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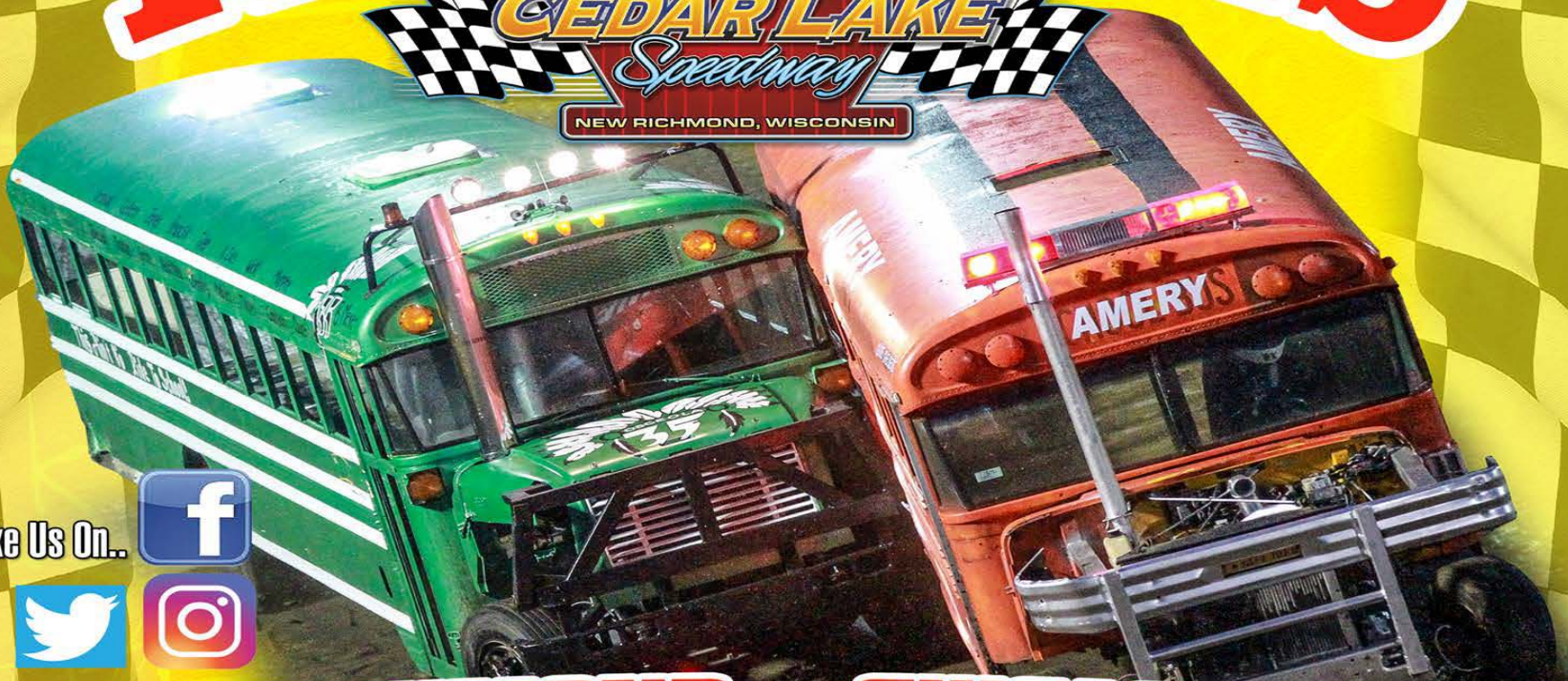


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### *Racing According to Plan*



### Dan Plan

For our first issue of the 2018 racing season, I anticipated having about 6 race nights under my belt by the middle of April. As I'm writing this column, I have a grand total of one short track event in my personal tally for the month of April. With that in mind, I had to scramble for a topic, and came up with this one.

I'm often amazed at how two people can watch the same situation, and interpret the situation two separate ways. This holds especially true when it comes to short track racing. I've even sat next to a husband and wife at a short track where a wreck occurred, and both thought the other driver was at fault. One spouse would say the driver on the outside "right-reared" the driver to cause the wreck. The other spouse would claim the driver on the inside didn't leave enough room. Who's right? They probably both are right to some degree. The driver on the bottom could have left more room to avoid an incident. The driver in the top

### *Two sides to every story*

groove could have lifted. But sometimes neither driver gives an inch and we end up with wreck. That's why they are race car drivers and why we enjoy going to watch them

The item that brought this topic to my mind was the Super Late Model race at Nashville Fairgrounds Speedway on the first weekend in April. I wasn't there, but social media and Race Monitor kept me abreast of what was going on. Early in the race, there was an incident on the track between Steve Wallace and Mason Mingus. Everyone had their own opinion of what happened, and most focused on placing the blame on Wallace and the post-race altercation between the two. I'm not convinced Steve was totally at fault. As they say, it takes two to tango.

From the video clips I saw, there's no doubt Mingus and Wallace got into each other multiple times. I heard reports of Wallace "right-reared" Mingus to cause the wreck. The video sure looked to me like he was on the bumper of Mingus and not his right-rear. Could the wreck have been avoided? Why sure it could have, but then I wouldn't have had anything to write about.

#### *Miscellaneous news & notes:*

This season marks the 22<sup>nd</sup> consecutive year of printing this publication. The first ten years under publisher emeritus Rob Hahn, and now 12 years on our own. Things have changed a lot in the 22 years of publication, but we're still here.

A new addition to the contributors of the paper this year will be Stan Kalwasinski. I've been aware of Stan's work since purchasing my first ARTGO program as a kid back in the 1970's. Our first issue of the 2018 season has a couple of classic ARTGO pictures from Capital Super Speedway (now known as Madison International Speedway). I'm pretty giddy to see what Stan has in store for the rest of the season.

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Dean & Jason  
Talkin' Racin'



Jason D. Searcy

Spring has been delayed but, believe it or not, racing is quickly approaching for us in the Great White North.

