



KALAMAZOO Speedway TRACK TALK May 9, 2018

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May Madness!

May 11

STOCK FIVE NIGHT

Intimidator 100 (final 78 laps)

Then –
All Weekly Classes Race

(that's another feature for the Outlaw
Super Late Models!)

Youth 12 & under get in FREE



**OUTLAW SUPER LATE MODELS
DOUBLE FEATURE NIGHT**

FRIDAY, MAY 11 – MAY MADNESS AT THE ZOO CONTINUES

May 11 is week #2 of May Madness at the Zoo; our way of making it up to our drivers and fans for the rain-shortened season opener. Don't forget, this is one of the nights fans can present their grandstand ticket from the season opener and receive \$3 off an adult ticket; the remaining night for this offer is May 18. Youth 6-12 are FREE on May 11 and \$5 on May 18. Kids under 5 are always free. If you can't get enough Outlaw Super Late Model racing, this Friday isn't to be missed. Not only will the Super Lates be running the final 78 laps of the GT Products Intimidator 100, but they'll also run their regular weekly feature as part of the Stock Five program. We've already seen some heads up racing this year. Don't miss any of the action!

- # **Complete the remaining 78 laps of the GT Products Intimidator 100**
118 total laps of Outlaw Super Late Model racing
- # **Outlaw Super Late Models, Late Model Sportsman, Street Stocks, Outlaw FWD & the Zoo Stocks run their regular weekly race**
- # **Kids 12 years old and younger get in FREE**

Details:	Pits Open	3:30 PM
	Pit Passes	\$30
	Racing Starts	7:30 PM

NEXT UP AT KALAMAZOO SPEEDWAY

FRIDAY, MAY 18 STOCK FIVE NIGHT
All Classes Race
Double feature night for the Late Model Sportsman

FRIDAY, MAY 25 STOCK FOUR NIGHT
NHRA Night featuring Terry McMillen
Lane Automotive 75 for the Outlaw Super Late Models
Street Stocks and Outlaw FWDs race
Double feature night for the Zoo Stocks

MAY 4 RECAP

Top 10 – “A” Feature Races

STREET STOCKS MAKE-UP	SPORTSMAN	STREET STOCKS	OUTLAW FWD	ZOO STOCKS [Ⓜ]
Zack Cook	Austin Maynard	Kyle Ribble	Paul Bittle	Curtis Towne
Greg Brown	Shawn Grace	Greg Brown	Jason Essex	Jerry Ballard
John Chapman	Kenny Head	Josh Zordan	Nick Layman	Colin Bozell
Keith Wilfong	Jerry Jansen	Tom Rutherford	Kyle Jansen	Nick Failing
Danny Oxford	Terry Hard	Keith Wilfong	Doug Smith	Bryan Sawyer
Shane Miller	Chris Fleming	Zack Cook	Brandon Sweat	Logan Hiemstra
Kevin Sweat	Chris Shannon	Rob Hardy	Ricky LaDuke	Ira Hosner
Barry Jenkins	Louis Miller	John Chapman	Doug Nelson	Chris Letts
Cory Pressler	Nick Pressler	Shane Miller	MaKenna Snyder	Billy Edwards
Brad Hall	Denver Sweat	Barry Jenkins	Kenny Wright	Rielly Meade

[Ⓜ] the Zoo Stocks were joined by the Burg Stocks

Over 100 cars were on the property ready to race for the second night of the season. With many of the cars having only run qualifying laps last week, this was Week #2 of “shake down” night for a lot of teams. The yellow flag got such a workout that it needs to be replaced already.

Nineteen **Street Stocks** led off the night with their “make-up” race from opening night. Only cars listed on the opening night line-up were eligible to participate. Starting positions were based on qualifying times from the opener. John Chapman and Greg Brown each took a turn leading before the midpoint of the race when Zack Cook (pictured) moved into the lead to win the 35 lap race. This was Kevin Sweat’s first race in this class (he raced in the Zoo Stocks last year), placing a very respectable 7th. Taylor Sexton, running last year in the Outlaw FWDs, placed 11th. Valerie Bozell (a Zoo Stock alum and class track record holder) experienced mechanical issues in qualifying and was a scratch for the rest of the night.



Don Teadt (a 2016 and 2017 Rent-a-Ride driver) made a great save in the early going of the **Zoo Stocks' 20** lap feature, also placing second in one of the heats. Colin Bozell, last week's feature winner, also made a great save. Bozell was mired deep in the field and appeared



to be a non-factor but tapped into that Bozell hustle and worked his way up to a third place finish. Curtis Towne



(right) looked strong taking a heat race and the \$400 to win feature (from a back row starting position). CJ French took a heat race as did Jerry Ballard (also a 2017 Rent-a-Ride driver) who finished second in the feature. Phil Novotny had fast time (17.135). With two races complete Colin Bozell has the points lead over Curtis Towne (-7). So many Zoo Stocks turned out to race that we had to add a third heat race and a B Feature. The B feature, the last race of the night, was won by Jonathan Tysen (left); the only green to checkered feature all evening.

