



Reed, Weaver, Kingseed score Attica openers

By Brian Liskai

ATTICA, Ohio (Saturday, April 1, 2006) - Being the leader of a race isn't always the best situation for a driver. Such was the case on opening night at Attica Raceway Park.

Defending Attica 410 sprint champion Byron Reed bolted into the lead from his outside front row starting spot, and cruised to a big lead, only to see it nearly slip away from him in the closing laps as he entered lapped traffic. However, the Monclova, Ohio driver hung on to edge Pennsylvania's Brian Paulus for the feature win on Jackson Hewitt Tax Service/Kevin Dick Financial Planner Night.

Defending 305 track champion Jamie Miller watched his lead disappear as he encountered trouble with lapped traffic, as Paul Weaver got around him for the feature win.

And, Larry Kingseed, the 2005 Attica limited late model champion, was sitting in the right spot when early leaders encountered problems, as he went on to score the feature win.

In the 410 feature, Reed jumped into a big lead at the drop of the green. That was nullified on lap 15 for the first caution, with the running order Reed, the lapped machine of Caleb Griffith, Bobby Clark, David Harrison, Paulus, Mike Linder and 11th starting Chad Blonde. Two laps later the caution would fly again when Griffith got together with Harrison, collecting Bryan Scott. All eyes were on Blonde who had moved into third behind Reed and Clark.

Two laps later - on lap 19 - the caution flew again when Andrew Palker's wing disintegrated. Now the man on the move was Paulus. Reed held the lead over Clark, Paulus, Blonde and 12th starting Mark Keegan. Reed built a sizeable lead when the green flew, with Paulus and Clark battling for

second. Paulus would dispose of Clark on lap 24 and began to chase down Reed. As Reed took the white, Paulus had moved to within two car lengths. Paulus gave it one last shot in turns three and four on the final lap, but came up just short at the checkered.

Behind Reed - who lapped up to ninth position - was Paulus, Clark, Blonde, Keegan, Todd Kane, Craig Mintz and David Harrison.

"I've always said I'm not that good leading when it comes to lapped traffic. I think I get a little complacent...I never saw Brian (Paulus), but I think if he had gotten to me I could have picked up the pace a little," said Reed beside his Reebar Diecasting, Black Swamp Graphics #5.

In the 25-lap 305 feature, Miller jumped into the lead from his outside front row starting spot, with Duane Zablocki battling him hard the opening laps, and Weaver in third. On lap 10, Weaver went high and Miller went low around the lapped car of rookie Benny Bowman, making contact and sending Bowman flipping into the front stretch wall. Bowman, whose helmet flew off during the crash, was bruised but otherwise okay. On the restart, Miller again built a sizeable lead, only to watch it fade away as he got into lapped traffic. Weaver used the slower cars as a pick and drove around the high side of Miller on lap 19, with Miller making contact with the lapped traffic and stopping on the track, ending his run.

Weaver cruised to the win over Andy Shammo who held off a fast closing Chris Andrews, Kevin Lee, Stuart Brubaker, Bill Kraylek, Brad Bowman, Todd Heuerman, Scott Kraylek and Dustin Dinan.

"I tried the bottom a few times because I figured I couldn't move Jamie (Miller) off the top. We got into lapped traffic and he went low and I stayed up top and it worked. Then it was a matter of the car handling so much better in clean air," said Weaver beside his Weaver-Koonce Construction/Levell Performance Engines #1W.

Kingseed jumped into the early lead of the limited late model main, only to see last year's Attica rookie of the year Ryan Missler take it away four laps later. The battle heated up when Mike Marteney joined the fray. Missler would drop out with mechanical problems - which befell many of the cars in the feature - handing the lead back to Kingseed. Marteney would exit a few laps later with mechanical woes. Meanwhile, the 2004 ARP champion, Chester Fitch had stayed out of trouble and was charging through the pack from his tail starting spot. Kingseed would score the win, with Fitch finishing second, followed by Josh Steinacker, Jeff McCoy, Chris Keller, Art Ball, Chuck Hummer, Bill Clapp Jr., Steve Sabo and Nate Potts, as only 10 cars were left from the 20 car field at the checkered.

