



Statistical Advance:

Analyzing the Mason Farms 100 at Spencer Speedway

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (July 7, 2008) – The sixth race of the 2008 NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour season will be contested at Spencer Speedway. The Mason Farms 100 will go green on Saturday, July 12 in Williamson, N.Y.

At Spencer Speedway:

- The NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour raced at Spencer Speedway in each of the series' first three years of existence, 1985-87.
- The fourth - and most recent - NWMT visit to Spencer took place in 1994.
- There are 10 current full-time drivers that have previously raced in a NWMT event at the track ... **Jan Leaty** and **Jamie Tomaino** are the only two entrants who have participated in all four races.
- There are no active drivers who have reached Victory Lane at Spencer in a NWMT race.

Season Recap:

- **Chuck Hossfeld** became the first repeat winner of the 2008 season when he won the last time out at New Hampshire Motor Speedway.
- **Ed Flemke Jr.** captured the season-opener at Thompson (Conn.) International Speedway, his first victory since 2004.
- **Ted Christopher** won the second race of the season at Stafford (Conn.) Motor Speedway to move into a tie for fifth place on the all-time wins list.
- **Chuck Hossfeld** won the third race of the year, also at Stafford, from the pole ... It was his first victory since 2004 ... He then won the fifth race in 2008 by edging Ted Christopher by .001 seconds.
- **Ronnie Silk** won the 75-lap green flag-only race at Thompson (Conn.) International Speedway for his second career victory.
- **James Civali**, **Bobby Grigas III** and **Ryan Preece** have earned their first career poles in 2008.

Spencer Speedway Data

Race # 6 of 16 (7-12-08)

Track Layout: 0.5-mile flat asphalt oval

- Opened in 1955.
- Has held four NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour races.
- Is one of three tracks in the state of New York the NWMT will run at in 2008.
- Runs a regular NASCAR Whelen All-American Series schedule on Friday nights.
- Owner John White also co-owns Chemung Speedrome, which will play host to the NWMT on Oct. 4.

Qualifying/Race Data

2007 pole winner: no race

2007 race winner: no race

Track qualifying record: not available

Track race record (100 L): not available

NWMT Race Winners at Spencer

7/4/85..... George Kent
7/3/86..... Jeff Fuller
7/3/87..... Mike McLaughlin
9/3/94..... Mike Ewanitsko

NWMT Pole Winners at Spencer

7/4/85..... Jimmy Spencer
7/3/86..... Jimmy Spencer
7/3/87..... Jan Leaty
9/3/94..... Steve Park

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Selected Driver Highlights:

Eric Beers (No. 46 Chevrolet)

- Has two wins and six poles in 117 career starts.
- Has three top-five finishes in five starts this year.
- Has led a total of 31 laps this year.

Jimmy Blewett (No. 19 Chevrolet)

- Has two wins and one pole in 51 career starts.
- Best finish in 2008 is 12th at the season-opener at Thompson (Conn.) International Speedway.
- Has suffered two DNF's and a penalty and sits in 22nd driver points.
- Is the younger brother of the late John Blewett III.

Ted Christopher (No. 36 Chevrolet)

- Has 28 wins and 13 poles in 250 career starts.
- Won the Spring Sizzler at Stafford (Conn.) Motor Speedway on April 27.
- Has at least one victory in 10 consecutive seasons.
- Is 36 points behind leader Chuck Hossfeld in the season standings.
- Has finished second in the last two races.
- Has led 172 of 620 (28%) completed laps this year.
- Started and finished 15th in the last NWMT race at Spencer in 1994.

James Civali (No. 28 Chevrolet)

- Has four wins in 41 career starts.
- Has three top-10 finishes in 2008
- Is currently 10th in the season points standings, 253 behind leader Chuck Hossfeld.

2008 Statistical Leaders

Driver Points

1. Chuck Hossfeld	855
2. Ted Christopher	819
3. Todd Szegedy	750
4. Eric Beers	685
5. Ed Flemke Jr.	652

Wins

1. Chuck Hossfeld	2
2. Ted Christopher	1
Ed Flemke Jr.	1
Ronnie Silk	1

Top-Five Finishes

1. Chuck Hossfeld	5
2. Ted Christopher	4
3. Eric Beers	3
Mike Stefanik	3
5. Ed Flemke Jr.	2

Top-10 Finishes

1. Chuck Hossfeld	5
Ted Christopher	5
Todd Szegedy	5
4. five drivers	3

Best Average Finish

1. Chuck Hossfeld	2.2
2. Ted Christopher	3.6
3. Todd Szegedy	6.2
4. Eric Beers	10.6
5. Matt Hirschman	11.8

Laps Led

1. Ted Christopher	172
2. Chuck Hossfeld	86
3. Bobby Grigas III	66
4. Ryan Preece	64
5. Todd Szegedy	33

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Ed Flemke Jr. (No. 10 Chevrolet)