The 25-lap **Outlaw FWD** feature gave the yellow flag a workout, including a red flag stop when Jeremy Young blew a tire and flew into the wall. Paul Bittle started at the tail of the field and worked his way to the front along with regular season newcomer Jason Essex. Essex caught Bittle a couple of times but couldn't pass him. It was Bittle at the finish line by a bumper after getting a bumper from Essex and displaying masterful driving while racing down the front stretch sideways to take the checkered. MaKenna Snyder and Camille Lewis won the heat races. Bittle had fast time of 15.318 and is the early point leader over Jason Essex (-4).



So many **Street Stocks** turned out to race that a Last Chance Race was added to the schedule. Bobby Oxford took the win with Taylor Sexton, Matt Elsey and Kevin Sweat also advancing to the 35-lap feature. Kyle Ribble had fast time (14.628). Ribble experienced a gas leak in the make-up feature earlier in the program but got it figured out for this race. Greg Brown, always a contender, started in the first row due to the inversion. Brown used the starting position to his advantage battling Barry Jenkins for the lead in the early laps. By lap 20 Brown had a commanding lead with Josh Zordan in second. Josh



Zordan looked strong throughout the race, ultimately placing third. Ribble was 7 places behind Brown when a caution was thrown with 18 to go. Ribble mounted a strong charge when the race went back to green. With 10 to go, Ribble had moved up to second moving Zordan to third. Brown held Ribble off for a few more laps but Ribble made the pass with a handful of laps to go. With two features on the program, there were no heat races. John Chapman had another strong performance and is someone to watch as the season continues. Zack Cook has the early point lead over Greg Brown (-12).

The \$1,200 to win 40-lap **Late Model Sportsman** feature started a field of 18. Kenny Head took fast time of 13.705. Buddy Head went back out during qualifying to try to outdo his brother in the way brothers do, but Kenny's time stood. Chris Shannon and Buddy Head won the heat races. The Sportsman feature was marred by a number of cautions. The red flag stopped the action when early leader Lane Head was involved in a multi-car pile-up gathering up Buddy Head, Jordan Hunderman and Mike Ammerman. KTS was all over the scene promptly; no one was hurt. Buddy Head's crew effected some fast repairs and Head returned to the track a few laps down. With under 5 laps to go, AJ Foote had the lead with Chris Shannon charging. Shannon and Foote had a bit of a dust up and Foote was done for the night. Shannon ultimately finished 7th. Austin Maynard had been running a strong race behind the leaders and took the checkered flag. Kenny Head has the early point lead over Chris Shannon (-10).



HOT LAPS – FAST FACTS

Outdoor Adventures completed their first giveaway of the season, a \$300 Yeti Cooler. Fans may enter future Outdoor Adventures' giveaways by stopping at their table (near the main entrance) on nights they're running a giveaway. Outdoor Adventures is a family owned business (since 1995) that believes that strong family relationships can be built through camping and being together outdoors. Each Outdoor Adventures' resort has something different to offer, providing members with a variety of activities along with a place to relax. Staff is always glad to help with reservations, directions, and information on local festivities that are happening. Two more giveaways are planned for this season, a motorized bar stool (!) and a personalized golf cart. (History courtesy of the Outdoor Adventures website)



<http://www.outdooradventuresinc.com/>



Royal Purple was founded as an industrial lubricants company by John Williams, a pioneer in developing synthetic lubricants as far back as the 1950s. In 1986, an oil production company asked Williams to solve chronic bearing failures in their large compressors. Williams developed a new additive technology that fortified lubricants with high film strength capable of protecting bearings under extreme loads, possessed exceptional oxidation stability, provided protection against rust and corrosion in wet and high temperature applications plus cleaned equipment and prevented varnishing and sludge build-up. To distinguish the product from other lubricants Williams made the lubricant purple and named the company Royal Purple (historically the color purple was so expensive to produce that only royalty used the color).



Along the way, Royal Purple began formulating racing lubricants which led the way for the development of super-premium motor oils for consumer use. Royal Purple consumer motor oils and other automotive products were introduced through national automotive parts retailers beginning in 2003. Royal Purple was acquired in 2012 by Calumet Specialty Products Partners. Royal Purple is a point fund sponsor. (History courtesy of the Royal Purple website)

 <http://www.royalpurpleconsumer.com/>

Founded in 1964 as a part-time venture in George Lane's garage, one thing has remained the same throughout the years of growth at **Lane Automotive**: the desire to provide the best parts and the best service at competitive prices.

Since the days when local racers lined up to buy racing parts at that tiny, one man shop, the company has grown and is now comprised of three separate divisions. Known as a premier supplier of performance parts and accessories for racers, hot rodders, truck and off-road enthusiasts, Lane Automotive's divisions include:



-  Motor State Distributing
-  Allstar Performance
-  Lane Automotive Showroom

Product lines are continually added as new parts and accessories are developed and introduced to the public. The company serves customers around the world from a 416,000 square foot distribution center/office complex located in Watervliet, Michigan. Lane Automotive has been a Kalamazoo Speedway sponsor for 32 years, is a point fund sponsor plus sponsors the Lane Automotive 75 on May 25. (History courtesy of the Lane Automotive website)

 <http://www.laneautomotive.com/>