The Elko Speedway 53rd season opener will be on May 19th. The NASCAR weekly racing divisions will



Bruce Nuttleman photo

Iowa Speedway will once again host several national touring events in 2018

be Late Models, Thunder Cars and Power Stocks with INEX sanctioned divisions for the Legends Cars and Bandolero's. ELKO as per usual will race on Saturday nights through September, they have been a NASCAR sanctioned track for thirty years now and fans will see double features every race night.

Grant Enfinger in 2014 and Austin Theriault in 2017. Other notable drivers include: Ken Schrader, Erik Jones, Steve Arpin, Ryan Reed, Chris Buescher and current Cup driver of the #88 Alex Bowman.

The much anticipated Tribute night will be on August 18th, the Late Models will be competing for the Dwain Behrens memorial clock and the Thunder Cars will be vying for the Scott Kingery distinctive memorial trophy.

The Bandit Big Rig Series will make its debut at ELKO on Aug 25th, they are also racing at Hawkeye Downs (IA) on June 9th and La Crosse (WI) on July 28th. With three races in this general area I believe we will see some local drivers considering racing this series. Dirt Modified legend Mark Noble has already committed to racing full time in the #74. These are full blown Single Axle Semi-Tractors racing on stock tires, transmissions and engines making it an affordable series and with support from a local company Minimizer it seems to be a series on the rise not just an exhibition event.



Austin Theriault captured the 2017 ARCA event at Elko

Scott Swenson photo

The 2018 schedule will feature nine different Eve of Destruction nights with a great variety of racing, entertainment and music. Here is a list of some other notable event nights to mark on your racing calendar.

The ARCA series will return for the fifth time on July 14th with a 250-lap race televised LIVE on MAVTV, the later date should bolster the crowd, plus the other ELKO divisions will race that night as well. The previous ELKO ARCA winners were Brennan Poole in 2012, Frank Kimmel in 2013,

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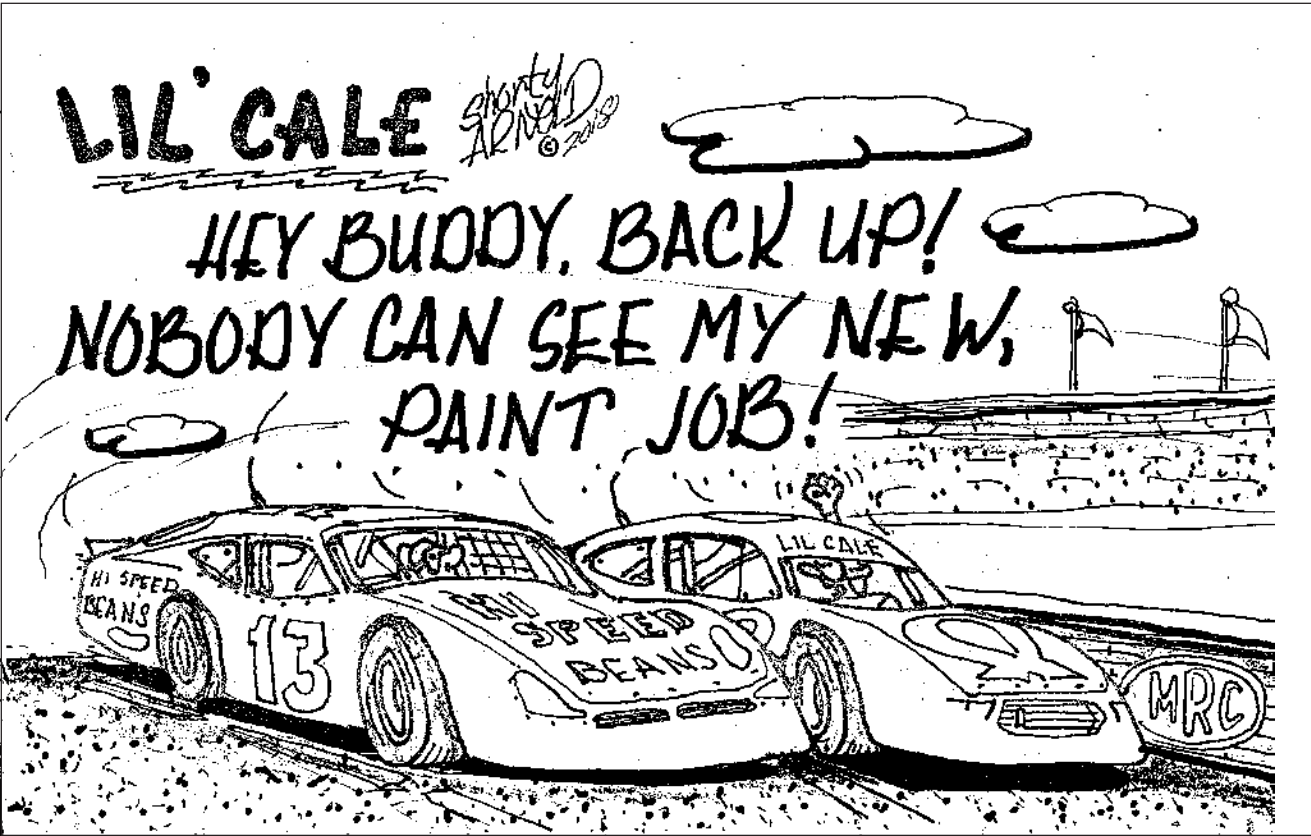
The Tenth annual Thunderstruck93 event to help fight Lou Gehrig's disease in memory of Dan Ryan will be on September 22nd this year at Elko Speedway with the main event being a 93-lap race for the Big 8 Late Models.

Iowa Speedway in Newton (IA) will have three big weekends of racing this year starting off with the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Saturday evening at 5:30pm and Xfinity series Sunday afternoon at 3:30pm on June 16th and 17th. The ARCA series will be on Saturday night July 7th at 7:30pm and Indy Cars at 1pm on Sunday July 8th at Iowa Speedway. The NASCAR K&N series will race Friday night July 27th at 7pm and the Xfinity series returns on Saturday at 4pm on July 28th. Iowa Speedway is fan friendly and in my opinion, it provides the best racing on the NASCAR circuit.

The Trans Am series will not be returning to Brainerd International Raceway (MN) this year but you can see them at Road America in Elkhart Lake (WI) August 23rd-25th.

