New Fort Dix Look

Tom Grbac's Fort Dix Speedway is taking on a new look, according to publicist Eddie Albin.

The quarter-mile oval down in Burlington County soon will be expanded to a third of a mile.

The modified stocks are returning to the pinelands racetrack this weekend for the first time in many a moon.

Grbac will host many of the modified drivers who formerly had competed at Wall Stadium, but who got into a flap with the management there this season.

The modified and sportsman stocks debut at 8:30 p.m. tomorrow.

Fort Dix also will have foreign stocks and go karts competing at 2 p.m. Sunday.

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PROGRAM, TOPPED WITH A WILD 20-LAP "FINALE"

YES, YES, STOCK CAR RACING IS BACK!!!

5/21/71

The Wheel and Dash Sports Car Chub slates its 10th annual championship trials today at the Fort Dix Speedway. Entries are limited to 100. Rain date is October 10.

Fort Dix Speedway will be visited Saturday night by the late model sportsman crowd which normally competes at the Alantic City Speedway. They join the regular go-kart action.

Pine Brook has closed for the season.

9/16/71

Tomorrow

Flemington Fair Speedway; modified and sportsman stocks, 6 p.m.

Wall Stadium, Belmar; modified-sportsman, limited sportsman stocks and ATQMRA three-quarter midget cars, 7:30

Grandview Speedway, Bechlelsville, Pa.; sportsman and modern stocks, 7:45

New Egypt Speadway (formerly Fort Dix Speedway), modern stocks and go karts, 8 p.m. 7/28/72

Zalmas Posts Second Victory

"NEW EGYPT Robbinsville's Wayne Zalmas scored his second feature win of the year at the New Egypt Speedway last night when he finished ahead of Lakeburgt's Ernic Worth and Bob Trafford to win the 15-lap Modified Stock feature. 8/14/72

Heavy Sked

The three-quarter midgets of the ATQMRA will make their first appearance this Saturday on the new onethird mile track at New Egypt Speedway (formerly Fort Dix Speedway).

The TQs have run at the track before, but that was when it was only a quartermile oval. The new fast surface suggests the little cars should do quite well on the pinelands oval. Ther'll be joined by the go-cart regulars in a show that begins at 8:30 p.m.

8/25/72

Locally, the Fort Dix Speedway is back in operation this season, stretched out to a onethird mile and converted back to its old name, the New Egypt Speedway.

The track still has a quarter-mile oval tucked inside the one-third mile. The schedule calls for modern stocks and dune buggies tomorrow at 8 p.m. and mini stocks and dune buggies Sunday at 7:30.

Scheier Takes **Eighth Feature** At New Egypt

EGYPT Flemington's Joe Scheler continued his winning tradition at New Egypt Speedway last night with his eighth feature win in the 12-lap Sportsman Mini Stock feature.

Rick Brown finished second, with Harry Kline of Trenton third and Bricktown's Al Decker fourth. Scheier, Decker and Dave Lehr won the heat races.

Charlie Coman led from wire to wire to win his second 15-lap Modified Mini Stock feature, as his father. Frank, took second, Bob Tafford was third, brother Jerry Coman finished fourth and Bob Hess was fifth. The elder Coman took the runnerup spot on the second restart and held it as the first five finishers came under the checkered flag togother.

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Köhler Triumphs In New Egypt Race

NEW EGYPT - Ron Kohler took first place in the Saturday night 25 lap feature for modern stocks at New Egypt Speedway. Kohler of Manahawkin was followed by Bob Boekencamp from McKee City. Go cart features were won by Vince LoBello of Lakewood and Bill Stermson of Red Bank. 8/7/72

10/20/72

New Egypt Speedway wraps it up Sunday with a 2 p.m. program of mini stox and go karts.

New Egypt **Schedules** Mini-Race

By HARRY BLAZE Staff Writer

At a time when most drivers are putting the ol' race car away in mothballs, the people down at New Egypt Speedway have decided to run one of their biggest races of the season -World Series Mini Stock Championship.

The Sunday afternoon special is expected to attract a number of the better known modified stock chauffeurs to the one-third mile oval for a program which will be capped by twin 20-lap main events for the mini modifieds.

There's also a mini sportsman division, and they'll go in a 25-lap feature, and a go-kart championship test.

In addition to the modified and sportsman events, there's a powder puff race in both the mini stocks and go-karts.

Race time is 1 p.m.

10/27/72

NEW EGYPT SPEEDWAY

Reute 539

At Collier's Mile

THIS SUNDAY AFTERNOON AT 2:00 P.M.
A "World series" of Red-Hot Fereign Mini-Stock
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The "Championship" Ge-Kart Autumn Spectacular of Super Go-Karts Headliner With (4) Feature Events See Such Great Greats As:

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THIS SUMDAY AFTERNOON AT 2:00 P.M.
NEW EGYPT SPEEDWAY

Route 539

At Collier's Mills

10/26/72

On the local racing scene, a doubleheader featuring the ACES dune buggies and the AMSA mini stocks is set for the New Egypt Speedway Sunday to benefit "Camp Jaycee," the New Jersey Jaycees-sponsored camp for mentally retarded youngsters and adults.

The speedway is on Route 539 near New Egypt. The Jaycees hold benefits and sponsor events such as Sunday's 2 p.m. racing card to underwrite the cost of the camp operations, which are estimated at nearly a quarter-million dollars.

It's the season opener for the speedway, and for the two racing clubs. It also is the debut of Bellem Enterprises Inc. as the promoter.

4/6/73

5/3/73



Route No. 539 Ocean County
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New Egypt, N.J



New Egypt

Tony Romit of Cliffside Park won the three-quarter midget car feature at New Egypt Speedway. But Courtright was taken to Freehold Hospital for observation following a crash.

In the companion Go-Kart races, Randy Motz, of High Bridge, Paul Quier of Penargyl, Pa., and John Griffin of Cornwells Heights, Pa., won their respective class feature events.

