

Bloomington Speedway
May 13, 2011
Results

RYAN THOMAS TAKES BIG PRIZE IN AMERICAN MODIFIED SERIES FEATURE
ON TRACK ACTION MAKES CONNECTION TO MONTH OF MAY RACING

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. – On the eve of Opening Day for the 100th Anniversary of the Indianapolis 500, the American Modified Series stormed into Bloomington Speedway and brought with it a big \$1,500 prize and its own version of Month of May action. Over 30 modified racers qualified and took to the red clay oval to fight furiously for the top spot in the feature on Friday, May 13.

The event included the American Modified Series, the Tire and Wheel Center UMP Super Stocks, Bomber cars, and the Chad's Towing and Recovery Hornets. Ryan Thomas, Jeremy Hines, Aaron Fields, and Travis Rodgers took home the twin checkered flags in each of their respective classes.

Ryan Thomas, of Martinsville Ind., and John DeMoss, of Bloomington Ind., did their best Gordon Johncock and Rick Mears impressions in the American Modified Series feature race. Like the famous finish of the 1982 Indianapolis 500 Mile Race, DeMoss battled through traffic and chased Thomas down during the waning laps of the 30-lap feature event. DeMoss, like Mears in '82, drew closer and closer after each pass of the flag stand but Thomas was able to hold him off by mere feet at the finish, just as Johncock had 29 years before in the '500'.

Jeremy Hines, of Seymour Ind., emulated Louis Meyer, the first three time Indianapolis 500 winner, after completing his own hat trick by winning the first three Tire and Wheel Center UMP Super Stock feature races of the 2011 season. Hines, who had to start the feature race in the tenth position because of track rules, fought his way through cars, debris, and restarts to get to the front. Once at the front, Hines had to battle for every inch with defending Super Stock champion Troy Clark, of North Vernon Ind. With five laps to go, Hines snuck around Clark and ran to the checkered flag.

Aaron Fields, of Seymour Ind., did his best to imitate Indianapolis 500 winner Billy Arnold, who won the 1930 '500' after leading all but two laps of the event, by leading nearly every lap of the Bomber car feature race and taking home the trophy. While Fields dominated at the front of the pack, Lee Hobbs, of Mitchell Ind., started at the tail and charged through the field to grab third place. Fields, however, was able to keep his distance from the battles all the way around the track and cruised to the finish line.

Travis Rodgers, of Clayton Ind., channeled his inner Helio Castroneves by taking his second straight victory in the Chad's Towing and Recovery Hornet feature race. Like Castroneves, the most recent back to back '500' winner, Rodgers piloted his hornet racer to a convincing victory. Fields did not, however, climb the catch fence at Bloomington Speedway.

The next night of racing at Bloomington Speedway is the Larry Rice Classic on Friday, May 20. The United States Auto Club Sprint Cars will headline the event and will be joined by the always Midwest Mini Sprint Association Mini Sprint Cars. Gates open at 5:30 p.m. with racing starting at 7:30 p.m. General admission tickets are \$20 with children 12 and under FREE with a paying adult.

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RESULTS:

American Modified Series

Heat 1 Winner: Ryan Thomas

Heat 2 Winner: Bryan Barber

Heat 3 Winner: Shelby Miles

Heat 4 Winner: Joey Kramer

"B Main #1" Winner: Brian Yeatman

"B Main #2" Winner: Clint DeMoss

Feature: 1.) Ryan Thomas; 2.) John DeMoss; 3.) Shelby Miles; 4.) Jeff Bland Jr; 5.) Joey Kramer; 6.) Bryan Barber; 7.) Derek Groomer; 8.) Clint DeMoss; 9.) Richie Lex; 10.) Brad Barrow; 11.) Bradley Sterrett; 12.) Brian Shaw; 13.) Michael England; 14.) Elliott Despain; 15.) Kelly Warren; 16.) Rocky Wilson; 17.) Rob Fuqua; 18.) Levi Kissinger; 19.) Jacoby Hines; 20.) Karlie Holt; 21.) Russ Gabbert; 22.) Brian Yeatman

Tire and Wheel Center UMP Super Stocks

Heat 1 Winner: Jeremy Hines

Heat 2 Winner: Troy Clark

Heat 3 Winner: Steve Hollars

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Bombers

Heat 1 Winner: Ronnie Pardue

Heat 2 Winner: Brandon Reed

Heat 3 Winner: Darren Crawhorn

Feature: 1.) Aaron Fields; 2.) Brandon Reed; 3.) Lee Hobbs; 4.) Ronnie Pardue; 5.) Paul Owens; 6.) Doug Klyn; 7.) Mike Klyn; 8.) David Waggoner; 9.) David Bumgardner; 10.) Mike Ham; 11.) Lloyd Walls; 12.) Marty Wilson; 13.) Brian Sims; 14.) Kevin Kemp; 15.) Randy Charles; 16.) Karl Roethmeier; 17.) Brian Cooley; 18.) Toby Axsom; 19.) Danny Wampler; 20.) Darren Crawhorn; 21.) Greg Leitzman

Chad's Towing and Recovery Hornets

Heat 1 Winner: Travis Rodgers

Heat 2 Winner: Chris Corbin

Heat 3 Winner: Matt Jacobs

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