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NASCAR Veteran Mike Helton Joins AMA Pro Racing's Management Board

AMA Pro Racing announced today that it welcomes longtime NASCAR veteran Mike Helton to its Board of Managers. Helton – who continues in his current role at NASCAR as Vice Chairman – joins David Atlas, Tom Bledsoe, George Silbermann and Mark Raffauf on the Board, which leverages 150-plus years of motorsports experience as it helps guide and assist the AMA Pro Racing organization.

Helton brings wide-ranging and multi-faceted experience to the Board, much of which comes from his decades of experience at NASCAR and within the motorsports community. Since 2015 he's served as Vice Chairman of NASCAR, held the position of NASCAR President beginning in 2000, and been intimately involved with the sanctioning body since 1994.

"Mike Helton brings a lifetime of Motorsports experience to American Flat Track during a period of rapid growth for the sport," said Michael Lock, CEO of American Flat Track. "We welcome Mike to the Board and are looking forward to the benefit of his insights and guidance."

Helton's duties today involve overseeing competition, helping guide NASCAR leadership in its strategic planning, and expanding the sport's reach, both nationally and internationally. Helton is a current member of NASCAR's Board of Directors, as well as a member of the company's Executive Council.

Helton is also Chairman of The NASCAR Foundation, a charity that raises money and encourages volunteerism as it supports nonprofit causes around the country. Additionally, his career includes operational stints at two major racing venues, Atlanta Motor Speedway and Talladega Superspeedway – and he's also spent some time in a race car himself.

"I'm excited about becoming a part of AMA Pro Racing's Board of Managers," Helton said. "I've been a motorcycle enthusiast for most of my life and really am impressed with the direction American Flat Track is going. I look forward to being a part of their increasing role in motorsports."

Born and raised in Bristol, Va., Helton resides in Ormond Beach, Fla. with his wife Lynda.

How to Watch:

NBCSN and FansChoice.tv are the official homes for coverage of American Flat Track. For the 2018 season, NBCSN's coverage of AFT moves to highly-coveted, weekend afternoon programming slots within two weeks of each event. The complete schedule for AFT on NBC-SN can be viewed at http://www.americanflattrack.com/events-nbcsn/. FansChoice.tv remains a cornerstone of AFT's digital strategy, providing live streaming coverage of every event on AFT's live page while previous events and exclusive features are available on AFT's VOD page.



American Flat Track Announces Final 2019 Schedule

American Flat Track has finalized its 2019 schedule and prepares to launch ticket sales in time for the holidays

The 2019 running of the New York Short Track at Weedsport Speedway in Weedsport, NY has been moved back one week to July 13, 2019. Race fans can plan on an entire weekend of excitement, as AFT Events will once again throw a pre-race kickoff party with food, live music, entertainment and rider meet & greet session.

AFT's season finale returns to the Meadowlands Racing & Entertainment at the famed MetLife Sports Complex in East Rutherford, NJ for a second running of the Meadowlands Mile. The race is set for September 28, 2019 - one week earlier than its 2018 date. This venue provided showstopping race action in 2018 and has already become one of the most highly-anticipated events of the upcoming season.

American Flat Track will kick off its 2019 season with its bar-banging DAYTONA TT in appropriate fashion - during the wild Bike Week festivities in Daytona Beach. The 2019 DAYTONA TT happens Thursday, March 14 once again under the lights of the iconic Daytona International Speedway. Tickets will be available soon at https://www.americanflattrack.com

2019 American Flat Track Schedule:

March 14: DAYTONA TT - Daytona International Speedway, Daytona Beach, FL

March 23: Atlanta Short Track - Dixie Speedway, Woodstock, GA

April 20: Texas Half-Mile - Texas Motor Speedway, Fort Worth, TX

April 27: Wild Horse TT - Wild Horse Pass Motorsports Park, Chandler, AZ

May 11: Perris Half-Mile - Perris Auto Speedway, Perris, CA

May 18: Sacramento Mile - Cal Expo, Sacramento, CA

May 26: Springfield Mile I - Illinois State Fairgrounds, Springfield, IL

(AFT Singles Springfield TT same weekend)

June 1: Red Mile - Red Mile, Lexington, KY

June 15: Laconia Short Track - New Hampshire Motor Speedway, Loudon, New Hampshire

June 29: Lima Half-Mile - Allen County Fairgrounds, Lima, OH

July 13: New York Short Track - Weedsport Speedway, Weedsport, NY

August 4: Buffalo Chip TT - Buffalo Chip, Sturgis, SD

August 6: Black Hills Half-Mile - Black Hills Speedway, Rapid City, SD

August 17: Peoria TT - Peoria Motorcycle Club, Peoria, IL

September 1: Springfield Mile II - Illinois State Fairgrounds, Springfield, IL

(AFT Singles Springfield Short Track same weekend)

September 7: Williams Grove Half-Mile - Williams Grove Speedway, Mechanicsburg, PA

September 21: Minnesota Mile - Canterbury Park, Shakopee, MN

September 28: Meadowlands Mile - Meadowlands Racing & Entertainment, East Rutherford, NJ

