

Three drivers repeat at Elmwood

By Mike Hughes

Three drivers in their respective divisions made it to victory lane for the second race in a row at Elmwood Park Speedway in Norton, KS, on Saturday evening, April 21.

The first to accomplish the feat was Lenora's Jay Hachmeister in the IMCA Stock Car division. Hometown driver Jason Davis led the first 6 laps before Hachmeister took the lead as the field saw the crossed flags at the halfway mark in the 15-lap race. Hachmeister would hold off heat race winner Davis for the win, with Pat Bedore, Bob Rutherford and Eric Kinderknecht rounding out the top five.

Brian Conness of WaKeeney was the second driver to repeat. Jason Nelssen led the opening lap of the 15-lap IMCA Sport Mod feature before Kaid Calhoun took over the top spot. Heat one victor Conness then took control on lap 6 and was first to the checkers. Cory Struckhoff, heat two winner Nelssen, Tanner Portenier and Dan Lauer

completed the top five.

The third person to win back to back at the half-mile was Anthony Martin of Wilcox, NE, in the IMCA Hobby Stock class, but caught a break to get his second win. Tyrel Smith led at the drop of the green, only to be passed on the next lap by Cody 'Bam Bam' Graham. Graham appeared to have the 15-lap event in hand until the caution came out on lap 11 when Jacob Crowell stalled. While under caution, Graham went to the pits, done for the night, giving Martin the lead on the restart. Martin held off challenges from runner-up Brian Stich and Jeremy Wagner for the win. Smith and Crowell finished fourth and fifth. Heat race winners were Stich and Wagner.

Darren Berry of McCook, NE, took the lead from heat race winner Ron Hadley on lap 3 of the IMCA 305 Sprint Car feature and won by a straightaway. Randy Bantam was second, followed by Hadley and Tom Belsky.

Brian Calhoun of Beloit won the IMCA Modified feature. He also won the heat race.

The regular five classes return on Saturday, May 12, with the green flag flying at 7:00 p.m.

RESULTS

IMCA Hobby Stocks

Heat 1: 1. Brian Stich, 2. Anthony Martin, 3. Jason McIntyre, 4. Theron Martin.

Heat 2: 1. Jeremy Wagner, 2. Tyrel Smith, 3. Cody Graham, 4. Jacob Crowell.

Feature: 1. A. Martin, 2. Stich, 3. Wagner, 4. Smith, 5. Crowell, 6. McIntyre, 7. T. Martin, 8. Graham (DNF), 9. Cody Williams (DNF), 10. Jason Brin (DNF), 11. Jeremy Couse (DNS), 12. Ray Caldwell (DNS).

IMCA Sport Mods

Heat 1: 1. Brian Conness, 2. Tanner Portenier, 3. Matthew Crowell, 4. Austin Walker.

Heat 2: 1. Jason Nelssen, 2. Cory Struckhoff, 3. Kaid Calhoun, 4. Dan Lauer.

Feature: 1. Conness, 2. Struckhoff, 3. Nelssen, 4. Portenier, 5. Lauer, 6. Crowell, 7. Walker, 8. Frank McClurg, 9. J.R. Ewing, 10. Calhoun (DNF), 11. Jay Weigel (DNF), 12. Ted Kutsch (DNF).

IMCA Stock Cars

Heat: 1. Jason Davis, 2. Jay Hachmeister, 3. Josh Hudson, 4. Pat Bedore.

Feature: 1. Hachmeister, 2. Davis, 3. Bedore, 4. Bob Rutherford, 5. Eric Kinderknecht, 6. Chase Conaway, 7. Hudson (DNF), 8. Dustin McClurg (DNS).

