

Chad Blonde takes Jack & Jiggs Classic at Gas City



ERIE, MI (June 15, 2019) – Friday night, the Lane Automotive Sprints On Dirt powered by King Engine Bearings / MSD Ignition / Motul ventured south to Jerry Gappen's pristine Gas City I-69 Speedway for the 2nd annual Jack and Jiggs Classic. Chad Blonde drove to an impressive win in front of the large, enthusiastic crowd after some pretty intense racing.

After a slow start, qualifying 4th in his heat group, Blonde regrouped and won the Engler Machine & Tool Heat and the MSD Performance Dash, earning the pole for the feature. With a mad scramble into turn one on the first lap of the feature, Blonde was shuffled back to 4th as Zane DeVault charged into the lead. After a couple early cautions, Blonde moved into 2nd on lap 4. As the leaders got into traffic, Blonde powered into the lead on lap 8 and DeVault got boxed in, letting Blonde drive away. From there on, Blonde was in full command

and survived cautions and reds to take the win.

The big crowd was thrilled by intense racing for 2nd through 5th between DeVault in a car just put together last week, Kody Kinser, Tyler Gunn, and Boston Mead. Dan McCarron, running in the top 4, was the victim of contact by another car and flipped, bringing out the first red flag. Reds also were displayed for a Jay Steinebach flip and a near flip by Joshua Turner.

Kody Kinser and Boston Mead were Benic Enterprises Fast Masters (fast qualifiers). Blonde won the Engler Machine & Tool Heat and the MSD Performance Dash. Zane Devault took the King Engine Bearings Heat

SOD point leader Ryan Ruhl had an eventful night as a mechanical issue prevented him from qualifying. Ruhl started 18th in the feature and charged ahead only to be the victim of a spin. Undaunted and restarting at the rear, he quickly moved up, finishing 7th and being the MAHLE / KSE Hard Charger.

Qualifying – Benic Enterprises Fast Masters (fast qualifiers)

Group	Time	#	Driver
Engler Machine & Tool Heat	11.535	4K	Kody Kinser
King Engine Bearings Heat	11.437	27B	Boston Mead

Heat Races

Engler Machine & Tool Heat #1			
	#	Driver	Contingency
1	5b	Chad Blonde	

2	68G	Tyler Gunn	Ti22 Performance
3	22M	Dan McCarron	Racing Optics
4	4K	Kody Kinser	
5	88N	Frank Neill	
6	0	Ricky Ferkel	
7	70	Eli Lakin	
8	24	Eric Smith	
9	52	Zac Broughman	
DNS	3	Dustin Shriver	

King Engine Bearings Heat #2			
	#	Driver	Contingency
1	7	Zane DeVault	
2	27B	Boston Mead	Ti22 Performance
3	4	Joshua Turner	Racing Optics
4	5QB	Quentin Blonde	
5	41	Thomas Schinderle	
6	10S	Jay Steinebach	
7	1a	Mark Aldrich	
8	24+	Michael Schumacher	
9	71H	Ryan Ruhl	
10	27K	Jason Blonde	

MSD Performance Dash			
	#	Driver	Contingency
1	5b	Chad Blonde	
2	7	Zane DeVault	Allstar Performance
3	27B	Boston Mead	Racing Optics
4	68G	Tyler Gunn	
5	22M	Dan McCarron	
6	4	Joshua Turner	

A-Main

	#	Driver	Contingencies
1	5b	Chad Blonde	Rod End Supply
2	7	Zane DeVault	Rod End Supply
3	4K	Kody Kinser	Rod End Supply
4	68G	Tyler Gunn	Schoenfeld Headers
5	27B	Boston Mead	Saldana Racing Products
6	5QB	Quentin Blonde	Pyrotect Racing Cells
7	71H	Ryan Ruhl	King Racing Products
8	88N	Frank Neill	Keizer Aluminum Wheels
9	0	Ricky Ferkel	
10	70	Eli Lakin	
11	24	Eric Smith	
12	24+	Michael Schumacher	
13	41	Thomas Schinderle	
14	52	Zac Broughman	
15	27K	Jason Blonde	

16	4	Joshua Turner	
17	10S	Jay Steinebach	
18	1a	Mark Aldrich	
19	22M	Dan McCarron	
DNS	3	Dustin Shriver	

MAHLE Aftermarket Hard Charger – Ryan Ruhl (+11)

KSE Racing Products Hard Charger – Ryan Ruhl (+11)

BR Motorsports Contingency (feature top 10 draw) – Boston Mead

DMI (Diversified Machine) Contingency (feature 12-16 draw) –
Zac Broughman

COMP Cams Lucky Dog – Eli Lakin

Allstar Performance Better Luck Next Time – Dan McCarron

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Gas City I-69 Speedway – www.gascityi69speedway.com

Lane Automotive – www.laneautomotive.com

King Engine Bearings – www.kingbearings.com

MSD Ignition – www.msdperformance.com

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