

Jonathan Davenport Conquers Rome

Schaeffer Oil Southern Nationals Series

July 17, 2011 -Jonathan Davenport set fast time of the night and peddled his Barry Wright Race Cars House Car on to the checkered to grab the Ray Cook's Southern Nationals Series event at Rome Speedway.

After looping his Super Car on his first qualifying lap, Davenport regrouped and laid down a second lap of 14.111 seconds to earn the pole.

Davenport and Casey Roberts led the field to the green with Ty Dillon, grandson of Richard Childress, inside of the second row.

The green flew and thunder roared as the pack blasted into turns one and two with Davenport and Roberts side-by-side! Then Ty Dillon throttled his ride under the pair coming off turn two! It was a spectacular pass! He was really hooked up!

Ty went on to lead until the first yellow flew on lap fifteen (Southern Nationals Series official score. I was there, thought it was on lap fourteen.) At that point, while the race was under caution, Dillon was forced to pit with a flat right rear. Perhaps he was too soft with his tire choice for the high-banks of Rome.

With Dillon in the pits, Davenport moved to the front with Roberts in second. The race restarted — Chris Madden quickly moved to the top of the track and drove past Chris Ferguson and Chip Brindle into the third spot!

Madden, still on the top, continued his charge to the front moving around Roberts during the middle stages of the race. He began to pressure Davenport for the lead!

With the pressure being applied by Madden — Davenport moved up the track and was able to hold off the hard-charging series point-leader for the win! Casey Roberts, Chris Ferguson, and Aaron Ridley rounded out the top five respectively.

"They was going high, low every other lap," said Davenport of his challengers after the race. "I just tried to find me one consistent line, but I don't think I ever even done that. It was so rough getting into [turn] one down here, I never

really knew exactly where to go. I don't think there's a place on this racetrack I haven't been." (Quote by Davenport from Dirt-on-Dirt)

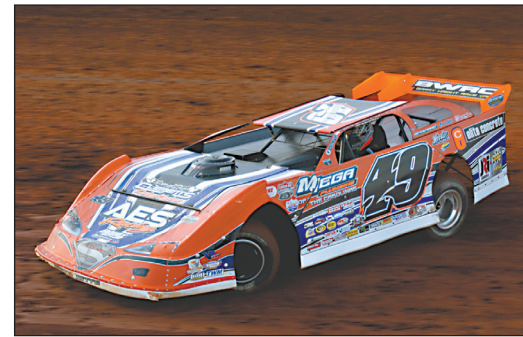
Jimmy Mosteller was back home at his favorite racetrack for this event. He was making some pre-race announcements from the top of the grandstands!

For those of you that do not know Jimmy, he is one of Georgia's best known racing announcers. Years ago he founded the Hav-A-Tampa Dirt Series — which, if I understand correctly, has now evolved into the Lucas Oil Series.

Jimmy had lost his wife few days earlier — and it seemed that being here at Rome was "good medicine" for him. He is pictured here with the latest issue of MSA, which he enjoys reading he says.

Race fans — please keep Jimmy in your prayers.

-Rocky Sinyard



ATTENTION BMW & MINI OWNERS



**Performance Tuning for
GREATER POWER
AND PERFORMANCE**

WE HAVE THE EXPERTISE AND DIAGNOSTIC EQUIPMENT FOR YOUR IMPORT

**WIZARD AUTOMOTIVE
IMPORT SPECIALIST**



8841 Gurley Road - Douglasville *All Repairs*
(Just off Hwy. 5 near Hunter Park) *Major & Minor*
(770) 489-5567 *Electrical Repairs*

www.wizardauto.com

L & L AUTO MACHINE SHOP

**Complete Machine Work
Custom Race Engines
Stock & Performance Heads**



**4320 Industrial Access Road
Douglasville, GA 30134
770-947-6011**