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Alabama 200

Races Start 7:30 pm

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Qualifying at 5:00 pm.
Racing at 6:00 pm.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH



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QUALIFYING FOR LATE MODELS

Secures Top 20 Late Model Starting Positions

25 LAP
STREET STOCK
\$400 to WIN

10 LAP
QUALIFYING SHOOT-OUT

Top 8 Qualifiers will be inverted to Run a 10 Lap Dash
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15 LAP
CADET
\$150 to WIN

LAST "HOT LAPS" PRACTICE SESSION FOR LATE MODELS



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1ST

10 LAP - LAST CHANCE RACE

Late Model Cars that do not secure a top 20 position will compete 10 Laps to secure starting positions 21 thru 30
Starting Positions 30 thru 36 will be Promoters Choice

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Alabama 200

Southern All Star Points Race
**Overall Purse of Over
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Friday, September 30th

*Southern
All Stars
RACING*

- * Qualifying For Late Models
- * 10 Lap Qualifying Shoot Out
- * 25 Lap Street Stock Feature
- * 15 Lap Cadet Feature
- * Last "Hot Laps" Practice for Lm's

**Fri & Sat
Pit Gate
Opens:
10:00 A.M.**

**Fri & Sat
Grandstand
Opens:
3:00 P.M.**

ADMISSION: \$12⁰⁰
CHILDREN 11 & UNDER FREE!
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Saturday, October 1st

- * 10 Lap - Last Chance Race
- * 25 Lap - Pure Stock Feature
- * **Alabama 200** Late Model Feature
36 cars to start 200 lap race

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QUALIFYING FOR ALABAMA 200 (TOP 20 SPOTS LOCKED IN)

10 LAP QUALIFYING SHOOTOUT

25 LAP STREET STOCK—\$400 TO WIN

15 LAP CADET—\$150 TO WIN

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

10 LAP LAST CHANCE RACE (POSITIONS 21-30)

30-36 PROMOTERS CHOICE

25 LAP PURE STOCK—\$350 TO WIN

ALABAMA 200

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The South

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Gary Belough
Eddie Mercer
Jamie Prell
Dave Mader III
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- * 10 Lap Qualifying Shoot Out
- * 25 Lap Street Stock Feature
- * 15 Lap Cadet Feature
- * Last "Hot Laps" Practice for Lm's

Saturday, Oct. 1st

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- * 25 Lap - Pure Stock Feature
- * Alabama 200 Late Model Feature
- 36 cars to start 200 lap race

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A Southern All Star Series Points Race

The Richest Late Model Race per Lap run on asphalt in Alabama in 1994!

Over 50 Late Model entries expected to compete in 200 laps of awesome Late Model racing.

Overall Purse of over \$40,000

Schedule of Race Events



★ Friday, September 30th ★

★ Saturday, October 1st ★

QUALIFYING FOR LATE MODELS

Secures Top 20 Late Model Starting Positions

25 LAP

15 LAP

STREET STOCK FEATURE

CADET FEATURE

\$400 TO WIN

\$150 TO WIN

Drivers will Draw for Starting Position

10 LAP QUALIFYING SHOOT-OUT

Top 8 Qualifiers will be inverted to Race a 10 Lap Dash

TO DECIDE TOP 8 STARTING POSITIONS

Fastest Qualifier \$500.00 / BRJ Racing Enterprises

Pole Sitter - \$300

Outside Pole Sitter - 55 Gal. Racing Fuel / Bearden Phillips 66

3rd - 8th starting position - cash or gift certificate

Last "Hot Laps" Practice Session for Late Models

10 LAP - LAST CHANCE RACE

Late Model Cars that do not secure a top 20 position will compete 10 laps to secure starting positions 21 thru 30

Starting positions 30 thru 36 will be Promoters Choice

Drivers who fail to make the field will receive \$100.00 Tow Money

No One under Age 14 Allowed in Pits

25 LAP

PURE STOCK FEATURE

\$350 TO WIN

Drivers will Draw for Starting Position

INTRODUCTION OF LATE MODEL DRIVERS

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Driver _____ Car # _____ Division _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

SS# _____ Phone _____

Car Owner & SS# _____

Sponsors _____

Racing Experience/ Championships, ETC. _____

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Entry Fees: Late Model \$100 Early (by Sept. 24, 1994)
\$200 Late (after September 24, 1994)
Street Stock \$20 • Pure Stock \$15 • Cadets \$10
Send Registration to: Montgomery Motor Speedway
P.O. Box 241282, Montgomery, AL 36124-1282

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Pit Gate Opens 10 a.m.
Fan Gates Open 3 p.m.

Friday & Saturday

SEPTEMBER 30th & OCTOBER 1st



Racing Fuel

\$5,000 to win Late Model Feature

Schedule: Friday, September 30th

Qualifying for Late Models

(secures top 20 Late Model starting positions)

10-Lap Qualifying Shootout

Top 8 Qualifiers will be inverted for a 10-lap
dash to secure top 8 starting positions

20 lap Street Stock Feature - \$400 to Win

15 lap Cadet Feature - \$150 to Win

(Drivers will draw for starting positions)

Last Late Model "Hot Laps" Practice Session

Fast Qualifier:
\$300

Baker Motorsports

Pole Sitter:
\$500

BRJ Racing Ent.

Outside Pole Sitter:
55 gal. Racing Fuel
Bearden Phillips 66

3rd - 8th
Starting Positions
Cash or
Gift Certificate

Schedule: Saturday, October 1st

10 Lap Last Chance Race

(Late Model cars that do not secure a top 20 position
will compete 10 laps to secure positions 21-30)

Starting positions 30 thru 36
will be promoter's choice.

Late Model cars that do not make
the race will receive \$100 tow money.

