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Work on Quarter Mile Track For Races Nears Completion

A quarter mile dirt track for section on the south side. stock car racing, now being constructed south of the city, may be completed in time for use next week, it was announced today by Hub Eckes, who with his father. Herb, is building the track.

Located on the southwest corner of the Teapot Dome intersection of Highways 10 and 13, the ver with a grader and then packed. Most of the work that reconcessions stand.

Young Eckes, who competes in the stock car races at Wisconsin Rapids every Sunday afternoon, put a crew to work on the new oval a week ago last Monday, but heavy rains in the last week have slowed operations considerably. However, with clear weather from now on Eckes hopes to have the whole layout ready for use next Wednesday night.

Fast Track

The track, which is virtually complete now, is so constructed that excellent drainage is provided. Banked sharply on all four 22 cars on the track at the same turns, with a natural dirt wall along the straightaways, the track is expected to be one of the fast- tertaining to thousands of fans, est in Central Wisconsin. Bulldozers cut down a big hill on one the great number of smash-ups side of the track to fill in a low on the quarter-mile tracks.

Ten light poles have been erected and the complete electrical setup is expected to be in working order by Sunday night. Final work on the track will be delayed until then, when a grader will be available.

A good start has been made on the concrete bleachers along the north side of the track. Expected to seat in the neighbortrack needs only to be gone o- hood of 800 spectators, the stands should be ready by Wednesday. Those not able to get a seat in mains is on the completion of a the bleachers will have to stand concrete bleacher section and until further seating arrangements can be made.

Safety Fences

They will be protected, however, by a special safety fence, a secondary fence, and the natural dirt wall along the north side of the track. There is almost a 4-foot drop, straight down, from the rim of the track to the surface it-

The races will be open to any stock car driver who wishes to enter. Only stock cars will be allowed, with rules limiting the horsepower of the cars to be entered. Races at other cities have had as many as 40 entries, with

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GRAND OPENING!! Marshfield SPEEDWAY

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1st Stock Car Races Witnessed by 1,500



MAIN EVENT WINNER—Bob Brindley, Wisconsin Rapids, driving car No. "+½" in the stock car races at the Marshfield Speedway last night, copped the main event which was good for \$71.16 in prize money. The driver is shown here getting the winner's flag from the official starter. Other winners in the main event were Edwin Honert, Wisconsin Rapids; Frank Mandrey, Stevens Point; and Bob Powell, Wisconsin Rapids.

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Marshfield got its first taste of stock car racing at the newly erected Marshfield Speedway last night and if the applause and screams of the crowd were any indication of satisfaction, then more than 1,500 fans went away with their money's worth.

Paid admissions to the initial event totaled more than 1,550 and many late comers who chose to hike across the field and stand in the repair pit were entertained "on the house."

The time trials for the races began on schedule at 7 p. m. with the best time of the night registered as 25.3 seconds by Edwin Honert, Wisconsin Rapids, Two Marshfield boys, Bud Albrecht and Lavern (Sonny) Immerfall, had the two second best times of 25.5 and 26 flat, respectively.

Time Trial Money

Money paid out for winners in the time trials was \$83.02 for first place; \$49.80 for second place; and \$33.20 for third.

Top money-earner of the evening was Honert, who collected \$154.10 for winning first in the time trials, first in the consolation race, and second in the main event.

Three heats were run preceding the consolation race and the main event of 25 laps. The consolation feature was 15 laps and the other races were all 10 laps around the quarter-mile track.

A special race, arranged to enable a car that had been banned from regular racing by not meeting requirements to compete, was won by Pete Worzalla, Wisconsin Rapids.

21 Cars Entered

Fifty per cent of the gate last night went to the drivers in prize money. Twenty-one cars were entered from Wisconsin Rapids, Wausau, Stevens Point, Nekoosa, and Mashfield.

The winners and the amount paid for first places were:

First heat: Pete Worzalla, Wisconsin Rapids, first, \$35.58; Barney Eckes, Marshfield, second; and Bob Brindley, Wisconsin Rapids, third.