5/7/73



6/22/73

Locally. Chuck Reinas won his first career three quarter midget feature victory at the New Egypt Speedway. Larry Michaels. the police chief of Bensalem Township. 7/9/73

Doug Craig and Billy Hughes, both of Levittown, won the twin 30-lap features of Saturday night's ARDC midget program at the New Egypt Speedway. Go Kart victories were scored Jim Perry and Joe Oller. 8/20/73

Unfried-Hackel Win

NEW EGYPT — George Unfried and Bob Hackel won their respective races in two separate twins 25-lap feature mini-stock events yesterday at the New Egypt Speedway. Jack Mathieson of Trenton won one of the heat races.

10/29/73



6/14/74

The micro midget cars make their debut on the New Egypt Speedway's dirt track Sunday night, joining the regular card of SMRC midget cars, mini stocks and VW sprints.

8/9/74

The Demolition Derby returns to New Jersey tonight with action set at the New Egypt Speedway on Route 8/a3/74

NEW EGYPT SPEEDWAY, ROUTE 539: SMRC midgets, VW sprints, gokarts, AMSA mino stocks and motorcycles, 5 p.m.

9/13/74

WEDNESDAY

New Egypt Speedway: Deborah Hospital benefit "100" for sportsman stocks, 7 p.m.

9/20/74

New Egypt Speedway practice for sportsman and modern stocks, midgets, mini-stocks, VW sprints and TQ midgets, noon. 3/23/75

LAST WEEK'S WINNERS

New Egypt: Parker Bohn (sportsman), Lear Perona (modern). 4/25/75

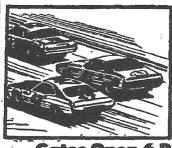
Demolition Derby promoter George Marshman has announced the cancellation of his demo derby scheduled at New Egypt Speedway tomorrow, because of the death of track owner Tom Grbac.

New Egypt Speedway has announced it will be closed this weekend to allow enough time for construction of a road course for the track's weekly go-kart races.

8/29/75

NEW EGYPT SPEEDWAY ON Route 539 will hold the "Fourth Annual Mini Stock World Series" today at 2 p.m. Go Karts will be an added feature.

11/15/75



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21/2 Hours of the Wildest Show on Wheels

Adults \$5.00 • Children \$1.00

But while other tracks are closing, Jim Grbac is reopening his track, the New Egypt Speedway on Route 539.

Grbac, who took over management of the track following the death of his father, Tom, earlier this season, has won permission from the state to run go-kart races for teenagers — age 14 to 17 — and their season debut will be tomorrow at 2 p.m.

New Egypt has been out of operation for more than a week to allow construction of a road course for the Karts. Tomorrow night, the regular Go-Kart racing for adults, along with motorcycle and VW sprint races are on the card, beginning at 7:30-p.m.

9/5/75

5/1/76

New Egypt Speedway: 200-lap NASCAR national championship Tom Grbac memorial for modified stocks, 2:30 p.m.

Sunday's season opener at the New Egypt Speedway saw Maynard Troyer come home first in the Tom Grbac Memorial 200-lap NASCAR modified man event. Jerry Cook was second and Tommie Elliott was third. 5/8/76

New Egypt Speedway switched to Thursday night racing this week with the "Bicen '76" race for NASCAR modified stocks. Race time is 7:30 p.m.

New Egypt Speedway gains

NEW EGYPT — Jim Grbac says he's determined to make the New Egypt Speedway one of the successful racing facilities in New Jersey.

He's got an uphill battle on his hands, but by the looks of the track, grandstand and other facilities, there's a good chance he'll make it.

Our first visit of this year to the pinelands speed bowl yesterday was an eye-opener. The last time we'd been at the track, it was rather down at the heels and the operation at best could be described as "casual." That is a kind phrase.

5/24/76

Auto Racing

Wayne Anderson of Medford, N.Y., won last night's 30-lap NASCAR modified stock car feature at the New Egypt Speedway, followed across the finish line by Fred Harbach of Huntington Station, N.Y., Tommie Elliott of Toms River and defending NASCAR modified national champion Jerry Cook of Rome, N.Y.

Charlie Rogers of Port Monmouth won the companion sportsman race. Flip Ferrara of South Amboy was second and Bob Holmes Jr. of Holmdell was third.

6/18/76

Auto Racing

Jim Hoffman of Englishtown finished third in the 30-lap NASCAR feature at New Egypt Speedway last night. Bob Park of Northport, N.Y., was the winner, with Fred Harbach second. Tom Starace of South Amboy won the 15-lap late model race, followed by Jim Markey of Port Monmouth.

- JOHN WILHEIM

6/11/76

Harry Blaze

Harbach scores as front-runner

NEW EGYPT — Fred Harbach, whose stock car looks as clean and white as your mom's table cloth, stayed ahead of the pack all the way last night in winning the Winston '76 NASCAR modified race at the New Egypt Speedway.

Harbach, starting in second place, charged past Sonny McCurdy in the first turn of the first lap then spent the rest of the race fending off the challenges of Bob Park and Ron Bouchard.

AT THE END, it was Harbach and Bouchard battling for first, with Tom Michel, Pete Fiandaca and Charlie Kremer clustered together a more than a straightaway to the rear in a fight for the third spot, eventually won by Michel.

Harbach also won his heat race. Other heats went to Lenny Boyd and Kremer. Bordentown's Tom Green won the consy but was sidelined early in the feature with mechanical problems.

The NASCAR-sanctioned modified races at New Egypt will continue on Thursday nights the rest of the season, giving race fans a four-night auto racing "weekend" in this area.

AT THE New Egypt Speedway last night. Fred Harbaugh of Huntington Station, N.Y., won the 30-lap NAS-CAR modified feature. Ed Geibel of Bricktown was second, Jerry Cook of Rome, N.Y., was third and Wayne Anderson of Medford was fourth.