25 lap Pure Stock Feature - \$350 to Win

(Drivers will draw for starting positions)

NO ONE UNDER AGE 14 ALLOWED IN PITS

Send Registration to: Montgomery Motor Speedway, P.O. Box 241282, Montgomery, AL 36124-1282

ENTRY FEES

Late Model:

\$100.00 early (by Sept. 24th)

\$200 late (after Sept. 24th)

Street Stock: \$20.00

Pure Stock: \$15.00

Cadet: \$10.00

Entry Form - "Alabama 200" - Montgomery Motor Speedway

DRIVER: _____ CAR NO. _____ DIVISION: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

SS #: _____ PHONE: _____

CAR OWNER AND SS # _____

SPONSORS: _____

RACING EXPERIENCE/CHAMPIONSHIPS, ETC. _____



Wild ride ends with Alabama 200

By Hunt Archbold

ADVERTISER STAFF WRITER

It's been a wild ride this year for Allen Daniels, and it comes to a close this weekend with the running of the fourth annual Alabama 200 at Montgomery Motor Speedway.

Last spring, six weeks before the season-opening event at the half-mile track, Daniels became the owner and promoter of the track that he had been visiting as a fan for years. What followed was an exhausting effort by Daniels to improve the facility and make it one of the finest in the region.

He put in new lighting, new plumbing, new wiring, new guard rails, improved the pit area, made

cosmetic changes and improved the safety, for fans and drivers alike. His work did not go unnoticed.

"For getting such a late start like he did, Allen did a great job," said driver Mike Harmon, who will be among the favorites to win Saturday's Alabama 200. "The drivers are happy with a lot of the changes that made things safer. Allen is trying to do things right."

It hasn't been easy for Daniels, who admitted that time spent with his family often suffered because of the attention he focused on both his job and the track. As a result, Daniels recently retired from his position with the Air Force after 27 years to turn his attention full-time to the track.

"Some adjustments had to be made, but I have no regrets,"

Daniels said. "All in all, I think things went real well. Through it all, we had some people who were dissatisfied, but most of the comments this year have been favorable. We're going to keep going with it. Now I've got six months to work with instead of six weeks."

Attendance was up this year at the track with crowds averaging around 1,000 on racing nights. Fourteen of 17 scheduled race nights were held; the other three were postponed because of rain. Unfortunately, one of those was on fan appreciation night in late July when more than 1,100 people had already filled the grandstands more than an hour before the first race was to begin.

This weekend will showcase racing in all divisions, highlighted

by the Alabama 200. There is a \$40,000 purse up for grabs this weekend, including \$5,000 to go to the winner of the Alabama 200. Close to 50 Limited Late Model drivers will attempt to qualify for that race, which will be run under Southern All Star rules with many of that circuit's top drivers participating.

Grandstands open at 3 p.m. on both days. On Friday, qualifying for the Alabama 200 will begin at 6:30, with the top 20 spots up for grabs. Racing action begins at 7:30 with a 10-lap shoot-out between the top eight qualifiers to determine the starting order of the first four rows. There will also be action in the Street Stock and Cadet divisions plus a hot lap

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Alabama 200

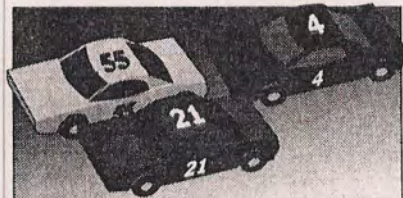
Schedule for fourth annual 200-lap race this weekend at Montgomery Motor Speedway:

TONIGHT

- Qualifying for Alabama 200 first 20 spots, 6:30 p.m.
- Racing begins at 7:30 p.m.
- 25-lap Street Stock race
- 15-lap Cadet race
- 10-lap shootout for top eight Alabama 200 qualifiers

SATURDAY

- Racing begins at 7 p.m.
- 25-lap Pure Stock race
- 10-lap last chance race for Alabama 200 positions 21-30 (positions 31-36 promoter's choice)
- Alabama 200 late-model feature



RIDE

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practice session for the Late Models.

On Saturday, racing begins at 7 p.m. with a 10-lap last chance race to secure starting positions 21-30 for the Alabama 200. The final six positions will be a promoter's choice. A 25-lap Pure Stock race will precede the Alabama 200.

Adult tickets are \$12 for Friday and \$20 for Saturday. A two-day grandstand pass is \$25. Children 11-and-under are admitted free.

"It should be a great weekend for racing," Daniels said. "We have registrations from drivers from Austin, Texas, to West Palm, to Illinois and all points in between. We're real excited about it."

Although there will be racing in all divisions, the final points

standings are in and the MMS track champions have been crowned. Duwayne Middlebrooks won a close battle for the Limited Late Model championship by defeating Gary Easterling 261-260. Harmon was third with 249 points, followed by Jeff Dawkins 235 and Mike Baker 222.

In Street Stock, Glenn Fraser won the crown with 448 points. Butch Helms was second with 411, followed by Brad Webb at 329, Chris Weihe at 287 and Scott Childress at 251.

William Churchwell was the Pure Stock champion with 398 points. He was followed by Billy Lockhart at 335, Ed Baker at 334, Bruce Clark at 334, and David Lester at 241.

Stacey Hassey held on to win the Cadet Division title with 304 points. She was followed by Heath Clark at 298, Tony Baker at 232, Scott Pate at 230 and Cooter Clark 218.

