

Red's Racetrack Rambles

Hello again, all you racing fans! Well, the weather sure has held out real fine — so far — as Saturday night was another beautiful evening for racing.

With the Modern Season's Championship Race coming up later in the evening, the Modern Heats were run off first without too much excitement as the boys were saving their cars for the test coming up later. However there was plenty of excitement in the other two classes.

In the 2nd Hooligan heat, on the second lap, Butch Bliss, No. 26, apparently lost control of his car and was weaving all over the back-stretch with the result that No. 19 couldn't avoid hitting him in the left front wheel. The race was stopped and Butch was taken to the Corning Hospital for a check-up as he hit his head on the roll bar on the inside of the car.

Then, before the next race was underway, one of the large electric cables furnishing power to most of the lights on the track shorted out just behind the wheel fence in front of the starters stand and burned in two, putting most of the track in darkness. Repairs were made with track officials having to splice in a short section on two of the main cables — and then finally having to put a new fuse in before the lights were restored. Needless to say, there was all kinds of advice floating around freely, as well as assistance offered — but it was the track officials responsibility and their liability — so they took care of it which is as it should be.

In the 3rd Hooligan heat, No. 5 hit No. 62 on the No. 4 turn, blocking most of the track so the race was stopped with only 5 cars able to make the re-start. The fourth Hooligan heat also saw plenty of action with 12 cars in the starting line-up and a big pile-up on the No. 4 turn on the 1st lap making a re-start necessary. Then a little later, 8X spun across the track on the back-stretch and really got clobbered so this called for another re-start. In the Hooligan Feature, 22 cars started the race with No. 31 out in the lead for almost the entire race — only to lose his right rear wheel on the next to last lap so No. 94, who had been running in the No. 2 slot, moved out into the lead and won himself another race.

In the Sportsman Class, most of the races were just plain run-aways with the cars starting in front jumping out to an early lead — never to be seriously threatened although in the 3rd heat it began to look as if it might be nip-and-tuck when T-8 who had a big lead had his air cleaner come off and with it bouncing around on his engine it kept shorting out some of the plugs so that he lost most of his lead before the checkered flag was thrown. In the Feature, Marty Halbert, No. 20, started out in the pole position, jumped out into the lead — and kept increasing it while the high point drivers were working their way up thru the pack so he was never threatened although Heby Layfield, No. 48, finally did work his way up thru into the No. 2 slot.

The two Modern heats were pretty tame — but the Feature was a real thriller. Since it was the Season's Championship race, the cars were lined up with the high point men in front with Basil Shutt, No. 13, high point man, in the pole position, and Wesley Rogers, No. V05, beside him in 2nd pole, and Arnie Flint, No. 7X, and Bob Gee, No. 28, in the second row. V05 jumped out into the lead at the start of the race with No. 13, 2nd; and No. 7X, 3rd. V05 partially spun out and Basil moved out into the lead for a couple of laps with Arnie then taking the No. 1 slot with No. V05 moving up into 2nd. No. 5X hit Arnie in the No. 2 turn with No. V05 moving out into the lead. Then Arnie and Wesley see-sawed back and forth with first one holding the lead and then the other with Bob Gee, No. 28, moving into 3rd, and Basil holding down the No. 4 slot. Finally, No. V05 was forced out of the race when the rear end went out of his car and the three leaders kept their respective positions across the finish line.

For a brief re-cap of the evening's racing results: In the Hooligan Class — Marty Smith, No. 94, won the 1st heat; Carl Farrand, No. F5, took the 2nd; Bob Puffer, No. 87, the 3rd; George Robbins, No. 6X, the 4th; Howie Slocum, Jr., No. 63, the "Consy"; and in the Feature, Marty Smith, No. 94, was 1st; Bill Tompkins, No. 22, 2nd; Clayton Kirk, No. 84, 3rd; Howie Slocum Sr., No. 63, 4th and Bob Reep, No. 53, 5th.

In the Sportsman Class — Marty Halbert, No. 20, took the 1st heat; Fran Galligan, No. 17, won the 2nd; Dick Terwilliger, No. T8, the 3rd; Bob English, No. 67, the "Consy"; and in the Feature, Marty Halbert, No. 20, was 1st; Herb Layfield, No. 48, 2nd; Roger Bacon, No. 19, 3rd; Bob English, No. 67, 4th; and Fran Galligan, No. 17, 5th.

In the Modern Class — Bill Powley, No. 49, won the 1st heat; Wesley Rogers, No. V05, took the 2nd; and in the Season's Championship Feature, Arnie Flint, No. 7X, was 1st; Bob Gee, No. 28, 2nd; Basil Shutt, No. 13, 3rd; Warren Kinney, No. 5, 4th; and Bob Paul, No. 06, 5th.

Well Folks, that wraps it up for this week, so-o-o, so long — and see you at the races?

Appreciation

I wish to express my appreciation for the visitations, cards, gifts, flowers and other remembrances sent to me while I was in the hospital.

Donald Emery

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List Of Delinquent Tax Properties Being Prepared

Belmont — The Allegany County Treasurer, Edgar C. Dillie, has announced that his office is preparing the list of 1969 delinquent taxes for the purpose of advertising a Tax Sale to be conducted November 28, 1969.

Property owners who may wish to pay their taxes before advertising costs are added should make remittance to the Allegany County Treasurer's Office before September 30, 1969, Mr. Dillie advised.

Allegany County Fire Control Report

Allegany County Fire Control report for the month of August, 1969:

FIRES	
Industrial	0
Mercantile	0
Dwellings	6
Farm Buildings	3
Motor Vehicle	7
Oil Field	0
Grass & Brush	6
Pennsylvania Calls	1
Miscellaneous Fires	9
Total Calls	32
Accidents	5
MUTUAL AID	
In County	7
Out of County	2
Total Calls	9
AMBULANCE	
Alfred	4
Almond	2
Andover	5
Angelica	12
Belfast	11
Belmont	1

Bolivar	13
Fillmore	7
Friendship	5
Genesee	0
Richburg	5
Rushford	3
Total Calls	68
Siren Tests	91
Radio Checks	56
Vehicle Practice	14
Vehicle Maintenance	80
Lost Persons	1

False Alarms — 3
Miscellaneous Calls — 485
Total Calls for the Month — 844

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