

Lakewood Speedway remembered at fifth annual reunion

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For the fifth straight year, former competitors and fans of the famed Lakewood Speedway, which was located in Atlanta, GA, gathered on Aug. 11 at the Georgia Racing Hall of Fame in Dawsonville, GA to remember the track that was known as "The Indianapolis of the South." Among those in attendance were Georgia Racing Hall of Fame members Charlie Mincey, Rex White, Roz Howard, Charlie Bagwell, Bruce Brantley, Luther Carter, Jack Jackson, along with a host of other former drivers, mechanics, and racing enthusiasts.

Two people who were not in attendance at this year's event were honored, as this year's event was held in memory of the late Jimmy Mosteller, himself a Georgia Racing Hall of Fame, who was the long time announcer at the famed speedway, along with the late Cotton Owens, who was a former winner at Lakewood and a long time supporter of the Hall of Fame.

Attendees were treated to good food, fellowship, great memories in the form of footage from the grand old track playing throughout the Hall of Fame, and a chance to remember old friends and make some new ones.

In case you couldn't make it to this year's event, here's a look at some of the sights from the fifth annual Lakewood Speedway Reunion:



Attendees at the reunion take a look at the display honoring Cotton Owens and Jimmy Mosteller. Photo by Mike Terrell



A table full of legends. From left to right, Gordon Pirkle, Otis Hester, 1957 Southern Racing Enterprises champion and Georgia Racing Hall of Fame member Roz Howard, and 1960 NASCAR Sprint Cup Champion, Georgia Racing Hall of Fame and International Motorsports Hall of member Rex White. Photo by Mike Terrell



There was plenty of bench racing during the reunion. Photo by Mike Terrell

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