Second heat: Don Ruder, Wisconsin Rapids, first, \$35.58; Bob Powell, Wisconsin Rapids, second; and Walter Kaczke, Marshfield, third.

Third heat: Earl Boylen, Wisconsin Rapids, first, \$35.58; Ed Coon, Wisconsin Rapids, second; and Leonard La Vagen, Wisconsin Rapids, third.

Consolation Race

Consolation: Edwin Honert, Wisconsin Rapids, first, \$35.58; Bob Bonow, Wisconsin Rapids, second; and Frank Mandry, Steyens Point, third.

Main event: Bob Brindley, Wisconsin Rapids, first, \$71.16; Edwin Honert, Wisconsin Rapids, second; Frank Mandry, Stevens Point, third; and Bob Powell, Wisconsin Rapids, fourth.

Races will be held at the Marshfield Speed way every Wednesday night for the remainder of the racing season. Time trials will start the activities, getting underway promptly at 7p. m. and be followed by the other heats.

Stock Car Racing Brings New Sport to Marshfield and Area

The stock car fever has hit Marshfield since the opening of the Marshfield Speedway at the Peapot Dome intersection of Highways 10 and 13 last Wednesday evening.

Few Marshfield cars ran in the 21 car field at the races last week but before long fans will see local cars and drivers hitting the curves and scraping fenders with the best of them. Several garagemen and others interested in putting cars on the oval have begun getting their entries in shape to cop the prize money offered.

Probably the most work involved in getting a potential "track burner" ready for the races is in installing safety features that must be on all cars before they will be allowed to race. Of course safety first is stressed in the sport but mechanics will also be pretty fussy in having plenty of "soup" in their cars.

Safety Features

But regardless of the amount of "soup" that a car has it must have certain safety devices before it will be let in any race on the track.

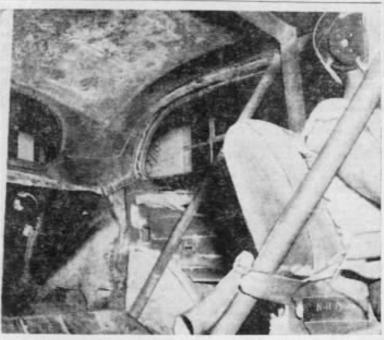
First of all any material inside of the stock car that might burn is taken out. The back seat, all upholstery, and all other cloth material with the exception of the driver's seat must be ripped out.

Special bars must be installed in the cars to support the "roll over" bar which supports the roof in case the machine rolls over. Iron bars are welded from the frame inside the vehicle to the top of the roof. A cross bar protects the driver on the right.

A safety belt, similar to belts used in aircraft, are strapped across the drivers lap while he is driving. Some kind of head gear is required and many of the drivers use a football helmet for this purpose. Others have brass hel mets.

Doors of the cars must be strapped snut so they will not open when rolled or joited by another car. All glass except the windshield is removed from the vehicles.

Many cars have the fenders cut back which also is somewhat of a safety measure and will eliminate any chance of having the fenders bend over a wheel in a "close shave." Crash bars are erected on cars in front of the radiator to make sure that a crash won't put their cooling system and fan on the blink during a race.





CHECK AND DOUBLE CHECK—One of the cars from Marshfield that ran last week at the Marshfield Speedway in the stock car races was No. 88, owned by Earl Wundrow and Lavern (Sonny) Immerfall. In the top photo Immerfall posed for a News-Herald photo to illustrate what the inside of a stock car looks like and to show the protective devices that must be installed in a car before it will qualify for a stock car racer. Notice that the back seat and all upholstery in the car have been removed and that a "roll over" bar has been welded into place. A safety belt holds the driver in the seat and a football helmet is worn. The doors of the car are also strapped shut when racing. In the bottom picture Wundrow (left) and Immerfall work on the radiator of their car which had a tough time "weathering the heat" during the last race. They'll be ready with their car for the weekly contests to be held at the speedway tomorrow night.

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May Be Banned

In addition to the features mentioned, mechanics, and drivers are continually dreaming up other features to incorporate into their "hot rods" which will help them to win their share of the prizes.

