

Ryan Ruhl Races to Crystal SOD Checkers

By Bob Buffenbarger

Crystal, Mi.-(August 30, 2014)- Ryan Ruhl thrilled the large crowd at Crystal Motor Speedway by re-taking the lead from Dustin Daggett with two laps remaining to capture the Engine Pro Sprints on Dirt presented by ARP 25 lap feature Saturday night.

Gregg Dalman and Ruhl started on the front row with Ruhl taking command on the the first lap with Dalman, Craig Karazim, Daggett and Kyle Pitts falling in line. Laps were clicking off quickly as Ruhl was putting distance between himself and Dalman and by the 10th circuit, 6th starting Daggett had climbed into third place and one lap later the red 2m of Daggett took 2nd and was gaining on Ruhl.

At the 15 lap mark, Daggett was knocking on the door and was all over Ruhl nearly making the pass as they approached lapped traffic. The red flag flew for Gregg Dalman as he made contact with the turn four wall while running 3rd, and turned over on lap 18. Dalman was not injured but was finished for the night.

As the green appeared once more Daggett and Ruhl were racing side by side with the 11r of Chase Ridenour now moving into the mix. With laps winding down, racing for the lead was intense and Daggett made the pass at the stripe on lap 21. Ruhl was determined and with two to go, Ruhl went low in turn two and drove under Daggett to take the lead once again. One lap later the yellow light flashed for a John Gall spin in turn four.

This would set up a green, white checker finish and Ruhl was up to the task with a good re-start and went on to take the checkers with Daggett, Ridenour, Brett Mann and Kyle Pitts rounding out the top five.

Crystal Motor Speedway did a fine job running a fast paced program tonight with some threatening weather not far away. The Sprints on Dirt dash was cancelled because of these conditions.

Heats were won by Gregg Dalman, Dustin Daggett and Craig Karazim

Engine Pro Sprints on Dirt presented by ARP

Crystal Motor Speedway – Crystal, Mi.

Saturday August 30, 2014

Hoosier Racing Tire Heat Race #1 (8 Laps):1. 49t-Gregg Dalman, 2. 27-Brad Lamberson, 3. 19m-Brett Mann, 4. 21t-Troy Chehowski, 5. 21-Kirk Cheney, 6. 70-Jim Lingar

All Star Performance / Comp Cams Heat Race #2 (8 Laps):1. 2m-Dustin Daggett, 2. 16-Ryan Ruhl, 3. 7k-Kyle Pitts, 4. 81-John Gall, 5. 20a-Andy Chehowski

Speed Pro Heat Race #3 (8 Laps):1. 4z-Craig Karazim, 2. 11r-Chase Ridenour, 3. 31-Andy Teunessen, 4. 46-Robert Huisken, 4-Eric Smith dns

Nitro Black Dash (4 Laps): Cancelled due to incoming weather

Engine Pro / ARP A-Main (25 Laps):1. 16-Ryan Ruhl, 2. 2m-Dustin Daggett, 3. 11r-Chase Ridenour, 4. 19m-Brett Mann, 5. 7k-Kyle Pitts, 6. 27-Brad Lamberson, 7. 4z-Craig Karazim, 8. 21t-Troy Chehowski, 9. 20a-Andy Chehowski, 10. 31-Andy Teunessen, 11. 46- Robert Huisken, 12. 21-Kirk Cheney, 13. 81-John Gall, 14. 70-Jim Lingar, 15. 49t-Gregg Dalman, 16. 4-Eric Smith

Engine Pro Lucky Dog: Kyle Pitts

Daggett Wins at Hartford

From Mike Strevel

Hartford,MI– (August 29, 2014) – Dustin Daggett found his way to the Hartford Speedway victory lane Friday evening in front of a crowd announced as over 3,000. The four time Engine Pro Sprints on Dirt Presented by ARP champion took the lead with 8 laps to go and held off a late charge from current point leader Ryan Ruhl to capture another victory, his 97th SOD sanctioned win.

Rookie racer Craig Karazim drew the pole position in the Engine Pro redraw and looked like a strong candidate for his first SOD feature win. Dustin Daggett steadily was moving up from his 7th starting position and made an incredible pass diving into turn one with eight laps to go to pick up his third feature victory of the 2014 season.

Brett Mann had a very strong run going moving into contention mid-race actually getting to second before a last lap engine failure ended his nice run. Ruhl tried several times in the last few laps to capture the third Hartford feature of his year, but Daggett was just too strong. Following Daggett across the line was Ruhl, Chase Ridenour had a career best third place finish with a very impressive run Karazim ended up fourth and Mark Aldrich took fifth.

The racing was delayed over two hours due to a late afternoon thundershower. However the hard working Hartford Speedway crew lead by promoter Tim Dibble was determined to get the final race of the season in at the wicked fast half mile oval and a very supportive crowd waited to witness another great Sprints on Dirt program. The entire staff of the Engine Pro Sprints on Dirt Presented by ARP would like to congratulate Hartford on an incredible comeback year and appreciate them sticking it out to complete the race Friday evening.

