(Dacono, CO 05-27-2012) On day two of the CNS Memorial Day race it appeared that multi-time Late Model track champion Bruce "the Moose" Yackey might be on his way to winning the biggest race of the year at Colorado National Speedway. Yet Rick Smith from Gering Nebraska made a strong move on the outside of Yackey to take the win and top the huge field of 29 Late Models that were on hand for the event.

Gillet Vet Late Models

A massive field of 29 Late Models checked in to the pits on the second night of the CNS Memorial Day show at CNS and all but #27 Roger Avants who suffered mechanical problems in qualifying lined up for the 100 lap Famous Dave's BBQ Main Event. #74 Dan Savage, #22 Chris

Eggleston, #66 Darren Bucklan, and #12 Bruce Yackey all took turns leading in the first 30 laps of the event. The caution flag flew when #78 Darren Crocker, #4 Brad Tilton, and #03 Isaac Sherman who had traveled from Albo New Mexico were involved in a minor altercation in turn 4 which ended any chance of a top finish for those cars.

At the halfway mark it had become a 3 car race for the lead between Bucklan, Yackey and the charging #31 of Rick Smith. A tough break for race leader Darren Bucklan when he was found to be leaking oil on the track and had to be black flagged with 44 laps to go, handing the lead over to Bruce "the Moose" Yackey. Rick Smith began to pressure Yackey and the two of them ran side by side for several laps before Smith was able to squeak by Yackey to take the lead. Last years track champion #74 Dan Savage had moved into third position, #95m Cris Muhler was fourth and #11 Darren Robertson had worked his way into the top five. A late race caution setup a double-file restart and the crafty veteran Yackey got a great jump on Smith putting "the Moose" back in front with only a few laps to go. Yet the Gering Nebraska resident Rick Smith showed amazing determination and took the high line back around Yackey in daring fashion to take the checkered flag. Yackey came in second and #11 Darren Robertson finished an impressive third. #91 Chris Atkinson finished an impressive 4th and #54 "Triple J" Joe James Jr. took the final spot in the top 5.

FAST DASH WINNER: #7 Adam Deines
DASH WINNER: #74 Dan Savage
DASH WINNER: #37 Derek Murphy
QUICK TIME: #66 Darren Bucklen 16.147

Sunoco Grand American Modifieds

It would take 40 laps to determine the winner of the SUNOCO Grand American Modified main event and the drivers were putting on a clinic for the fans running clean lap after lap. #27 Mike Hathaway had the early lead with #95 Dave Finley hot on his tail. Halfway through the race FAST DASH winner #77 "flipply" Jeff Hansen made a run past both Finley and Hathaway to take the lead.

And while the first half of this 40 lapper was run as clean as can be the second half was a mirror-opposite that was marred by several spins, crashes, and race stoppages. #4t Brad Tilton who was pulling triple duty in the GAM's, Legends, and Late Models was running in 4th position holding a narrow lead on 5th place #69 Forrest Smith. With just 6 laps to go #69 Forrest Smith and #1 Jay Fields were battling for 5th place when they made contact and crashed hard into the turn 3 wall. Another crash on the restart involving #22 Mike Castagno and #4 Mark Sopr brought

out the red flag and setup a green, white, checker finish, and #77 of "flippy" Jeff Hansen maintained his lead and brought home the trophy. The #95 of Finley was second, #27 Mike Hathaway finished a strong third, #28 Jeff Hunter was fourth, and #69 Forrest Smith took fifth.

FAST DASH WINNER: #77 Jeff Hansen
DASH WINNER: #4 Brad Tilton
QUICK TIME: #28 Jeff Hunter 16.952

CARC Mod Coupes

Last years CNS track champion #55 Gary Land jumped out to an early lead in the CARC Mod Coupe main event but two time main event winner and FAST DASH winner #34 Randy Whitman was hot on Gary's tail. Land held off the charging Whitman until lap nine when Whitman went around on the outside and Gary's Coupe became loose and made contact with the back straight wall ending Gary's chance at winning the race. As the race proceeded Randy Whitman was holding the lead but being chased hard by #95 Cris Muhler, as the white flag flew Muhler pulled up on the outside of Whitman down the front straight. Whitman moved up high squeezing Muhler into the wall and the two cars made contact and crashed into turn one. The race was over at that point because the white flag had already been displayed. Track officials penalized Whitman 6 positions for causing the altercation which gave Muhler the main event win.

