

Young Max Blair wins Fastrak Special at PPMS, Mike Pegher Jr. wins Jook George Fall Classic Crate Lates, while Daryl Charlier, Craig Koteles, Rich Mason, and Tyler Atkinson also win at Pittsburgh's PA Motor Speedway on July 25 2009.

The first ever Fastrak event at Pittsburgh saw Titusville PA's Max Blair pick up his fifth series win of the season and his first ever at the track. Joe Martin and Blair brought the field down for the start. Blair grabbed the lead at the outset and built up a sizeable lead in just a few laps. A rain shower and subsequent delay during the heats made the track super fast. Blair continued to maintain a good lead when he began to run into lapped traffic. David Scott moved into second on the first lap began to close the gap when Blair ran into traffic. Meanwhile defending PPMS track champ Mike Pegher Jr. (who is now running with the Fastrak Series) moved into third. On lap 16 both Scott and Pegher made their way by Blair going down the back straight, but the yellow came out putting Blair back out front. On the restart Blair led with Pegher Jr. now in second and Scott in third, with PPMS regular Beau Glemba in fourth and Mike Blose in fifth. Dan Karalagas who ran in the B-Main and started 20<sup>th</sup> had charged into fifth, only to develop a flat and drop out. Pegher Jr. challenged Blair in the last several laps but could not make the pass. At the finish it was Blair, Pegher Jr. Scott, Glemba, Blose, Kyle Lukon, Bobby Powell, Dan Angelicchio (up from 19<sup>th</sup>), Tommy Schirnhofner Jr. and Gary Knollinger. The heats for the 29 cars running the Fastrak portion were won by Mike Pegher Jr., Mike Blose, Beau Glemba, and the B-Main was won by Dan Angelicchio.

In the Brougner's Machine Shop Pro Crate Models Jook George Memorial Fall Classic saw defending track champ Mike Pegher Jr. make up for his loss in the Fastrak event and pick up his second win in the title event. Twenty-seven cars brought the field down for the start. Last week's winner Tommy Schirnhofner Jr. grabbed the lead at the outset with Mike Blose battling him for the lead side by side for several laps. On lap 8 Pegher Jr. (who started 5<sup>th</sup>) moved into second past Blose. Pegher set his sites on Schirnhofner, and battled with him in and out of lapped traffic for the next six laps. On lap 14 Pegher led the next two laps when Schirnhofner came charging back on the inside and retook the lead on lap 16. Schirnhofner led lap 17, when Pegher moved back up front on lap 18 using a lapped car to his advantage. At the finish of the non-stop event it was Pegher Jr., Schirnhofner Jr., Kyle Lukon (who got by Blose in the late stages after a wheel to wheel battle), Blose, Mark Moats Jr., Steve Beatty, Dave Wade, Mike Reft, Dan "the Greek" Karalagas, and Justin Lamb. Four heats were run for the Pro Crates with Mike Pegher Jr., Justin Lamb, Mike Reft, and Kyle Lukon for the 31 cars taking part in the Fall Classic.

The Miley Truck Rental UMP E-Mods saw Midway PA's Daryl Charlier pick up his sixth win of the season in a super race that saw him suffer two flats, tag the tail and pass leader Kari Gasser coming for the checker. J.J. Bametzrieder grabbed the lead at the outset from his 3<sup>rd</sup> starting spot. On lap two, the caution came out for the first of Charlier's flats. On the restart, a major wreck in the third and fourth turn saw 7 cars tangle including Charlier who suffered his second flat. On the restart Bametzrieder led one more lap before Kari Gasser took over. Gasser opened up a big lead and was looking like she was headed to her second win of the season, but Charlier had different ideas. By

lap 7 he was in fifth, third on lap 8. On lap 9 Charlier (who originally started 11<sup>th</sup>) made his way by Bametzrieder for second. At that point Gasser had a straight away lead, but Charlier whittled away at Gasser's lead to catch her going down the back straight on the last lap. Charlier made his way to the outside lane and passed Gasser for the win at the checker, only beating her by a foot. At the checker it was Charlier, Gasser, Bametzrieder, Tom Martineck, Kevin Miller, Jared Domhoff, Denny Nakutus, Shawn Scheerbaum, Bruce Dreistadt, and Bob Damron. The heats saw Clayton Kennedy and Daryl Charlier grab the wins.

In the Sunoco Race Fuels DIRTcar Sportsman, Finleyville PA's Craig Koteles won his third feature of the 2009 season. Chuck Kennedy subbing for Bob Schwartzmiller (in Schwartzmiller's back up machine) grabbed the lead at the start from his pole starting spot. Kennedy led Craig Koteles, Jake Simmons, Nick Kocuba and Pat Weldon. The front five pulled away from the field. Koteles challenged Kennedy for the next ten laps, before getting by on lap 11 on the outside. The next lap the front five were cutting thru lapped traffic when Kennedy made contact with a lapped car causing him to tangle with Simmons. While they all kept going, it was Kennedy that the yellow was for so he was sent to the rear. On the restart Kocuba suffered a flat, and lost his fourth spot. At the finish it was Koteles, Simmons, Weldon, Joey Koteles, Steve Webb, Kennedy, Bill Robertson, Vince Kamicker, Dave Slade, and Tyler Fox. Pat Weldon and Bill Robertson won the two heats.

