

Dachenhausen Takes Checkers on Danbury Reunion Night

Extreme heat throughout the Northeast prompted Bethel Motor Speedway management to start an hour later than the scheduled start time, as well, accommodate drivers and fans, to the best of their abilities. Speedway management would like to thank everyone who came and braved the heat with us, to celebrate Danbury RaceArena Reunion night.

The Nascar Asphalt Modified feature seemed to be a sure thing for Steven Kammer, taking the lead from the outside pole on the initial circuit, leading the first fifteen laps before the heat reaped havoc on the speedway's lighting system, going dark in turns three and four, bringing out the red while the issue was resolved. Drivers were asked if they wanted to continue, by head flagger Brandon Krutz, taking the extreme heat into consideration. All gave the thumbs up, but on the restart, the top two runners, Kammer, and Tyler Dachenhausen, came together, immediately bringing out the caution. The restart found Ed Dachenhausen leading John Cote, Mac Crawson, Fred Nees, and Kammer, for the final five laps to score his fourth win of the season.

The Nascar Street Stocks, provided for a nail biter all the way to the checkers. Chet Stanton and Scott Sepe would lead the field to green. By the end of the first circuit, Bill Deak would take point with Joel Murns, Stanton, and George Van Arsdall in tow. A lap seven restart would find Deak leading Murns, Van Arsdall, and Stanton. The top three would pull away, waiting for the other to drop the ball. Murns made a late charge to the line, with Deak winning by bumper over Murns, Van Arsdall, Stanton, and Phil Funcheon.

The Pedersen's CheckerWon INEX Legends class has been dominated by male race car drivers for years at the speedway, but one young lady took her place on the podium Saturday night, showing up the field.

Lexi Przybylinski has been improving all year. Taking a top five finish at the speedway's prestigious LegendStock event. Saturday night proved that she wasn't playing around, winning her heat race, to start on the pole for the 20 lap event. Przybylinski would start pole next to her father Joe Sr. Across two restarts Przybylinski didn't falter to her hard charging father, also seeking his first win. Lexi Przybylinski, Joe Przybylinski Sr, Rodney Dowless Sr, Joe Przybylinski Jr, and Jack Polan would be the top five. Lexi would take her Polish victory lap as speedway neighbors were shooting off fireworks, making for a picture perfect moment in the young lady's young racing career.

Also winning on Danbury Reunion Night were Ed Dachenhausen winning the DIRT Modifieds, Easton Houghtaling in the Beginner Bandoleros, Rodney Dowless in the INEX Bandoleros, Tisha Curry in the Modified 4 cylinders, Willie DeGraw in his first win of the season, and Nick Foley taking his first career win in 4 cylinder Novice.

Atlantic Coast Old Timer Stock cars, as well as, N.E.A.R. Vintage stock cars were also in attendance putting on exhibition events.