"ALABAMA 200 Weekend" – Southern All Star Series – September 30, 1994
Montgomery Motor Speedway – (1994 MMS Event #14) (DK-52)

***Qualifying Held For Southern All Star Late Models* - (Times Included In Results)**

***SAS LATE MODEL* - "Qualifying Shootout" – (10 Laps) :**

| (Car #) | (Driver) | (Finish) |
|---------|----------------------|----------|
| 11 | Dave Mader III | 1 |
| 75 | Frankie Spradlin | 2 |
| 34 | Duwayne Middlebrooks | 3 |
| 24 | Mike Harmon | 4 |


***STREET STOCK* - (25 Laps) :**

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|-----|-------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| 71 | Ed Baker | 1 | (Drivers Drew For Starting Positions) |
| 00 | Jeff Wainwright | | |
| 18 | Gary Sanford, Jr. | 4 | |
| 28 | Brad Webb | 2 | |
| 14 | Randall Sanders | | |
| 15 | Bill Cruise | 3 | |
| F43 | Ronnie Acreman | | |
| 20 | Nelson Wallace | | |

***CADET* - (15 Laps) :**


| | | | |
|--------|------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| 27 | Rusty Wood | | (Drivers Drew For Starting Positions) |
| 3 | Tony Baker | 1 | |
| 15 | Bubba Hutchinson | | |
| 9 | Barry Baker | 3 | |
| 82 | Rex Herman | | |
| 41 | Mark Hutchinson | | |
| 7 | Robert Andrews | | |
| 12 | Randy Jones | | |
| 55 Jr. | Heath Clark | | |
| 13 | Brian Ferguson | | |
| X3 | Greg Cleckler | | |
| 2 | Barry Jones | | |
| 12 Jr. | Cooter Clark | | |
| 33 | Scott Pate | 2 | |
| 71 | | | |

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2 Day
Grandstand
Admission
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Fan Gate
Opens 3 P.M.
Races Start 7 P.M.

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Mercer Claims "Alabama 200" Honors at Montgomery

By: Lynn Acklin

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Oct. 9. Eddie Mercer of Pensacola, Fla. made his second appearance of the season with the Southern All Star Asphalt Series a memorable one as he won the annual "Alabama 200".

Among 39 cars that turned out, Mike Harmon of Birmingham, Ala., set fast time with an 18.96 second clocking to win the SUNOCO Race Fuel Fast Time Award. It was also one one thousandth of a second off the track record.

Later that night the top eight cars were inverted for a ten lap shootout to determine their starting positions for the 200, and Dave Mader II went on to win the shootout after racing with Frankie Spradlin and Tony Walls three wide down the back straight. Harmon came in second over Mercer in the dash.

On Saturday, with threatening weather just miles away and moving in, everything was put in high gear as Mader and Spradlin led the 35 car field to the

green, only to see a chain reaction wreck on the start.

The incident involved Johnny Brazier, Casey Bishop, Keith Cahela, and Jamie Prell, and brought out the red flag as several cars went over the back and were having to be pulled out by the wreckers. Cahela and Prell suffered heavy damaged and were out for the evening.

During the caution, polesitter Mader went into the pits with a dropped cylinder, ending his night with a 28th place finish. Mercer moved to the top spot for the restart, with Dewayne Middlebrooks, Buckshot Jones, and Dan Beddingfield trailing by the time another caution sent cars scattering on lap 12.

During the wreck, Harmon dropped off the edge of the track and hit the rear end housing on the edge of the asphalt. That stripped the gear from the rear end, ending his chance of winning the event. He later returned to the race and finished in the 16th position.

Mercer took the green flag again and

led until lap 66, when Middlebrooks took the point as Mercer's tires started to fade. Jimmy Kitchens was giving pressure to Middlebrooks, but later fell back, allowing Larry Speakman to make a fruitless run at the leader.

On lap 90 a caution appeared and all the top cars dove into the pits to take on tires. (Mercer, Beddingfield, Jones, Bearden, Kitchens and Speakman.)

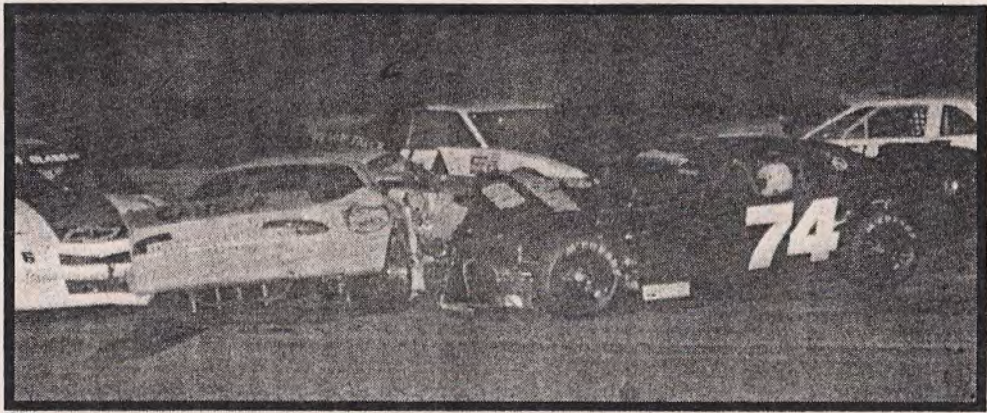
Middlebrooks was still at the point but Mullinax, who came into the pits was back out in second. Middlebrooks took off from Mullinax and looked to be on his way to his first win on the series when the cars with fresh tires started gaining on the front two.

Spradlin took over the point from Middlebrooks as the freight train closed

in behind him. The next caution was brought out when Russell Bearden lost control and looped his car. He lost two laps trying to refire, taking an 11th place finish. A flat tire on Kitchens' car caused him to have to settle for 14th.

Mercer who had now retaken the lead from Spradlin, rode out the remainder of the caution flags, then got the win when rain appeared and shortened the event by 24 laps.

Second and third place finishers Middlebrooks and Spradlin were disqualified for violations spotted on their heads, giving those positions to Jones and Mullinax. Rounding out the top ten were Beddingfield, Speakman, Burt Belter, Mark Knox, Keith Reithmeyer, Casey Bishop and Tommy Evans.



A first lap crash in the "Alabama 200" made for a very short race for Keith Cahela and #74 Jamie Prell. Mark Knox (left) was also involved. (Bucky Roy photo)

Mercer wins Alabama 200

Staff report (Race Run 10-1-94)

It was a weekend in paradise for race fans last Friday and Saturday as the Alabama 200 culminated an exciting season at Montgomery Motor Speedway.

Race fans poured into the grandstands to watch two full evenings of racing, and the drivers didn't disappoint.

Eddie Mercer won the main event, taking home the \$5,000 first place check. Tony Baker won the Cadet race, while Jackie McGuire won the Pure Stock and Ed Baker the Street Stock races.