I know the weather has been brutal this Spring but we can be comforted by looking forward to the enjoyment of a great racing schedule this summer.

*The Big 8 Late Models will be the featured division at Thunderstruck 93 in 2018. Chris "Cruiser" Marek looks to defend the title on his home turf*



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Going in Circles



Charlie Spry

I just love the first race of the season. However, this year it seemed like it would never get here, with weather more fitting for the month of February than April. It took until the 21st of April for me to see a race with all of the snow we had in the Midwest in April.

The first race for me in 2018 came at the Rockford Speedway for their regular season opener. Lots of new cars, new drivers, and new paint jobs were unveiled.

Alex Papini will return full time to the late model wars here at Rockford with a new car. “It’s a Hamke (chassis) car that I got from Tim Sargent. We didn’t bring it home until a short time ago, and we may be a little behind, but it’s a good car and it is going to be fast,” Said Alex. it seems like he already has it dialed in pretty good, as he took the feature win on the opening night. I’m sure he will dial it in even more and be even faster in the coming weeks.

D.J. Smith seemed to have a good car right out of the box. He has a different paint color (blue) and a new

number (81). “Maybe the change is good,” Said D.J. “The car seems pretty good and is working well.’ He noted this before the racing started, then backed that up with a heat race win and a good run in the feature until he got involved in a skirmish which set him back. He and his crew put a lot of time and effort in the racing stuff and he is going to win some features this season.

Hope this team can get back out at some point this season.

Jake Gille has new white colors and channel 13 WREX sponsorship. In the past, local Rockford television stations had always sponsored cars here, then kind of got away from it, now many are returning with sponsorship dollars.



Guy Adams/HotShot Photography

Jake Vanoskey made hard contact with the tire at the “point” at the pit entrance at turn three during the feature, which caused considerable damage to his car. Driver is OK, however, and that is the main thing.

In the American Short Tracker division, Franc Beldowski has purchased the championship car from Zach Rodriguez, and looks to be the driver to beat this season. “Fearless Franc” and teammate Melody Boyle have late model racer Steve Rubeck as car chief, and this team looks very strong.

AST racer David Russell Jr. has a neat story to tell with a car that he is racing, which has returned to its home. “This is the car that my Uncle Don built and raced back in 1993. The front and rear sections are new, but the mid section is the original car,” said David. “It got sold and went through several owners, and I always kind of kept track of it. Right at the end of the season in 2017 I had a chance to get it back and I jumped at it. It is painted exactly like Don had it. I have my own sponsors of course, but otherwise it is the same. I am doing this as a tribute to my Dad, Grandpa, and Uncle, who got me started in this. The car is faster than my old car.” The car looks good out



Guy Adams/HotShot Photography

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there and is performing well, as he won a heat race and finished second in the feature.



Guy Adams/HotShot Photography

The Sportsman division looks to be wide open this year. Several rookies will be joining the field, including former Roadrunner top runner Richard Schinderling Jr., who is wheeling a very sharp car. Also new are Adam Cartwright, who has only raced a few times prior in this division, Terrance Robinson, who likewise only ran a couple of times in the past, and John Featherston. Cartwright looked good in winning the feature on opening night.

The Roadrunner class could also be wide open this season. Veterans Arlyn Roush and Chad Lounsbury battled for the win on opening night, with Roush winning. Robby Robinson will be racing here this season after racing primarily at Tomah-Sparta the past couple of

years and he will be doing his share of winning as well.

The Bandit class will be joining the field quite often on Saturday nights this season, in addition to racing on Wednesdays. A good field of cars from varied places were on hand for the opener, with veteran Nick Schmidt getting the win on opening night.

Overall, it was a fun night. A great way to end this cabin fever and get another season underway. Did I mention how much I enjoy opening night?

