

## Dixie Speedway Hosts the Old Man's Garage Spring Nationals Series by Schaeffer's Oil as the Headliner for the Memorial Day Weekend

Story/photos by Phillip Prichard

Dixie Speedway kicked off the Memorial Day weekend by hosting the Ray Cook -promoted Old Man's Garage Spring Nationals Series presented by Schaeffer's Oil for a \$6,000-to-win, 50-lap Super Late Model event. Dixie Speedway is in their 45th season of racing at the Woodstock facility. In addition to the Super Late Model event, the following classes also competed: Crate Late Models; Steelhead Late Models; Pony Series; Econo Bombers; Super Bombers; and the Cruisers.

The race marked the final points paying event on the 10-race mini tour Old Man's Garage Spring Nationals Series promoted by racer Ray Cook on Saturday Night May 10th and the championship awards presentation took place immediately following the main event.

Dale McDowell dominated the Memorial Day Weekend with his second weekend win on the Old Man's Garage Spring Nationals Series by Schaeffer's Oil and his third straight victory on Saturday night, May 24th at Dixie Speedway, as the track saw one of its largest crowds in its 45-year history.

The Chickamauga, GA. driver led flag-to-flag for the \$6,000 payday at Dixie. McDowell earned \$10,000 total for the weekend as he also won on Friday Night at Boyd's Speedway driving the Team Dillon Racing, E.C.R. powered Warrior Race Car Impala SS to the win.

McDowell was the fastest car in FK Rod Ends Time Trials with a time of 15.081 seconds, besting a field of 43 entries. Heat Race Winners were Donald McIntosh, Michael Page, Jason Hiatt and Tony Knowles. The Last Chance Showdown Consey winner went to Shawn Chastain.

Billy Ogle Jr. captured the Series Title for the first time. Ogle picked up the \$5,000 championship check in the Larry Garner-owned, Blount Motorsports Rocket Chassis. Michael Chilton of Salvisa, KY finished second in the points and Donald McIntosh of Dawsonville, Ga. finished third.

**Old Man's Garage Spring Nationals Series Feature Finish:** 1. Dale McDowell-Chickamauga, GA; 2. Billy Ogle Jr.-Knoxville, TN; 3. Casey Roberts-Toccoa, GA; 4. Austin Kirkpatrick-Ocala, FL; 5. Randy Weaver-Crossville, TN; 6. Michael Chilton-Salvisa, KY; 7. Michael Page-Douglasville, GA; 8. Tony Knowles-Newnan, GA; 9. Eric Jacobsen-Rio Del Mar, CA; 10. Joe Armistead Jr.-Senoia, GA

In the Crate Late Model Series: Mark Page in the 18 was the victor; 2. Hunter Jones (54); 3. Justin Shipley (08); 4. Mason Massey (15).

In the Steel Head Late Model Series; Dillon Tidmore in the 38 was the winner; 2. Scottie Pritchett (23) 3. Chris Fennell (29).

Dan Meadows (07) won the Econo Bomber series; Kenny Taylor (F5) won the Super Bomber series and Shannon Ethridge (21) won the Pony series.

Dixie Speedway races every Saturday



**BILLY OGLE JR  
SPRING NATIONALS CHAMP**

night until October 4. Visit their webpage at <http://www.dixiespeedway.com> for more details. The 2014 Schaeffer Summer Nationals will kick off a ten race series starting 21 July, visit [http://www.southern-nationalsseries.com/southern\\_schedule.html](http://www.southern-nationalsseries.com/southern_schedule.html) for detail.



**MASON FINISHED 4TH IN CRATE RACE**

## Randy Weaver Caps Off Memorial Day Weekend with \$2k Rome Win!

Story/photos by Phillip Prichard

Rome Speedway kicked off their season opener race with a full slate of racing on Memorial Day weekend. In front of a near capacity crowd, fans were treated to six classes of racing with excitement brewing throughout the evening.

In the Super Late Model class, Crossville, Tennessee ace, Randy Weaver, capped off his Memorial Day holiday weekend as he recorded his first victory of the 2014 campaign at the ultra-fast Rome Speedway in Rome, Georgia! After posting the second fastest time during qualifying at Rome, Weaver started the unsanctioned main event from the outside of the front row. Weaver, nicknamed "Dream," got the jump at the drop of the green flag and paced the field for all thirty circuits en route to capturing the \$2,000 top prize over Jason Hiatt, Austin Kirkpatrick, Jake Knowles, and Casey Roberts. Twenty-six Super Late Models were on hand for the Sunday night event. Weaver has 338 Career Feature Victories.

**SUPER LATE MODEL Top Ten Results** were 1. Randy Weaver (116) 2. Jason Hiatt (1) 3. Austin Kirkpatrick (11) 4. Jake Knowles (66) 5. Casey Roberts (101)

6. Jason Welshan (29) 7. Tyler Millwood (X) 8. Jeff Smith (17s) 9. Doug Stevens (77) 10. Joe Armistead Jr (21).

Todd Hernandez in the T6 won the Steelhead Late Model event. Chris Fennell (29) was second, Justin Litchford (4) was third, Joey Armistead (21) was fourth, and Jason Smith (84) was fifth. Seventeen Steelhead Late Models were on hand for the event.

Mark Page captured the Crate Late Model series win after Zach Pilcher was disqualified after his engine was torn down as a result of a protest. Twenty-two Crate Late Models were on hand for the evening. A first lap wreck took out three of late models. The Top Ten results were 1. Mark Page(18) 2. Justin Shipley (08) 3. TJ Brittain (05) 4. Kyle May (55) 5. Hunter Jones (54) 6. David Beam (44) 7. Mark Richardson (8) 8. Jimmy Ivester (37) 9. George Ervin (52) 10. Cody Richards (71)

Andy Morris (40) won in the Super Bombers class, David Burtz (31) won the Econo Bomber class, and Mitchell Pope (56) won the Pony Stock class.

Rome Speedway has five more events scheduled for 2014, check out <http://www.dixiespeedway.com/schedule/> for details.

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