FAST DASH WINNER: #34 Randy Whitman
DASH WINNER: #36 Matt Burton
QUICK TIME: #95 Cris Muhler 16.213

RMLRA Legend Cars

A huge field of 26 RMLRA Legend cars lined up for the Main Event with last years rookie of the year #85 Cole MacEwen on the pole and #13 Pete Dellarco on the outside. But it was the fast group of #06 Mike Gallegos, #22 Chris Eggleston, #66 Kyle Clegg, #15 Danny Medina, and #58 Kyle Ray that jousted out front and began to battle. As the lead group approached slower cars

Gallegos who was still holding the top spot went around the outside of the lapped car #37 Garrett Richard, the two cars made contact and both spun into turn 3 bringing out the caution. Luckily for Gallegos he suffered no damage and was able to reassume the lead under caution. For the final laps an intense battle ensured between the top 5 cars. When the checkered flag flew Gallegos took the win just barely over Medina, Ray, Eggleston, and Clegg.

FAST DASH WINNER: #66 Kyle Clegg
DASH WINNER: #77 Brandon Moore
QUICK TIME: #66 Kyle Clegg 18.868

A Comfort Shack Figure 8s

Only ten Figure 8 cars showed up for the Memorial Day event at CNS but that didn't deter the drivers from thrilling the crowd with several close calls in the "X". Notably the #86 of "squirrely" Shirley Thompson made several fearless passes through the X just narrowly missing other cars by mere inches causing "ooo's" and "ah's" to ring out in the grandstands. Up front was the Martinez brothers #24 Joe and #26 Nick leading #25 Jereme Wall and #23 Big Al Duran. At the finish "Smokin" Joe Martinez won yet another Figure 8 main event keeping him firmly in place in the first position in points.

FAST DASH WINNER: #23 Al Duran

OFFCIAL RESULTS

Gillet Vet Late Models
Pos - No. - Name - Car Info - Hometown
1. 31 Rick Smith 08 Monte Carlo Gering NE
2. 12 Bruce Yackey 12 Impala Greeley CO
3. 74 Dan Savage 08 SS Aurora CO
4. 95M Chris Muhler Morrison CO
5. 11 Darren Robertson 12 Impala Westminster CO
6. 91 Chris Atkinson Cheyenne WY
7. 23 Davin Fisbeck# 07 Monte Carlo Thornton CO
8. 54 Joe James Jr '08 Monte Carlo Denver CO

9. 26 Blake Harris# 08 Monte Carlo Wheatridge CO
10. 51 Eric Meisner# 06 Camry Brighton CO
11. 77 Dave Finley 12 Dodge Brighton CO
12. 4 Bradley Tilton# Cheyenne WY
13. 95 Todd Finley# 12 Dodge Arvada CO
14. 84 Matt Zwingelberg Aurora CO
15. 6 Dominic Ursetta# 10 Victory Circle Arvada CO
16. 37 Derek Murphy
17. 84B Bruce Borchardt Lafayette CO
18. 99B Nicholas Brimlee Broomfield CO
19. 14 Mark Bybee# Littleton CO
20. 22 Chris Eggleston 09 Chevy Erie CO
21. 99 Kyle Shanahan# 12 Impala Colorado Springs CO
22. 55 Jesse Runkle 08 Monte Carlo Lakewood CO
23. 66 Darren Bucklan 11 Monte Carlo Greeley CO
24. 78 Darren Crocker '11 Impala Brighton CO
25. 03 Isaac Sherman# 2000 Monte Carlo Albo NM
26. 08 Jace Hansen Evans CO
27. 33 Emett Grazier Monte Carlo Wheatridge CO
28. 7 Adam Deines 97 Cutlass Longmont CO