"I just tried to hit my marks...the car was very driveable so I could get around traffic," said Kingseed beside his Strawberry Hill Farm Market #21. "This old cast-iron motor still has a lot of life left in it."

Attica Raceway Park will be back in action Friday, April 7, with the 410 sprints, 305 sprints and limited late models in action. In case of rain, Saturday, April 8 is the raindate.

Attica Raceway Park 4-1-06
410 Super Sprints
Linder Speed Equipment heats:

Heat 1 - Budweiser

1. 78-Todd Kane; 2. 10H-Dave Harrison; 3. 11B-Brock Mayes; 4. 28-Brian Paulus; 5. 11M-Brandon Martin; 6. 8S-Craig Mintz; 7. K-Andrew Palker; 8. OH-Tim Hunter;

Heat 2 - Ramsey Trucking

1. 37Z-Brian Scott; 2. 5B-Chad Blonde; 3. 16-Lee Jacobs; 4. 3L-Mike Linder; 5. 10S-Roger Shammo; 6. 98-Bruce Robenalt; 7. 17X-Dustin Keegan;

Heat 3 - Bell Helemts

1. X-Mark Keegan; 2. 8C-Bobby Clark; 3. 5R-Bryon Reed; 4. 55-Brian Smith; 5. 2-Caleb Griffith; 6. 48-Mike Burkin; 7. 23-Jon Trudeau;

A-main (30 laps) Starting Position []

1. 5R-Bryon Reed[2]; 2. 28-Brian Paulus[6]; 3. 8C-Bobby Clark[1]; 4. 5B-Chad Blonde[11]; 5. X-Mark Keegan[12]; 6. 78-Todd Kane[8]; 7. 16-Lee Jacobs[9]; 8. 11M-Brandon Martin[13]; 9. 8S-Craig Mintz[16]; 10. 10H-Dave Harrison[3]; 11. 2-Caleb Griffith[15]; 12. 48-Mike Burkin[18]; 13. 10S-Roger Shammo[14]; 14. 3L-Mike Linder[5]; 15. 17X-Dustin Keegan[20]; 16. K-Andrew Palker[19]; 17. 23-Jon Trudeau[21]; 18. 37Z-Brian Scott[4]; 19. 98-Bruce Robenalt[17]; 20. 55-Brian Smith[7]; 21. 11B-Brock Mayes[10]

305 Sprints

Heat 1 - Budweiser (top 4 to A)

1. 4M-Jamie Miller; 2. 9Z-Duane Zablocki; 3. O2-Kevin Lee; 4. 18-Todd Heurman; 5. 65-Mark Lang; 6. 34-Mark Whaley; 7. 22D-Dan Hammond; 8. O7-Scott Mominee; 9. 27-Jeremy Durst;

Heat 2 - Advanced Limo of Tiffin (top 4 to A)

1. 48S-Andy Shammo; 2. 71-Bill Kraylek; 3. 21-Scott Kraylek; 4. 15C-Chris Andrews; 5. 5-Dustin Dinan; 6. 33-Jed Prater; 7. 12-Brett Lane;

Heat 3 - Bell Helemts (top 4 to A)

1. 1W-Paul Weaver; 2. O1-Bryan Sebetto; 3. 25P-Mark Pridemore; 4. 19R-Steve Rando; 5. 5T-Jim Taddeo; 6. 3X-Greg Summit; 7. 18C-Jason Crispen; 8. 15H-Mitchell Harble;

Heat 4 - Griff's Engines (top 4 to A)

1. 35-Stuart Brubaker; 2. 55B-Brad Bowman; 3. 66L-Ryan Lowe; 4. 55S-Benny Bowman; 5. 67M-Matt Ferrell; 6. 11-Shawn Colvin; 7. 28J-Jimmie Phelps; 8. 29-Chris Lang;

