

Gresham Grand at Gresham

June 11, 2011 - Max Gresham — 18-year-old grandson of Jim Gresham — scored a very popular win in front of family and friends as he captured the checkered for the Slack Auto Parts 150 at Gresham Motorsports Park.

Max, a Joe Gibbs Racing development driver, earned the pole and led 98-laps of the 154-lap affair en route to his first victory of the season and third overall in the NASCAR K&N Series.

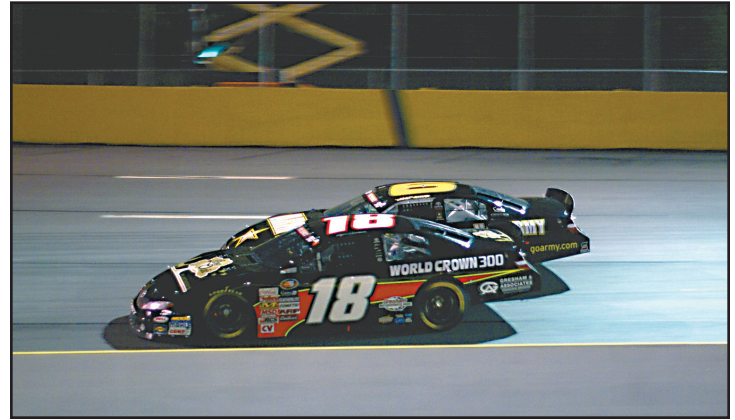
Rain delay ...

The NASCAR K&N Pro Series East seemed to storm into Gresham Motorsports Park. On a very hot evening, before the first green flag



of the night fell, an electrical storm brewing in the distance forced GMP management to postpone the start of the evening's events for fan safety. The grandstands at Gresham are aluminum and steel — a natural conduit for lightning.

The storm quickly encompassed the track — bringing strong rains that caused a 2-1/2 hour delay. Nevertheless, all of the drivers and fans waited out Mother Nature's



interruption and seemed to be grateful for the cooler temperatures that followed the rains. Everyone in

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2011 GMP Schedule



-Saturday, March 19
Georgia Electric Vehicle Rally

-Saturday, March 26
Pre-Season Open Practice

-Saturday, April 23
GMP Pro Late Models - Season-Opening Race Event! - Georgia Racing Hall Of Fame Night

-Friday-Saturday, June 3-4
American Cancer Society Relay For Life

-Saturday, June 11
NASCAR K&N Pro Series Returns To GMP

-Thursday, July 14
Opening Ceremonies - Dizzy Dean Baseball World Series of Speed

-Saturday, July 16
Pro All Star Series (PASS) Late Model Race
GMP World Series of Speed

-Saturday, August 13
GMP Back To School Racing Classic - Pro Late Models

-Saturday, September 17
CRA Super Series/Second-Annual
George Elliott Memorial Event

-Saturday-Sunday, October 1-2
2nd Annual Georgia Bluesfest

-Thursday-Sunday, November 10-13
28th-Annual World Crown 300



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attendance looked to be enthusiastic as the K&N cars rolled out on the track around 11:00 p.m.

The wait proved to be worthwhile...

The K&N Pro cars circled the track on their pace laps — the huge crowd in attendance anticipated the start — the atmosphere at GMP was electrified! And the green flag fell and the cars thundered down the front stretch into turn one!

Gresham jumped out front immediately and began his domination of the night. He went on to lead the first 42-laps. Then Darrell Wallace, Jr. took over the point during the intermediate stages of the race and would lead laps 43 through 98.

Max, refusing to be denied victory on this night at his home track, retook the lead on lap 99 and would go on to survive a green-white-checked that saw Gresham, Wallace, and Matt DiBenedetto three-wide through turns one and two on the final restart.

Gresham managed to beat Wallace and DiBenedetto off of two and down the backstretch to grab his win! DiBenedetto, Andrew Smith, Wallace, and Corey LaJoie rounded out the top five in this exciting event.

presented our Nation's Colors in a rolling display around the 1/2-mile racing facility during opening ceremonies for this event.

It was a wonderful exhibition and



I am certain that all in attendance would like to send out a sincere "Thank you" for their support of our troops and our veterans!

- Rocky Sinyard