Engine Pro Sprints on Dirt presented by ARP
Hartford Speedway – Hartford, MI
Friday August 29, 2014

Hoosier Tire Heat Race #1 (8 Laps): 1. 16 – Ryan Ruhl, 2. 19 – Brett Mann, 3. 27 – Brad Lamberson, 4. 21 Kirk Cheney, 5. 7k Kyle Pitts

All Star Performance / Comp Cams Heat Race #2 (8 Laps): 1. 2M Dustin Daggett, 2.31 Andy Teunnessen, 3. 20A Andy Chehowski, 4. 19J Linden Jones, 5. 70 Jim Lingar

Speed Pro Heat Race #3 (8 Laps): 1. 11R –Chase Ridenour, 2.4Z Craig Karazim, 3.29s Mark Aldrich, DNS 10s Jay Steinbach, 49t Gregg Dalman

Nitro Black Dash (4 Laps): Cancelled due to incoming weather

A-Main (25 Laps): 1. 2m Dustin Daggett, 2. 16 Ryan Ruhl, 3. 11R – Chase Ridenour, 4. 4Z – Craig Karazim, 5. 29s Mark Aldrich, 6. 27 Brad Lamberson, 7. 31 Andy Teunnessen, 8. 7K Kyle Pitts, 9. 20A Andy Chehowski, 10. 19 Brett Mann, 11. 19J Linden Jones, 12.70 Jim Lingar, 13. 21 Kirk Cheney, 14. 49t Gregg Dalman DNS – 10S Jay Steinbach

Lap Leaders: Karazim 1-16, Daggett 17-25

Engine Pro Lucky Dog Winner-Jim Lingar

**Engine Pro Sprints on Dirt
ready for Labor Day**

Doubleheader

The Engine Pro Sprints on Dirt Presented by ARP will celebrate the Labor Day weekend with the continuing tradition of visiting two different Michigan race tracks to start the extended holiday weekend.

The Michigan based series celebrating its 35th season of competition will start the holiday weekend with its third visit of the season to Hartford Speedway in Hartford, MI. This \$1,300 to win event will have the best 360 sprint drivers from Michigan, Indiana and Ohio competing on the huge $\frac{1}{2}$ mile oval. A standing room only crowd is expected again after the first two trips to the southwest Michigan oval hosted near record crowds. Current point leader Ryan Ruhl from Coldwater MI will be trying to complete the Hartford clean sweep after capturing the first two features at Hartford this season.

Then on Saturday August 30, the Engine Pro Sprints on Dirt will head north to Ron Flinn's Crystal Motor Speedway for the second day of the Michigan Labor Day battle. The first two events of 2014 at the famous 3/8 mile oval for the Engine Pro Sprints on Dirt presented by ARP went to Dustin Daggett in April and Randy Hannagan in July.

The 35th season of competition for the winged sprint series is winding down with only five events left to be run in 2014. For more information please go to the official series website www.sprintsondirt.com.

Ruhl Wins Newton Classic at Plymouth

By T.J. Buffenbarger

Pymouth, IN – (August 16, 2014) – Ryan Ruhl continued his career best season on Saturday night by winning the Bob Newton Classic at Plymouth Speedway with the Engine Pro Sprints on Dirt presented by ARP. Ruhl started sixth and took the lead from Gregg Dalman with six laps to go to claim the victory.

Defending SOD champion Dustin Daggett led the first 15 laps before making contact with the wall and damaging his right rear wheel. Daggett went to the work area and made repairs, but was no longer in contention for the victory

After Daggett's misfortune Dalman inherited the lead and held the top spot for three laps until Ruhl made the pass for the lead. From there Ruhl was never seriously challenged as he motored to victory over Dalman, Randy Hannagan, Chase Ridenour, and Andy Teunessen.

Engine Pro Sprints on Dirt presented by ARP

Bob Newton Classic

Plymouth Speedway – Plymouth, IN

Saturday August 16, 2014

Hoosier Tire Heat Race #1 (8 Laps): 1. 2m – Dustin Daggett,

2. 31 – Andy Teunessen, 3. 16 – Ryan Ruhl, 4. 7K – Kyle Pitts,
5. 77 – Zane Devault.

All Star Performance / Comp Cams Heat Race #2 (8 Laps): 1.
Shawn Dancer, 2. Gregg Dalman, 3. 12 – Nick Robers, 4. 23 –
Devon Dobie, 5. 19J – Linden Jones.

Speed Pro Heat Race #3 (8 Laps): 1. 22R – Kevin Roberts, 2.
11R – Ridenour, 3. 22H – Randy Hannagan, 4. 27 – Brad
Lamberson, 5. 70 – Jim Lingar.

Nitro Black Dash (4 Laps): 1. 12 – Nick Roberts, 2. 23 – Devon
Dobie, 3. 27 – Brad Lamberson, 4. 7K – Kyle Pitts. (Finish
determined starting posts 9-12 for the A-Main)

A-Main (25 Laps): 1. 16 – Ryan Ruhl, 2. 49t – Gregg Dalman,
3. 22H – Randy Hannagan, 4. 11R – Chase Ridenour, 5. 31 – Andy
Teunessen, 6. 23 – Devon Dobie, 7. 22R – Kevin Roberts, 8. 12
– Nick Roberts, 9. 49 – Shawn Dancer, 10. 2M – Dustin Daggett,
11. 77 – Zane Devault, 12. 27 – Brad Lamberson, 13. 19J –
Linden Jones, 14. 70 – Jim Lingar, 15. – 7K – Kyle Pitts.

Lap Leaders: Daggett 1-15, Dalman 16-19, Ruhl 20-25

Stewart Will Not Race at Plymouth on Saturday

Everyone at Sprints on Dirt and Plymouth Speedway extend our deepest condolences and prayers to the family of Kevin Ward, Jr. and thoughts and prayers to Tony Stewart and his family. Tony Stewart will NOT be racing at Plymouth Speedway this Saturday. More information on the weekend's racing will be announced this week.