



## **Edelweiss Speedway collects \$1,107 for Roger Monderie and Greg Oakes wins first ever Ontario DIRT Late Model Feature!**

Cantley, PQ – Friday August 14, 2009 – Martin Bélanger – A superb weather for racing greeted the dirt track fans, as Edelweiss Speedway was the host of the first visit of the Ontario DIRT Late Models series, 800 horsepower engines power this spectacular machines. A fundraiser to help Roger Monderie and his dream day was also done during the night, as the speedway was able to gather \$1,107 to help M. Monderie accomplish his future projects. The Modified, Semi-Pro and Mod-Lite category have also seen some action on Coffrage Ti-Guy Connely night.

Greg Oakes took the early lead in the 30-lap Ontario DIRT Late Model Feature he was followed by John Lobb and Mike Knight in third, Jason Haskell brought the first caution on lap 5. Oakes kept the lead with Knight taking second over Lobb. The leaders got into traffic on lap 11 as yellow came out for Peter Mantha who stopped in the frontstretch. Knight who is second heads to the pits but came back before the green flag came back. Oakes was still the leader when a 3-car accident occurred in turn 3 and caution came back out with 13 laps down. Oakes stayed first with Lobb in second and Chris Ross in third as they reached the halfway point. Mike Knight got together with another car and caution came out on lap 17. Oakes still your leader with Lobb and Ross in the same order. Ross was able to take advantage of an error of Lobb to take second while Oakes had a full stretch lead over the rest of pack with 23 laps in the books. Oakes got into traffic but caution came out on the following lap. Oakes stayed first but yellow came back out on the following lap. Oakes managed to keep the lead over Ross and Lobb as the race was slowed with only 2 laps to go. Oakes led the final laps to win the feature race of Ross and Lobb. Oakes had a perfect night winning the first heat as Lobb won the second one. Fans seemed to really appreciate these cars as plans are already in the works to have them back in 2010.

In the 30-lap Modified feature, Eric Gauvreau took the early lead over Philippe Landry and Peter Mantha. Gauvreau was alone in front as Landry and Mantha were doing battle for second as Mantha passed him on lap 8. At the halfway point, Gauvreau was still the leader with Mantha second and Philippe Landry. Pierre Dagenais took second fourth over Dan Jalbert on lap 19. Mantha got closer to Gauvreau as they were caught into traffic with only 5 laps to go. Dagenais was now in third spot as caution came out with only 2 laps to go for Philippe Landry. Gauvreau stayed first as Dagenais passed Mantha for second on the restart. Gauvreau led the final laps to win his 4<sup>th</sup> feature of the season over

Dagenais, Mantha, Jalbert and Denis Gauvreau completed the top 5. The Gauvreau brother Eric and Denis had won the qualifiers.

Because of the 11pm curfew, the official had to postpone the Semi-Pro feature to September 4<sup>th</sup>. They will have double feature on the final night of points.

In the 12-lap Mod-Lite feature, Dave Bell led the first lap when caution came out. On the restart, Bell stayed first with Dean Pronovost second and Charles Legendre third, caution came back out on lap 4 for Mathieu Robinson. The top 3 cars were racing together on the green as Bell kept the lead when caution came back out at the halfway point. A great battle between Pronovost and Legendre for second while Bell was running alone in front. Pronovost was able to make a late move in the last turn and won his sixth feature of the season. Bell had won the qualifier.

Edelweiss Speedway would like to thank all the drivers that took the time and pass into the stands with their helmet to collect funds for Roger Monderie.

The Heart and Stroke Foundation of Quebec will have the spotlight next Friday, August 21, as the speedway will collect funds to help this foundation. Last season, a nice amount of \$2,640 was gathered. On the track, we will present the second edition of the Simone 50, a 50-lap Syracuse Qualifier Feature for the modified. The Semi-Pro category will also have a long distance race with a 35-lap finale with several drivers from other tracks attending this event counting for the Eastern Stock-Car Challenge, the Mod-Lite class will also be on the schedule.

#### **Ontario DIRT Late Model Feature Results (30 laps)**

Greg Oakes, Chris Ross, John Lobb, Mike Lewis, Rick Baker, Jeff Dayman, Jim Jones, Keith Cameron, Darren Peters, Adam West, Paul Rivait, Mike Knight, Jason Haskell, Peter Mantha, Jim Mason, Gregg Haskell

#### **Modified Feature Results (30 laps)**

Eric Gauvreau, Pierre Dagenais, Peter Mantha, Dan Jalbert, Denis Gauvreau, Billy Cook, Serge Lagacé, Bobby Herrington, Ryan Foley, Skip McKenzie, Philippe Landry

#### **Semi-Pro Feature Results (15 laps)**

Postponed to September 4th

#### **Mod-Lite Feature Results (12 laps)**

Dean Pronovost, Dave Bell, Charles Legendre, Patrick Pronovost, Chloé Erickson, Clara Erickson, Mathieu Robinson, Richard Renaud

**Total Race Supply Halfway Bonus Winner:** Eric Gauvreau

**Petro Marché Tassé 307 Halfway Bonus Winner:** Remis au 4 septembre

**Quickie Stores Halfway Bonus Winner:** Dave Bell

**Kenyon Race Parts Hard Luck Award Winner:** Ryan Foley

**Babe Design Early Bird:** Philippe Landry