Josh Turner SOD Master in Butler WWIII



Josh Turner with his 2018 WWIII winner trophy. Photo by Jim DenHamer

ERIE, MI (June 17, 2018) — Josh Turner (Osseo, MI) drove to a spectacular Engine Pro Sprints On Dirt presented by ARP win at Butler Speedway's WWIII, the second Hog Creek Showdown race Saturday night.

Top Shelf Turner utilized his Gressman Powersports engine and J&J Auto Racing chassis and the track's top ridge, often slipping over it, blasting by Chad Blonde to the delight of the huge crowd for the win. Former multi-time Butler champion car owner Tom Dale, turned the wrenches to fine tune Turner's machine.

Turner started on the pole for the feature with Shawn Valenti. Valenti took the early lead as Turner was down to third by the end of the first lap and eventually fell to fifth

place. On lap seven, Chad Blonde blasted by Valenti who dropped to fourth by lap 13.

While there was plenty of action up front, all eyes were on Ryan Ruhl. Ruhl, forced to start twentieth due to a heat race issue, made an impressive charge to fifth by lap twelve before a cut right front tire ended his race early. It was deja vu with a flat tire taking Ruhl out of contention at the Butler SOD race on May 19.

Meanwhile, back up front, Turner was searching for a way to correct his backslide. In fifth place on lap nine, Turner moved to fourth on lap ten, third on lap 13, and second on lap 16. On lap twenty-two, Turner charged past Chad Blonde and withheld cautions and Blonde's attempts to retake the lead, driving off to a three-car length win.

Qualifying — Lane Automotive/MSD Ignition Fast Masters (fast qualifiers) \$50 each

Group	Time	#	Driver
Engler Machine & Tool Heat	14.253	7	Shawn Valenti
COMP Cams Heat	14.272	27B	Boston Mead
RockAuto.com Heat	15.008	71H	Ryan Ruhl

Heat Races

Engler Machine & Tool Heat #1			
	#	Driver	Contingency
1	7	Shawn Valenti	
2	10s	Jay Steinebach	
3	11	Trey Smith	Benic Enterprises
4	7J	Joe Swanson	Racing Optics

5	0	Ricky Ferkel	
6	29	Daryl Shaffer	
7	8	Justin Ward	
8	66	Kyle Stepke	

	COMP Cams Heat #2			
	#	Driver	Contingency	
1	41	Thomas Schinderle		
2	4T	Josh Turner		
3	39	Tylar Rankin	Benic Enterprises	
4	77	Andrew Scheid	Racing Optics	
5	1a	Mark Aldrich		
6	52	Zac Broughman		
7	6	Tyler Bearden		
8	27B	Boston Mead		

	RockAuto.com Heat #3			
	# Driver		Contingency	
1	27K	Jason Blonde		
2	5b	Chad Blonde		
3	24+ Mike Schumaker		Benic Enterprises	
4	96M	Josh Mohr		
5	24	Eric Smith		
6	8W	Josh Ward		
7	71H	Ryan Ruhl		

Feature

	#	Driver	Awards	Contingencies
1	4T	Josh Turner		Rod End Supply
2	5b	Chad Blonde	Jim Coffey & Son	Rod End Supply
3	7	Shawn Valenti		Rod End Supply
4	7J	Joe Swanson		Schoenfeld Headers
5	10s	Jay Steinebach		ATL Racing Fuel Cells
6	0	Ricky Ferkel		
7	27K	Jason Blonde		
8	77	Andrew Scheid		
9	1a	Mark Aldrich		King Racing Products
10	24+	Mike Schumaker		
11	96M	Josh Mohr		Keizer Aluminum Wheels
12	11	Trey Smith		
13	29	Daryl Shaffer		
14	52	Zac Broughman		
15	66	Kyle Stepke		
16	39	Tylar Rankin		
17	8	Justin Ward		
18	71H	Ryan Ruhl		
19	41	Thomas Schinderle		
20	6	Tyler Bearden		
21	8W	Josh Ward		
22	24	Eric Smith		

DNS 27B Boston Mead

KSE Racing Products Hard Charger — Ricky Ferkel (+7)

BR Motorsports Contingency (feature top 10 draw) — Chad Blonde DMI (Diversified Machine) Contingency (feature 12-16 draw) — Kyle Stepke

Perfit Corporation Lucky Dog - Josh Ward

Allstar Performance Better Luck Next Time - Tyler Bearden

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