In the companion 15-lap modern stock feature, Leon Perona of Egg Harbor won, Frank Byrne of Pleasantville was second and Bobby Kramer of Toms River was third.

Auto racing

Tim Michel of Manahawkin won, the 30-lap NASCAR modified feature at New Egypt Speedway last night, with Jim Hoffman of Matawan second and Charlie Kremer of Tonis River third.

The modern stock feature went to Rich Brouchard of Sommers Point.

New Egypt Speedway hosts the ARDC midget cars and ATQMRA three-quarter midget cars in a double-header program beginning at 2 p.m. today as a benefit for the Deborah Hospital.

4/29/77

Jim Grbac has set April 29 as the opening date for modifieds at New Egypt Speedway. preceded on April 17 by an ARDC midget auto program benefitting Deborah Hospital.

New Egypt Speedway opens its season tonight at 7:30 with modified, sportsman and modern stocks. Atlantic City Speedway debuts Sunday at 2 p.m. with the Spring Rev-Up 77 for sportsman cars.

Anderson registers sweep at New Egypt

NEW EGYPT — Long Island's Wayne Anderson copped back-to-back 30-lap modified feature events at the New Egypt Speedway last night, edging Russ Klar in the rescheduled race from May 6 and beating Jim Hearne of Jacobstown in the regularly scheduled race.

In the 20-lap sportsmen feature. Richie Archer of Wall Township took top honors. Butch Colosimo won the regularly scheduled 20-lap modern stock race, but was edged by Bill Cameron in the makeup event for modern stocks.

5/4/77

NEW EGYPT SPEEDWAY, which pened early this season then closed because of power line problems which plagued the lighting system, will reopen on Wednesday in what promoter Jim Grbac is calling the "second season." The track reopens under NASCAR sanction for its modified division, as was the case last season.

McCann scores New Egypt victory

NEW EGYPT — Tom McCann edged fellow Huntington Station. (New York) driver at the finish line to win last night's 30-lap modified feature at the New Egypt Speedway. Jerry Bartlett placed third.

In the 15-lap sportsman feature, Harry McConnell took first, Richie Berardino was second and Chip Graves placed third. River Plaza's Butch Colosimo copped the 15-lap modern stock feature, edging Bob Holmes Sr. and Tom Logan.

4/30/77

Auto Racing 6/23/77

At the New Egypt Speedway Tom Michel of Manahawkin won the Winston 50 modified stock feature. Wayne Anderson of Yaphank, L.I. took second and Jerry Cook of Rome, N.Y., was third.

Auto Racing

In the 36-lap NASCAR modified feature at the New Egypt Speedway, Wayne Anderson, who was driving a Chevy-powered Ford Pinto, took the lead on the seventh lap and easily won the race. Dennis Nalepa won the 20-lap modern stock car race, taking the lead on the 10th lap.

7/28/77 - DENNIS MAFFEZZOLI



7/a1/77

Wife, sons look on as race driver dies

NEW EGYPT — A Manasquan detective competing in a stock-car race at the New Egypt Speedway was fatally stricken at the wheel of his car last night as his wife and two sons looked on.

Jack C. Ely, 38, lost control of the car as it rounded the second turn in Lap 153 of the 200-lap Tom Grbac Memorial NASCAR modified stock-car race.

HIS VEHICLE roared across the infield and back onto the quarter-mile track on the far side of the course, narrowly missing two other racing cars, then slammed into a wall.

Ely was pronounced dead at Free-

hold Area Hospital at 11:15 p.m. An autopsy was scheduled for today.

His wife Maryjo was scoring the race and two.of his four sons, Jack Jr., 14, and Jeffrey, 6, were also at the track, along with some 4,000 spectators.

The race was held up for half an hour while a rescue squad worked to free Ely through the door of his car, No. 81.

Ely had been a Manasquan policeman since 1971 and had raced cars since he was a youth. He was a native of Point Pleasant.

The race, being run for the second year, was won by Geoff Bodine of Billingham, Mass.

—LEE PASTERNACK

9/2/77

Auto racing

Geoff Bodine of Bellingham, Mass., won the 200-lap Tom Grbak Memorial NASCAR National Championship race for modified stock cars at New Egypt Speedway. Bodine took the lead on the 50th lap when Jerry Cook blew a radiator hose and never was challenged seriously despite a apir of red flags. Thirteen of 25 cars finished. Fred Harbach of Huntington Station, L.L., was second followed by Pete Flandaca of Fitchburg, Mass., Jerry Crammer of Chesterfield, and Wayne Anderson of Yaphank, L.L.

7/2/77
Trenton Times and Sunday Times Advertiser Trenton, New Jersey

In the midst of all this late-season rain, Charlie Roberts was busy plowing through old records looking for the "alltime record" of consecutive rainouts.

His search started innocently enough.

The New Egypt Speedway, that little track down along Route 539, had been rained out three weeks in a row when we first heard of Robert's great hunt.

Actually, it was started as something to get his mind off the disappointment of three rainouts in a row.

THEN IT BECAME four rainouts, than five. By now Roberts was no longer gloomy. Punchy was the word for it. And you can imagine how promoter Jim Grbac felt.

It was early September that Roberts said be "found the record," but refused to divulge it "until the proper time."

Meanwhile, promoter Grbac was trying to dodge the raindrops. He changed the racing night from Wednesday to Friday. And then it began raining on Fridays instead of Wednesdays.

By the time there were seven rainouts, Roberts claimed that New Egypt was tied with the Wankegan (III.) Speedway, for the record.

THE FOLLOWING WEEK. Roberts had the mineo machine rolling again and this time he was claiming the "rainout championship of the world."

. What's more, Roberts began figuring "driver points" for Mother Nature.

"One more rainout." Roberts gurgled the last week of New Egypt's season, "and Ma Nature will be crowned the driving champion."

