



**Heartland Park Topeka**

- This is race #10 on the 2012 Season for the BriggsAuto.Com Super Saturday Showdown Series.
- Spectator gates open at 5:30 p.m. - Hot Laps begin 6:45 p.m. - First race goes green at 7:30 p.m.!
- Adult Tickets \$10, kids 12 and under are \$5 and Military with ID FREE!
- Parents don't forget to take the little ones over to the KIDS ZONE! Back for the 2nd straight year, games and a whole lot of fun await those that head to the KIDS ZONE!
- This week fans will receive a free U.S. Flag when they enter the track.

**HPT On The NET**

**www.hpt.com**

- The official website of Heartland Park Topeka and you will find everything related to HPT here. Schedules, results, pictures, videos, buy tickets and a whole lot more.
- **PIT PASS** - Catch it live or listen to the download. Pit Pass 7 to 9 Wed. night. Listen in at [www.hpt.com](http://www.hpt.com). Click the media tab, then click on Pit Pass Podcast!

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**PROMOTING CANCER AWARENESS**

This week at BriggsAuto.Com Speedway it's Cancer Awareness Night At The Races.

Cancer is a terrible disease. It doesn't discriminate, it doesn't matter whether it's a child or an adult and it can be hard to deal with.

This week at BriggsAuto.Com Speedway racers and fans will come together to raise money for the American Cancer Society. The 50/50 proceeds will be donated to the ACS. Drivers at HPT will go around and pass their helmets during intermission and all of the money that is collected during this time will go to the ACS.

Folks will also be on hand to educate everyone on how to combat this disease, how to check yourself and also what kind of things you can do to try and prevent this disease.

A lot of people this weekend



BriggsAuto.Com Speedway fans and drivers will have a chance to raise money this weekend for the American Cancer Society.

will feel a special connection with this week's promotion. A lot of fans/racers/employees etc. have been affected by this disease.

Summer start times are still in effect. Spectator gates open up at 5:30 p.m., hot laps will get underway at 6:45 p.m.

and the first heat race will get the green flag at 7:30 p.m. Fans don't forget to keep coming out and supporting your favorite drivers. In the past few weeks, we have noticed signs, hats, t-shirts and more. Everyone is asked to get into the action at BriggsAuto.Com Speedway.

**DO YOU HAVE YOUR FANTASY TEAM SET?**

It was announced last week that Jr from In The Pits will be having a BriggsAuto.Com Speedway Fantasy Race League for the 2nd half of the season.

Contestants need to pick 3 drivers from all 4 divisions

and one alternate (which can be from any class). Each week points will be given for drivers finishing 1st through 5th. If a contestant has a driver that wins they will get a bonus number of points.

At the end of the season the contestant with the most

points will be the winner.

Email your team, team name or any questions to [jr@inthe pits.net](mailto:jr@inthe pits.net).

Good luck and have your entries in before 7/6/12!

### Washburn Tech Modified Top 10 In Points

1. Darron Fuqua
2. Grant Junghans
3. Cody Agler
4. Ryan Phillips
5. Kerry Davis
6. Steven Bowers Jr.
7. Lyle Shepard
8. Tom Grist
9. Justin Johnson
10. Jared Rogers

### Super 8 at Forbes Landing Factory Points

1. Terry Schmidt
2. Steve Herrick
3. Zach Henery
4. Leif Weyer
5. James King
6. Eric Weyer
7. Carl Boyette
8. Bob Troutwine
9. Jeff Miller
10. Dustin Sievers

## SOME THINGS YOU MIGHT WATCH FOR...

This week we continue to tell you what to watch for when heading out to BriggsAuto.Com Speedway!

- Lyle Shepard became the 8th different winner in the Washburn Tech Modified division. Last season in 22 features we only had 7 different winners for the season. At this pace, HPT could have 16 or more different winners! Would that be awesome?
- When we talk about different winners, Terry Schmidt is the exception to the rule. Last week Schmidt pulled down his

6th win of the season. He even missed the opening night. So in 8 races he has 6 wins.

- A couple of drivers also gained their 4th wins last Saturday night. Jesse Shotts & Mike Higley both won last Saturday and they are climbing in the points standings in their respective divisions.
- Give a bunch of credit to the drivers and employees at BriggsAuto.Com Speedway! Last Saturday night the races started at 7:30 and were done by 9:55. When everyone, from the employees to

the drivers, is working at their best things go quickly.

- When you arrive at the track on Saturday night, get in on the autograph session before the races. B Mod racer, Dustin Thulin, and Modified racer, Cody Agler, will be signing autographs before the night. It's a perfect opportunity to check out their cars and get a free picture card and autograph!
- Watch this week for the special Pink Charger that Briggs Auto will be providing as the pace vehicle for this week!

## HPT.COM GOES MOBILE THIS WEEK! HAVE YOU SEEN WHAT YOU CAN FIND AT HPT.COM?

www.HPT.com is the home on the world wide web for Heartland Park Topeka.

This week the crew announced a new app that will keep you up to date on HPT when you are on the go. Stop by HPT.com and scan their bar code or you can download their app directly at

app.hpt.com.

If you haven't ventured to their site in awhile you are missing a lot. Pictures, results, stories, profiles, schedules, and a whole lot more is available at this great site.

This year new is HPT TV. Fans of BriggsAuto.Com Speedway can look at each week's features and other great video clips from the Super Saturdays Showdown Series. There is also channels set up for the Drag Strip and Road Course.

Go explore the site today!!!!