At the same time the cars can't have too many "irregularities" because track officials may rule that it is no longer a "stock" car and ban it from the track. Such was the case last Wednesday at the races here when a car from Plainfield was not allowed to race because the engine had been moved back and generally it was too much of a "hot rod" and not a "stock" car.

Cars of a foreign make, any kind of a truck, convertible, or any car without a steel top are automatically banned from the track.

Officials Decide

The officials of a stock car racing track generally make the decision as to when a car must be banned. Certain things generally considered to be not according to the rules are often overlooked, depending upon how the officials interpret the regulations.

If a person is not sure if some feature of his car will conform to the rules it is best to check with the racetrack officials before going too far and involving too much work and expense only to have the car banned from the track.

Drivers of stock cars at the Marshfield speedway must be at least 21 years old before they are allowed to compete. Younger drivers must have the written consent of their parents and their parents must be present at the track before they can take part.

40 Feet Wide

The quarter-mile track at the speedway here is 40 feet wide and has straight-aways that are about 185 feet long. It has been figured that when a car travels the oval in 27 seconds flat it is averaging a speed of 50 miles per hour.

Drivers keep their cars in second gear at all times when racing to utilize their pickup speed. When a car goes into a curve at the local track it may be doing from 45 to 55 miles per hour and sometimes faster depending on the shape of the track and the number of cars in the field.

Of interest to the drivers and car owners entered in the races here each Wednesday is the manner the prize money is divided. The biggest cash prize goes to the driver who does the best in the time trials.

Prize Money

Fifty per cent of the net gate is given out in prize money and 28 per cent of this amount goes to the fastest in the time trials. The main event pays 24 per cent of the gate and the other three heats and the consolation race all pay 12 per cent.

Of the percentages alloted for each race given above, 50 per cent

goes to first place; 30 per cent to second place; and 20 per cent to third place except in the main event.

In the main event four places are awarded and it is parceled out at a rate of 50 per cent for first; 25 per cent for second; 17 per cent for third; and 8 per cent for fourth place.

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Infirmary Plans Heard by Board

County Hospital Here Visited by Group

(By Staf! Correspondent)

Wisconsin Rapids—Wood County supervisors heard a report yesterday afternoon on the type of equipment planned for the new addition to the County Infirmary at Port Edwards, and wound up the session with a tour of the Wood County Hospital property in Marshfield.

R. A. Peterson, superintendent of the infirmary; Mrs. Merle Williams, head nurse, and Frank Walsh, Wisconsin Rapids, member of the board of trustees, discussed the various items of equipment, costing \$28,000, which has been selected for the home.

New acquisitions include 45 side-adjustment beds and other furnishings, heated food cart, and kitchen equipment. An operating table is included in facilities for the care of patients at the institution. Mrs. Williams also reported on decorating plans for the rooms.

She said that the addition now under construction will virtually double the capacity of the infirmary, which will be able to care for 100 to 120 persons.

Boating Control

Referred to the district attorney and the Park Commission was the matter of studying state enabling legislation to determine what right the county has to regulate traffic on navigable lakes and streams within its borders. The action, taken at the suggestion of A. H. Fraedrich, Town of Port Edwards supervisor, is a direct result of a recent drowning in South Wood County, caused by the wake of a speedboat which upset another craft.

"One of these days we're going to be faced squarely with the problem of regulation," said Fraedrich. Stockcar speedways came in for a temporary licensing arrangement pending the drafting of a county ordinance which will regulate not only the popular small tracks but outdoor theaters as well.

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Committee resolution which the board approved, race tracks outside the limits of cities and villages must notify the sheriff at least 24 hours before a meet for the assignment of three deputies to handle traffic. The \$8 per man deputy fee will constitute the license fee.

4 Tracks in County

Tracks affected by the resolution are one on Highway 54 in the Town of Grand Rapids and one south of Marshfield at the Teapot Dome Corner. The track within the city limits of Pittsville is subject to city control. At the present time a fourth track is being constructed in the Town of Saratoga.

Supervisors adopted resolutions introduced by the Insurance Committee increasing the property damage maximum on the county's general liability policy from \$5,000 to \$25,000; raising the fleet policy limit from \$25,000 to \$50,000, and placing a \$200,000 builder's risk policy on infirmary addition with Fritzsinger's Insurance Agency of Wisconsin Rapids.