Mercer receives congratulations from MMS's Allen Daniels

SOUTHERN ALL STARS ASPHALT SERIES

In a race that was shortened by rain, Pensacola, FL driver Eddie Mercer claimed a victory in the lucrative Alabama 200 Southern All Stars Asphalt Series event held October 1 at half-mile Montgomery (AL) Motor Speedway. Driving a brand new Port City Racing-built car for the first time, Mercer placed the mount in the winner's circle after taking the top spot from Frankie Spradlin on the backstretch shortly after a restart. Duwayne Middlebrooks was pressuring Mercer for the top spot when the rain arrived, but a rash of post-race disqualifications changed the official order of finish. Both Middlebrooks and third-place finisher Spradlin were disqualified for having ported and polished heads on their motors, which moved Buckshot Jones to second ahead of Chris Mullinax, Dan Beddingfield and Larry Speakman. Completing the top 10 were Burt Belter, Mark Knox, Keith Reithmeyer, Casey Bishop and Tommy Evans. *(Information provided by Lynn Acklin)*

Alabama 200 Finish:

1. Eddie Mercer, 2. Buckshot Jones, 3. Chris Mullinax, 4. Dan Beddingfield, 5. Larry Speakman, 6. Burt Belter, 7. Mark Knox, 8. Keith Reithmeyer, 9. Casey Bishop, 10. Tommy Evans, 11. Russell Bearden, 12. Greg Neil, 13. Brett Smith, 14. Jimmy Kitchens, 15. Jeff Dawkins, 16. Mike Harmon, 17. Steve Allison, 18. Roger Scott, 19. Scott Smith, 20. Jeff Morgan, 21. Ricky Barber, 22. Jody Franklin, 23. Johnny Brazier, 24. Mike Baker, 25. Wayne Hill, 26. Pat Cruise, 27. Tony Walls, 28. Dave Mader III, 29. Hal Gibson, 30. Roger Jones, 31. Steve McBride, 32. Keith Cahela, 33. Jamie Prell.

Disqualified - Duwayne Middlebrooks, Frankie Spradlin

SOUTHERN ALL STARS - MONTGOMERY MOTOR SPEEDWAY

By Lynn Acklin, Huntsville, AL and Brian McLeod, Editor

Notes Of Interest:

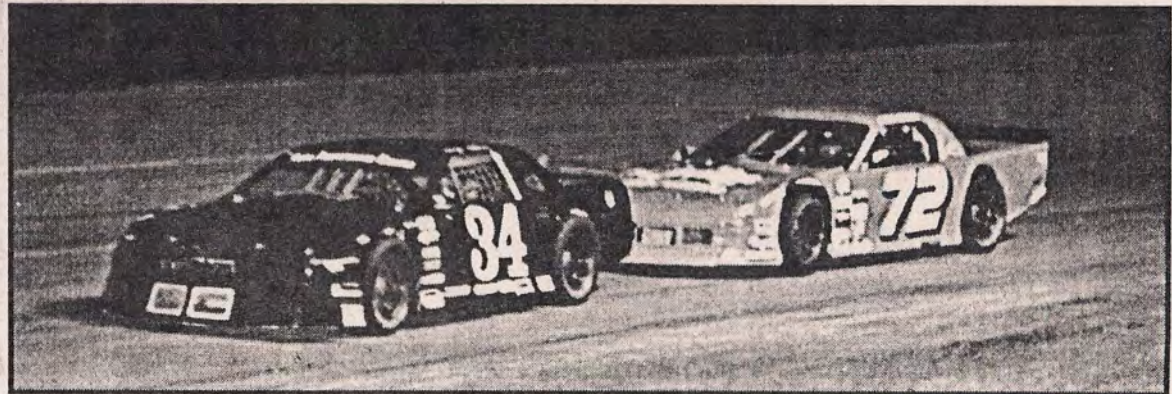
Pensacola, FL driver Eddie Mercer debuted a brand new Port City Racing-built Chevrolet Camaro October 1 in the Alabama 200 and put the machine in the winner's circle with a rain-shortened journey to victory in the traditional season-ending event at half-mile Montgomery (AL) Motor Speedway. Mercer was fighting a tight-handling race car in practice but had a better grasp of the situation by the time the 100-mile grind started. He started fifth in his Greater Auto Auction/Automotive Specialists/Fast Eddies Fun Center/Compu-Graphix/Eddie Mercer Wholesale Cars/Port City Racing entry and took the lead for the final time from Frankie Spradlin on a restart shortly after the lap-130 mark. Four more yellow flags slowed the pace before rain that had been predicted and expected most of the evening finally ended the race 24 circuits shy of its scheduled 200-lap distance. "I like rain!" grinned Mercer, who was fending off a challenge from local favorite Duwayne



Left: Eddie Mercer (right) received congratulations from Montgomery (AL) Motor Speedway promoter Allen Daniels after taking the checkered flag in the rain-shortened Alabama 200 Southern All Stars Asphalt Series event at the half-mile oval. (Keri Como photo)

between Mercer and Middlebrooks was cut short by rain, it turned out that it wouldn't have mattered anyway. The Pregno Firestone/Auto Performance Engines Buick driven by Middlebrooks was disqualified during post-race inspection because the heads on his motor had been altered, a direct violation of series rules. The Chevrolet Camaro driven to a third-place finish by Adamsville,

Below: Eddie Mercer (72) chased Duwayne Middlebrooks (34) during the early stages but when the rain arrived and shortened the race 24 circuits shy of its scheduled distance, Mercer was ahead of the field. Middlebrooks was later disqualified for using improper heads on his engine. (Keri Como photo)



Middlebrooks when the wet weather arrived. The comment was a reference to a Classic Series event held September 17 at Five Flags (FL) Speedway, an event Mercer also won when rain stopped the proceedings.

