

Trent, Neal and Sapp Take the May 5-0's at Mt. Lawn Speedway

New Castle, IN (May 27, 2018) – A driver making his first trip to Mt Lawn and a long-time veteran at the track were among the winners at the May 5-0's the kickoff to Mt. Lawn Speedway's 2018 season. The racing was close on the hot sunny day at the track. With Vore's Welding and Steel CRA Late Model Sportsman Powered by JEGS, FasKarts, Midwest Cage Karts, Stock Compacts, Van Hoil Oil Thunder Cars and Adams Enterprises Pro Compacts all competing after the State Farm Insurance Street Drags raced to find the fastest and bravest fan to bring their car onto the track for one on one racing.

Danny Trent took the lead on the 28th lap and held off Chris Shannon to take his third lifetime Vore's Welding and Steel CRA Late Model Sportsman Powered by JEGS victory in the 2018 series opener. After inclement weather postponed the first races of the year, a warm sunny day allowed the series to begin the 2018 campaign. This was Trent's first time at Mt. Lawn.

"I had a bad start and got shuttled back to about 4th. After Dave Duncan and Shawn Amor crashed out I took the lead." Trent said from Victory Lane. "The 32 car (Shannon) ran me really clean. This is a great track, I want to run him more, the pits are great, it is a nice track."

Tony Brunke took the lead on the first lap before Dave Duncan drove past to take the lead out of Mt. Lawns infamous short turn on the second lap. Duncan held the lead setting a blistering pace as he was followed closely by Fast Qualifier, Shawn Amor.

As Duncan and Amor were racing closely attempting to pass slower cars they came together with Duncan colliding with the outside wall in the first turn. Duncan was unable to continue. Amor remained on the track but was forced to retire as the right-side body of his car was flying loose during the race.

Trent took the lead as the cars came to green. Shannon fought to get to the front and caught Trent, but was unable to pass. "I could catch him, but we were so even I just could not get around him" Shannon stated following the race.

Mt. Lawn veteran, Kent Carson, finished third for his highest finish in a Vore's Welding and Steel CRA Late Model Sportsman Powered by JEGS event, Tony Brutti was fourth and Zachary Tinkle was fifth (also his highest finish with the series).

Terry Neal took the lead on the 15th lap and staying there as he lapped the field in the Adams Enterprises Pro Compacts feature, passing Brian Slavey and running away in a race with very few caution flags. Slavey was second, and he had lapped everyone else on the track. Joe Jennings and Mark Jennings battled it out for third with Joe finishing ahead of Mark to take third while Mark came home fourth with Brett Smith coming home fifth. Eddie Claborn was fast qualifier.

"I have so many people to thank." Neal enthusiastically stated in Victory Lane. "This means so much to me, I have been coming out here for a long time. My father raced go karts here."

Randy Hoppes took the lead on the first lap of the Van Hoy Oil Thunder Car race but could not hold it as Dustin Sapp passed him for the lead coming out of the short turn to take over on the

second lap, a lead he never gave up. Chasing Sapp most of the race AJ Stewart could catch him, but not pass him, then spent the last 15 laps of the race holding off a hard charging Ronnie Rose. Rose caught Stewart but could not get past him despite staying right on his tail. Jameson Owens finished fourth and Mike Worrell finished fifth. Fast qualifier, Tony Stewart, made a rare mistake on the track and found the back-stretch wall as the cars were three wide, ending his night early.

“I worked on it to get ready for the last time, but then it rained, so I got it ready for tonight.” Sapp stated. “I tried to work away from the others, I knew it would be bunched up behind me so I just put the hammer down.

Alex Abbott held off Fast Qualifier, Justin Mefford, to win the Stock FWD feature. Abbott took the lead on the third lap from Jeff Marlow who had jumped to lead on the first lap. Mefford fought to second on the fourth lap. Abbott kept out front from there to get the win. Mefford was second, Randy Owens third, Derek Lane fourth and Dustin King fifth.

Fred Gorman Jr. took the State Farm Insurance Street Drags title.

Joe Sullivan winning the FasKarts feature. The Midwest Cage Kart feature winner will be announced later.

June 10th will see the Indiana-Ohio Thunder Car/Hobby Stock Shootout 50 lap feature at Mt Lawn Speedway, with Pro Compacts, Stock Compacts, Midwest Cage Karts all racing on one big night. For more information go to www.mtlawn.com or Mt Lawn's Facebook, Twitter or Instagram pages.