASCAR Whelen All American Series Bojangles points leader #76 of Ryan Millington would settle in and ride in 4th position, looking for his first track championship. At the end Watson would win in a dominating fashion. McDaniel would bring his ride home in 2nd. Landon Huffman in the #75 would roll in late, but would make the best out of his visit with a 3rd place finish. Millington would finish 4th and grab the 2017 NASCAR Whelen All American Series Bojangles Late Model track championship. The #2 of Cody Haskins would grab another top 5 with 5th at the Birthplace of the NASCAR Stars.

The Cosmo Motors Street Stocks would hit the track for their 30 lap feature with the #18 of Cody DeMarmels pacing the field. DeMarmels would jump to the front early with the #77 of Mark Whitten giving chase. DeMarmels would flex his muscle and pull away leaving the battle for 2nd up to the rest of the field. Marshall Sutton in the #64 would work his way through the field and do



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battle. When the checkers would fly DeMarmels would take the top spot once again with Sutton finishing 2nd. Eric Evans in the #07 would finish 3rd and Whitten would grab 4th. Kevin Eby in the #03 would finish 5th but take home the 2017 Cosmo Motors Street Stock track championship.

The fan favorite Covington Dental Smash & Crash series hit the track with a single obstacle this week, placed conveniently in between turns 3 & 4. From the standing start the cars would roar to life make the mad dash to see who could navigate the tire in turn 3 the best and set sail for the next lap. As the laps counted down the car parts left on the track far outnumbered the cars that were still there. Greg Austin in the #1, Ben Campbell in the #69, and Angie Cook in the #17 would have a furious battle at the front but the experience of Austin, as well as the mass of the Cadillac he was driving, would prove too much for his competitors as he would take the checkers.

Next week America's Most Famous Short Track will be silent as no events are planned, but will return to action on Saturday, September 30 th , with the SMRS Modifieds.

In 3 weeks the Hickory Vintage Swap Meet and Auto Fair will take place October 7 th and 8 th .

Saturday, October 14 th will see the return of the Knights of Destruction with the Bandit Big Rig Series.

Racing returns to Hickory Motor Speedway on Saturday, October 21 st with the running of the Cosmo Motors Fall Brawl presented by Calico Coatings. 200 laps for the NASCAR Whelen All American Series Bojangles Late Models, 100 laps for the Paramount Auto Group Limited Late Models, 50 laps for the One Design Super Trucks, and 25 laps for the Classic Sportsmen set the stage for a great night of racing.

November 17-18 the PASS Super Late Models return to Hickory for the 300 lap Mason Dixon Mega Meltdown.

Race Results for 9/16/2017

4-Cylinders - Feature

Finish	Car No	Driver	Hometown	DQ/DNS/DNF
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1	17	Curtis Pardue	Hickory, NC	
2	11	Robert Trivette	Newton, NC	
3	29H	Allison Houston	Conover, NC	
4	6M	Brian Mundy	Concord, NC	
5	98	Rob Lewis	Morganton, NC	
6	59	Donn Wardo	Harmony, NC	
7	9	Cody Combs	Lenoir, NC	

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3	11	Robert Trivette	Newton, NC	

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5	29H	Allison Houston	Conover, NC	
6	98	Rob Lewis	Morganton, NC	
7	59	Donn Wardo	Harmony, NC	DNS

Late Model - Feature

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1	9W	Charlie Watson	Lenoir, NC	
2	12	Austin McDaniel	Harrisburg, NC	
3	75	Landon Huffman	Claremont, NC	
4	76	Ryan Millington	Statesville, NC	
5	2H	Cody Haskins	Marietta, GA	
6	10	Ryan Vasconcellos	Sherrills Ford, NC	
7	7	Ashley Huffman	Connelly Springs, NC	
8	22L	Brandon Lemke	Eagle, WI	
9	7G	Holden German	York, NC	
10	1C	Sheflon Clay	Asheville, NC	
11	21	Monty Cox	Granite Falls, NC	DNS
12	29M	Mitch Walker	Newton, NC	DNS
13	51P	Jeremy Pelfrey	Lenoir, NC	DNS
14	28T	Dennis Trivette	Newton, NC	DNS
15	9C	Spencer Childers	Pisgah Forest, NC	DNS

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1	76	Ryan Millington	Statesville, NC	
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2	12	Austin McDaniel	Harrisburg, NC	
3	10	Ryan Vasconcellos	Sherrills Ford, NC	
4	7	Ashley Huffman	Connelly Springs, NC	
5	9W	Charlie Watson	Lenoir, NC	
6	75	Landon Huffman	Claremont, NC	
7	2H	Cody Haskins	Marietta, GA	
8	51P	Jeremy Pelfrey	Lenoir, NC	DNS
9	29M	Mitch Walker	Newton, NC	DNS
10	22L	Brandon Lemke	Eagle, WI	DNS
11	21	Monty Cox	Granite Falls, NC	DNS
12	9C	Spencer Childers	Pisgah Forest, NC	DNS
13	7G	Holden German	York, NC	DNS
14	28T	Dennis Trivette	Newton, NC	DNS
15	1C	Sheflon Clay	Asheville, NC	DNS