DNS 27 Roger Avants 2010 Monte Carlo Littleton CO

SUNOCO Grand American Modifieds

1. 77 Jeff Hansen Berthoud CO
2. 95 Dave Finley Brighton CO
3. 27 Mike Hathaway Falcon CO
4. 28 Jeff Hunter# Brighton CO
5. 69 Forrest Smith
6. 4T Brad Tilton Cheyenne WY
7. 44 Justin Case Brighton CO
8. 8 Dan Alamaa 95 Modified Colorado Springs CO
9. 69E Mike Edwards
10. 66 John Seely 12 Impala Parker CO
11. 56 Mark Chisholm
12. 2 Willard Nash#
13. 4 Mark Sopr Cheyenne WY
14. 22 Mike Castagno Arvada CO
15. 11 Tom Evans 2010 Volt Cheyenne WY
16. 57B Brady Balderston Highlands Ranch CO
17. 1 Jay Fields 2011 Wade Moon Pueblo West CO
18. 57 Kelly Balderston Pueblo West CO
19. 15 Mike Jensen# chevy Northglenn CO

CARC Mod Coupes
1. 95 Cris Muhler Brighton CO
2. 36 Matt Burton Englewood CO
3. 12 Jaime Bubak Arvada CO
4. 46 Eric Blackard 33 Chevy Lakewood CO
5. 43 Matthew Pierce# Platteville CO
6. 2 Don Hoselton Palisade CO
7. 34 Randy Whitman Ft Collins CO
8. 38 Greg McLaughlin Brighton CO
9. 33 Chet Graham Kiowa CO
10. 61 Theron Bredeson 32 Ford 5 Window Arvada CO
11. 80 Matt Devich
DNF 55 Gary Land 32 Chevy Coupe Littleton CO
DNF 44x Mike Wood Centennial CO
DNF 07 Drew Utecht # Brighton CO
DQ 09 Darren Robertson Lafayette CO

RMLRA Legend Cars
1. 06 Mike Gallegos Wheatridge CO
2. 15 Danny Medina
3. 58 Kyle Ray Littleton CO
4. 22 Chris Eggleson Erie CO
5. 66 Kyle Clegg Westminster CO
6. 7 Corey Seip 34 Ford Littleton CO
7. 3 Wayne Barlock 37 Ford Superior CO
8. 77 Brandon Moore Colorado Springs CO
9. 85 Cole MacEwen Fort Collins CO
10. 34 Chris Simons-Cooper Frederick CO
11. 47 David Hondel Cheyenne WY
12. 84 Mike Webber 37 Chevy Erie CO
13. 46 Zach Witherwax#
14. 4 Brad Tilton 37 Chevy Cheyenne WY
15. 21 Ryan Jones# 34 Ford Arvada CO
16. 25 Adam Pechman Morrison CO
17. 36 Josh Richard# Peyton CO
18. 71 Craig Coughlin Westminster CO
19. 19 Larry Pachello# Wheatridge CO
20. 11 Jessica Savage# Aurora CO
21. 87 Billy Blevins
22. 6 Scotty Scott Arvada CO
23. 26 Christopher Brunker#
24. 07 Bill Seip Parker CO
25. 13 Peter Dellarco Highlands Ranch CO
26. 37 Garrett Richard# Peyton CO

FIGURE 8s
1. 24 Joe Martinez 08 Monte Carlo Centennial CO
2. 26 Nick Martinez
3. 15 Jereme Wall 72 Chevy
4. 23 Al Duran
5. 50 McKeachie
6. 03 Luke Zike
7. 81 Dave Smith
8. 86 Shirley Thompson 77 Camaro Northglenn Co
9. 10 Frank Gastineau 64 Chevy
10. 44 Jerome Holms
DNS 20 Lance Proctor