

PRP Press Release – Meet the Drivers Night – Chuck Greenslate

Portsmouth Raceway Park hosted Masterworks Jewelry Design and Repair Studio "Meet The Drivers Night" this past weekend. A great crowd of fans and 136 race teams were on hand to witness the final points race of the season and the last race prior to this October's Dirt Track World Championship.

Last weekend's card brought plenty of action. Counting all the heats, B-Mains, and Features, PRP fans were witness to a staggering 24 different races.

R.J. Conley, Ervin Vance, Cameron Logan, Brian Sammons, Jr., Zack Pendleton, and Steve Duderstadt all recorded wins. Nick Bocook, Vance, Emily Jordan, Logan, and Pendleton all captured track championships.

In the Giovanni's Pizza Late Model Division, Wheelersburg's R.J. Conley was on top of his game. The former track champ won the Dash and led every lap of the A-Main. Jackie Boggs, Delmas Conley, Kenny Christy, and Jason Montgomery made up the rest of the top five. Shannon Thornsberry, Stephen Breeding, Mark Frazier, Audie Swartz, and Matt Ireby rounded out the top 10.

Despite having motor issues early on in the evening, Wheelersburg-native Nick Bocook had built a large enough points lead that he already had the championship clinched before the night ever started.

For Bocook, it's his first PRP track championship. The 16-year racing veteran won three races this season on his way to the title.

In the R.W. Rental and Supplies Modifieds, Ervin Vance took the lead early in the A-Main and would never be challenged. The Beaver, KY driver captured his eighth win of the year and in doing so grabbed his first PRP championship.

Jackie Boggs, Jeremy Rayburn, Eddie Harmon, Jimmy Lennex, David McWilliams, Jody Puckett, Justin Jacobs, Scott LeMaster, and Brandon Russell closed out the top 10.

Like Bocook and Vance, Cameron Logan solidified his name in the PRP history books earning his first PRP title. The O'Reilly Auto Parts Limited Late Model Driver from Catlettsburg, KY not only won the championship, he also won the feature.

Finishing behind Logan were Matt Melvin, Joe Whitt, Vincent Bender, and Randy Ross. The next five were Kevin Wagner, Austin Mullett, Kenneth Atkins, Chris Lockhart, and Danny McGowan.

In the Sport Mod Divison, Brian Sammons, Jr. did all he could do to try and claim his first title. The Olive Hill, KY driver won the race giving him five victories on the year, but while he had the most wins in the class, Emily Jordan exemplified the most

consistency.

Jordan placed third giving her enough points to fend off Sammons for the track championship. The young lady from South Webster made history on multiple counts. She became the first PRP track champ in the Sport Mod Division which capped its inaugural season, but she also became the first female in the 26-year history of Portsmouth Raceway Park to win a championship.

Finishing in between Sammons and Jordan in Saturday's Sport Mod Feature was Brianna Robinson. Alan Gulley and 14-year-old Brayden Berry rounded out the top five. Derek Richmond, Joe McClain, Jimmie Spillman, Robert Lunsford, and Randy Taylor made up the remainder of the top 10.

In the M & M Inflatables Bombers, Zack Pendleton went the way of Vance and Logan. He won the race and won the championship. Zach earned his eighth win of the year by finishing one position ahead of his father Shane. Those two actually wound up tied for the track championship, but Zack wins the tie-breaker by having the most wins.

Finishing behind the Pendletons in Saturday's Bomber A-Main were Wayne Hughes, Rick Butler, Mike Drake, Joey Clark, Kasey Black, Matthew McClain, and Adam Wills

As a special attraction to Saturday's card, The Ohio Valley Roofers Legends Car Series was on hand. Cincinnati's Steve Duderstadt won the feature. Shawn Scott, Josh Francis, John Gutman, Cole Demint, Rusty Demint, Tom Partin, Ashley Tackett, Lee Haskins, and Rob Puckett rounded out the top 10.

PRP's final race of the season will be the 36th annual Dirt Track World Championship, which is a three-day event scheduled for October 13th, 14th, and 15th.

On the schedule will be Late Models and Modifieds. This crown jewel of dirt track racing will pay \$100,000 to win in the Late Model Division and \$4,000 to win in the Modifieds. The total purse is over \$250,000. For more details, log on to www.portsraceway.com.