Short Track

411 Speedway - McIntosh Wins Hangover Race Again

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It did not seem that anyone had a New Year's Eve hangover for the Hangover 40 race and six other classes of racing at the 411 Speedway on New Year's Day. 208 of the best drivers from all of the southeast showed to give a record number of



Donald McIntosh in the #7 and Ray Cook in the #53 starting on the front row of the Hangover 40 race at 411 Speedway

fans some great racing.

Forty-two Super Late Models competed for one the twenty-two starting positions for the Hangover 40 with \$4,000 to win Super Late Model feature. Ray Cook was the fastest qualifier in Group A with a 13.858 and Donald McIntosh was the fastest in Group B with at 13.821 at the 3/8 mile banked oval. Donald McIntosh has been the man to beat every time the Supers are in town. Being the defending Hangover champion it was no surprise to anyone when he qualified his #7 machine on the front row. When the green flag flew, McIntosh powered into the lead off turn two with Cook in chase. Jason Hiett had the heat turned up on Ray Cook for the runner up spot in the opening laps. The caution waved for Mack McCarter who spun in turn one slowing the action for the first time in the 40 lap event. On the restart Cook retook the second spot with an amazing power move off turn two showing us why he is a legend in the sport of auto racing. Cook looked to have found something and he used the high line to close the gap on the leader. Lap traffic would come into play however as Cook got caught up behind a slower car allowing McIntosh to get away and stretch his lead out with just 10 laps left. McIntosh worked the lap traffic perfectly and went on

over 40 win. The finish was: 1: #7 Donald McIntosh; 2: #1H Jason Hiett; 3: #53 Ray Cook; 4: #R1 Riley Hickman; 5: #11 Tommy Bailey; 6: #D8 Dustin Linville; 7: #8 Joe Leavell 8: #23 Cory Hedgecock; 9: #11B Stacy Boles; 10: #32 Jason Manley;

to pick up his second straight Hang-



Something seldom seen at dirt track is a Street Stock station wagon, Eddie Stewart in the #119 finished 2nd to **Shannon Emery**

Riley Hickman in the #R1 eases by the spin of #51 of Mack McCarter that also collected #36 of Matt Irey and #29 of Jason Welshan

11: #30 Ryan King; 12: #5 Stephen Breeding; 13: #21K Dahotah Knuckles; 14: #36 Matt Irey; 15: #10 Chad Ogle; 16: #25 Bobby Mays; 17: #J7 Jadon Frame 18: #85 Tom Maddox; 19: #0 Ross White; 20: #29 Jason Welshan;21: #121 Benji Cole; and 22: #51 Mack McCarter

Ray Cook set fast time in The Crate class with a 14.253 lap. After finishing 3rd in the Super Late Model race, Cook was looking for a little redemption. With the green in the air Tom Maddox took the lead with Cook and John Ownbey the top three in line. It wouldn't take Cook long to make his move and on lap 5 he powered past Maddox into the lead and the win.

The next event at 411 Speedway is the Feburary 13 Sweetheart Race – LLM \$1,500 to win, Crates \$1,500 to win, Sportsman \$700 to win, Street Stocks \$700 to win, Mini Stocks \$500 to win. Speedway owner Mitch McCarter has increased the Frostbuster on Feb. 27 to \$7,151 to win for the @SoNationals Bonus Series opener! Visit 411motorspeedway.net for more information.

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SENOIA RACEWAY RELEASES SEASON SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTED BY SERIES RETURNS AND HUGE YEAR END PAYDAY

The anticipation of the 2016 \$10,000 to win main event for season at Senoia Raceway grew stronger earlier this week when the 3/8ths mile speed plant released it's season schedule. The second year promotional team of Bill Massey, Mayes Massey and Doug Stevens unfurled a line-up of racing that has the area racing community buzzing with excitement.

"I cannot wait for the year to get going," said James Beverly on the track's social media page. "I will be there Nov. 17-19 and as much during the season as possible."

Beverly referred to the newly created year end special that was announced with the schedule release. This fall the track known as the 'Bull Ring' will showcase three divisions of late models and several other classes in a three day showdown culminating with a

the Super Late Models. It will be the richest payday in the history of the track.

"We were really excited to announce the inaugural Showdown in Senoia weekend," said Mayes Massey. "We saw some really good competition last year, but many of our special shows had conflicts with other series. This November show will stand alone and should bring some of the very best to compete on this tough track."

Drivers will have plenty of opportunity to prepare for the year end special. Senoia Raceway will open it's gates for the season opener on Saturday, Mar. 5. The Super Late Models, Limited Late Models, Crate Late Models, B Cadets, Hobby Stock, Bomber and Mini Stock will compete weekly with a number of special events for all classes. The

season will continue through the end of October before ending with the Showdown.

Ray Cook's Spring Nationals will make a return to the 'Bull Ring' at the end of March with a first time double-header weekend. Super Late Model competitors will race for a \$4000 to win purse on Friday before Saturday night's \$6000 to win tilt.

The Southern All Star Dirt Late Model tour will return to the track for the first time in over 30 years with a pair of races. Tour competitors will chase a \$4000 pay day on May 14th before returning for the 2nd Annual Billy Clanton Classic on Saturday, July 2nd. Defending World of Outlaws Late Model Series champion Shane Clanton is expected to defend his first year title in the Classic honoring his late father.

Other special events

include the Summer Sizzler in mid-June for the Limited Late Models; Friends of the Dream 40 for Super Late Models in August and the Senoia Summer Nationals VII for the winged outlaw sprint cars just before Labor Day. The season points race will begin on April 16th and conclude with a double points shoot-out on September 10th. The track will again award trophies and year end point fund bonuses to the top drivers in each of their seven weekly divisions.

Get a jump on open practice on Saturday, Feb. 27 from 6pm to 9pm. Grandstand admission that day will be free.

For additional information. full schedule, rules and more, visit senoiaraceway.com/ or call the track at 770-599-6161.

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