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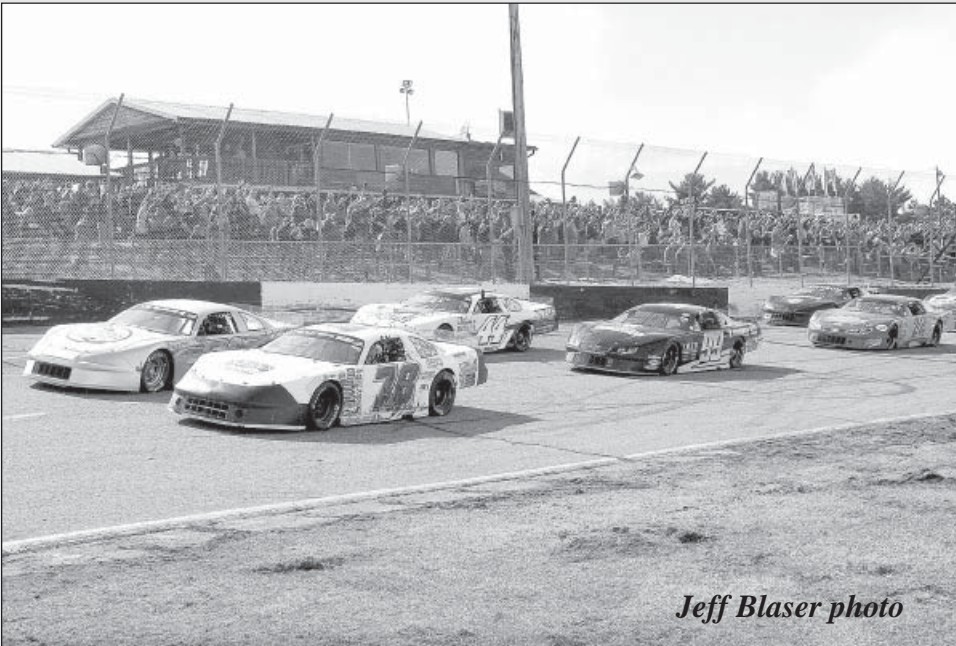
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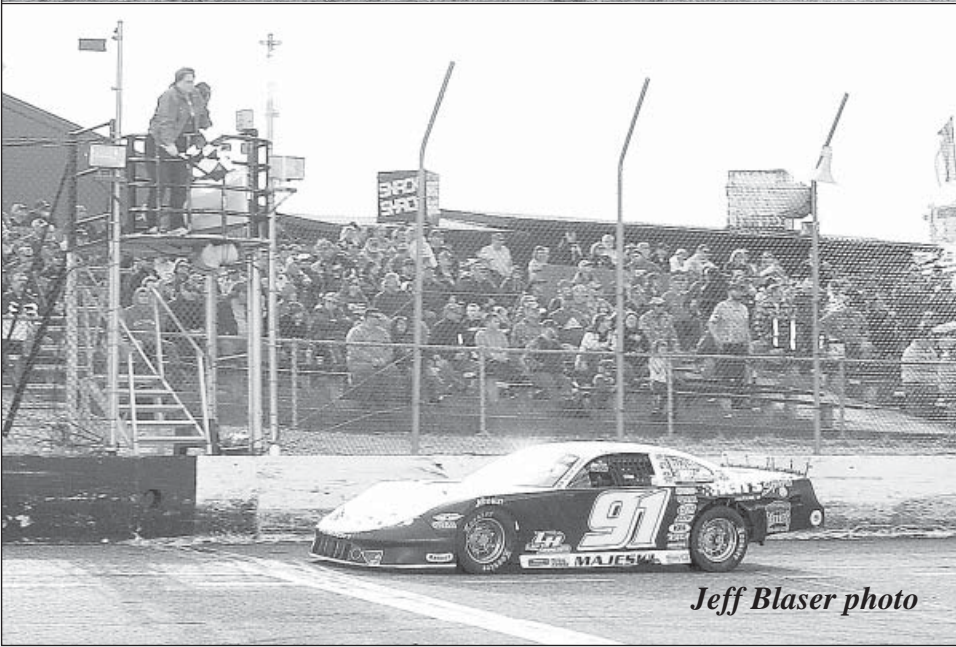
Dells Raceway Park kicked off their 2018 racing season with the annual Icebreaker Super Late Model special, along with the Great Northern Sportsman Series. A large field of Super Lates were in attendance, with defending ARCA Midwest Tour Champion, and current Xfinity driver Ty Majeski picking up the win. Dalton Zehr and Sklyar Holzhausen rounded out the podium. The GNSS main event was captured by Jason Thoma, with Dave Trute and David Borntrager rounding out the top 3.



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# WISSOTA Challenge Series Returns to Cedar Lake Speedway

By Dan Plan

Cedar Lake Speedway will host its first WISSOTA sanctioned event in about a dozen years. No, hell hasn't frozen over, and yes, the Cedar Lake weekly shows will still run under the NASCAR banner. In speaking with Cedar Lake's Brad Both, "This event is a collaborative effort by both parties to bolster the Dirt Late Model division in the area."

The WISSOTA Challenge Series event is scheduled to take place on Saturday August 18<sup>th</sup>, and will be part of the NASCAR Dash Series. The NASCAR Dash Series events already feature an increased. With the addition of a WISSOTA Challenge Series points event, the event is sure to attract the top regional dirt Late Model pilots. Defending WISSOTA Challenge Series champion, John Kaanta, also captured the 2017 NASCAR Dash title at Cedar Lake Speedway and will be one of the drivers to watch.



Vince Peterson photo

John Kaanta (85) and Pat Doar (11) battle for position in 2017. Kaanta would go on to pick up championships with the WISSOTA Challenge Series Tour and the NASCAR Dash Series.



Vince Peterson photo



Vince Peterson photo

Drivers from throughout the upper-Midwest will converge at Cedar Lake Speedway for the WISSOTA Challenge Series event in August. Four-wide action (left photo) and top drivers such as Jimmy Mars and James "Nitro" Giossi are expected to be on hand.



## Frostbuster Kick Starts 2018 Season For Panitzke



Dan Plan photo



Dan Plan photo

Nick Panitzke started off his LaCrosse Fairgrounds Speedway Late Model title defense by picking up where he left off; victory lane. Panitzke set fast time for the day and took the lead early in the main event to pick up the win in the annual Frostbuster event. Other winners for the day included: Chris Weber – Sportsmen, Adam Moore – Thunderstox, Clayton Hassig – Street Stox and Brandon Lamoine – Hornets.

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# Midwest Memories

*by Stan Kalwasinski*



*Stan Kalwasinski Photo*

Before the 1979 racing season began, John McKarns and his wife, Sue, purchased the four-year-old ARTGO Racing late model stock car series from Chicago businessman, Art Frigo. Frigo and McKarns had put together the idea in 1975 of a Midwestern late model special events series in about a one month's time, presenting the very first ARTGO event at Illinois' Grundy County Speedway on September 7, 1975 with Tom Reffner winning the Wayne Carter Classic. Under the new ownership of the McKarns', the ARTGO series would see 10 events held in 1979 with Dick Trickle being named the year's champion.

The first ARTGO event of the 1979 season was held at the then-named Capital Super Speedway in Oregon, Wis., on a cold, snowy Sunday – April 8. Before the afternoon's racing began, (from left to right) John McKarns, Tom Reffner, Art Frigo, Dave Watson and Dick Trickle posed for a photo. Reffner was named the first ARTGO champion in 1975 with Watson claiming the title in 1976, Trickle in 1977 and Reffner again in 1978.

After the 1979 season opening 50-lap feature race on the Wisconsin half-mile, race winner Reffner poses with McKarns with remnants of snow still evident along the back straightaway.



*Stan Kalwasinski Photo*



Racing Nuggets



Jacklyn Daniels-Nuttleman

There’s been a lot of gloom and doom being perpetuated about auto racing over the course of the last several years. For some people, it’s become a bit of a sport to bash on the sport itself. Despite the vitriol that drips from the pages of social media some days when keyboard jockeys take aim at drivers and race tracks, if you look to La Crosse Fairgrounds Speedway—you can certainly see that the tide may just be starting to turn.

In a day when some tracks are struggling to have 10 or 12 Late Models show up for their weekly program—La Crosse Speedway had 29 on hand for the Frostbuster—their season opener on Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Now granted, all 29 NASCAR Late Models may not show up every week at La Crosse, but that is still a very healthy number—with steep competition—for a season opener that could translate into some excellent car counts for the long haul.