B-main (Top 4 to the A)

1. 5-Dustin Dinan; 2. 65-Mark Lang; 3. 3X-Greg Summit; 4. 5T-Jim Taddeo; 5. 34-Mark Whaley; 6. 67M-Matt Ferrell; 7. 28J-Jimmie Phelps; 8. 11-Shawn Colvin; 9. 27-Jeremy Durst; 10. 15H-Mitchell Harble; 11. 33-Jed Prater; 12. 22D-Dan Hammond; 13. 18C-Jason Crispen; 14. 29-Chris Lang;

A-main (25 laps) Starting Position []

1. 1W-Paul Weaver[3]; 2. 48S-Andy Shammo[5]; 3. 15C-Chris Andrews[14]; 4. O2-Kevin Lee[6]; 5. 35-Stuart Brubaker[12]; 6. 71-Bill Kraylek[8]; 7. 55B-Brad Bowman[9]; 8. 18-Todd Heurman [11]; 9. 21-Scott Kraylek[4]; 10. 5-Dustin Dinan[15]; 11. 19R-Steve Rando[13]; 12. 5T-Jim Taddeo [20]; 13. 66L-Ryan Lowe[10]; 14. 3X-Greg Summit[17]; 15. 25P-Mark Pridemore[7]; 16. 34-Mark

Whaley[19]; 17. 4M-Jamie Miller[2]; 18. 9Z-Duane Zablocki[1]; 19. 55S-Benny Bowman[16]; 20. 65-Mark Lang[18] Note: Bryan Sebetto did not start, moving Whaley into A)

Limited Late Models

Heat 1 - Budweiser/Griff's Engines (top 5 to A)

1. John Borews (48); 2. Benny Lester (240); 3. Chris Keller (67); 4. Curtis Deisenroth (2d); 5. Chuck Hummer (550); 6. Nate Potts (30); 7. Scott Runion (26r); 8. Tim Sabo (98); 9. Craig Corfman (77C) DNS; 10. Kevin Miller (34) DNS

Heat 2 - Tin Lizzy Collision (top 5 to A)

1. Mike Marteney (45); 2. Jeff McCoy (12); 3. Ryan Missler (50); 4. Bill Clapp Jr. (c4); 5. Steve Sabo (99); 6. Brandon Perkins (92); 7. John Mayes Jr. (69); 8. Terry Stratton; 9. Jim Gingery (03); 10. Chester Fitch (101) DNS

Heat 3 - Bell Helmets (top 5 to A)

1. Larry Kingseed (21); 2. Josh Steinacker (1); 3. Mike Bores (15b); 4. Michael Stiltner (12m); 5. Art Ball (01); 6. Steve Kester (2); 7. Paul Brown Jr. (014); 8. Matt Potts (29); 9. Kevin Koerper (8k)

B-Main (top 5 to A)

1. Chester Fitch; 2. Jim Gingery; 3. Brandon Perkins; 4. Nate Potts; 5. John Mayes Jr.; 6. Steve Kester; 7. Matt Potts; 8. Scott Runion; 9. Kevin Koerper

A-Main (20 laps) Starting Position []

1. Larry Kingseed [1]; 2. Chester Fitch [16]; 3. Josh Steinacker [3]; 4. Jeff McCoy [7]; 5. Chris Keller [9]; 6. Art Ball [15]; 7. Chuck Hummer [13]; 8. Bill Clapp Jr. [11]; 9. Steve Sabo [14]; 10. Nate Potts [19]; 11. Mike Bores [5]; 12. Jim Gingery [17]; 13. Mike Marteney [6]; 14. Brandon Perkins [18]; 15. John Bores [10]; 16. Michael Stiltner [8]; 17. Ryan Missler [4]; 18. John Mayes Jr. [20]; 19. Benny Lester [12]; 20. Curtis Deisenroth [2]

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