The last race of the season, dubbed the "First and Last Annual End of the Monsoon Season Championship," got away without rain.

Jim Grbac's New Egypt Speedway is expected to begin racing early in April, with Friday night NASCAR stocks as the mainstay, joined by modern stockers.

Atlantic City Speedway's Ken Butler hasn't set the date yet for his opener, but it'll probably be in May.

Pine Brook Speedway's three-quarter midget car season is expected to open the first Friday in May.

Foul weather washed out yestenday's sportsman and modified racing at Wall Stadium, Belmar, and the AMSA mini stock, VW sprint card at New Egypt Speedway 5/7/78

ONLY ONE area track will not have opened yet by the end of racing Monday. That's New Egypt Speedway's modified schedule.

New Egypt joins the bandwagon Wednesday night with the Winston 100, first race of the season at the NASCAR modified oval. 5/36/78

Bodine wins New Egypt's 100-lap race

NEW EGYPT — Geoff Bodine of Bellingham, Mass. won the NASCAR Winston 100 for Modified Stock cars last night at New Egypt Speedway.

Defending NASCAR National Modified champion Jerry Cook of Rome, N.Y. finished second, with Gil Hearne of Jacobstowns, N.J. third.

In fourth place was Tom Baldwin of Beliport, L.I., N.Y. and fifth was the current leader for the national championship, Richie Evans of Rome, N.Y.

The 100-lap race on the quartermile track was run in 25:54.7 minutes, which was not a record. The 20-lap Rookie Division race was nailed down by Frank Biddle of Farmingdale.

6/1/78

LAST WEEK'S WINNERS:

New Egypt: Sahrday, Mike Robbins. VW sprint: George Unfreid, AMSA mini-stock modified; Dave Yaung, AMSA mini-stock charger. Wednesday, Richle Evans, NASCAR modified; Bab Haward, rackie stocks.

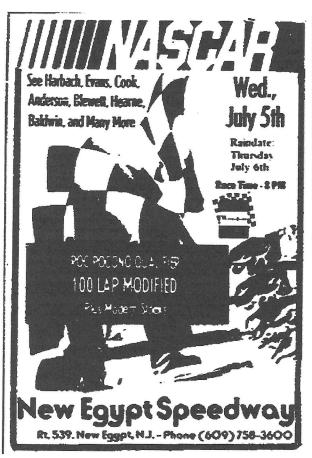
6/16/78

6/a2/78

Auto races rained out

NEW EGYPT — Late afternoon and early evening thundershowers forced the postponement of the Winston Racing Series events for the NASCAR modifieds and modern stocks last night at New Egypt Speedway.

The next NASCAR race here will be Wednesday evening, June 28.



7/4/78

7/2/78

New Egypt Speedway promoter Jim Grbac continues to show progress in his NASCAR modified racing programs which are held on Wednesday nights. He had the usual problems that go with auto racing during the week when school is in session, but now that school's out, things should continue to improve. Last season Grbac said he runs the track "as a hobby" more than a business, so he was happy to break even or make a few dollars. He expects to improve the profit picture this season.

Richie Evans did a whale of a job Wednesday night in winning the feature race at New Egypt Speedway. The Rapid Roman (he's from Rome, N.Y.) took advantage of a miscue by Wayne Anderson on a re-start near the mid-point of the 34-lap NASCAR modified feature, and grabbed the lead.

It was particularly pleasing to this corner because "my" car won the race. Evans was driving Tom Green's Mercatanti Ford-sponsored racer, the same one Green was gracious enough to let this sports writer drive during a "press day" program prior to last year's modified Race of Champions at Pocono Raceway.

New Egypt, which runs every Wednesday night, has an interesting feature. During the intermission, a couple of the drivers come up to the grandstand gate to meet the fans and sign autographs. It's the kind of personal contact which can do nothing but help the sport. Mercatanti is sponsoring this Wednesday's 150-lap NAS-CAR modified national championship race at New Egypt.

7/28/78

Cook continues to make his points

By HARRY BLAZE Staff Writer

Jerry Cook is a consistent and persistent guy. Over the past seven seasons, he has won six NASCAR national championships in modified stock car racing.

"We've been running for the title since 1969," he said recently, "and we're going for another one this season. The first one's sweetest, but every title is satisfying."

SOME SEASONS it's been relatively easy. In the 1977 campaign, for example, this touring pro racked up 1,100 more points than the nearest competitor, Geoff Bodine.

But this season he's got a fight on his hands.

Richie Evans also is taking a shot at the crown, and by the conclusion of last weekend's racing, Evans had edged into first place by a slender four points.

And tomorrow night, Evans and Cook are expected to go head to head again at the New Egypt Speedway, this time in a NASCAR "special event," the Mercatanti Ford 150, and that one is worth a big 175 points to

the winner.

Cook, a pleasant, round-faced, 34-year-old veteran; is one of NASCAR's most consistent performers. He won the national title by doing thousands and thousands of miles of driving—on the highways as well as the speedways. In order to win the title, he campaigned at just about every track imaginable. In fact, he did so much touring that he was able to win the national crown without winning a track championship.

cook Almost always campaigns the neat red Hollebrand Trucking-sponsored car that has become as familiar to asphalt modified fans as is Richard Petty's blue and red STP car on NASCAR's Grand National circuit.

Evans is the one driver who broke Cook's string of consecutive national crowns, winning the national title in 1973. Oddly, both drivers are from Rome, N.Y.

Evans usually drives his "Big Orange" racer. Through much of this season, he has run his own car in the New York area, but when he iourneys to New Egypt Speedway, he pilots the Mercatanti Ford-sponsored "Green's Machine" belonging to Tom Green of Bordentown.

Last Wednesday, Evans scored his 1st New Egypt win of the season in the Green Machine. But for tomorrow's 150-lap "special" he'll be piloting the orange car.