Speaking of the long haul—the reigning La Crosse NASCAR Late Model champion & 2017 Wisconsin

Raising the Bar & a Burger at La Crosse

state champion is back making the nearly 300-mile round-trip commute to defend that title. Nick Panitzke makes the trek each week from Lonsdale, MN to West Salem, WI to run because he likes the competition at the track. He showed he hadn’t lost one bit of his stride, starting the season off with fast time in qualifying—and then backing it up with the feature win.

Despite finishing second to Panitzke—both in the NASCAR Late Model feature and qualifying—Steve Carlson is poised to reclaim the crown. Obviously, with multiple championships to his name, including the 2007 NASCAR Whelen All-American National Championship, Carlson is capable of winning. He’s back and focused this season with a new car and as he continues to dial the new machine in, he will definitely be a threat to capture his share of checkered flags this year—and maybe even reclaim the title.

Reigning Elko Speedway & 2017 Minnesota state champion, Jacob Goede even made it to La Crosse for the season opener and says he will also be coming back whenever possible to compete this year. He posted a third place finish in the Frostbuster feature—and that was even after sustaining some damage when he got an unwanted piece of the carnage from an on-track incident in front of him.

Another Carlson nabbed 4<sup>th</sup> in the NASCAR Late Model feature—Michael, son of Steve, but the father-son duo weren’t the only Carlsons in the field. Tom, older brother to Steve and uncle to Michael was also back on track at La Crosse for the season opener and plans to run several more times in 2018. It’s been quite a while since he’s been behind the wheel at La Crosse—having tasted plenty of success at the track in the 80s and 90s. He picked up a 9<sup>th</sup> place finish in the feature, so there’s definitely something to build upon for his next run.

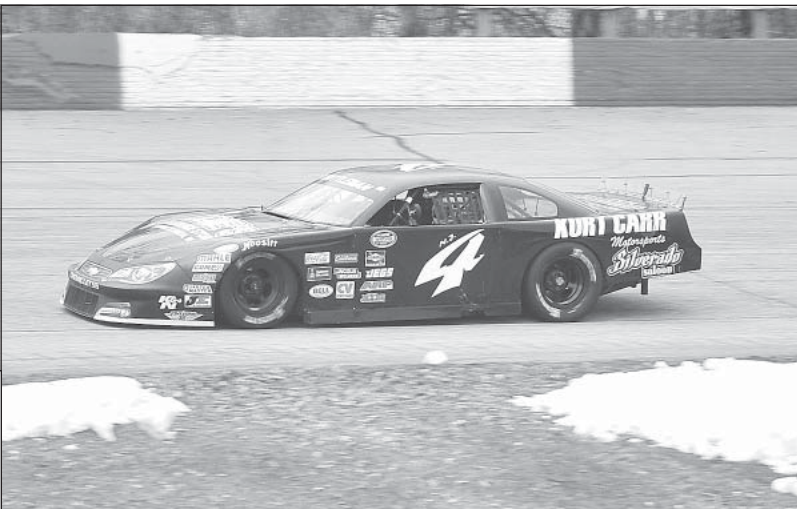
Tom Carlson wasn’t the only name from the past to surface with a race car at La Crosse for the Frostbuster. Kevin Nuttleman, the driver with the most weekly racing wins (106) at La Crosse was back behind the wheel too. He was slated to run during Oktoberfest in the NASCAR Late Model division, piloting the car of Justin Zmyewski, but rain bombarded the festivities that night, negating the 10-time track champ’s bid. Zmyewski offered up his car for the La Crosse season opener to Nuttleman again.

A drive train failure cut his racing short during the feature, but according to my sources, the racing bug has bit Nuttleman again and he may very well show up to run more this season at La Crosse in Zmyewski’s car—provided his work on the farm allows him enough time to do so.

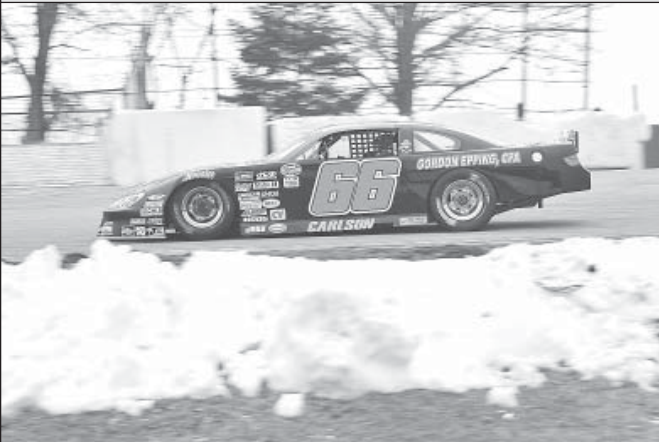
It’s hard for racers to retire. They get twitchy hands and dilated eyes when they hear the sound of engines roaring and their nostrils are permeated by the heady scent of racing fuel. Sometimes it’s just the burgers at La Crosse Speedway that cause those symptoms, but for true racers—horsepower is a legit addiction.

Another hot shoe from days gone by that has shown up periodically to run at La Crosse was there for the opener—Brent Kirchner—and he rounded out the top

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Kevin Nuttleman (right) returned to competition for the Frostbuster and a trio of Carlsons at Lacrosse Fairgrounds Speedway (below)



Dan Plan photos



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five with his feature finish. The field was peppered with names from the past for the Frostbuster: Tony Bagstad, Todd Oliver, Ken Christianson, Mike Ehde—all regulars from back in the 90s & early 2000s. It was almost like a throwback of sorts at La Crosse.

Even Bobby Wilberg, reigning champion from Madison Speedway threw his hat into the ring at La Crosse, and plans to show up periodically whenever possible this season in order to give himself more races to garner more points in the National standings for the NASCAR Whelen All-American Series.

Yes, the competition is quite thick at La Crosse this season—and I haven't even delved much into the younger contingent who are hungry to make a name for themselves, or even the semi-regulars from the track, some of whom have feature wins—and even championships to their credit.

