

Kensington drivers end up in victory lane

By MIKE HUGHES
Special Contributor

Three Kensington drivers made their way to victory lane at Elmwood Park Speedway in Norton on Saturday evening, Aug. 16, while Loyd Schoen and Brian Conness made their first appearance in the winner's circle.

The IMCA Modified feature had a tough time getting started, but once they did, Barry Maupin took the early lead, but was passed on lap 5 by 'The Hammer' Josh Hudson of Kensington. Hudson held off the field to the checkers to put the #11RCHRC car in victory lane for the 4th time this season at Elmwood Park, and making it a clean sweep after victories in the second heat and the cash dash. Jerry Phillips finished in the runner-up spot, followed by Maupin, Mark 'The Z Man' Zorn, and Doug 'Super

Trooper' Shearer. Gary Kline won the other heat race.

The IMCA Stock Car feature was exciting from start to finish in the caution-free 20-lap race. Dustin McClurg led the first 4 laps before Kensington's Cory Struckhoff made the pass, as did Travis 'The Terminator' Sherfick. Struckhoff and Sherfick ran nose-to-tail the rest of the distance on the 1/2-mile oval, with Sherfick passing Struckhoff on lap 11 before Struckhoff regained the lead the following lap. Heat two winner Colton Osborn made it a 3-car battle late in the race, but Struckhoff held on at the wire for his third win this season at Norton. Rounding out the top five were Sherfick, Osborn, heat one winner Jay Hachmeister, and Casey Werkmeister.

The IMCA Hobby Stock feature

saw Josh Rohrbough lead the first 4 laps of the 15-lap event before heat one victor Jeromy Wagner of Kensington took control. Wagner led the field back to green after the lone caution on lap 11 and led the remaining distance for the victory. Austin Davis was second, followed by heat two winner Rhett 'The Rocket' Kingsbury, Troy Robinson, and Mathew Crowell.

The 'young gun' Loyd Schoen of Lenora won the 4-cylinder Young Gun main event. Schoen led from green to checkered in the 8-lap race. Heat race winner Michael Smith and Jesse Dunlap finished second and third.

WaKeeney's Brian Conness led all 8 laps of the Sport Mod feature. The lone caution waved on lap 5, but Conness pulled away on the restart. Jason Davis was second and Adam Bryant third. Conness

also won the heat race.

The cash dash sponsor was Engel's Sales & Service of Norton.

The season finale at Elmwood Park Speedway will be Saturday, Aug. 23. The regular four classes, plus the sport mods will be in action. The green flag waves at 7 p.m.

RESULTS

IMCA Hobby Stocks

Heat 1: 1. Jeromy Wagner, 2. Josh Rohrbough, 3. Mathew Crowell, 4. Troy Robinson.

Heat 2: 1. Rhett Kingsbury, 2. Kelly Karnopp, 3. Frank McClurg, 4. Norman Wiechman.

Feature: 1. Wagner, 2. Austin Davis, 3. Kingsbury, 4. Robinson, 5. Crowell, 6. Karnopp, 7. Wiechman, 8. McClurg, 9. Laura Hinger, 10. Matt Christensen, 11. Rohrbough (DNF), 12. Roger Garrison (DNF), 13. Ricky Run-

nion (DNS).

IMCA Stock Cars

Heat 1: 1. Jay Hachmeister, 2. Brenden Eilts, 3. Cory Struckhoff, 4. Travis Tilford.

Heat 2: 1. Colton Osborn, 2. Travis Sherfick, 3. Terry Cunningham, 4. Casey Werkmeister.

Feature: 1. Struckhoff, 2. Sherfick, 3. Osborn, 4. Hachmeister, 5. C. Werkmeister, 6. Jason Davis, 7. Dustin McClurg, 8. Cunningham, 9. Tilford, 10. Kyle Werkmeister, 11. Bob Rutherford, 12. Eilts (DNF).

IMCA Modifieds

Heat 1: 1. Gary Kline, 2. Mark Zorn, 3. Barry Maupin, 4. Drew Miller.

Heat 2: 1. Josh Hudson, 2. Jerry Phillips, 3. Rusty Miller, 4. Mitch Kline.

Cash Dash: Hudson.

Feature: 1. Hudson, 2. Phil-

lips, 3. Maupin, 4. Zorn, 5. Doug Shearer, 6. M. Kline, 7. D. Miller, 8. Mark Hamel, 9. G. Kline (DNF), 10. R. Miller (DNF), 11. Rick Schwab (DNF), 12. David Murray Jr. (DNF), 13. Wayne Houston (DNF).