EVANS POPPED back into the lead at the end of last week by winning at New Egypt on Wednesday, finishing second at Stafford Springs, Conn., on Friday, and then grabbing off a 100-lap "special event" at Riverside Park (Mass.) Speedway on Saturday. The double points and winner's bonus put him ahead of Cook, who had been leading going into the weekend. (Cook was third at New Egypt, sixth at Stafford and fourth at Riverside Park.)

The totals now, according to New Egypt Speedway publicist Charlie Roberts, are 2,295 for Evans and 2,291 for Cook.

Tomorrow's race at New Egypt, in addition to paying \$1,650 to win (out of a total purse of nearly \$10,000), carries so many points that both will be running hard.

The asphalt modified crowd will be spread out Wednesday, with some of the stars staying up north to run at Sekonk, Mass., in an All-Star League circuit race there, but there will be enough drivers at New Egypt to threaten both Cook and Evans. The defending track champion, Wayne Anderson, probably will be on hand.

ONE OF THE MISSING, however, will be Geoff Bodine of Bellingham, Mass. Bodine, who drives the Dick Armstrong car, had submitted an entry to the New Egypt race, but has decided to run the All-Star event instead.

"We really like to race at New Egypt. It's a nice track and they treat us well," Bodine said yesterday, "but I've won the first four races in the All-Star League, and Dick wants us to go for all seven. New Egypt pays more, but Sekonk's just a half-hour down the road from home."

Bodine has raced twice this season at New Egypt, and won both events.

Tomorrow's race time at New Egypt is 8 p.m. The rain date is. Thursday night.

8/1/78

For the second straight day, heavy rains and thundershowers have forced the postponement of the Mercantanti 150 NASCAR National Championship Modified stock carrace at New Egypt Speedway. The \$10,000 event has now been pushed back to next Wednesday night at 8 o'-clock. The Genesee Modified 200, slated for the 9th, will now be held on Wednesday, August 16th.

8/4/78

Cook wins title

NEW EGYPT — Going into the final regular season race yesterday at the New Egypt Speedway, six-time NASCAR National champion Jerry Cook of Rome, N.Y., held a slim sixpoint lead over former Winston Racing Series track champions Wayne Anderson of Yaphank, L.I., N.Y., and Fred Harbach of Huntington Station, L.I., N.Y., who were tied for second in the three-way battle for the 1978 title.

Anderson did his best by winning the 35-lap NASCAR Modified feature, but Cook's third-place finish behind Richie Evans of Rome, N.Y., was good enough to earn him the crown by a mere two points.

8/24/78

Tomorrow night, New Egypt Speedway's seasonal driving championship will be decided in the last point race of the season (like most tracks, racing will continue but with no points going toward the track title). Going into the 8 p.m. show, 1977 NASCAR modified national champion Jerry Cook is tops in the track point standings, but only six points ahead of defending track champ Wayne Anderson and Freddie Harbach, a former track titilist. Anderson or

Harbach would have to finish at least four positions ahead of Cook to grab the New Egypt crown from him.

Although Richie Evans has been running strong at New Egypt, the unusual structure of the point system in NASCAR puts him out of contention for the title, even though he's pulling away in the race for NASCAR's national modified crown. (Track and national points are scored separately in NASCAR).

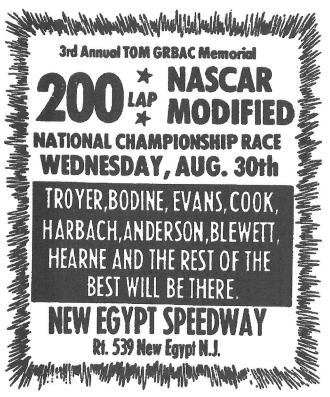
It seems only yesterday that the 1978 auto racing season began here in the Northeast, but here we are in the last week of August and several track championships are either decided or nearly clinched.

The most recent one was Wednesday night when Jerry Cook of Rome, N.Y., one of the touring pros of the NASCAR modified circuit, wrapped up the New Egypt Speedway title.

WAYNE ANDERSON, New Egypt's 1977 track champ, won the race, but Cook's third place finish gave him just enough points to wrap up the title. Like most tracks, there will be several more weeks of racing even though the point battles are over.

However, Cook, who has been NAS-CAR modified national champ for several years, is losing in the race for the national crown this season. Richie Evans has been gradually building up an edge over Cook in the past few weeks. He was second Wednesday at New Egypt, adding two more points to his edge over Cook.

8/25/78



8/28/78

Evans burns Bodine challenge

NEW EGYPT — For a while last night it looked as though they'd finally found someone who could run New Egypt Speedway's high groove as well, if not better, than Richie Evans,

Evans, who has dominated the second half of the season at the little asphalt oval in the pines, had his hands full just keeping up with Geoff Bodine, who, with 45 victories so far this season, appears to have more feature triumphs than any other race car driver in the nation.

Bodine was the fastest man on the track, breaking Evans' two-week-old track record in the time trials (12.478 seconds around the quarter-mile, compared to Evans' old mark of 12.504 seconds), then setting the pace for the first 79 laps of last night's Tom Grbac Memorial 200, the season finale at NES.

THERE WASN'T MUCH difference between the two men on the track Bodine's lead was never more than one or two car lengths, and usually Evans was right on his rear bumper despite thick traffic created by a field of 24 big modified race cars.

But there was a big difference in the engine compartments. Evans had an engine that seemed bullet-proof, while Bodine's went up in a cloud of smoke on lap 80.

By that time, the two hot-shoes had hoofed their way to a one-lap lead over the rest of the field. When Bodine's engine let go, Evans was all alone in the lead lap. His closest pursuer was Jerry Cook, who drove his usual stubborn race, hanging onto the No. 2 spot most of the way. But Cook, who like Evans lives in Rome, N.Y., was unable to close the gap, and on lap 90, when Pete Fiandaca veered off the track and into the infield, bringing out another caution flag, Cook got caught in the scramble and slipped back to fifth place.

