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Short Track: Rome Speedway

Dale McDowell Dominates Schaeffer's Southern Nationals Stop at Rome Speedway

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Dale McDowell of Chickamauga, GA captured his second-ever Schaeffer's Oil Southern Nationals Series victory at the Rome Speedway after leading all 53 laps for the \$5,300 payday. McDowell led all 53 laps. His Margin of Victory was 01.560 seconds over Ingram.

McDowell drove the Team Dillon Racing, Bad Boy Buggies, Cometic Gaskets and Boyd Built Performance-sponsored ECR-powered Bloomquist Race Car to his second-ever Schaeffer's Oil Southern Nationals Series victory. McDowell is the only repeat winner this season.

One of the best battles of the race was for second position with Frank Ingram and Casey Roberts battling for the 53 laps.

Twenty seven entries were on hand for the twenty-two starting spots.



Frank Ingram (9) and Casey Roberts (101) battled for the second position for all 53 laps.

Feature Results of Round 6 of the Schaeffer's Southern Nationals at Rome Speedway on July 24, 2016:

- 1. Dale McDowell-Chickamauga, GA
- 2. Frank Ingram-Woodstock, GA
- 3. Casev Roberts-Toccoa. GA
- 4. Vic Hill-Mosheim, TN

- 5. Donald McIntosh-Dawsonville, GA
- 6. Ricky Weiss-Headingly, Manitoba, Canada
- 7. Luther Jenkins-Waleska, GA
- 8. Jason Croft-Woodstock, GA
- 9. Tyler Millwood-Kingston, GA
- 10. Shanon Buckingham-Morristown, TN
- 11. Austin Horton-Whitesburg, GA
- 12. Craig Vosbergen-Perth, W. Australia
- 13. Devin Gilpin-Columbus, IN
- 14. Cody King-McDonough, GA
- 15. Stacy Boles-Clinton, TN
- 16. Ivedent Lloyd Jr.-Ocala, FL
- 17. Gavin Landers-Batesville, AR
- 18. Robby Moses-Maryville, TN
- 19. T.J. Reaid-Acworth, GA
- 20. Jason Hiett-Oxford, AL
- 21. David Doherty-Marrittville, Australia
- 22. Tom Maddox-Centre, AL

Heat-1 Finish: Craig Vosbergen, Devin Gilpin, Austin Horton, Ricky Weiss, Cody King, Dale Thurman, Stacy Boles, Jake Knowles, Bo Shirley (DNS).

Heat-2 Finish: Jason Croft, Luther Jenkins, David Doherty, Robby Moses, Gavin Landers, T.J. Brittain, Shanon Buckingham (DNS), Buster Goss (DNS).

Schaeffer's Southern Nationals will finish up at TazWell Speedway on 30 July crowning the 2016 champion. Visit the official website located at www. SouthernNationalsSeries.com for more information. The 2016 Southern Nationals Bonus series will have races in August – November, check out http://southernnationalsseries.com/bonus_schedule.html for details

In the STEELHEAD LATE MODEL RACE: 84 - Jason Smith was the winner followed by 85 - Scott Hall; D2 - Dave Duplissey; 21 - Mario Gresham; and

18 - Matt Dooley rounding out the top



Dale McDowell with Mickey & Chase Swims in Victory Lane



Dale McDowell in the 17m dominated all 53 laps in the Schaeffer's Southern Nationals at Rome Speedway

In the CRATE LATE MODEL

RACE: A11 - Todd Morrow was the victor, followed by 1 - Andy Picklesimer; 11 - Cruz Skinner; 7 - Jason Deal; and

66 - Dylan Knowles rounding out the top five.

Other winners were: SUPER BOMB-ER: 9 - Jerry Fowler; ECONOMY BOMBER: 00 - Dalton Polston; and STREET STINGERS:

B13 - Brian Dempsey.

Check out Rome Speedway and Dixie Speedway on http://www.dixiespeedway.com/ for the 2016 schedule which will conclude on October 2 with Rome Showdown Lucas Oil series.