A previous resolution was rescinded in favor of one directing that the 1951 board proceedings be published in the Marshfield News-Herald and Wisconsin Rapids Tribune in 6-point type at \$1 per folio and giving the Fehrenbach Printing Company, Marshfield, the contract for 300 County Board proceedings pamphlets at a price of \$1.65 per page. The smaller type requirement makes possible a saving in the amount of paper required for the publications.

Dinner at Hospital

A Conservation and Forestry Committee resolution to build a 30x34 addition to its garage at Dexterville, using money from its reforestation fund, was approved.

A surprise resolution at the end of the session signed by 39 supervisors, requesting that the Salary and Grievance Committee increase the per diem of supervisors from \$8 to \$12, was referred to the committee.

After the board adjourned to Sept, 25, the supervisors and county officials proceeded to the hospital at Marshfield, where a tour of the wards, the farm buildings, and other facilities was climaxed by a buffet dinner in the recreation room of the institution. About 60 persons were served.

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1,705 Stock Car Fans Thrilled As Autos Roll, Crackup, Burn

Don Ruder, Wisconsin Rapids, popular stock car driver at both the Rapids and Marshfield speedways miraculously escaped serious burns last night when his car burst into flames on the 19th lap of the main event at the weekly races here.

Ruder driving Car No. 77 put on a great driving exhibition in passing most of the field and in trying to catch Carl Buelow, also of the Rapids, who was driving speedy car No. 4U2C. Ruder was forced to "bail out" when gasoline ignited causing his auto to become a blazing inferno.

A crowd of 1,705 paid to see the races at the Marshfield Speedway last night and were given thrills to the tune of two roll overs, a "leap frog" two-car smash-up, and a spectacular car fire.

Burst Into Flames

Ruder's car, which became overheated, suddenly burst into flames on the west curve of the oval. The driver dove through the window on the right side of the vehicle and legged it across the track to get out of the paths of the oncoming racers. His machine rolled along about 50 feet before coming to a rest inside the track where track officials quickly extinguished the flames with foam extinguishers.

The first car to roll over was that of Pete Worzella, Wisconsin Rapids, who was driving No. 600. The curve on the east end of the track, which gave the drivers trouble all night, was also where Harold Howard, Arpin, driver of car 13-13, spilled his machine. Both of the rolls came in the time trials.

The most exciting crash to the fans was in the third heat when cars driven by Howard (No. 13-13 again) and Earl Boyles, Wisconsin Rapids, tangled on the straight-away coming out of the east turn. Howard's vehicle ended up on the top of Boyle's and the two had to be separated by a wrecker.

Thirty-Three Cars

Thirty-three cars were entered in the races and drivers from Marshfield, Wisconsin Rapids, Medford, Arpin. Nekoosa, Wausau. Ogema, and Friendship participated.

Other than the main event of 25 laps, the third heat proved to be the most exciting. A large field of 13 cars were run and at least five were forced from the race before it was completed.



TOO HIGH AND TOO FAST—Two cars rolled in the time trials at the stock car races held at the Marshfield Speedway last night. The second driver to take the big spill was Harold Howard, Arpin, driver of car 13-13 whose machine is shown here at the top of the east curve of the track. The same driver later figured in a two-car crash in the third heat after the field had successfully negotiated the last curve.

Nineteen cars were eligible for the consolation race but after the treacherous third heat only seven vehicles were able to answer track starter Bob Welch's call. Bob Britten, Marshfield driver, lead the field in the consolation event until he lost his left front wheel on about the fifth lap. He made almost a full lap running on the rim until the high curve on the west end spun him around forcing him to pull up.

Four Remained

Twelve cars started the feature race and before the 25 laps had been finished only four cars remained—they all won prize money which paid to as many places.

Top money earner of the evening was Carl Buelow, Wisconsin Rapids, who took along \$114.-32 for his efforts. Barney Eckes, who won the time trials in 24 seconds flat, was second high with \$104.79.