"Duwayne (Middlebrooks) was right there behind me tonight and it would have been a good race if we'd been able to run the last laps of the race under green. I was still capable of running a fast pace. There wasn't any sense killing the car and the tires, so I was concentrating on keeping the car tight and underneath me. We had good traction and we were still rolling through the middle of the corner pretty good." Although the impending duel

AL driver Frankie Spradlin was disqualified for the same reason. The double disqualification moved fourth place Buckshot Jones into the runnerup slot in the revised order of finish. Early in the race, Jones was running

behind Mike Harmon when mechanical failure on Harmon's car caused a tangle between the pair, triggering a multi-car melee. The contact knocked the front end out of line on the Crown Fiber Ford Thunderbird driven by

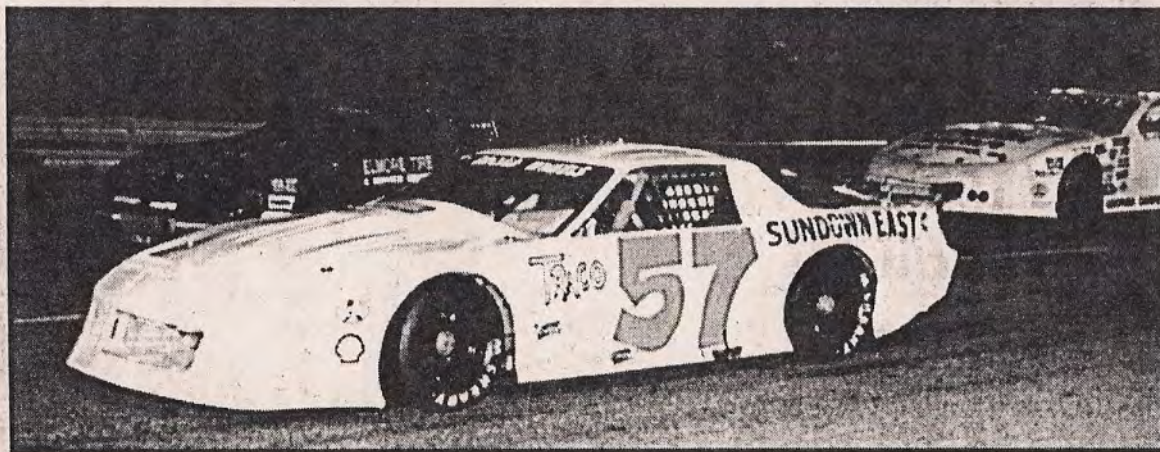
Jones. "My car pushed the whole time after that," said Jones. "We also had a hole in the right-rear tire near the lap-75 mark."..... Tony Walls and Dave Mader III, tabbed as heavy pre-race favorites, both fell victim to a series of

problems during the two-day weekend. Mader's Bobby Ray Jones-prepared Turbo Blue Racing Gasoline/Hammer Performance Pontiac Firebird was hampered by magneto difficulties which severely limited his practice time during the first afternoon of the two-day weekend. His crew did manage to get the problem straightened out in time for Mader to qualify sixth, which made him eligible for a 10-lap dash featuring the top eight qualifiers. Mader won that event, diving to the low groove under Frankie Spradlin while Tony Walls headed high in a thrilling three-wide maneuver on the backstretch. Mader emerged with the lead and notched the win. The next day, Mader retired very early from the 100-mile feature with engine difficulties and finished 28th. Walls also suffered through an extremely frustrating weekend, which was a continuation of what has become a rather lengthy string of misfortune for the Albertville, AL resident. Walls lost a motor in his Filteau Racing/Grand American Race Cars Pontiac during the 10-lap dash won by Mader, requiring an overnight engine swap that left most of his crew with just

Races Run 10-1-94



Above: A series of post-race disqualifications elevated part-time Southern All Stars Asphalt Series competitor Buckshot Jones into the runnerup slot in the official order of finish. (Brian McLeod photo)



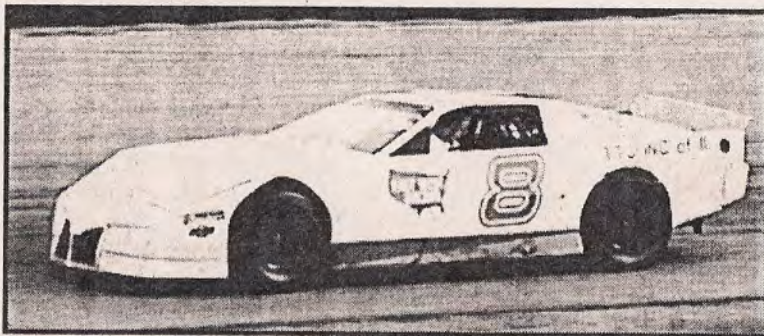
Left: Chris Mullinax drove a Tom and Jean Trawick-owned Chevrolet Camaro for the first time and earned a third-place finish in the prestigious Alabama 200 at Montgomery (AL) Motor Speedway. (Keri Como photo)



Left: With a fourth-place finish in his Buster Carden-built Chevrolet Camaro, Huntsville, AL driver Dan Beddingfield (44) edged closer to the Southern All Stars Asphalt Series championship. (Keri Como photo)

Races Run 10-1-94

Below: After making an early pit stop, Larry Speakman (8) rebounded to finish fifth in the 200-lap affair at high-banked Montgomery (AL) Motor Speedway. (Keri Como photo)



three hours sleep. Adding insult to injury was the fact the water pump on the team's two vehicle went out on the way home! During the next day's practice sessions, Walls suspected additional motor trouble was forthcoming, which proved to be an accurate prediction during the early stages of the 200-lap feature. He finished 27th..... Wayne Hill made his second-career start on the traveling series, which was his third-career appearance in a Late Model-type car. Hill started his Harrell Motorsports/Chuck Coleman's Auto Body Specialist/Phillips 66 Racing Fuels/Performance Parts of Hueytown/Rick's Hometown Buffet Chevrolet Camaro 23rd on the grid and posted a 25th-place finish..... Though the threat of rain held the crowd to a lower-than-expected level, the race was still an overall success. An indication of the work put in by track officials to make the event work was the fact that all 200 circuits were sponsored at \$10 per lap, which made an additional \$2,000 available to the drivers..... Tommy Evans, who was involved in a hard crash recently at the half-mile oval, had his MKE Enterprises/Evans Motor Company/Montgomery Radiator entry repaired in time for the season-end classic. "It happened three weeks ago and it