IMCA 305 Sprint Cars

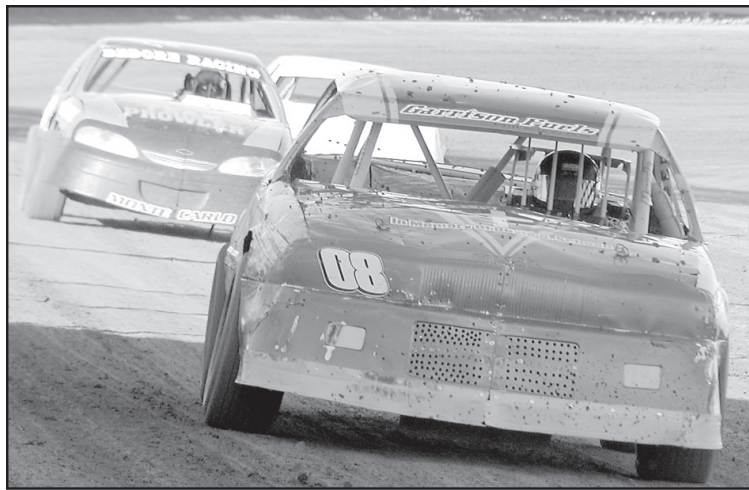
Heat: 1. Ron Hadley, 2. Michael Williams, 3. Darren Berry, 4. Randy Bantam.

Feature: 1. Berry, 2. Bantam, 3. Hadley, 4. Tom Belsky, 5. Williams (DNF).

IMCA Modifieds

Heat: 1. Brian Calhoun.

Feature: 1. Calhoun, 2. David Brack (DNF).



The Norton Elmwood Park Racing Association held their second race of the season Saturday night with three drivers returning to take a first place flag again at Elmwood Speedway. Several Norton County drivers competed again this week, all putting forth a great effort and placing well in their heat races.

—Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

Fun for the family



The Norton fourth grade students brought their parents to the Eisenhower Elementary school annual family fun night last Thursday. The evening featured many activities, including how to make a healthy fun snack, how to protect yourself from the damaging rays of the sun and how to incorporate problem solving in a fun game, along with team building exercises. The evening was made possible by a mini "Team Nutrition" grant from the Kansas Department of Education, the Norton County Health Department, Norton's Coordinated School Health Committee and Eisenhower staff, along with volunteers from the community. Pictured, Eisenhower student Tucker Pfannenstiel teaches his mother, Leslie, the art of Speed Stacking, which teaches hand-eye coordination and patterns.

— Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

Museum News

The Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum presents "Grass Roots: African Origins of an American Art." This exhibition has been made possible through NEH on the Road, a special initiative of the National Endowment for the Humanities. It is brought to you by Mid-American Arts Alliance and organized by the Museum for African Art in New York City. This exhibit will be displayed through May 27.

The annual meeting was held Sunday, April 15 at 2 p.m. in the Dane G. Hansen Community Room. We had 40 in attendance for a wonderful afternoon. A presentation of a colored print of Dane and Polly Bales was made and Polly was

recognized for her 40 years of service to the museum. Polly and niece Suzanne Lara were not able to be present for the presentation. Professors Ben Cline and Matt Means from the Fort Hays State University Music Department presented a wonderful musical program. Larry Foster from Texas gave a speech on some of the highlights of Polly's life in Logan and the difference she made in the lives of many individuals. The drawing was held for the Arts and Crafts chain saw artist carving and the winner was Don Van Roekel.

Our April Artist of the Month is Blaine White of Downs. Blaine has wood intarsia items on display and for sale.

JENNINGS NEWS

Easter dinner guests at the home of Stan and Ramona Shaw included Kevin and Colleen Waggoner, Sharon Springs; Jeff and Mary Wahlmeier, rural Clayton; Adam Wahlmeier, Norton. Nick and Kerrie Wahlmeier and Trenton, Oberlin visited in the afternoon. They also visited at the home of Agnes Wahlmeier. Kevin and Colleen also visited Alice and Wilfred Waggoner.

A beautiful Easter service at the United Methodist Church in Jennings was attended by many. The choir cantata and candle light service was nice. Many had family members visiting and attended the service with them.

Saturday was a busy day in town. The weather forecast didn't sound favorable but all clean-up crews continued to work throughout the day. Many truck loads were hauled away to Jennings landfill, Oberlin landfill and to Norton iron yard.

Paul and Kathy Nauer traveled to eastern Nebraska to spend the Easter holiday with Marc and Roxanne Groff and children Jadan, Jake and Jordan in Garland, Neb.; Dennis and Amy Groff and children Ashlen, Dani and Caleb of Wahoo, Neb. and Jeff and Amy Beresh and Camden, Bennington Neb.

