

" Josh Berry wins his 2nd Bobby Isaac Memorial "

41st Annual Paramount Auto Group Bobby Isaac Memorial presented by Black's Tire & Auto Service

Sept. 2nd , The 41st Annual Paramount Auto Group Bobby Isaac Memorial presented by Black's Tire & Auto Service would see beautiful racing weather and one of the toughest fields of competition in many years. Not only would an awesome trophy and a large check be on the line but this event could have ramifications on the NASCAR Whelen All American Series National Championship as national championship contenders would make the trip to America's Most Famous Short Track.

First up would see the Catawba Realty & Insurance Classic Sportsmen hit the track with Chris Werner in the #19 starting from the pole. Werner would lead early and often in the event and drive on to take his first checkers. Bill Webb in the #16 would finish 2nd and secure the 2017 Hickory Motor Speedway Catawba Realty & Insurance Classic Sportsman Racing Association Championship. Bill Powell in the #71 Bobby Isaac look alike ride would finish 3rd, Bryan Rogers in the #116 would take 4th, and Robert Webb in the #6 would end up in 5th.



The Paramount Auto Group Limited Late Models would roll off next for Round 9 of the Paramount Kia "Big 10" Chase for the Championship with pole sitter Monty Cox in the #21 at the point. Cox would lead early and hold the top spot until lap 20 of the 50 lap special when the #51 of Jeremy Pelfrey would work his way to the lead. Pelfrey would pace the field for the next 25 laps until the caution would fly and bunch the field with 5 laps to go. On the restart contact would be made and the cars of Cox and the #18 of Alex Reece would suffer major damage, bringing both cars to the pits for the rest of the night. Pelfrey would hang on and drive on for the win, his 3rd in a row, and lengthening his points lead. Dylan Wilson, honoring the memory of the legendary Bobby Isaac in the #71, would finish in 2nd. Pat Rachels in the #34 would finish 3rd, Mitch Walker in the #29 would take 4th, and Zach Bruenger in the #55 would round out the top 5.

Rolling off next would be the Cosmo Motors Street Stocks for their 30 lap feature with the #77 of Mark Whitten leading the way. Whitten would battle side by side with Cody DeMarmels in the #18 for several laps. DeMarmels would move by for the lead and maintain the top spot, holding on for the win. Hickory Motor Speedway 2016 Street Stock Champion Kevin Townsend in the #10 would make a return visit and finish 2nd while Whitten would end up 3rd. Kevin Eby in the #03 and Ethan Johnson in the #2 would round out the top 5.

With a field made up of 2 former multi-time NASCAR Whelen All-American Series National Champions, numerous track champions, and race winning drivers scattered from the front of the pack all the way to the back of the 20 car field, it is no doubt that Bobby Isaac himself would've been pleased with the turnout for the race named in his memory. Ty Gibbs in the #18 would set the fast time in qualifying and start from the top spot with the #57 of Justin Carroll starting to his outside. Gibbs would take the early lead and set the pace in the 150 lap event. Carroll would make his move to the top spot at lap 85, moving around Gibbs for the lead. Carroll would hold the spot until a caution would bunch the field. Josh Berry in the #88 would move around Carroll for the lead with 50 laps to go. Berry would hold on and add another Bobby Isaac Memorial trophy to his collection. Anthony Alfredo in the #8 would come on strong at the end of the race, finishing 2nd. Carroll, who had won in his four previous starts at the Birthplace of the NASCAR Stars, would hang on for 3rd. Will Burns in the #82 and Ryan Millington in the #76 would round out the top 5. The #9 of Hickory Motor Speedway Bojangles' Late Model points leader Charlie Watson would suffer damage in an early race incident. Watson would be able to continue but would end up in 14th allowing Millington to close the points gap with the two now tied for the NASCAR Whelen All-American Series Hickory Motor Speedway Track Championship for the Bojangles' Late Models with 3 events to go.

Next up would see the USAC Midgets hit the track. Nolan Allison in the #16 would set the fast time and lead the field to the green flag. Allison would set a furious pace and drive on to the win in the 35 lap feature. Jagger Parker in the #20 would finish 2nd with #28 of Chris Lamb finishing 3rd. Jessica Bean in the #5 and Neil Allison in the #15 would round out the top 5.