Wrightstown's Gil Hearne grabbed second spot during the excitement, and looked as though he was going to be able to hold it, although Evans continued to pull away. Then on lap 105, Hearne's radiator popped and he spun out of action. He was able to nurse the car back to the pits, but that was it for the night. A few laps later, Cook was back in second place.

WITH ABOUT 10 LAPS to go in the 200-lap, 50-mile chase, Evans caught Cook again, putting him two laps down.

The unofficial finish:

1. Richie Evans. Rome. N.Y. (200 laps); 2. Jerry Cook. Rome, N.Y. (198 laps); 3. Fred Harbach, Huntington Station, N.Y. (198 laps); 4. Tam Baldwin, Bellport, N.Y.; 5. Tany Siscone, Hammonton; 6. Bob Park, East Northbort, N.Y.; 7. Pete Flandaca, Fitchburg, Mass.; 8. El Herbert, Waretown; 9. Gary Creffy, Hamplan Bays, N.Y.; 10. Bill Park, Brentwood, N.Y.

11. Jack Duffy, 12. Bubba Beck, 13. John Redding, 14. George McCurdy Jr., 15. Ken Cranmer, 16. Bruno Brackey, 17. Gil Hearne, 18. Geoff Badine, 19. Wayne Anobderson, 20. Jack Guire, 21. Charlie Jarzombek, 22. Jerry Cranmer, 23. Wall Rogers, 24. Tom Green.

8/31/78

-Harry Blaze-

Hearne, Siscone, Bohn score best among asphalt drivers

With the auto racing season virtually over - only the Turkey Derby on Nov. 25 at Wall Stadium remains - and all the championships decided, it's worth a brief review of what went on at the area's racing plants during 1975.

Today we'll take a look at the three asphalt tracks that ran stockers in New Jersey during the campaign. They are, of course, Wall Stadium at Belmar. New Egypt Speedway and Atlantic City Speedway at Pleasantville.

WRIGHTSTOWN'S GIL Hearne appears to have done the best of the lot this season. He won the modified championship at Wall. capturing six features along the way, and also placed sixth in the modified standings at New Egypt Speedway, even though he didn't win any races there. His biggest victory was the 300-lap Garden State Classic at Wall.

John Blewett Jr. of Lakewood also did quite well. He was runner-up to Hearne among Wall's mod squad, where he won four features, and placed eighth in the New Egypt standings. (A.C. did not have a modified division i.

For consistency, however, Tony Siscone of Hammonion gets the nod.

Sistone won 10 feature races while grabbing the sportsman championship at Atlantic City, and, just to show he's got lots of "go" he also took seventh place in the modifieds at Wall Stadium and ninth place among the modifieds at New Egypt. He's the only driver we spotted in the top ten at all three of the state's pavement tracks.

EDDIE BOHN OF FREEHOLD did nicely, too. He won the sportsman crown at Wall Stadium in an impressive fashion, garnering 788 out of a possible 900 points to outdistance the runner-up. Doug French of Wall Township by 204 tallies.

John Megill of Wall Township finished second to Siscone at A.C. and also placed eighth among the Stadium's sportsman set. New Egypt did not have a sportsman division).

Bohn, on the other hand, won 10 races and garnered 788 out of a possible 900 points in the Wall sportsman division, running away with the crown and finishing 204 points ahead of runner-up Doug French of Wall Township. In addition to his 10 wins. Bohn finished in the top 10 spots in every race of the season. He was runner-up four times and third six times.

New Egypt's modified champion for 1978 is Jerry Cook, who until this season had a string of NASCAR modified national championships going. Although he finished well ahead of Richie Evans at New Egypt. Evans won the national NASCAR modified crown. Both drivers are from Rome, N.Y.

EVEN THOUGH he did not take the track championship - NASCAR has an unusual scoring system - Evans won five of New Egypt's 11 races, two of them extra-distance national-point events which didn't count in the track point standings. Geoff Bodine of Bellingham, Mass., perhaps the winningest modified driver in the country, took two major races at New Egypt.

Last season's modified king at New Egypt. Wayne Anderson of Yaphank, N.Y., was runner-up to Cook. by a mere two points.

Bob Howard of Matawan won the modern stock division title at New Egypt and was eighth in the same division at Wall Stadium. where Frank Biddle of Farmingdale was the champion. Vinnie Green of Red Bank had the most feature wins among Wall's modern stockers with five.

At Atlantic City, where they call this division "late model" stocks. Joe Edwards of Delmont was the champion over Ives Shaud of Vineland. Diane Coffey of West Belmar, a woman driver, placed eighth. Here are the top 10 finishers in the various divisions at the three tracks:

WALL STADIUM

MODIFIED: 1-Gil Medrine, Wrightstown, 933, 1,000 Bleath Jr. Lokewood, 834, 3-Rod Curliffe, Point Pieds. ant. 778. 4Chartie Kremer Jr. Toms River. 752. 5-Don Stives, East Windsor, 750; 5-Jim Hottman, Middletown, 856, 7-Tony Siscone, Hammonton, 542, 8-800 Rossell,

Wrightstown, 597: 9-Jamie Tomaina, Neptune, 570, 10 Dica Lewis, Bordentown 502

SPORTSMAN: 1-Eddie Sohn, Freehold, 785, 2-Doug French, Wall Township, 534: 3-Aiten Von Dusen, monett. S40, 4-Art Wolcott, Wall Township. 522. 5-Wall, Web.er. Shrewsbury, 520: 6-John Luhrs, Neptune, 452, 7-(1-e) Ed Moench. Old Bridge and Charles Guerson. Freehold 385 3-John Megill, Well Township. 384; 6-Ed Senkewicz, Lake Parsippony, 332, 10-Hal Smalley, Point Pleasant, 362