It all adds up to what promises to be a whale of a season for the NASCAR Late Model division at La Crosse. When you add in stellar competition in the support classes of racing—you've got yourself a jam-packed night of entertainment for the entire family. You can judge for yourself when the track resumes

regular season racing on May 12<sup>th</sup>. They'll sell you the whole seat—but you'll only need the edge! And a burger. You'll definitely need a burger at La Crosse Speedway.



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*2018 Madison International Speedway champion, Bobby Wilberg, (top photo) will take the show on the road in 2018. Brent Kirchner (bottom photo) was on hand for the Frostbuster.*



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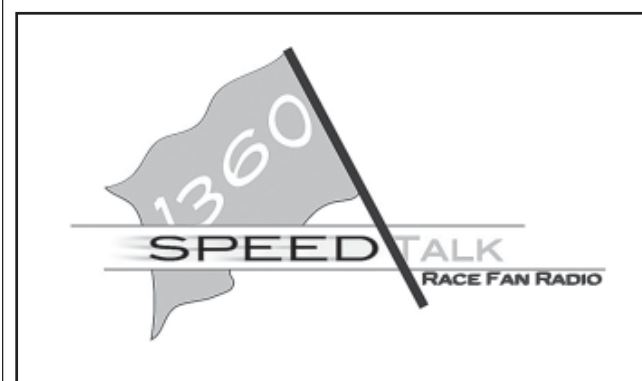
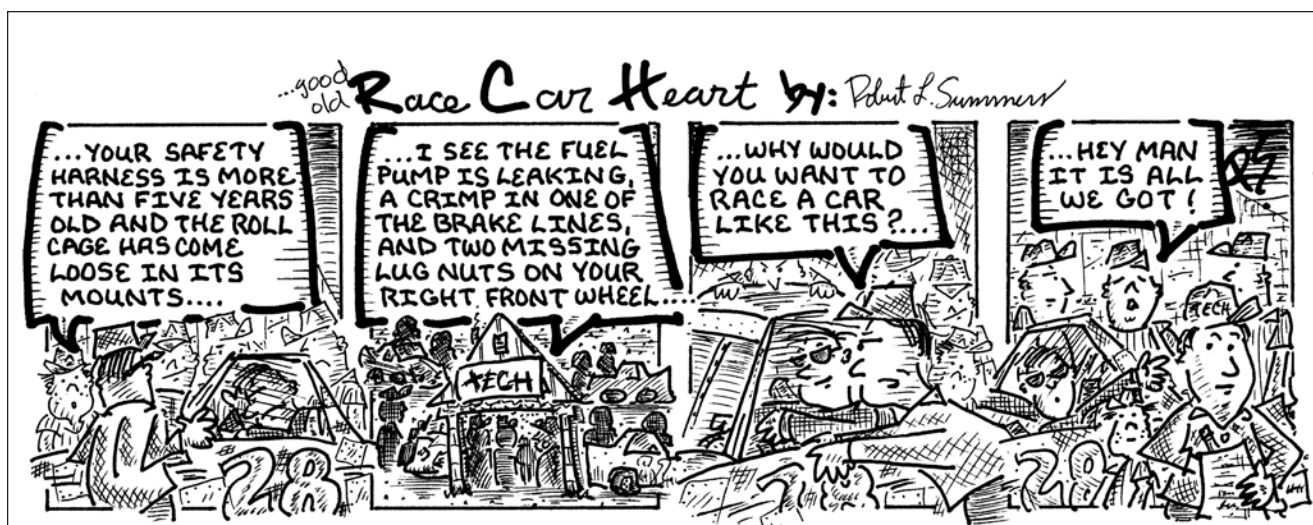
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It was a good day here April 22nd, 2018. First and foremost, racing action finally got underway at La Crosse Fairgrounds Speedway, West Salem, WI., after three big snow storms tried to put the kabosh on any outdoor activity for the month. With sunny skies, temps in the '60s, racing action commenced with plenty of shiny new race cars on hand to do battle, some with names we remember from the past and others now making their names known in the sport.

NASCAR Late Models were the top division on the bill and 29 of them turned out for the Frostbuster race

here at the 5/8ths mile paved oval track. It appears this year will be a repeat of last year at least as far as contenders go, with last season's track champion, the up and coming Late Model racer, Nick Panitzke and second in points, seasoned veteran Steve Carlson starting out the day one and two in qualifying. As it turned out, that would be the finishing order in the 25-lap main event on the day as well, as Panitzke took the top spot on lap 5 and stayed ahead of Carlson the balance of the race. Following the two at the finish was Jacob Goede, Mike Carlson, Brent Kirchner and Jeremy Wagner. A first lap skirmish between Ty Reedy and Bobby Wilberg really shook up the line up for the restart and several top runners suffered damage. Panitzke and Carlson were actually forced to take evasive action winding through the grass and snow emerging relatively unscathed. Others weren't so lucky as former track Champion, Brad Powell suffered damage but returned to place 10th. Reedy, due to the initial contact and eventual bout with the wall, was definitely out with major damage. On the restart, Cole Howland took the lead, but his race was short lived as he scraped the wall on lap 12 putting him out for the day. After that things went reasonably smooth and no other major consequences on the track occurred.

