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We want to take a few moments to recognize the fine companies that are sponsoring each race class this year. Welcome back Spartan Insulation (Zoo Stock), O'Reilly Auto Parts (Outlaw FWD), Hutcherson Construction (Template Late Models) and Landscape Forms (Outlaw Super Late Models). New to sponsoring a class, but not new in terms of their generosity toward the Speedway is Techworks Trailer Sales who picked up the Street Stock sponsorship. Thank you!



## MAY 21, 2022 🏁🏁 KRASH & BASH RESCHEDULED

Please note that the Krash & Bash event originally scheduled for April 16 was rescheduled for Saturday, May 21. Skybox ticket holders will use their April 16 set of tickets on May 21. A limited number of adult advance tickets remain at the discounted rate of \$15 per adult ticket. Once they're gone all ticket sales will be at the gate and will be \$20 per adult ticket. A limited number of skyboxes are available. Call 269.355.4628 to purchase tickets or rent a skybox.



## AUGUST 6, 2022 🏁🏁 MAYHEM OF MONSTERS MONSTER TRUCK TOUR



Mark your calendars for Saturday, August 6 when the Mayhem of Monsters Monster Truck Tour invades the Speedway for two shows. They'll be hosting a pit party from 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM with the matinee show starting at 1:00 PM. The evening show begins at 7:30 PM with a 5:30 – 7:00 PM pit party preceding the program. Skyboxes for August 6 will be sold a bit differently than usual: \$100 for the box plus purchase the number of tickets wanted (up to the capacity of the box); a minimum of 12 tickets must be purchased for a non-seasonal 16-person box. This leased event is not included in the seasonal skybox package. Skyboxes

(& the tickets that go with them) may be arranged by contacting the Speedway. (Discounted) advance tickets for the show may be purchased online directly from the Tour beginning in a few weeks. More details to follow.

## APRIL 23, 2022 🏁🏁 RACE RECAP

After a long winter that persisted way too far into spring, Kalamazoo Speedway was back to racing on Saturday, April 23 with the Street Stock and Zoo Stock racing for competition points. The Outlaw FWD class was joined by the National Compact Touring Series for the Dare to Make a Difference Race for Autism.

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Our gratitude to the Zeigler Auto Group for sponsoring the \$2,000 to win Zeigler Auto Group Street Stock Special with supporting sponsorships offered by Diverse Auto and May Automotive LLC. Likewise, Randy's Trucking sponsored the \$650 to win Randy's Trucking Zoo Stock Dash. The Dare to be Different Race for Autism had numerous sponsors including A&M T-Shirts and Handcrafts, Bash Brothers, D&M Discounts, Flowers Automotive Recyclers, Gillett's Landscaping, Great Lakes Center for Autism Treatment and Research, Jason Seltzer, McGhan Motorsports, My Mom's Treasures, Monroe Racing, Osborne Paint and Body, Quality Graphix, Spring Fling Craft & Vendor Market @ Kalamazoo Speedway and US Patriots MC MI.

Dave Leonard Jr. posted the fastest time in the Spartan Insulation Zoo Stock (16.775) of the 42 cars that showed up for Randy's Trucking Dash. That time flirted with the fastest allowed time in the class (16.750) and Leonard dipped below that time in the heat race resulting in his disqualification. (His night was hardly a washout as he won the Outlaw FWD feature later in the night). Jeff Bozell (who was later towed off the track in the feature), Rielly Meade (2019 Zoo Stock Champion), Tim Sigourney, Michael Metheny and Kylee Letts won the heat races. Rodney Russell II won the 15-lap 'B' feature (and was



not available for a photo following his race). Matt Elsey Jr. (left) took home the \$650 purse in the 'A' feature, skipping his photo session to jump into his Outlaw FWD car (in the make ready chute waiting for its driver). We tracked him down in the pits later to snap a photo. Logan Meade was the feature runner-up, followed by Jimmy Hammann (who led for part of the race), Jason Harrington, Summer Velasquez, Keith Dixon, Rielly Meade, Ryan Diamond, Brad Currier and Charles Anderson Jr.



The O'Reilly Auto Parts Outlaw FWD class was joined by Andy Jach's National Compact Touring Series for the Dare to be Different Race for Autism paying \$1,000 to win. Dan Irvine claimed the fastest time (15.124) of the 34 cars that qualified. Heat races were won by Nick Failing, Robert Winrott, Sheldon Lindlag and Austin Harrison. Sheldon Lindlag followed his heat race success with the 25-lap 'B' feature win.



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As noted earlier, Dave Leonard Jr. (pictured on the preceding page [bottom left]) earned the purse in the 54-lap 'A' feature. He had stiff competition but ultimately prevailed over runner-up Dylan Huffman, followed by Pete Doxey (2019 track champion), Yogi Metz Sr., Matt Elsey, Tobiace Wheeler, Nick Failing, Ryan Osborne, Derek Robinson and Ben Wilcox, who led for part of the race but departed the race in the lead with less than 10 laps to go.

Pictured on the previous page is the #59 driver, Kenny Wright, who sought sponsors and promoted the race to bring awareness to autism. With him (left) are Dr. Sally Freds and Darci Stevens, both with sponsor, Great Lakes Center. Thank you to everyone who participated in the 50/50 drawing to benefit the WoodsLedge Learning Center.



The Techworks Street Stock boasted 34 cars to compete in the Zeigler Auto Group Special with its cool \$2,000 purse. Ricky LaDuke drove to a quick time of 14.733 seconds. Brock Ganus, Brad Smith and Travis Schlabach won their heat races. Brad Smith made it to victory lane twice, adding a win in the 20-lap 'B' feature to his heat race win. Buddy Head (left) did that moving-through-the-field like a stealth missile to claim the 45-lap 'A' feature. Gage Harris, Nick Pressler, Shawn Amor and Austin Maynard all led before Head moved to the lead with 5 to go. The race finished with

Austin Maynard in the runner-up position followed by Shawn Amor, Nick Pressler, Andy Rutherford, Bob Metheny, Jeremy Young, Zach Westdorp, Kyle VanSparrentak and Gage Harris.

Additional driver photos, including heat race winners, will be posted on [www.kalamazoospeedway.com](http://www.kalamazoospeedway.com) by Tuesday, April 26.



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