Limited Late Model - Paramount Race

Finish	Car No	Driver	Hometown	DQ/DNS/DNF
1	88H	Landon Huffman	Claremont, NC	
2	18R	Alex Reece	Granite Falls, NC	
3	34	Pat Rachels	China Grove, NC	
4	21	Monty Cox	Granite Falls, NC	
5	14A	Akinori Ogata	Mooresville, NC	
6	43P	Kenneth Pardue	Millers Creek, NC	
7	29	Mitch Walker	Newton, NC	

8	28D	Dennis Trivette	Newton, NC
9	9C	Spencer Childers	Pisgah Forest, NC
10	7	Holden German	York, NC
11	51	Jeremy Pelfrey	Lenoir, NC
12	7G	Tyler Gregory	North Wilkesboro, NC
13	81	Zack Clifton	Walkertown, NC
14	4W	Dylon Wilson	Taylorsville, NC
15	22L	Brandon Lemke	Eagle, WI
16	13J	Mark Johnson	Newton, NC

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1	51	Jeremy Pelfrey	Lenoir, NC	
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3	29	Mitch Walker	Newton, NC	
4	7G	Tyler Gregory	North Wilkesboro, NC	
5	34	Pat Rachels	China Grove, NC	
6	81	Zack Clifton	Walkertown, NC	
7	18R	Alex Reece	Granite Falls, NC	
8	21	Monty Cox	Granite Falls, NC	
9	22L	Brandon Lemke	Eagle, WI	
10	4W	Dylon Wilson	Taylorsville, NC	
11	9C	Spencer Childers	Pisgah Forest, NC	
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14	7	Holden German	York, NC	
15	43P	Kenneth Pardue	Millers Creek, NC	
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Renegades - Feature

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1	6	Darren Dickinson	Hickory, NC	
2	83	David Hasson	Newton, NC	
3	1	Justin Austin	Granite Falls, NC	
4	21	RJ Williams	Conover, NC	
5	71	Kyle Divanna	Statesville, NC	
6	51	Robbie Hollifield	Morganton, NC	
7	71D	Robert Divanna	Statesville, NC	
8	4	Gregory Austin	Granite Falls, NC	

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5	1	Justin Austin	Granite Falls, NC	
6	51	Robbie Hollifield	Morganton, NC	
7	71D	Robert Divanna	Statesville, NC	
8	4	Gregory Austin	Granite Falls, NC	DNS

Smash & Crash - Feature

Finish	Car No	Driver	Hometown	DQ/DNS/DNF
1	1	Gregory Austin	Granite Falls, NC	
2	69	Ben Campbell	,	
3	17	Angie Cook	,	
4	3	Matt Fox	,	
5	10	Harlan Pruitt	,	
6	4	Justin Austin	Granite Falls, NC	
7	2	Tim Stiener	,	
8	30	Ryan Austin	,	
9	99	Cowboy Weaver	,	

Street Stocks - Feature

Finish	Car No	Driver	Hometown	DQ/DNS/DNF
1	18D	Cody DeMarmels	Newton, NC	
2	64	Marshall Sutton	Burnsville, NC	
3	7	Eric Evans	Mooreville, NC	
4	77P	Mark Whitten	Hogtown, VA	
5	3	Kevin Eby	Lenior, NC	
6	52	Don Machutta	Mooreville, NC	
7	69	Trey Buff	Hickory, NC	
8	2J	Ethan Johnson	Hudson, NC	
9	74	Kim Smith	Lincolnton, NC	

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2	77P	Mark Whitten	Hogtown, VA	
3	52	Don Machutta	Mooreville, NC	
4	3	Kevin Eby	Lenior, NC	
5	7	Eric Evans	Mooreville, NC	
6	64	Marshall Sutton	Burnsville, NC	
7	69	Trey Buff	Hickory, NC	
8	2J	Ethan Johnson	Hudson, NC	
9	74	Kim Smith	Lincolnton, NC	DNS

Super Trucks - Feature

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1	51	Allen Huffman	Hickory, NC	
2	15C	Sheflon Clay	Asheville, NC	
3	3	Colby White	Maiden, NC	
4	91	Keith Norville	Forest City, NC	
5	70B	Travis Baity	Hays, NC	
6	11	Chase Campbell	Old Fort, NC	
7	82S	Lee Saunders	,	DNS
8	36D	Tyler Dayton	Mooreville, NC	DNS

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7	82S	Lee Saunders	,	DNS
8	36D	Tyler Dayton	Mooreville, NC	DQ