

PRP Press Release – 22nd Annual Dillow Memorial – Chuck Greenslate

Over 100 race teams visited Portsmouth this past weekend for the 22nd annual Fred Dillow Memorial at Portsmouth Raceway Park.

Young gun Devin Moran captured the Late Model A-Main. One-man show Josh Scott was the man in the Modifieds. Kevin Wagner grabbed his first-ever PRP feature win in the Limited Lates, and Shane Pendleton outdueled his son Zach in the Bombers.

Every class had increased purses, bonuses, and monetary awards for winning heat races as the Dillow Family raised nearly \$32,000 for this event. There were also plenty of door prizes which were given to many of the drivers and fans who were in attendance.

The Fred Dillow Memorial is one of PRP's crown jewels. This race has become one of the signature events on the schedule unique in the sense that it supplies high payouts for multiple divisions all while keeping admission prices the same.

Even though Portsmouth Raceway Park has multiple marquee events for Late Models and Modifieds along with special evenings highlighting the Limited Lates and Bombers, the Dillow race encompasses all classes and honors them all on the same night.

This year's Dillow race was initially scheduled for Saturday, but rain forced it to be pushed back a day. An early start Sunday afternoon allowed for a little day racing under the August sun.

Moran was the class of the field in the Late Models. The 21-year-old from Dresden led every lap of every race he competed in, but don't think for a second that it came easy. Moran arguably made the move of the night making it three-wide off of turn 4 to go from third to first and take the lead on lap 1 of The Sgt. Tim Moore Late Model Dash.

Moran would go on to win the Dash earning the pole for the feature. He led all 40 laps of the Glockner.com/Keaton's Collision Center feature but had to wheel his car through lapped traffic slicing and dicing his way through slower cars in the field.

Tyler Carpenter was the runner-up. Jackie Boggs, who captured \$1,077 earlier in the evening for setting quick time in the Bozo Bragdon Memorial "Just Give Me One Lap" Late Model Time Trials, placed third.

Dustin Linville and Delmas Conley rounded out the top five. Nick Bocook, Steve Francis, Shannon Thornsberry, Mark Frazier, and Brandon Fouts completed the top 10.

The Impact Race Gear Late Model Heat Race winners were Jason Montgomery, Mark Frazier, and Kenny Christy.

Derek Fisher pocketed \$100 from Dowdy Trucking for the being the first driver to not transfer from the B-Main.

Moran won a \$50-dollar bonus from Jason Perry Racing for leading the first lap of the A-Main. Moran also picked up \$600 for earning The Ryan Pfunk Potter Halfway Leader Award. For winning the feature, Moran earned \$5,000 and a provisional starting spot in this September's Hillbilly Hundred scheduled for September 4th at Tyler County Speedway in West Virginia.

Francis won the Shain Custom Decals, Motorsports Graphics and Designs Hard Charger Award as he moved up nine spots in the A-Main.

Kenny Christy won the Best Appearing Late Model Award.

Modified driver Josh Scott supplied quite a story. He was not in attendance Saturday. He woke up Sunday, saw on social media that the Dillow Memorial was going to be run on Sunday, and decided to make the four-hour haul from Grand Rapids, OH all by himself.

His decision to visit Portsmouth proved to be a good one. Scott held off Jackie Boggs to take the win The Dale "Buddha" Lyons Modified Feature. Jody Puckett, David McWilliams, Luke Jordan, Jason Montgomery, Jimmy Lennex, Adam Stricker, Eddie Harmon, and James Rigsby rounded out the top 10.

Scott also earned the Ryan Pfunk Potter Halfway Award and the Thomas "TC" Childress, Jr. Fast Time Award.

The UMP Modified Heats raced in honor of Pappy Harshbarger were won by Scott, Jason Montgomery, Jody Puckett, Keith Smith and Craig Christian.

Adam Colley, Brianna Robinson, and Justin Jacobs won the Robinson's Auto Sales "So Close" Awards for being the first drivers to not transfer from the three Modified B-Mains.

Eddie Carrier, Jr. won the Walker Construction Hard Charger Award in memory of Linda Walker.

Henry Lawson got the Dangerous Dan Aldridge Tough Break Award.

In the Limited Lates, Wheelersburg's Kevin Wagner fended off Portsmouth's Billy Staker to take the checkers. For Wagner, who finished second in last season's Late Model point standings, it was his first PRP feature win.

Cameron Logan, Joe Whitt, Matt Melvin, Randy Ross, Evyian Terry, Austin Mullett, Ronnie Whitt, and Dillon Huron made up the rest of the top 10 in the Giovanni's Wholesale Limited Late Model A-Main.

Huron was The Bradley's Racing Apparel Hard Charger.

Wagner, Staker, and Logan won the Ideal Wheels Limited Late Model Heats.

In the H & H Continuous Bomber Feature, Shane Pendleton outgunned his son Zach to take the

win. The rest of the top 10 was made up of Brian Sammons, Rick Butler, Bo McCarty, Mike Drake, Frankie King, Wayne Hughes, Adam Wills, and Mathew McClain.

McCarty was the H & H Continuous Guttering Hard Charger. Sammons won the Weeks Wrecker Service Bomber Heat.

PRP will be back in action this coming Saturday for Vallery Chevrolet Fan Appreciation Night. Adult general admission ticket prices will be just five dollars apiece. Late Models, Modifieds, Limited Lates, Bombers, and Sport Mods will be on the card.