4-cylinder Young Guns

Heat: 1. Michael Smith, 2. Tyrel Smith, 3. Jesse Dunlap, 4. Loyd Schoen.

Feature: 1. Schoen, 2. M. Smith, 3. Dunlap, 4. Art Herzog, 5. Rosie Werth (DNF), 6. T. Smith (DNF).

Sport Mods

Heat: 1. Brian Conness, 2. Jason Davis, 3. David Wimer, 4. Amanda Maupin.

Feature: 1. Conness, 2. Davis, 3. Adam Bryant, 4. Wimer, 5. Maupin, 6. Richard DeWald (DNS), 7. Robert McAfee (DNS).

Norton Open Disc Golf Tournament attracts 20

By DICK BOYD

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Twenty people competed in the 2008 Norton Open Disc Golf Tournament at Elmwood Park on Sunday, Aug. 10 despite the morning rain and muggy afternoon sun.

"For those who decided to play, the day turned out to be better than the morning began," said Don Mordecai.

Three Norton people competed and all three placed in their division. Mordecai finished third in the Masters Division. Chad Gasper placed second in Advanced and James Fawcett was second in the Am Division. Former Norton resident Rodney Dyck also participated.

Jeff Layland from Colorado Springs won the tournament. He said he plans to play some

larger tournaments in Colorado, Kansas and Kentucky and finish the season playing in the United States Disc Golf Championships in South Carolina in October.

Other competitors were from Salina, Ellis, Hays, Colby, Moundridge, Pratt and the state of Nebraska. Andy Lyne of Hays threw a hole-in-one on basket No. 11.

"Many thanks to the Norton City workers for their hard work

all season long," said Mordecai. "The course has been mowed often with special attention given to trimming stairs and other objects on the course right before the tournament.

"Also, branches were picked up and hauled away as needed. So, the course looked great! Details like this will bring people back to Norton, year after year.

"Also, a big thanks goes out to

all our sponsors!

"Despite the poor weather, this year's Norton Open was a success, especially if you add up all the fun people had getting to play disc golf!"

The sponsors were: Norton Travel and Tourism, Bullock, Inc., New Age Industries, Nex-Tech, Moffet Drug, Ace, Valley Hope Association, First Choice Insurance, Birdie; United Northwest

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NORCATUR

By VOLUNTEERS

After a rain shower, Mother Nature cooperated on Friday, June 20, with blue skies as the Cardinal Bar and Grill hosted a "Cruise in Night" for hot rods, classic cars and motorcycles. Welcome flags flew on Norcatour's Main Street for the evening visitors. Car count looked slim as C.W. Lyon and Scott Hartzog led the parade out of town in the fire truck, followed by parade marshal, Gerald Jackson and his passengers, Judy Jackson, Jackie Paler, Iris Smith and Devonna New, holding American flags.

As they made their way back into town around 16 cars from the Norton Car Club had joined in. As the parade ended there were 23 cars, four motorcycles and one antique pedal tractor.

Several locals entered cars and motorcycles including: Gerald Jackson, 1972 Impala Convertible; Gene Gallentine, 1954 GMC Pickup; Dwight Wentz, 1939 Chevy Sedan; Denny Leichter, 1970 Mustang Convertible; Larry Sumner, 1965 Chevy El Camino; Greg Sumner, 1967 Chevy Camaro; Dean Forbes, 1949 Chevy Business Coupe; Darrel and Alice Barnett, motorcycles; and Amiee Wentz, antique Pedal Tractor.

Jerry Wescott and staff provided an excellent pizza buffet and music was provided by "Country Plus" (Dallas, Delbert Jackson and Harlan Palmer) who played for a full house.

If you have broken limbs from our storms, place them at the edge of your yards and the Helm kids will be around to remove them for you. If you wish to give a donation to the good work of the Helm kids - do so. It is certainly a big help to all of us and a great job by the kids.

Family visitors to the Hill residences for the month of June were: Sandra Craig, Fort Collins, Colo.; Donna and Perry Garrison, Dewey, Okla.; Brett and Erin Fredrickson, Thornton, Colo.; and Bert, Lori, Kyler and Kaylee Irtenkau, Westminster, Colo. They celebrated a belated Mother's Day and Father's Day. Brett and Erin were picked up at Oberlin International by Brett's dad out of Longmont, Colo., on June 20 and they flew on to Warsaw, Mo., for a family reunion then returned on June 22 to Oberlin.