In the other featured divisions of racing, it was Chris Weber taking the 15 lap Sportsman Feature win over fast qualifier Steve Bachman and Tom Luethe. Thunderstox main event action found perennial winner and champion, Adam Moore first followed by Joey Johnson and Jason Bolster. Street Stocks were also on the card and it was Clayton Haessig taking that win followed by Chris Larson and Matt Moore. The Hornet Feature winner was Brandon Lemoine followed by Nate Towner and Jake Schomers. Action in all the divisions was competitive and with

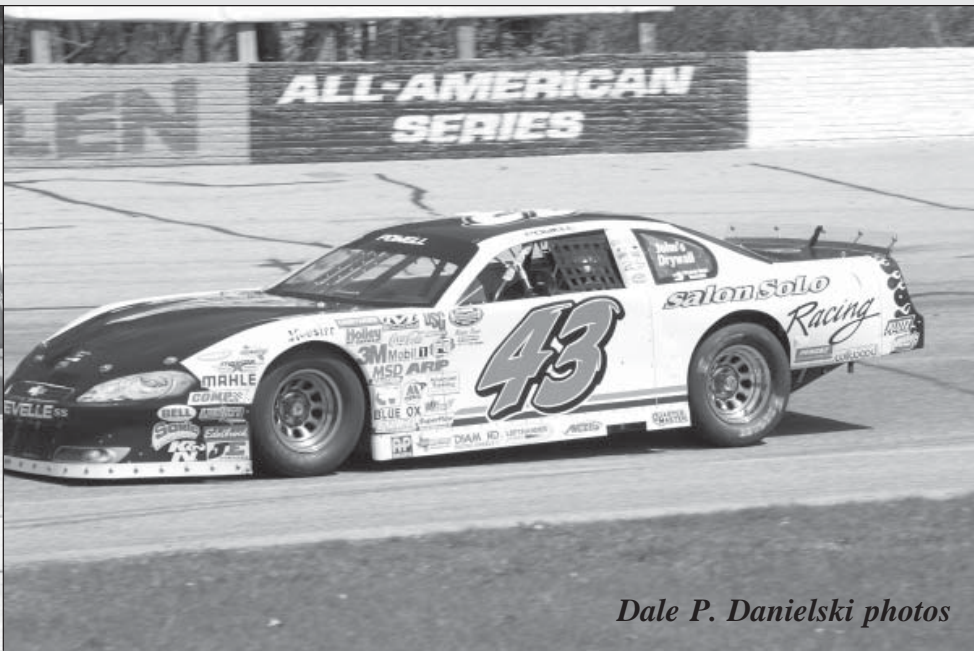
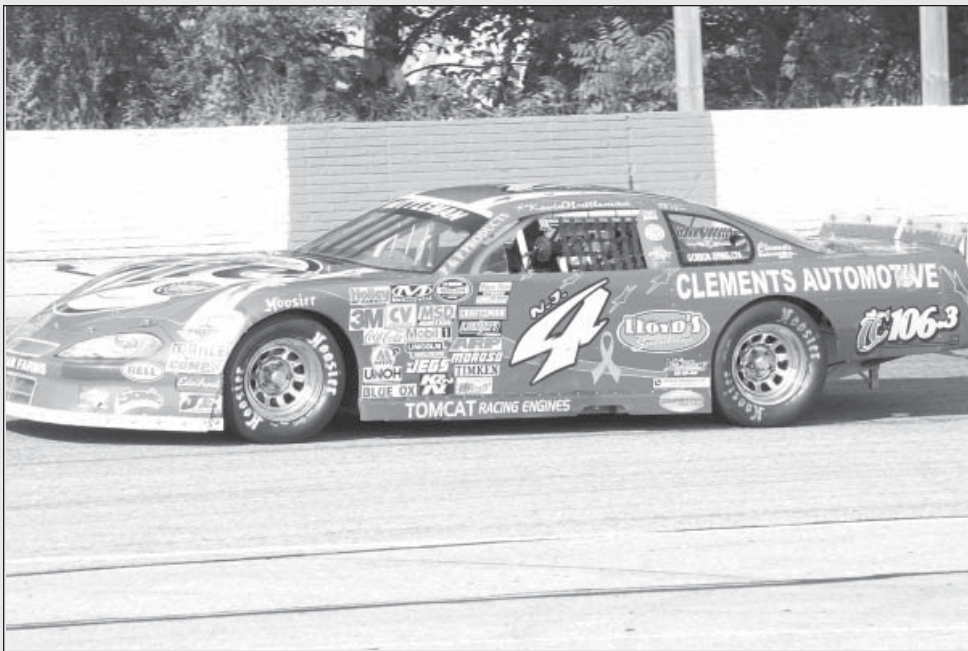
temps jumping right into summer like highs we can anticipate some heated battles the rest of the way!

Here and there...One of those drivers we mentioned on hand from past racing, was Kevin Nuttleman, competing in the NASCAR Late Model Division. Nuttleman had a commitment to race the Justin Zmyewski car in last Years Oktoberfest event, but with that being rained out competed here today. Nuttleman, if as he indicated has competed in his last race as of today, did not end it all on too high of a note. Mechanical issues forced the popular racer who has won 106 Main events through the years at the track out of the race on lap 19 relegating him to a 22nd place finish. Scraping the wall at some point in the event, Nuttleman recalled, "Yea, we got racing hard with Tony (Bagstad) and I got a little high.) Noting the damage on the side of the car, Nuttleman added, "The number has to be taken off anyway (From #NJ4 to Zymewsky #97) we just sped up the process!" Always entertaining on and off the track, Nuttleman is leaving the sport with his sense of humor intact...Bobby Wilberg, many time champion driver indicated he plans to race 8 or so times at Lax. Speedway this year. "We can't get enough shows in at Madison (MIS, Oregon, WI.) to have a chance at the NASCAR Wisconsin State Championship, so we are racing here too.) Wilberg with his very successful career in racing didn't make many friends on Sunday as both Ty Reedy (feature race wreck involving Wilberg) and Adam Degenhardt (heat race contact

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Dale's pictures from the past

Kevin Nuttleman racing at Lax Speedway in 2009. Brad Powell #43 racing at Lax. Speedway in 2010.



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with Wilberg) both pointed the finger of fault at Bobby...Speaking of old time veteran drivers, it was a battle royal for the top position in heat race number two between the oldest Late Model driver at the track, Don "Thunder Turner", and the second oldest at the track, back in racing after 18 years, Tom Carlson. The two were side by side coming out of the 4th turn heading toward the checkered flag when Carlson went a bit too wide allowing Turner to cross the finish line first by just inches! The 130 some years of life's experiences between the two most certainly had something to do with their running up front...Carlson also had some others in the field a bit nervous prior to the start of a race as he was weaving back and forth on the racetrack. According to Carlson, "I was wondering what the car was doing and when the tires were going to come in." Ah, yes, a great way to set the tone with fellow drivers heading into another race season.