The complete placings, cars driven, and money awarded was as follows:

Time Trials:

Barney Eckes, Car 23, Marshfield, \$89.46; Don Ruder, 77, Wisconsin Rapids, \$53.67; Hugh Leonard, 51, Wisconsin Rapids, \$35.78. Fastest time: 24 seconds flat.

Heats

First Heat: Carl Buelow, 4U2C, Wisconsin Rapids, \$38.34; George Pelot, 33, Wisconsin Rapids, \$23; Barney Eckes, 23 Marshfield, \$15.33.

Eckes, 23, Marshfield, \$15.33. Second Heat: (Prize money same as Heat 1)

Louie Nicholson, 74, Wisconsin Rapids; Bob Brindley, + 1-2, Wisconsin Rapids; Bernie Johnson, X, Wausau,

Third Heat: (Prize money

same as Heat 1)
Mike Gordon, 48, Friendship;
Earl Boyles, 14, Wisconsin Rapids; Ralph Kohnhorst, 58, Wausall.

Consolation: (Prize money same as Heat 1)

Cliff Johnson, 49, Wisconsin Rapids; Harold Howard, 13-13, Arpin; K. J. Schultz, 101, Friendship.

Main Event:

Carl Buelow, 4U2C, Wisconsin Rapids, \$76.18; Louie Nicholson, 74, Wisconsin Rapids, \$38.09; K. J. Schultz, 101, Friendship, \$25.-89; Bernie Johnson, X, Wausau, \$12.18.

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Rapids' Leonard Driving Winner

2,000 See Stock Car Races Here

Hughie Leonard of Wisconsin Rapids topped a field of 33 drivers in the time trials and then went on to win the main event in the stock car races held last night before a crowd of more than 2,000 at the Marshfield Speedway.

The Rapids driver spun around the quarter-mile track in 23 seconds flat to edge out three other rivals who were timed in 24.

The results of the various heats and special events were as follows:

Heat 1—Carl Buelow, Wisconsin Rapids, Car. No. 4U2C, \$35.-46; Robert Powell, Wisconsin Rapids, Car No. KC-1, \$21.27; Ed Honent, Wisconsin Rapids, Car No. 31, \$14.18.

Heat 2 — Leonard LaVague, Wisconsin Rapids, Car No. 74, \$35.46; Morris Walcott, Wisconsin Rapids, Car No. 88, \$21.37; Larry Dhein, Wisconsin Rapids, Car No. 288W, \$14.18.

Heat 3 — George Pelot, Wisconsin Rapids, Car No. 33, \$35.46; Cliff Eckes, Marshfield, Car No. 6, \$21.27; Pierce Roberts, Friendship, Car No. 170, \$14.18.

Consolation race —Bob Bonow, Wisconsin Rapids, Car No. 33+, \$35.36; Cliff Johnson, Wisconsin Rapids, Car No. 49, \$21.27; Eddie Machtan, Marshfield, Car No. 52-50, \$14.18.

Main event—Hughie Leonard, Wisconsin Rapids, Car. No. 51, \$70.92; Ed Honent, Wisconsin Rapids, Car No. 31, \$35.46; George Pelot, Wisconsin Rapids, Car No. 33, \$24.11; Barney Langreck, Marshfield, Car No. V-8, \$11.34.

Stock Car Races Will Be Held Next Week

Time trials and the first heat of the stock car races at the Marshfield Speedway were completed last night but the steady drizzle had made the track too slick for exciting competition. Upon the motion of the drivers, the race was cancelled, rain checks were given out to the fans, and next Wednesday was named as the night for the rerunning of the contests.

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Rapids Drivers Win Stock Races

12 Marshfield Cars Entered at Track

More than 1,800 stock car enthusiasts watched the races at the Marshfield Speedway last night. Good racing and several crackups

provided the thrills.

Twelve Marshfield entries raced at the track and two Marshfield drivers placed in the time trials. The fastest time for the evening was 23.2 seconds registered by Hugh Leonard, Wisconsin Rapids driver. Bennie Langreck and Barney Eckes, Marshfield, had 24 flat and 24.1 respectively. Leonard won \$89.46 for first in the time trials.