On Friday, June 27, Deb Combs went to Lincoln, Neb., to pick up her daughter, Senior Airman Riki Foes, who was returning from a six-month deployment to the Persian Gulf.

Oran and LaVerne Milner drove to Arapahoe, Neb., on Sunday, June 22, to attend the Bryant and Ervin family reunion.

Jay and Judy Anderson, New

Amsterdam, N.Y., were house guests of Ron and Gerry Temple. They were here for the funeral for his mother, Mrs. Fern Anderson on June 27.

They left for Minden, Neb., Monday morning and planned to meet the Temples in Kearney, Neb., on Tuesday where Ron had his dialysis treatment. The Andersons will go on to their home in Jamestown, N.Y. Jay is a Norcatour Rural High School graduate of the class of 1964.

Doug and Chris Dempewolf attended the Dempewolf family reunion in Oberlin on Saturday. Sharee Dempewolf stopped by for a short visit. Don and Laurene Dempewolf and family hosted the reunion this year.

Happy birthday and anniversary to Bee Nelson, July 4; Gerald and Judy Jackson, July 5; Von Johnson, Russell and Karyn James, July 7.

The family of Betty Reid celebrated her 90th birthday with an open house at Whispering Pines on Saturday afternoon. Cards can be sent to: 103 Whispering Pines, Norton, Kan., 67654.

Weekend guests of Arlene Hix were Marjorie Prince of Liberty, Mo., and her grandson, Scott, Tiffany and Dakota Spencer, Kearney, Mo.

Friends and family helped Bev Miller DeLano of Wichita, celebrate her 50th birthday in Norcatour at the Cardinal Bar and Grill with Karaoke.

Included in the celebration were two of her classmates and their families, Ron Montgomery and Greg Long.

Golfer outstanding on course

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The Prairie Dog Recreation Association Golf Course south of Norton opened 40 years ago this summer and, according to reigning Norton Blue Jay Booster of the Year Jack Ward, 63 different golfers have scored a hole-in-one on the local course.

Jack informed The Telegram

that Ken Gregoire of Norton has scored six holes-in-one himself. Jack also says that the odds of an average golfer scoring a hole-in-one is 12,500 to 1 and, believe it or not, that the odds of scoring a second one are only 8,000 to 1.

Ken scored his first hole-in-one in 1997 and his sixth in 2007.

"This is a phenomenal feat, six holes-in-one in 10 years," says

Jack. "You see a lot of odds on a hole-in-one tossed around. Insurance companies set odds from 10,000 to 15,000 to 1 at 150 yards.

"Everyone has an opinion on hole-in-ones.

"I'd guess that the odds of one person hitting six of them would be 146,000 to 1!"

LYLE NEWS

By VEDA WOOD
Correspondent

On July 27, descendants of Samuel and Elizabeth Powell met for their annual family picnic on the land that Samuel homesteaded many years ago.

Fifty-five descendants attended from California, Washington, Colorado, Missouri, Florida, Nebraska and Kansas.

On Aug. 3, Margaret "Toots" Magers attended the Magers reunion at the Educational Building in Norcatour.

Sheryl Patterson spent some time in the McCook hospital. Carol Moye took Veda Wood to visit her, and Sheryl got home just as they arrived at her home. She is better, but is scheduled for more tests.

A birthday party was held for Emily Bader and Grant Slater at the home of A.J. and Tielia High. Guests were Don and Caron High, John and Carol Moye, Oberlin, and Veda Wood. In the process, Carol and I had intended to bring something for Aubrey, who is too young to understand why some people are getting gifts and she isn't. When she got a cup cake

with three candles, everything was all right.

DeWayne Jackson brought the message at the Lyle Church on Sunday, and the usual "first Sunday of the month" dinner was held at the Lyle Community building. We were happy to have Norcatour's minister, Larry Danforth, as a guest. Susan Bolek also visited with her mother, Lora Arnold.

Merlin and Teri Wood sent pictures of their son Michael's graduation from boot camp in Parris Island, Fla.

Keith Anthony is healing from Carpel-tunnel surgery and plans to have the other hand done. He is doing fine.

The Liberty Star club met on July 9, with Cathy Anthony taking the place of Veda Wood as hostess, as she wasn't feeling too peppy yet. Kathy Van Meter gave a very interesting report on her recent trips to Chicago, New Jersey and Washington D.C. with pictures. There were five members present and a guest, Mary Leslie. The club made plans for the upcoming picnic and fair week, where we will take turns sitting at the 4-H building.

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