was the hardest wreck I've had since I've been racing," said Evans. "Somebody dropped a streak of oil in the third turn and when I hit it, the car spun around and hit driver's side first against the guardrail. We just got the car repaired in time to come here." With his rebuilt machine, Evans finished 10th despite grazing the wall in the first turn and losing control just prior to the rain which ended the event. "The old man's getting better and better," joked Evans, who's made a return to the sport this season after a long absence. "That's the first extra-distance race I've run in about three years."..... Starting deep in the field, Decatur, AL resident Larry Speakman drove his East-West Racing/TTC of Illinois Pontiac Firebird to a fifth-place finish in the 200-lap grind. "The car was just a little tight tonight but it was still a good run," said the veteran competitor. "We didn't have a good starting position because the car was missing in qualifying. It still sputtered a little on the straightaways during the race but it was a pretty good finish all things considered."..... Former NASCAR All American Challenge Series champion Stanley Smith, still recovering from injuries suffered in a crash during a NASCAR Winston Cup Series event two years ago at Talladega

(AL) Superspeedway, was on hand to watch his son Brett Smith compete in the 200-lap event. On a crash-filled evening, the second-generation competitor finished 13th in a car that had barely a mark on it when the checkered flag waved..... With a newly-acquired Emerald Coast Motorsports-built engine installed in his Four Star Motorsports/Bama Truck Brokers/B & B Electric/Christopher Enterprises/Firepower Ignitions/Blake Carburetion Chevrolet Camaro, Birmingham, AL driver Mike Harmon earned the pole with a lap clocked at 18.96 seconds. That narrowly edged the 18.98-second effort turned in by Duwayne Middlebrooks. The race didn't go quite as well for Harmon, whose championship hopes took a turn for the worse when the spur gears stripped during the early stages, triggering a tangle with Buckshot Jones that sent Harmon's machine sliding in front of the field. The incident escalated into a 12-car accident between the third and fourth turns, though Harmon escaped

without body damage. "The spur gears had already stripped out when Buckshot (Jones) got under me," said Harmon. "There wasn't anything he could do." Harmon returned to the fray and placed

16th, despite losing his power steering and suffering a right-rear flat tire..... Driving a Tom and Jean Trawick-owned Traco Potato/Sundown East Chevrolet Camaro, Chris Mullinax spent much of the night working through the field and his efforts paid off with a third-place finish. The Forestdale, AL driver actually crossed the stripe fifth but moved up two slots when Duwayne Middlebrooks and Frankie Spradlin were disqualified. "This is my first time in the car and I hope it won't be the last," said Mullinax. "We had a good car all night." That was obvious, since an early flat tire and a couple of scheduled pit stops later in the race made it necessary for Mullinax to come from the rear of the field several times..... Mark Knox bounced

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his Shelby Concrete/Red Mountain Concrete Pontiac Firebird off the wall in qualifying, inflicting severe damage to both ends of the machine. Reverting to his backup car, Knox drove to a seventh-place finish in the prestigious contest..... "This has been one of those 29-hour days," said a tired-looking Wade Cahela, brother of Boaz, AL driver Keith Cahela. The Cahela clan took delivery of a brand new Y-Mart/Boaz Motorsports/Broad Wheels/Bonds Brothers Supply/Collision and Refinish Center Chevrolet Camaro and completed its preparation at 6 a.m. prior to their arrival at the track. Motor problems hampered Cahela in practice, requiring team members to perform a compression check as a precaution. Later, Cahela went high in turn four during practice to avoid Johnny Brazier's spinning car and bumped the fourth-turn guardrail. Though damage was minimal, Cahela's bad luck wasn't over. When the first caution flag appeared in the main event, Cahela's car sat crunched in a

multi-car wreck between the first and second turns. His night was over. Also involved in the accident were Johnny Brazier, Casey Bishop and Jamie Prell. The latter's Lefthander Chassis machine, brand new less than a month ago, was severely damaged..... Texas Int'l Drivers Association regular Keith Reithmeyer, struggling in practice and somewhat off the pace in his Quick-Lube entry, got his situation straightened out enough to post a respectable eighth-place finish in his first appearance at the venerable track. Reithmeyer accomplished the feat despite a hood that was slightly buckled from involvement in a chain-reaction incident during the early stages..... With a fourth-place finish, Huntsville, AL driver Dan Beddingfield inched closer to the series championship. Russell Bearden, Tony Walls and Mike Harmon, his chief challengers for the title, all finished behind Beddingfield's Buster Carden-built Wick Taylor Farms/Boyd Engines Chevrolet Camaro. "A 200-lap race is survival and that's what we did," said Beddingfield. "We had two

flats that cost us and we did a 360-degree spin but caught a yellow and just gave up a few positions. We just tried to be careful and hang on for what we could get."..... Rear-end troubles on his Bolen Racing Chevrolet Camaro in practice hampered Jimmy Kitchens but he rebounded in the main event and turned in one

of his best performances of the season after starting 18th. Two flat tires hurt, the first of which happened while he was running second. "That's better than we've run all year," said Kitchens, who ultimately placed 14th. "Believe it or not, we've had a flat tire at every race we've run this season on this circuit."..... After engine troubles forced a pre-race swap to a stock steel-headed motor he'd never previously used, Rocky

Face, GA driver Russell Bearden got to as high as third position in the extra-distance affair. A late-race tangle with Buckshot Jones sent Bearden spinning and resulted in an 11th-place finish when rain curtailed the race early. "Misfortune suffered by everybody else helped us get to third," admitted Bearden. "Then we got spun and had to go to the back. That's racing, I guess.".....