First place heat winners were paid \$38.34, including the consolation winner. The feature race paid the winner, Leonard, \$76.68.

Cars were entered from Marshfield, Wisconsin Rapids, Stevens Point, Stetsonville, Friendship, Pittsville, Vesper, Arpin, Stratford, Unity, Spencer, and Minneapolis.

The placings:

First heat—Ed Coon, Ed Honert, Robert Powell, all of Wisconsin Rapids.

Second heat—Claude Clark, Leonard La Vague, and Bob Bonow, all of Wisconsin Rapids.

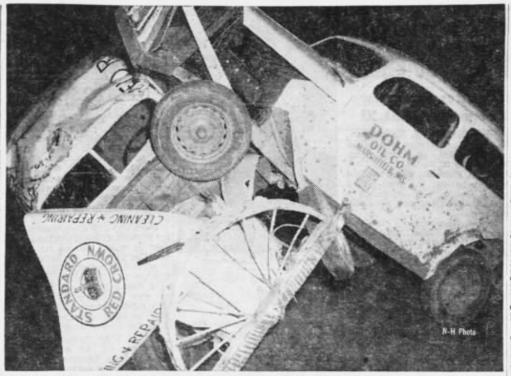
Third heat—Harold Howard, Arpin; K. J. Schwartz, Friendship; and Roger Lubenstein, Vesper.

Consolation—Frank Serles, Wisconsin Rapids, Fred Hoeper, Minneapolis; and Robert Pierce, Friendship.

Feature—Hugh Leonard and Robert Powell, Wisconsin Rapids: Fred Hoeper, Minneapolis; and Barney Eckes, Marshfield.

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THE WINNER WASN'T HERE—Donnie Zauft, Marshfield stock car driver, was running a close third in the consolation race when—bang—this happened. Coming around the first turn of the east curve at the local speedway last night Zauft's car was rammed and then "jumped" by a car driven by another Marshfield boy, Jim Grassman. The other cars continued the race around the pile-up while the drivers both scrambled out of the wreckage unhurt, Grassman's vehicle was able to return to the pits under its own power.

Rapids Drivers Stock Winners

Races to Be Held Twice Weekly Now

Wisconsin Rapids drivers continued to monopolize top laurels at the weekly stock car races at the Marshfield Speedway last night as they captured 11 out of a possible 17 places.

Gene Ostay, Wisconsin Rapids, broke all existing track records for qualifying when he spun around the quarter-mile track in 22.8 seconds. Ostay drove a 1940 model car with a 1951 Olds motor in it.

Hubert Eckes, owner of the Speedway, announced today that regular races will be held next Wednesday night, and that following that races would be held every Wednesday night and Sunday afternoon.

Cars from Marshfield, Vesper, Spencer, Wisconsin Rapids, Pittsville, Nekoosa, Friendship, and Medford, competed in last night's program. Winners in each of last night's three heats received \$25.67, while second and third place in each was worth \$15.37 and \$10.24 respectively. Ostay received \$59.78 for copping the time trials.

The results:

First heat — Harvey Tolski, Rapids; Barney Eckes, Marshfield; and Lavern Immerfall, Marshfield.

Second heat — Ed Coon, Rapids; Ed Honert, Rapids; and Rog Liebenstein, Vesper.

Third heat — George Davis, Rapids; Donald Hansen, Pittsville; and Fritz Hoeper, Medford.

First consolation race — Claude Clark, Rapids, and K. J. Schultz, Friendship.

Second consolation race — Hugh Leonard, Rapids, and Harvey Kingery, Rapids.

Main event — Ed Coon, Rapids; Hugh Leonard, Rapids; Ed Honert, Rapids; and Harvey Tolski, Rapids. First money worth \$51.24.

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Rain Interferes With Stock Card

Marshfield Drivers - Are Among Winners

The smallest crowd of the season saw local and area stock car racers get in four races before a heavy downpour washed out the main event at the Marshfield Speedway last night. Hub Eckes, Speedway owner, announced today that the feature will be held as part of next week's program.