MODERN: 1-Frank Siacle, Formingdale, 332, 3 Vinnie Green, Red Bonk, 798; 3-Butch Colosmo, River Picta. 578, 4-Jann Boker, Walt Township, 578; 5-Duone Helms. West Beimar. 576. 6-Dennis Borutsen. Walt Township. 530. 7- Marold Dauncey, Brick Town, 575: 5-800 Howard. Molwon, 512: 9-Bob Burr, Neptune, 450: 19-Bill Comeron Howell, 473

NEW EGYPT SPEEDWAY

NASCAR MODIFIED. 1-Jerry Cook, Rome, N.Y., 275 2-Wavne Anderson, Yophana, N.Y., 224, 3-Fred harbach, Huntington Station, N.Y., 216; 4-Richie Evans Rome, N.Y., 184; 5-Geoff Badine, Bellingham, Mass. 120; 5-Giffedner, Wrightstown, 112, 7-Bruno Brackev, Far Rock CWGV. N.Y., 116: 3-John Blewett Jr. Lokewood. 104. 6 (tie) Tony Siscone, Hommonton and Tom Saidain. Be! port, N. Y., 78: 10-800 Pork. East Northport, N.Y . 52

MODERN: 1-Bob Howard, Mateway, 575; 2 Sil; Gor rett, Monasquan, 458; 3-Kari Stove. Ocean Grove. 438, 4-Harold Douncey, Brick Town, 428; 5-800 Burr, Neptune, 470: 5-John Baker, Monasavan, 402, 7-Sutch Colosimo River Plaza. 395: 3-Bill Cameron. Howels. 386. 9-Bob Hotmes Sr., Well Township, 312; 10-Frenk Biddle, Form ingaste. 300.

ATLANTIC CITY SPEEDWAY

SPORTSMAN: 1-Tony Siscone, Hommonton, 434, ? John Medill, Wall Township, 378; 3-Warren Frve, Monroeville, 350: 4(tie) Barney Truex, Cedar Run and Jack Croshan, Lakewood, 328: 6-Gene Etiiat, Goshen, 304: 7 John Von Hess. Cardiff. 293: 8-Sci Moschelle, Pleasant ville. 268: 9-Dove Ruberti, Vineland. 266: 10-John With Kowski, Brick Town, 230.

LATE MODEL: 1-Joe Edwards, Delmont, 477. 2-1445 Shoud, Vineland, 208: 3-Tony Fichera, Vineland, 452. 4-Fred Clark, Marmora, 309. 5-Howard Stern, Absecon. 324. 5-Frank Sebrook. Cape May Courmouse. 292. 7-Jim Bartleson, Rio Grande, 200: 3-Diane Coffey, West Belmar. 276, O.Ken Hughes, Glassboro, 262: 10-Peck Chance. Dorchester, 256.

11/14/78

Harry Blaze-

Sub-compact' crowd has fun along the way

Everyone calls them "mini-stocks," but the guys who race the little sub-compacts make a maxi effort to win — and they take it all very seriously. Unlike some racing circuits, these folks seem to have a lot of fun in the process. They might as well, since they're not going to get rich at it.

It's not as big-time as, say, Indy car racing, or NASCAR Grand Nationals. They don't tie up as much money in their equipment as the modified crowd. But the winner is just as happy in Victory Circle as Al Unser was at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway last May.

LOCALLY, THEY race under the banner of the American Mini-Stock Association, or AMSA. The guy who won the most checkered flags this year was George Unfried of Ringoes, whose Volkswagenpowered, Mustang-bodied racer scored eight triumphs in a 19-race campaign.

Ironically, Unfried's car — the owner is listed as his wife, Diane — was only second in the point standings because he jumped into the seat of Rich Jacksic's racer for a couple of events where the Unfried machine wasn't running up to par. So that gave the owner champion-ship to Bob Trafford of Lake Hopatcong, last year's driving titlist.

New Egypt Speedway was the "home track" for AMSA this season, and they ran 13 races there, capped by a 100-lap event Aug. 19 that was won by Trafford.

The big AMSA event of the season, however, was the 101-lap, 76-mile Mini Stock Championship on Pocono (Pa.) Raceway's three-quarter mile oval. That was not a "points race." and didn't affect the standings, but it was important enough to bring a rash of protests after the racing was over.

Originally, sportsman stock car driver Newt Hartman was declared the winner, driving the Unfried machine. But a recheck of the scoring resulted in a reversal, with the title going to New Yorker Bob Hackel. Hackel, who usually competes in the Lebanon Valley Speedway circuit, also won one of AMSA's regular season features, at Grandview Speedway in Bechtelsville, Pa.





7/10/79

At New Egypt Speedway (Route 539) tonight, the NASCAR modifieds will run a national championship event dubbed the "Mercatanti 150."

"National" races offer about seven times the usual amount of points toward the national driving title, and so the race is expected to draw many of the biggest names in asphalt modified racing. That includes the two men running hardest for the national crown, defending champ Richie Evans and former (frequent) champ Jerry Cook, both of Rome, N.Y.

Geoff Bodine, winner of the recent Dog Leg 200 at the Trenton Speedway, also is expected, as are a host of New York state, Long Island, and Jersey shore drivers.

Time trials begin at 7:30 p.m. 8/1/79

New Egypt nears end

NEW EGYPT — The New Egypt Speedway offers its next-to-last race of the season tomorrow night at 8 o'-clock, with the NASCAR modifieds running heats and a 35-lap feature. The street stocks will run a companion 20-lap race.

Next week, New Egypt rings down the curtain on modified competition with the "Tom Grbac Memorial 200," a 200-lap NASCAR modified national championship event.

8/21/79

Blewett triumphs in New Egypt feature

NEW EGYPT — John Blewett, Jr. of Lakewood has become the first Garden State driver to win a NAS-CAR Modified stock car pro auto racing feature in more than a year at the New New Egypt Speedway.