## WHY DO FANS LIKE TO HATE A WINNER?

It doesn't matter if you are Dale Earnhardt, Jeff Gordon or Zach Henery. Fans like to dislike a driver that wins a lot.

Last year Zach Henery won 16 out of 22 races. Each time he picked up a win, fans yelled out cheater or started to boo. There were those that supported Henery, but there were a lot opposing the young driver, why?

This year Terry Schmidt is starting to feel the same pressure that Henery faced last year.

Is it because the feature becomes predictable each week? Is it that you didn't like that driver before? Is that you just started to dislike a particular driver when they started winning?

Let me know what you think? Send me an email and we will bring your emails up in next weeks Race Night Notes!



Not a popular driver - BOO!

## POINTS BATTLES, DRIVERS ARE STARTING TO PAY ATTENTION!

Ask a driver if they are running for points at a given race track.

"Awe, I am not running for points," drivers will say!

They are lying, they are thinking about the points. The championship gives the champ bragging rights. It also gives them an extra check that helps in the off-season. Now you can throw the BriggsAuto.Com Speedway Contingency program into the equation, a driver can take in a big haul at Heartland Park Topeka.

In just the last week, several spots were swapped in each of the divisions. All the points leaders kept their leads, but in a couple of classes some drivers are gaining ground. Jesse Shotts is closing in on Randal Schiffelbein Jr. and that is just one example.



Darron Fuqua would like to win his 2nd straight championship. Reed Bros.

A good indicator on who to watch when it comes to the championship race will be in a couple of weeks, July 7. That is the scheduled halfway point of the season. Take a look at the top 5 and see how many points they are behind. It

should give you an idea if a deficit could be erased or not.

Points championship nights are a lot of fun when there is something on the line!!!!

### Whiteline CDL Training B Modified Points

1. Ethan Isaacs
2. Terry Bivins
3. Mike Higley
4. Dave Samuels
5. Steven Goodman
6. Lucas Isaacs
7. Dustin Thulin
8. Mike Eisenhut
9. Brian Murphy
10. Rich Boyden

## WHO IS THE MOST POPULAR RACER!

NASCAR always does this pole every year and they hand out an award at the end of the season when they figure out how their most popular driver is.

I am beginning to wonder who the most popular driver is at BriggsAuto.Com Speedway? Darron Fuqua, Bob Troutwine, Jesse Shotts or ????

In the coming weeks, InThePits.Net is going to put up a poll on the HPT Forum Board on their site. You will have a chance to pick who you would like to see become the most popular driver of 2012.



Could Barry Richardson win the most popular driver at HPT? Reed Bros.

Only drivers that race there 70% of the time or more will be on the list and you can

### Casey's General Store Pure Stock Points

1. Randy Schiffelbein
2. Jesse Shotts
3. AJ Christian
4. Darren Davenport
5. Jimmy Millard
6. Byron Glotzbach
7. Tyler Garst
8. Steve Stewart
9. Derek Huffman
10. Randy Kohn

## NEWCOMERS WINNING TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS?

Last year in the White Line CDL Training B Mod division, Dalton Kirk won the championship in only his 1st year of competition at BriggsAuto.Com Speedway.

That wild happening from 2011 looks like it repeat itself in the same class in 2012.

Ethan Isaacs is in his 1st full year of competition at the track. At this point in time he

has the points lead in the division. It could be possible that another first year competitor could take home the hardware at the end of the season.



Lucas Isaacs could be the points champ in 2012? Reed Bros.

If he keeps up where he is at now, he will win the championship without

winning a feature. That's right!

So far in the first 9 races he has the points lead and has yet to win a single feature. That means Mr. Isaacs is consistently finishing near the top spot.

If he wins a championship without winning a feature, that will be wild!



## THIS WEEK'S DRIVERS TO WATCH!

Each week Race Night Notes gives you a few drivers to keep an eye on. Here's this week's:

**Josh Henery #97J**  
 Overbrook, KS - Washburn Tech Modified - Last season was Henery's first in the Modified division and it wasn't bad. He took home the rookie of the year honors. This season he has spent a lot of time working on his new Venom Chassis. As he continues to get it figured out watch him go to the front of the field.

**Carl Boyette #7**  
 Ozawkie, KS - Super 8 At Forbes Landing Factory Stocks - The Factory Stock division has gotten tougher than ever before. One of those drivers that has improved immensely is our driver to watch this week, Carl Boyette. Boyette finished in the top 5 a week ago and he is also 7th in points. Watch Boyette this week his performance to this point says he will be toward the front.



Josh Henery #97J Overbrook, KS - Modified



Carl Boyette #7 Ozawkie, KS - Factory Stock



RJ Edwards #14E Meriden, KS - B Mod



Dylan McDonald #18 Topeka, KS - Pure S.

**RJ Edwards #14E**  
 Meriden, KS - White Line CDL Training B Mod - This youngster from Jefferson West High School is getting his first full year in the B Mod division. Last year he got a few races in before the season ended. The last two weeks Edwards has been in the top 10. A vast improvement. As he gets better watch him move towards the front of the feature.

**Dylan McDonald #18**  
 Topeka, KS - Casey's General Store Pure Stock - As the competition grows in the Pure Stock division, new faces and new names start showing up in the results. A driver who has been competing at HPT over the last few years in the Pure Stock division is Dylan McDonald. McDonald has had some strong runs, but he has never knocked down a win to date. A little help and a little luck could land this Topeka driver at the front half of the Pure Stock field.