- Won the season-opener at TIS, ending a 53-race victory drought.
- Has 17 wins and 16 poles in 359 career starts.
- Has made a record 300 consecutive starts ... The last time he did not start an NWMT event was on July 22, 1992 at Riverside Park Speedway.
- Started 11th and finished seventh in his only start at Spencer in 1994.

Rick Fuller (No. 77)

- 1993 NWMT Champion ... Will be honored prior to Sept. 7 event at Thompson (Conn.) International Speedway.
- Has 20 wins and 11 poles in 431 career starts ... Last won at Waterford in May, 2003.
- Finished third in his Spencer debut in 1987 and suffered a DNF at the track in 1994.

Bobby Grigas III (No. 09 Chevrolet)

- Captured his first career Coors Light Pole Award at the New England Dodge Dealers 75 at TIS.
- Registered best career finish (third) at the Icebreaker, also at TIS.
- Led the first laps of his career in the Icebreaker ... His 66 total laps led this year rank third among all drivers.

Matt Hirschman (No. 59 Chevrolet)

- Has 20 top 10s in 44 career starts ... Is still seeking his first career victory.
- Has finished on the lead lap in 22 consecutive races, the most among all drivers.
- Is currently sixth in the season standings, 212 points behind Chuck Hossfeld.
- Finished third in the 2007 standings with 11 top-10s in 16 outings.
- Is the son of five-time NWMT Champion Tony Hirschman.

Chuck Hossfeld (No. 4 Dodge)

- Current NWMT points leader, 36 ahead of Ted Christopher.
- Has finished in the top four in each of the season's first five races.
- Is the only driver to earn multiple wins so far in 2008.
- Ended a 48-race winless drought by capturing the TSI Harley-Davidson 150 at Stafford (Conn.) Motor Speedway.
- Has led 86 laps this year, second only to Christopher's 172.
- Has seven wins, 41 top fives and 60 top 10s in 100 career starts.
- Was the 1999 Modified track champion at Spencer.

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Ronnie Silk (No. 79 Pontiac)

- Earned his second career victory at TIS on June 19.
- Is currently 12th in the season standings.
- Has 16 top-10s in 45 career NWMT starts.
- Is second in the standings after three races in the NASCAR Whelen Southern Modified Tour, 36 points behind L.W. Miller.

Mike Stefanik (No. 16 Pontiac)

- Seven-time NWMT Champion ... Was honored as part of NASCAR's 60 years of Modified champions celebration prior to the TSI Harley-Davidson 150 at SMS.
- Has a NWMT record 68 victories in 370 career starts.
- Has three top-fives in 2008 and ranks eighth in the standings.
- Finished 15th at Spencer in 1986 and 17th in 1987.

Todd Szegedy (No. 2 Ford)

- The 2003 NWMT Champion ... Will be honored at New Hampshire on Sept. 28.
- Has 12 wins in 99 career starts, the best start-to-victory ratio (8:1) of any active driver.
- Is in third place in season points, 105 behind Chuck Hossfeld.
- Is one of three drivers to finish in the top 10 in all five races in 2008 (Hossfeld, Ted Christopher).

Jamie Tomaino (No. 99 Chevrolet)

- The 1990 NWMT Champion ... Will be honored prior to this race.
- Has only missed four of the 494 races in the history of the NWMT (1985-pr.).
- Is one of three drivers (Rick Fuller, Carl Pasteryak) to make a start in all 24 years of the NWMT.
- Has started all four NWMT races at Spencer, with top-fives in 1985 and 1987.

Upcoming Milestones/Benchmarks:

- **Ted Christopher** has 28 career victories ... The next win would put him in sole possession of fifth place on all-time list, breaking a tie **Mike Ewanitsko**.
- **Mike Stefanik** has 40 career poles ... The next would place him in a tie with **Tony Hirschman** for the all-time lead.
- **Jamie Tomaino** will extend his own series record by making his 491st career start.
- **Ed Flemke Jr.** is expected to extend his consecutive starts streak to 301.
- **Todd Szegedy** will make his 100th career start.

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