Despite the stock car races at the fairgrounds yesterday afternoon and the threatening weather last night, 26 drivers competed

in the weekly program.

Hughie Leonard of Wisconsin Rapids sped around the quarter mile track in 22.3 seconds last night to top the list of qualifiers in the time trials. His performance gave him top money in that catagory of \$32.76. Jim O'Day of the Rapids and Bennie Langreck of Marshfield finished second and third.

Winners in the three heats and the consolation round each received \$14.04 for their efforts. Prizes in general last night were down because of the small crowd on hand.

Sunday afternoon stock car races will be held on the Speedway track with limitations being placed on the entries.

The results:

First heat — Don Zauft, Marshfield; Don Hansen, Pittsville; Ed Coon, Wisconsin Rapids.

Second heat — Gale Brunner, Stetsonville; Slim Carlson, Pittsville; Harley Reinold, Wisconsin Rapids.

Third heat — George Pelot, Wisconsin Rapids; John Hungen, Marshfield; Dan Green, Marshfield.

Consolation — Harold Howard, Arpin; LaVerne Immerfall, Marshfield; and Bob Bonow, Wisconsin Rapids.

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Rapids Driver Big Winner at Stock Races

Gene O'Day, Wisconsin Rapids, stole the show last night at the stock car races held at the Marshfield Speedway. The Rapids driver won both main events and captured the first heat of the eliminations.

Bennie Langreck was Marshfield's most successful entrant with a second in one heat, a third in one of the two main events, and first place in the time trials. In the latter event he topped two other Marshfield racers, Barney Eckes and Layern Immerfeldt, with 24.1 seconds.

The complete results were as follows:

First heat — Gene O'Day, Rapids; Bennie Langreck, Marshfield; and George Pelot, Rapids.

Second heat—Carl Buelow, Rapids; Maryin Styers, Marshfield; and Bob Bonow, Rapids.

Third heat — Harold Howard, Arpin; Roy Paape, Marshfield; and William Hatch, Pittsville.

Consolation — Eddie Machtan, Marshfield; Don Hansen, Pittsville; and Don Green, Marshfield.

First main event — Gene O'Day, Rapids; Harold Howard, Arpin; Bennie Langreck, Marshfield; and Bob Bonow, Rapids.

Second main event—Gene O'Day, Rapids; Bob Bonow, Rapids; George Pelot, Rapids; and William Hatch, Pittsville.

Time trials — Bennie Langreck, Mashfield; Barney Eckes, Marshfield; and Lavern Immerfelt, Marshfield.

A crowd of about 750 saw the races.

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Local Drivers Big Winners

Marshfield drivers monopolized the prize-winning positions in yesterday's stock car races at the Marshfield Speedway, taking 13 out of a possible 16 places in the fiverace program.

Bennie Langreck led the way with a victory in the first heat and the main event, plus a second in the time trials. Don Zauft sped to victory in the latter with a 24.5 tim-

The complete results were as fol-

First heat — Langreck, L. L. Immerfelt, and Zauft, all of Marshfield.

Second heat — Shorty Noble, Bud Hein, and Elmer Windroff, all of Marshfield.

Third heat — Herb Marschner, Jim Grossman, Marshfield, and Eddie Brink, Dexterville.

Consolation race — Mary Itzen, Eddie Machtan, Marshfield, and Sam Schwantes, Spencer.

Main event — Langreck and Noble, Marshfield, Brink, Dexterville, and Itzen, Marshfield.

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Langreck Big Winner in Stock Races

Bennie Langreck, rapidly improving Marshfield stock car driver, walked off with two firsts yesterday afternoon as local drivers continued to steal the spotlight at the Marshfield Speedway.

Langreck won the consolation and the main event, defeating six other local drivers in the two events.

The complete results were as folows:

First heat — Bud Hein, Eddie Machtan, and Johnny Heinzen, all of Marshfield.

Second heat — Galen Brunner, Medford; Bob Lentz, Withee; and Eddie Brink, Pittsville.

Third heat — Roy Paape, Marshfield; Harold Howard, Arpin; and Rusty Verel, Greenwood.

Consolation — Langreck, Marvin Itzen, and Don Zauft, all of Marshfield.

