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TWO IN A ROW FOR TOM FORWARD
AT CANAAN DIRT SPEEDWAY

It was a great night for auto racing at the ultra-fast Canaan Fair Speedway this past Friday night as Peanut's Auto Sales and Service from Canaan, New Hampshire presented the night's activities on Memorial Day weekend. Winners included Tom Forward, TC Forward, Chris Gray, and Mike Stender.

Tom Forward started at the back of the field in the Papa Z's Modified main event, but cautiously worked his way through the pack edging by Travis Shinn with two laps remaining to secure the win. For the second week in a row, only a single caution dotted the event leaving the pace fast and furious. Battles throughout the field the entire race kept the crowd on the edge of their seats as the top five cars ran side by side to the checkers. When the dust settled it was Tom Forward grabbing his second win in a row, followed by Travis Shinn, Dan Eastman, Trever Rocke and Russell Christian. Heat checkers flew for Shinn and Eastman.

TC Forward scored a hard fought win in the Beard Sewer and Drain Super Streets as Troy Comeau dogged him to the finish. The pair ran side by side for the final ten laps before Forward got the bite out of turn two and scored the victory. Jason Giguere slipped by Comeau on the 4th turn of the final lap to take the 2nd spot. Robbie Williams and Troy Buckwold completed the top five. Buckwold grabbed the heat win.

One of the best events of the night was the NAPA Mini Stocks. Chris Grays father owns and operates Peanuts Auto Sales, and Chris did not want to disappoint his father on his night. This however was no easy task as Gray, David Dubeau and Josh Sunn came off turn four three wide to the checkers, with Gray nipping Dubeau at the stripe, and Sunn settled for a photo finish third spot. Shawn Cunha and Leon Dugan completed the top five. Dubeau scored a win in the qualifying round.

The Bond Auto Parts Bandits main event paid \$200 to the winner and the bonus purse really heated up the competition. When the checkers flew, Matt Boucher crossed the stripe ahead of Mike Stender and Armand Boucher. Unfortunately the final results changed after post race inspection as both the first and third place finishers failed post race inspection with springs not meeting the requirements. This gave the win to Mike Stender. He was followed by Baxter Doty, Dallas Hammond, Cody Dugan and Chandra Lamery. Mike Stender and Matt Boucher won their respective heats.

Next week, Optical Expressions from Berlin, Vermont will sponsor the week's racing. Joining the four regular weekly divisions will be the 360 SCONE Sprint Cars. Post time will be at 7pm, with the grandstands opening at 5pm.

Canaan Fair Speedways are located off Route 118, on Orange Road in Canaan, New Hampshire. For more information visit the track website at www.canaandirtspeedway.com, or call the track hotline at 603-523-4502.