Closing out the night's events would be the Covington Dental Smash & Crash Series and their 10 lap feature, with a twist. As the competitors lined up to start their feature, with their vehicles in various stages of decomposition, a tractor tire was hauled onto the track and unloaded in the middle of turn 4. The tire would serve as a pivot point that everyone would have to circumnavigate after each lap around the track. As the green flag fell the race was on to see who could get back around first and start their trip around

the tire. With all the competitors from the earlier events lining pit road to watch, the tire would be the focal point and they would not be disappointed. Several cars had to be retired as a result of the contact they received at the tire and other cars, but when all the smoke had cleared Justin Austin in the #4 would emerge as the victor and take home the trophy.

With two races remaining in the regular season the NASCAR Whelen All-American Series returns to action next Saturday night with Sheetz Night at the Races presented by Gaston Rentals. Twin 40 lap NASCAR Whelen All American Series Bojangles' Late Model races are on tap with 35 laps for the Paramount Auto Group Limited Late Models, 35 laps for the One Design Super Trucks, 30 laps for the Cosmo Motors Street Stocks, 20 laps for the Renegades, and 10 laps for the Covington Dental Smash & Crash Series.

Gates open at 5:00pm, Qualifying at 5:30pm, Autograph Session at 6:30pm, and Racing at 7:30pm.

Tickets are only \$12.50 Adults, \$10.50 Youth/Seniors, Children 10 & under FREE!

Race Results for 9/2/2017

Classic Sportsman Racing - Feature

Finish	Car No	Driver	Hometown	DQ/DNS/DNF
1	19W	Chris Werner	Moorseville, NC	
2	16	Bill Webb	Statesville, NC	
3	71P	Bill Powell	Newton, NC	
4	116R	Bryan Rogers	,	
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2	8A	Anthony Alfredo	Ridgefield, CT
3	57C	Justin Carroll	Concord, NC
4	82	Will Burns	Simpsonville, SC
5	76	Ryan Millington	Statesville, NC
6	18G	Ty Gibbs	Charlotte, NC
7	5P	Lee Pulliam	Alton, VA
8	75	Landon Huffman	Claremont, NC
9	41M	Sam Mayer	,
10	31	Thomas Beane	Hudson, NC
11	01M	Phillip Morris	,
12	2L	Matt Leicht	Arden, NC
13	1J	Juan Gonzales	,
14	9W	Charlie Watson	Lenoir, NC
15	8S	Thomas Scott	Mebane, NC
16	97L	William Lester	Lexington, NC
17	5G	Cole Glasson	Rockwall, TX
18	2G	Tomas Gasperak	,
19	4C	Annabeth Barnes	Hiddenite, NC
20	25L	Kevin Leicht	Milk River, NC

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Limited Late Model - BIM-LTD

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1	51	Jeremy Pelfrey	Lenoir, NC	
2	71W	Dylon Wilson	Taylorsville, NC	
3	34	Pat Rachels	China Grove, NC	
4	29	Mitch Walker	Newton, NC	

5	55Z	Zachary Bruenger	Granite Falls, NC	
6	77B	Travis Byrd	Sherrills Ford, NC	
7	9C	Spencer Childers	Pisgah Forest, NC	
8	22L	Brandon Lemke	Eagle, WI	
9	14A	Akinori Ogata	Mooresville, NC	
10	7G	Tyler Gregory	North Wilkesboro, NC	
11	21	Monty Cox	Granite Falls, NC	
12	18R	Alex Reece	Granite Falls, NC	
13	88S	Jason Smith	Claremont, NC	
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Smash & Crash - Feature

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1	4	Justin Austin	,	
2	69	Ben Campbell	,	
3	17	Angie Cook	,	
4	3	Matt Fox	,	
5	2	Tim Stiener	,	
6	30	Ryan Austin	,	
7	10	Harlan Pruitt	,	
8	0	Gregory Austin	Granite Falls, NC	
9	99	Cowboy Cowboy	,	

Street Stocks - Feature

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1	18D	Cody DeMarmels	Newton, NC	
2	10T	Kevin Townsend	Lenoir, NC	
3	77P	Mark Whitten	Hogtown, VA, VA	
4	3	Kevin Eby	Lenior, NC	
5	2J	Ethan Johnson	Hudson, NC	
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USAC Eastern Midgets - Feature

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2	20	Jagger Parker	,	
3	28	Chris Lamb	,	
4	5	Jessica Bean	,	
5	15	Neal Allison	,	
6	8T	Jake Trainor	,	
7	35G	Jake Garcia	,	
8	93	Jake Smith	,	
9	8	Tommy Johnson	,	
10	3	Jordan Empie	,	

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