Above: Pre-race favorite Dave Mader III (11) fell victim to engine trouble during the opening stages of the Alabama 200. He finished 28th. (Brian McLeod photo)



Mercer Takes "Alabama 200" Honors Back to Pensacola

Bucky Roy photo

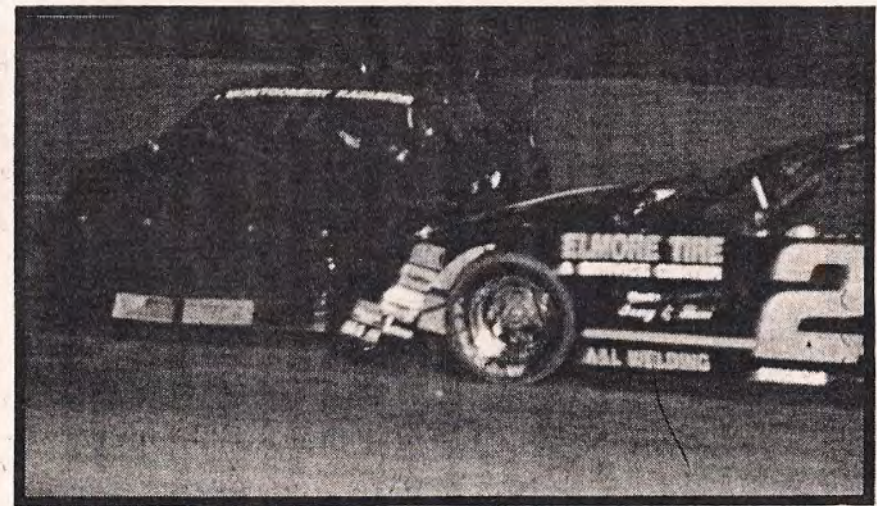
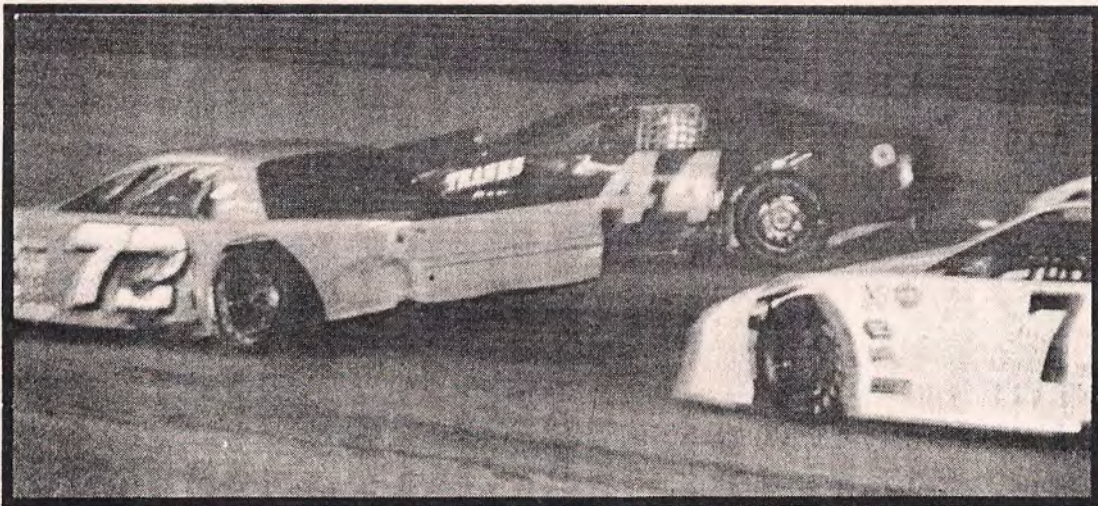
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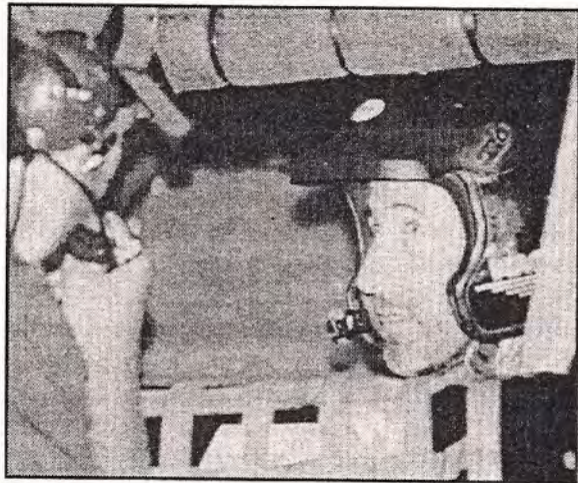
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Buckshot Jones is congratulated by new Montgomery Motor Speedway operator Allen Daniels. The young driver inherited the runner up spot after a disqualification of the second and third place finishers. (Bucky Roy photo)



(above) "Alabama 200" race winner Eddie Mercer (#72) slips by a loose Dan Beddingfield, with #7 Greg Neil following his tracks. (above, right) Tommy Evans spins in front of #2 Jeff Dawkins. (Bucky Roy photo)



Dewayne Middlebrooks receives instructions, left, while handlers look to clear up a wreck

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"ALABAMA 200 Weekend" – Southern All Star Series – October 1, 1994
Montgomery Motor Speedway – (1994 MMS Event #14) (DK-53)

