

## **The 2007 Lucas Oil Canadian Dirt Series his ready to start at Autodrome Granby on July 13**

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Cornwall, Ont. – June 28, 2007 - The month of July is always one of the busiest months of the season in dirt racing. It will also be the same this year as the Lucas Oil Canadian Dirt Series will hit Autodrome Granby, Autodrome Drummond, Autodrome Edelweiss, Brockville Speedway and Cornwall Motor Speedway in that month.

The series starts at Autodrome Granby on Friday, July 13<sup>th</sup> and will be presented by Bert Transmission. Everyone that was in Granby last remembers the epic battle between Mario Clair and David Hebert during the last 40 laps of the feature, Hebert was finally the winner. On the following night, Autodrome Drummond will be the host of the second race of the series and Coffrage 20-20 will proudly present this event. Last year, Hebert had dominated the race by winning by a convincing margin over Kayle Robidoux. Two weeks later, Toitures Marcel Raymond will host the third race of the series at Autodrome Edelweiss on Friday, July 27<sup>th</sup> to kick off a three night week-end of racing action. Local favourite, Pierre Dagenais had won last year's race. Brockville Ontario Speedway is next on the schedule for the series on the following night. The series ends at Cornwall Motor Speedway on Sunday, July 29<sup>th</sup>. Brian McDonald was in the winner in 2006 at the ¼ mile bullring. Both Brockville and Cornwall races will be sponsored by 730 Truck Stop.

Every race will be 100 laps of distance and will also count in the 358 DIRTcar Regional Championship points funds for the North region. Points will be awarded for the best finishes (15 in North) in DIRTcar-sanctioned 358-Modified events. It is a good incentive for drivers to participate in this series so that they can use those results for the DIRTcar Regional point funds.

The winner of each race will receive a guaranteed spot in the All-Star Race of the famous Victoria 200 which is held at Fulton Speedway on Saturday September 30. Even better, the 2007 Canadian DIRT Series champion will receive a guaranteed starting spot in the big 200 laps feature of that event.

Again in 2007, numerous sponsors contributed, starting by Lucas Oil Products which is for a second year the major sponsor of the series. Other ones like Babe Design, Finish Line Racewear, Pats Radiator, Bert Transmission, Coffrage 20-20, Toitures Marcel Raymond, Engine Research (Mike Block) and 730 Truck Stop. Because of them, drivers will compete for over \$100,000 in prize and money. Competitors that will participate in all 5 events will be eligible to win many prizes.

With all those contributions, it will be the most successful year since the series was born six years ago. Do not miss the opportunity to see some of the best drivers in the eastern part of Canada.