Blewett did it last night in the 35lap Winston Racing Series event over the quarter-mile track, breaking the stranglehold on victory land held by New York state racers.

8/23/79



Harry Blaze

Evans, Kremer on top

National champion Richie Evans and Charlie Kremer, Jr., were the big names in short-track modified racing around New Jersey during 1979, with Evans winning the track crown at New Egypt Speedway while Kremer took the honors at Wall Stadium.

The New Egypt action-was important to Evans as he won his second NASCAR national modified title in a row. In addition to the points, it gave Evans, a full-time racer, somewhere to compete and make money on Wednesday nights, usually a quiet day in motorsports.

KREMER, who raced at both New Egypt and Wall, had no feature event victories at the former, but rolled into victory lane 7 times in 18 featues at Wall.

The combination of his performances at the two tracks, however, was enough to give him the "New Jersey State Asphalt Championship, a special set of point standings accumulated by public relations man Charlie Roberts, who just happens to work for both tracks. The point standings also included one modified

race at the end of the season at Atlantic City Speedway, won by Tom Michel.

At Wall, Kremer finished 273 points ahead of runner-up John Blewett Jr., while defending champ Gil Hearne was third in the point chase. Blewett won three main events, hearne four.

THE OTHER features at Wall went to Ron Cunliffe, two; and one apiece for Jim Hendrickson and Dick Lewis. Visiting driver George Kent won the post-season, non-point "Turkey Derby" race. He also placed 13th in the state standings.

Jerry Cook, who had been the perennial NASCAR modified champ until Evans decided in 1978 to go for the crown, was second in the national standings and also second at New Egypt, 18 points behind Evans. Although Evans and Cook did not race at Wall, they still managed third and fifth, respectively, in Roberts' state standings. Blewett and Hearne, who ran at both ovals, were second and fourth, respectively.

Doug French dominated the Wall Stadium Sportsman division, taking six of the 18 main events and garner-

ing 416 more points than Harry Reed, who relied on consistency to do that well, since he won only one feature. Third place Jim Ransom and seventh place Stan Wohl had two features apiece, while Glen Cummins, last year's champ Eddic Bohn, Bob Ehlers, Tom Mauser, Wally Weaver. Pete Brittain and Barney Truex had one each.

WALL'S STREET Stocks champ was Vinnie Green, who also had six feature wins.

Frank Biddle was the Modern Stock (street stock) champ at New Egypt, and took four features. Fifth place Chris Young won three. Singles went to runner-up Neil Rutt, Greg Tomaino, Colosimo and Don Erickson

12/24/79

CHARLIE ROBERTS' NEW JERSEY STATE ASPHALT CHAMPIONSHIP (modiledt)

I Chartie Kremer Jr 643, 7 John Blewett Jr 634, 3 Pichie Evans 673, 4 Gil Hearne 513; 5 Jerry Cook 391, 6 Jim Hendrickson 341, 7 Tony Siscone 335, 8 Fred Harbach 238, 9 Dick Lewis 216, 10 Ray Evenham 199; 11 Pad Cuntiffe 181, 12 Yanny Comerford 175; 13 George Kent Jr 167, 14 John Baker 151, 15. Yam Michel 147, 16 Wayne Anderson 143, 17 Tony Hirschman 135, 18 Jamie Tamaino 124, 19 Dao Stives 119, 70 Mark Engle 116

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Modified Stocks
1 Chartie Kremer Jr. 1,276, 2, John Blewett
Jr. 1,002; 3 Git Hearne 788, 4 Jim
Hendrickson 780, 5, Tany Siscone 677, 6 Dick
Lewis 545, 7 Tommy Comertard 499, 8 John
Baker 314, 9 Pod Cunliffe 344, 10 Dan Stives

Sportsman stocks
1 Doug French 1,645, 2 Harry Reed 629, 3
Jim Ransom 618, 4 Gienn Cummins 575, 5
Eddie Bohn 475, 4 Charlie Overson 475, 7
Stan Wahi 486, 8 Bob Phiers 428, 9 John
Megill 420, 10 Eddie Crotchtell 355

Street storks
1 Vinnie Green 1,180, 7 Butth Colosimo 997,
3 Frank Biddle 863, 4 Harold Doucev 887, 5
Denis Borufsen 582, 6 Greg Tamaino 483, 7
Lee Taylor 417, 8 Neil Rutt 416, 9 Bitt
Cameron 334, 10 Donnie Fricson 766
NEW EGYPT SPEEDWAY

1. Pichie Frans 318, 7 Jerry Cook 278, 3 Fred Harbach 244, 4 John Blewett Jr. 190, 5 Tony Siscone 180, 6 Wayne Anderson 132, 7, Bob Park 100, 2 Gary Creft 97, 9 Pay Everaham 22, 10 Chartie Jarzombek 72 Wagern Stock

1 Frank Biddle 313, 2 Neit Putt 216, 3 Greg Tomaino 146, 4 Veith Poberts 140, 5 Chris Young 124, 6 Leray Clayton 114, 7 Art Crammer 166, 8 Dan Beckett 164, 9 Butch Colosimo 98, 10 Leray Taylor 92

ATLANTIC CITY SPEEDWAY

1 Prch Bourguignon 777, 7 John Megill 760, 3 Gene Filiott 236, 4 Palph Broschard 234, 5 Bob Kelter 230, 6 They John LeVanne Jr. and Fred Clark 218 each, 8 Prch Pratt 208, 9 Tony Siscone 198, 10 John Van Hess 166 Late Model Stocks

1 Dave Garfinkle 396, 7 Joe Fawards 365, 3 Jom Bartleson 356, 4 Greg Tomaino 148, 3 Jos Shaud 334, 6 Frank Seabrook 310, 7 Hot Lewis III 306; 8 Frank Fegel Jr. 747, 9 Bob Elliott Jr. 220, 10 Leroy Clayton 212