Melissa Rusch is competing in a NASCAR Late Model this season, a car that Cam Dezelske drove last year. She placed a respectable 19th out of the 28 feature starters in her debut.

Tony Bagstad, another one of those veteran drivers returning to racing, plans to turn his NASCAR Late Model over to his son this year at the track. "I didn't want to throw him to the Wolves here today, so we'll

get him going later on.

We see where Ty Majeski returned home to take the Icebreaker 100 at Dells Raceway Park, Wis. Dells, WI., Sunday April 22nd. Following Majeski after 100 laps were Dalton Zehr and Skylar Holzhausen.

Hoping to check out events coming up at Golden Sands Speedway, Plover, WI., Saturday, April 28th, The "Thaw", and at Tomah-Sparta Speedway, Tomah, WI., Sunday afternoon, April 29th. The Tomah track is under new promotion with Greg Oliver at the helm for 2018.

Oliver has scheduled a Super Late Model race at the track for September 16th, the first such type of event in over 20 years. Adding bang for the buck for this show, is the fact it will be a Central Wisconsin Racing Association "Stars to Legends Tour" race honoring Dick Trickle...May racing will find us at the CWRA Stars to Legends Tour, Albert Getzloff Memorial event to be held at Golden Sands Speedway May 18th. That will be the Tour opener for the group. Marshfield Motor Speedway, Marshfield, WI., will also be having a Stars to Legends Tour race on May 26th...

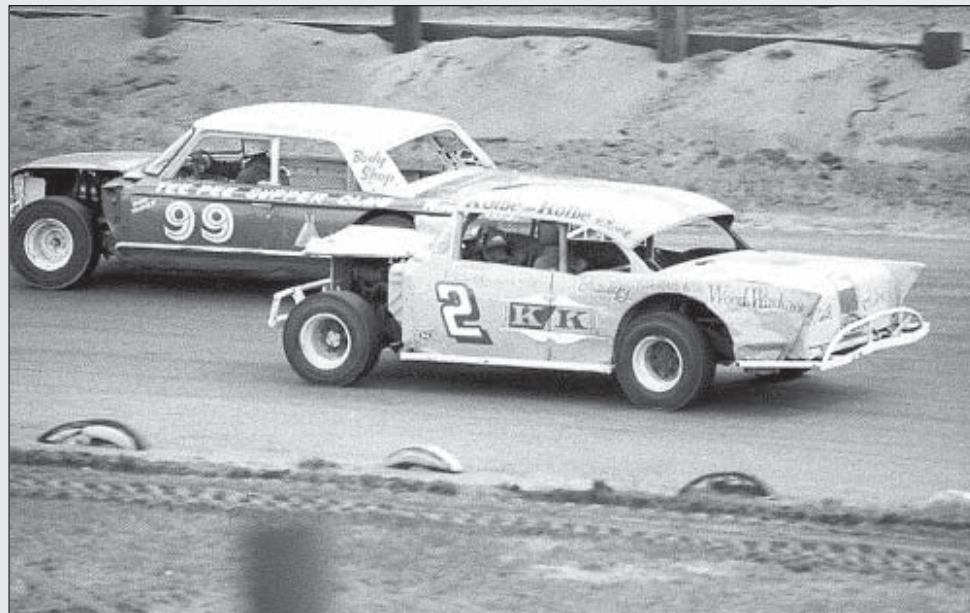
And in the quote of the column department; "I think it's fair game being able to race that way" Kyle Busch describing his bump and run tactic at the Bristol, TN., Cup race here recently that

resulted in leader Kyle Larson being forced into no mans land and Busch motoring on to the win. Really?

And in the looking back category, back on October 7th, 2010, it was Brad Powell winning the 40-lap feature for La Crosse Late Models as part of the Oktoberfest racing weekend. Following Powell were, Steve Carlson, Brent Kirchner, Shawn Pfaff and Kevin Nuttleman. Looking back to July 6th, 2002, it was Kevin Nuttleman winning the 25 Lap Late Model feature at Lax. Speedway. Following Nuttleman were Charlie Menard, Tony Bagstad, Todd Korish and Tim Nelson. And back on April 28th, 1990 it was Nick Carlson winning the 25 lap NASCAR Late Model feature at La Crosse Fairgrounds Speedway nosing out Kevin Nuttleman for the win. Heat race wins went to Johnny Spaw, Tim Nelson and Nuttleman. Terry Miller won the Beer Stox Feature.

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## *Bonus picture from the past*



**Dick Trickle in his 1963 Ford races Dave Marcis in his 1957 Chevy in 1966.  
(Bob Bergeron photo.)**



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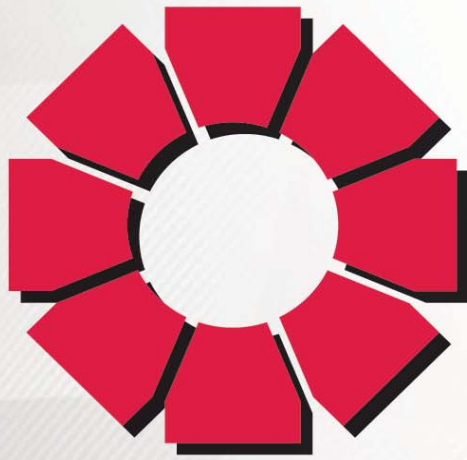
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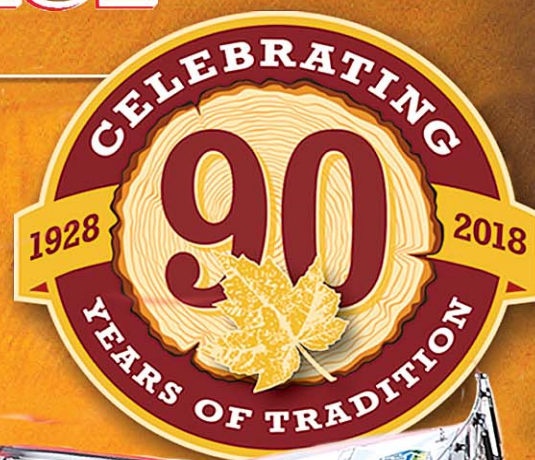
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