"ALABAMA 200" - *SOUTHERN ALL STAR LATE MODEL* - (200 Laps) :

| (Pos.) | (Car #) | (Driver) | (Hometown) | (Qual. Time) | |
|--------|---------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------|------------------------|
| 1 | 72 | Eddie Mercer | Pleasant Grove, AL | 19.05 | |
| 2 | 00 | Buckshot Jones | Monticello, GA | 19.06 | |
| 3 | 57 | Chris Mullinax | Forestdale, AL | 19.24 | |
| 4 | 44 | Dan Beddingfield | Huntsville, AL | 19.25 | |
| 5 | 8 | Larry Speakman | Decatur, AL | 19.96 | |
| 6 | 16 | Burt Belter | Calera, AL | 19.56 | |
| 7 | 4 | Mark Knox | Thorsby, AL | DNQ | (Crashed On Qual. Lap) |
| 8 | 49 | Keith Riethmeyer | Hutto, TX | 20.03 | |
| 9 | 6 | Casey Bishop | Huntsville, AL | 19.72 | |
| 10 | 88 | Tommy Evans | Wetumpka, AL | 19.27 | |
| 11 | 15 | Russell Bearden | Rocky Face, GA | 19.65 | |
| 12 | 7 | Greg Neil | Lanett, AL | 20.01 | |
| 13 | 94 | Brett Smith | Chelsea, AL | DNQ | |
| 14 | 32 | Jimmy Kitchens | Pleasant Grove, AL | 19.69 | |
| 15 | 2 | Jeff Dawkins | Montgomery, AL | 19.53 | |
| 16 | 24 | Mike Harmon | Birmingham, AL | 18.96 | (Fast Time) |
| 17 | 2 | Steve Allison | Atlanta, GA | 19.94 | |
| 18 | 17 | Roger Scott | Plainville, GA | 20.73 | |
| 19 | 94 | Scott Smith | McKenzie, AL | 21.01 | |
| 20 | 3 | Jeff Morgan | Montgomery, AL | 19.43 | |
| 21 | 38 | Ricky Barber | Prattville, AL | 19.37 | |
| 22 | 47 | Jody Franklin | Moody, AL | 19.68 | |
| 23 | 71 | Johnny Brazier | Lickskillet, AL | 19.87 | |
| 24 | 9 | Mike Baker | Clanton, AL | 19.18 | |
| 25 | 19 | Wayne Hill | Forestdale, AL | 19.98 | |
| 26 | 4 | Pat Cruise | Deatsville, AL | DNQ | |
| 27 | 1 | Tony Walls | Albertville, AL | 19.07 | (Engine) |
| 28 | 11 | Dave Mader III | Mooreville, NC | 19.12 | (Engine) |
| 29 | 31 | Hal Gibson | LaGrange, GA | 20.34 | |
| 30 | 43 | Roger Jones | Wetumpka, AL | 22.36 | |
| 31 | 28 | Steve McBride | Hueytown, AL | DNQ | |
| 32 | 1Y | Keith Cahela | Boaz, AL | 19.80 | (Crash) |
| 33 | 74 | Jamie Prell | Pensacola, FL | DNQ | (Crash) |
| DQ'ed | 34 | Duwayne Middlebrooks | Prattville, AL | DQ'ed | (Illegal Heads) |
| DQ'ed | 75 | Frankie Spradlin | Adamsville, AL | DQ'ed | (Illegal Heads) |

***PURE STOCK* - (25 Laps) :**

| (Car #) | (Driver) | (Finish) | |
|---------|--------------------|----------|---------------------------------------|
| 7 | Ed Baker | 3 | (Drivers Drew For Starting Positions) |
| 11 | Cheryl Davis | | |
| 4 | Homer Ray Nelson | | |
| 3 | Dwayne Wesenberg | | |
| 2 | Jackie McGuire | 1 | |
| 27 | Billy Joe Lockhart | | |
| 44 | Allen Caton | | |
| 5 | Billy Channell | | |
| 93 | Ronnie Defee | | |
| 07 | Andy Langley | | |
| 12 | Freddie Clifford | | |
| 5 | Kevin Comer | | |
| 24 | William Churchwell | | |
| 1 | Danny Webb | | |
| 17x | Rick Cowart | | |
| 15 | David Honeycutt | | |
| 94 | David Lester | 2 | |
| 51 | David McMurphy | | |
| 24 | Mark Brooks | | |
| 39 | Bo Etheridge | | |
| 66 | Ferrell Denny | | |
| 45 | Billy Melvin | | |
| 94 | Travis Canterbury | | |
| 34 | Raymond Freeman | | |
| 55 | Bruce Clark | | |
| 18x | Scotty Morgan | | |
| 33 | Dennis Freeman | | |

The MMS Race Report

A look at the champs

The champions in each division at Montgomery Motor Speedway were announced recently, with the Limited-Late Model finish being decided by a single point.

Dwayne Middlebrooks edged Gary Easterling by one point, while Mark Harmon was only 12 back. Glenn Frasier defended his Street Stock division championship. William Churchwell dominated the Pure Stock division, beating Billy Lockhart by 63 points. And Stacey Hassey won the first Cadet division championship.

RACE-TRAX

FINAL POINT STANDINGS

CADET

| | |
|---------------|-----|
| Stacey Hassey | 304 |
| Heath Clark | 298 |
| Tony Baker | 232 |
| Scott Pate | 230 |
| Cooter Clark | 218 |

PURE STOCK

| | |
|----------------|-----|
| Wm. Churchwell | 398 |
| Billy Lockhart | 335 |
| Ed Baker | 334 |
| Bruce Clark | 334 |
| David Lester | 241 |

STREET STOCK

| | |
|-----------------|-----|
| Glenn Frasier | 448 |
| Butch Helms | 411 |
| Brad Webb | 329 |
| Chris Weihe | 287 |
| Scott Childress | 251 |

LIMITED-LATE MODEL

| | |
|-----------------|-----|
| D. Middlebrooks | 261 |
| G. Easterling | 260 |
| Mike Harmon | 249 |
| Jeff Dawkins | 235 |
| Mike Baker | 222 |

TOP FINISHERS

CADET

1. Tony Baker
2. Stacey Hassey
3. Scott Patee
4. Bruce Clark, Jr.
5. Stanley Day

PURE STOCK

1. Bruce Clark
2. Ed Baker
3. Freddie Clifford
4. William Churchwell
5. Dennis Freeman

STREET STOCK

1. Jeff Wainwright
2. Brad Webb
3. Butch Helms
4. Glenn Frasier
5. Bill Cruise

LIMITED/LATE MODEL

1. Mike Harmon
2. Jeff Dawkins
3. Gary Easterling
4. Bobby Knox
5. Pat Cruise



Baker, McGuire and Mercer were three big winners