Main event — Langreck, Paape, Shorty Noble, and Machtan, all of Marshfield.

Time trials — Noble, Machtan, and Heinzen, all of Marshfield. Best time—23.8 seconds by Noble.

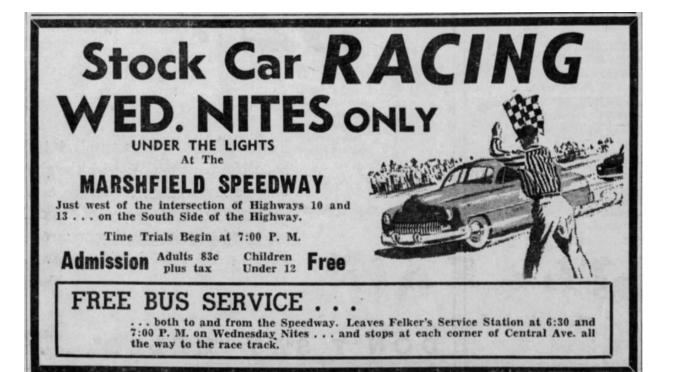
Special race — Barney Eckes Marshfield, and Galen Brunner, Medford.

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Marshfield Speedway To Inaugurate Stock Car Races Saturday

The stock car racing season gets underway in the Marshfield area Saturday night when the Marshfield Speedway, located southwest of the intersection of Highways 10 and 13, presents the first of a weekly series of racing events.

Last year the Speedway races were all held on Wednesday night, with Saturday set aside as a rain date. This year it is just the opposite, with Saturday being the regular racing night, and Wednesday the rain date.

Speedway owner and manager Herb Eckes has announced two important track improvements this year. Eckes reports that the lighting facilities have been improved, and that the track has been chemically treated to hold down dust.

Time trials for the opening night's program will start at 7 o'clock.

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FORMAL OPENING

SAT., MAY 17TH TIME TRIALS

UNDER THE LIGHTS . . . AT THE

the South Side of the Highway.

TROPHY AWARDED

To the Winner of the Feature Race! (Plus Purse)

In action . . . drivers from Marshfield, Wisconsin Rapids, Arpin, Medford, Withee, Necedah and others!

Admission S1.00 Tax Included Children Under 12 Free 17 Accompanied by Parents

Stock Car Racing Every Sat. Nite Rain Date, Wednesdays



Track Has Been Treated To Hold Dust Down!

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2 Races This Week!

Wed., May 28 To Replace Last Saturday's

TIME TRIALS 7:00 P. M.

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Hold Dust Down!

All Races Under the Lights! FRIDAY, MAY 30 Time Trials

Just west of the intersection of Highways 10 and 13 . . the South Side of the Highway.

ADMISSION: \$1.00 per person, tax included. Children under 12 FREE if accompanied by parents.

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1/4 Mile Stock Car Race Track For Sale

With 18 acres land, known as Marshfield Speedway. 1 mile south of Marsh-field, just west of intersection Highway 10 & 13. Inq. 1404 S. Cherry St., Marshfield.

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NOBODY HURT—Luckily nobody was injured Tuesday night when the two cars shown above crashed together in the first race at the stock car races at the Marshfield Speedway. Jim Kurtz, Wisconsin Rapids, driver of car No. 2, can be seen still in the driver's seat of his vehicle. Galen Brunner, Stetsonville, was knocked to the floor of his car, No. 77, is not in sight.

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STOCK CAR RACES EVERY TUESDAY NITE Time Trials 7:30 P. M. MARCHFIELD CPEEDWAY

★ Under New Management ★

RAIN DATE: SATURDAY NITE

TRACK TREATED TO ELIMINATE DUST!

Adm.—Adults \$1.00; Children under 12 free if accompanied by their parents.

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STOCK CAR RACES EVERY TUESDAY NITE Time Trials 7:30 P. M. MARSHFIELD SPEEDWAY

* Under New Management *

RAIN DATE: SATURDAY NITE

TRACK TREATED TO ELIMINATE DUST!

Adm.—Adults \$1.00; Children under 12 free if accompanied by their parents.

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