Prayer concerns heard at the United Methodist Church Sunday were for the following

people: Martin LaRue, who has been moved back to Oberlin from Kearney hospital and is doing well; Violet Foster, who had elbow surgery on Wednesday last week; Roger Tacha, Oakley,

A bountiful meal was prepared by members of the community. We thank everyone for their help, furnishing trucks, tractors and lots of manual labor.

Several more water meters will be moved by Septic-Tech from basements to outside barrels on Wednesday and Thursday. Sunflower Senior Citizens potluck was held Tuesday, April 10. Those enjoying the meal and social gathering were Stan and Ramona Shaw, Agnes Wahlmeier, Carol Carter, Linda Spesser, Eleanor Morel, Bob and Neoma Tacha, John Kettling, Wayne and Louise Cressler.

Cards were played at the center on Wednesday. Two tables of four played pinochle. Mother-daughter partners Diane Carter and Eleanor Morel won most games at high table. Other players were Scott Taylor, Stan Shaw, Ramona Shaw, Wayne Cressler, Alice Waggoner and Louise Cressler.

had shoulder surgery this past week; Tony Krizek, Hays, who was in a farm accident; Rachel Carter, who is consulting with a heart specialist this week.

Those enjoying playing cards on Wednesday were: Agnes Wahlmeier, Carol Carter, Eleanor Morel, Stan Shaw, Ramona Shaw, Alice Waggoner, Alice Mizer, Wayne Cressler and Louise Cressler. Linda Spesser was also there and enjoyed watching the card playing. Please feel free to come join us on Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at the Sunflower Senior Center.

Thursday and Friday the city got three more water meters

moved outside and three others changed out so they will be easier to read. Work will continue to be done until all meters can be read from the meter barrels.

Good to see Gail Brandyberry, postmistress, working at our Post Office. She is here a few days while Jackie Douglas, Officer-in-Charge, has some days off.

Not many people have their gardens planted yet. Last night was a cold night so maybe just as well we wait a while.

I apologize for not getting some of the news sent the past weeks. We think we have the problem solved now.

LYLE NEWS

Linda McFarland, Megan, their friend, Teresa, and June Jolly went to Omaha, Neb., on Saturday, April 14. The girls attended an opera while June visited her son, Carroll and family, and kept track of the storms. While returning home on Sunday, they managed to evade a long wait on highway I-80 where traffic was stopped because of a burning truck.

Liberty Star Club met at the home of hostess, Carol Moye, with Kathy Van Meter, Toots Magers, Joyce Price, Babe Hawkins, new member Sandy Gade, Carolyn Plotts, Veda Wood, and two children, Kylie and Skylar. The ladies had a plant sale/exchange which was fun and added to their meager coffer.

Martha Scrivner Mack, her daughter, Sherry Abernathy and Sherry's son and daughter, Robert and Susan of St. Louis, Mo. visited Toots Magers on Tuesday.

Teresa Wood picked up Veda Wood and went to the Andbe Home in Norton on Wednesday, April 18 and visited with Oran and Laverne Milner. Veda visited with John and Marilyn Mann and found that C.J. has returned to her home. The other daughter has gone back to work. I missed

Eleanor Jensen, but had a good visit with Grace Reeves. She enjoys the Norcat news, and says, "Keep writing".

Toots Magers, Joyce Sumner, Gary Anthony and Veda Wood attended the Memorial service for Carol Woodmansee in Almena on Saturday. Afterward, Toots stopped to see her daughter, Jane Engelhardt and got her hair cut.

People who attended church in Lyle on Sunday morning enjoyed a special breakfast: a rerun of the Easter casseroles which had rested in Toots' freezer. The tables can be transformed instantly from work benches, to dining tables, not long ago into 4H projects etc. to places of worship and fellowship.

Judy and Charlie Easton visited Toots Magers Sunday afternoon.

June Jolly entertained eleven members of her KT Club at the Senior Center in McCook, Neb. on Thursday.

Kathy Van Meter and Lloyd Frandsen were guests of the First State Bank of Holbrook on Thursday. They saw the movie about the race horse, Secretariat.

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