In the Flynn's Tire and Auto Factory Stocks, Rich Mason, Kennedy Township PA, won his second feature of the season. Mason took the lead on the first lap from his 6<sup>th</sup> starting spot and held off a late race challenge from Brian Huchko to take the win. Huchko was second followed by Gary Koteles, Jason Herniak, Tony White, Curt Bish, Edward Wiser, Jennifer Barker, and Garrett O'Patchen. Garrett O'Patchen won the lone heat.

The Imperial Heights Garage Young Guns saw a first time winner as Tyler Atkinson picked up his career first win. Atkinson grabbed the lead from his outside front row starting spot, and held off a late race charge from Daniel White to grab the win. Ricky Steigerwald was third followed by Justin Pons, Nico DaBecco, Alec Broniszewski, Hannah Ramsey and Tyler Carson.

## **SUMMARY – July 25, 2009**

Fastrak Late Models

Heats – Mike Pegher, Mike Blose and Beau Glemba

B-Main – Dan Angelicchio

Feature (25 Laps) – 1. Max Blair, 2. Mike Pegher, Jr., 3. David Scott, 4. Beau Glemba, 5. Mike Blose, 6. Kyle Lukon, 7. Bobby Powell, 8. Dan Angelicchio, 9. Tommy Schirnhofner, Jr., 10. Gary Knollinger, 11. Mark Moats, 12. Bud Watson, 13. John Watson, 14. Dave Wade, 15. Dave Gorrell, 16. Ken Chernik 17. Laura Lukon, 18. Garrett Mott, 19. Dan Karalagas, 20. Butch Lambert, 21. Rocky Kugel, 22. Jason Rider, 23. Tom Copeland, 24. Joe Martin DNS - Josh Holtgraver, Carl McKinney, Jason Fosnaught, Dennis Niederriter, Dennis Curry

#### Brougher's Machine Shop Pro Late Models

Heats – Mike Pegher, Justin Lamb, Michael Reft and Kyle Lukon

Feature (20 Laps) – 1. Mike Pegher, 2. Tommy Schirnhofner, 3. Kyle Lukon, 4. Mike Blöse, 5. Mark Moats Jr, 6. Steve Beatty, 7. Dave Wade, 8. Michael Reft, 9. Dan "The Greek" Karalagas, 10. Justin Lamb, 11. Rocky Kugel, 12. Colton Flinger, 13. Gary Knollinger, 14. Scott Schempp, 15. Joe Martin, 16. Laura Lukon, 17. Dan Angelicchio, 18. Jason Fosnaught, 19. Ken Chernik, 20. Dave Gorrell, 21. Bryan Hoffman, 22. Josh Holtgraver, 23. Jeremy Kleemock, 24. Darrell Dow, 25. Terry Kerr, 26. Beau Glemba, 27. Mike Opalinski, DNS - Jason Rider, Dusty Curry, David Scott, Dennis Niederriter

#### Miley Truck Rental UMP Modifieds

Heats – Clayton Kennedy and Daryl Charlier

Feature (12 Laps) – 1. Daryl Charlier, 2. Kari Gasser, 3. J J Bametzrieder, 4. Tom Martineck, 5. Kevin Miller, 6. Jared Domhoff, 7. Denny Nakutis, 8. Shawn Scheerbaum, 9. Bruce Dreistadt, 10. Bob Damron, 11. Sean Graham, 12. Clayton Kennedy, 13. Brad Westover

#### Sunoco Race Fuels UMP Sportsman

Heats – Pat Weldon and Bill Robertson

Feature (15 Laps) – 1. Craig Koteles, 2. Jake Simmons, 3. Pat Weldon, 4. Joe Koteles, 5. Steve Webb, 6. Chuck Kennedy, 7. Bill Robertson, 8. Vincent Kamicker, 9. Dave Slade, 10. Tyler Fox, 11. Robert Betz, 12. Mike Mohn, 13. Todd Janas, 14. Nick Kocuba, 15. Darren Ferguson DNS - Adam Kostelnick

#### Flynn's Tire and Auto Factory Stocks

Heat – Garrett O'Patchen

Feature (10 Laps) – 1. Rich Mason, 2. Brian Huchko, 3. Gary Koteles, 4. Jason Herniak, 5. Tony White, 6. Curt Bish, 7. Edward Wiser, 8. Jennifer Barker, 9. Garrett O'Patchen, DNS - Brian Reddcliff

#### Imperial Heights Garage Young Guns Sport Compacts

Feature (8 Laps) – 1. Tyler Atkinson, 2. Daniel White, 3. Ricky Steigerwald, 4. Justin Pons, 5. Nico Dabecco, 6. Alec Broniszewski, 7. Hannah Ramsey, 8. Tyler Carson