

ASCS Sprints on Dirt Fire Off Saturday at Crystal!

By Lonnie Wheatley

TULSA, Okla. (April 25, 2011) – The Engine Pro ASCS Sprints on Dirt presented by ARP kicks off its 32nd year of competition on some familiar turf with Saturday night's season opening event atop the semi-banked, 3/8-mile Crystal Motor Speedway clay oval in Crystal, MI.

The site of the first SOD event in 1980, Crystal Motor Speedway hosts the ASCS Sprints on Dirt for the 109th time this Saturday night.

Dustin Daggett has been an unstoppable force in recent years at Crystal Motor Speedway, which hosts the ASCS SOD forces three times over the course of each season.

Daggett, who moved to the top of the all-time SOD win charts with a dozen triumphs last year to extend his career total to 76, has topped ten of the last 12 series events contested at Crystal including the last eight in a row.

Daggett will be vying for a ninth consecutive Crystal triumph on Saturday night, as the last time someone else reached SOD victory lane at Crystal was May of 2008 when Tim Norman cracked the winner's circle.

While Daggett topped the win charts again in 2010, it was St. Johns, MI, shoe Ryan Grubaugh racing to his first ASCS SOD championship on the strength of eleven top-fives and 14 top-tens. Grubaugh claimed the crown by a 143-point margin over Gregg Dalman, with Daggett, Ben Rutan and Dain Naida rounding out the top five in points.

Others among the top ten in last year's ASCS SOD points included Gavin Hunyady, Robert Huisken, two-time series

champion Brett Mann, Aaron Shaffer and Jim Lingar.

Saturday's action at Crystal Motor Speedway is set to get under way at 7:30 p.m.

Crystal Motor Speedway is located in Crystal, MI, 5.5 miles north of SR 57 on Crystal Road, then east on Sidney. For more information, contact the track at 989-235-5200.

The Engine Pro ASCS Sprints on Dirt presented by ARP is in its 32nd season of competition. Twenty-seven races are on the calendar scheduled at 13 different tracks throughout Michigan, Ohio and Ontario.

The 2011 season marks the 20th year of sanctioning Sprint Car racing for the American Sprint Car Series, with approximately 200 nights of competition at tracks throughout the nation and into Canada. Anchored by the Lucas Oil Sprint Car Series presented by K&N Filters, ASCS also consists of ten different Regions throughout the nation.

Additional information regarding the American Sprint Car Series is available at www.ascsracing.com.

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Lane Automotive and Comp Cams Join SOD as Sponsors



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From Mike Strevel

Gun Lake, MI – The Engine Pro ASCS Sprints on Dirt Presented by ARP is excited to announce that Lane Automotive and Comp Cams have agreed to support the series again in 2011.

The long time supporter of short track racers all over the country is happy to be involved with one of the longest running sprint car series in the country. The second heat race at every event will be known as the Lane Automotive/Comp Cams heat race and the winning racer of each of these races will be awarded a \$100.00 gift certificate that can be redeemed at Lane Automotive.

Lane Automotive based in Watervliet, Michigan is a leading supplier of Racing and High Performance Parts and Accessories since 1964. Comp Cams is the absolute leader in valve train technology based in Memphis, TN. Mike Strevel Series Director of the series stated "it is very exciting to have Lane and Comp involved with the group," " I appreciate the support of every sponsor involved with the group and I know that the racers and car owners do as well."

The 2011 Engine Pro ASCS Sprints on Dirt Presented by ARP will begin Saturday April 30 at the Crystal Motor Speedway in Crystal, MI. For more information please visit www.sprintsondirt.com.

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MAHLE/Clevite Short Track Challenge Announced

From Sprints on Dirt

TULSA, Okla. (March 31, 2011) – The Engine Pro ASCS Sprints on Dirt Presented by ARP is excited to announce that the MAHLE/Clevite Short Track Challenge is scheduled again for 2011.

The challenge will consist of a total of eight races that drivers will be able to earn extra winnings as they compete in these select events. This point fund is an addition to the standard race purse each event pays out and the season long championship point fund that Engine Pro and ARP support as title sponsors.

The Short Track Challenge will be held at six different Michigan speedways giving race fans the opportunity to see the best winged sprint car drivers in the state do battle for this championship race within the championship chase. The events that will be a part of this exciting chase will be on the following dates: Saturday April 30 Crystal Motor Speedway, June 17 Cherry Raceway, July 8 Mt. Pleasant Speedway, July 29 Winston Speedway, August 12 Cherry Raceway, August 27 Owendale Speedway, September 3 Crystal Motor Speedway and September 24 at I-96 Speedway on the 3/8 oval.

If all eight events are completed the driver earning the most points will be awarded a \$1,000 payment as the winner of the MAHLE/Clevite Short Track Challenge. Point fund monies will be available for the top ten in the 2011 MAHLE/Clevite Short Track Challenge.

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