



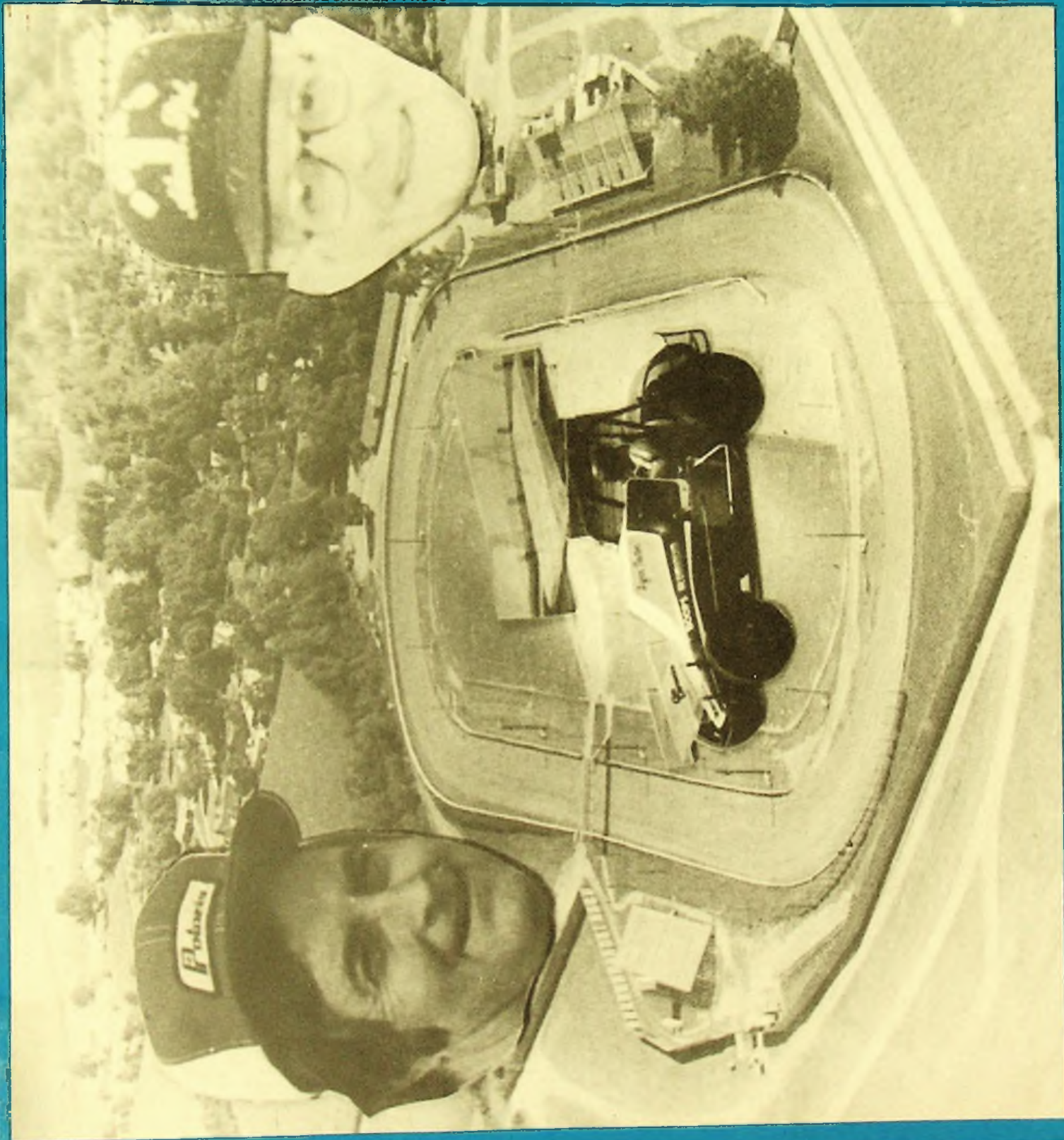
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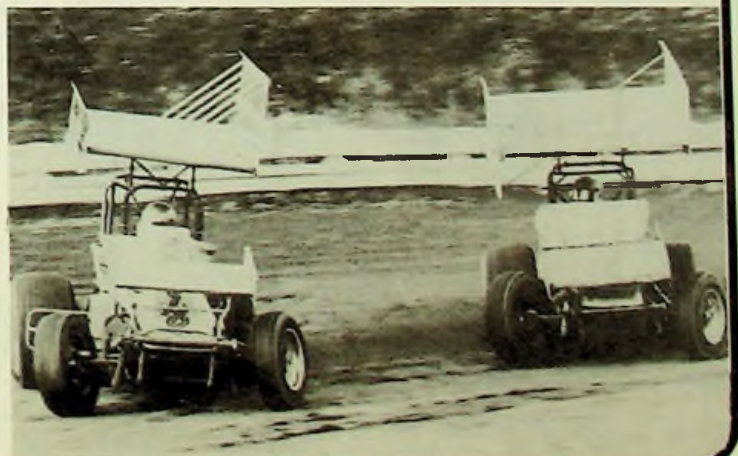
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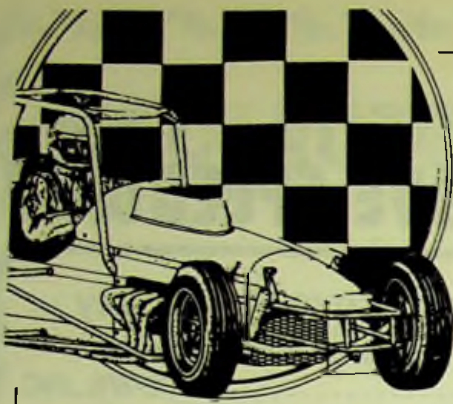
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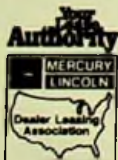
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"THE CHAMPS"

Lynn Paxton & Boop's Racing Team

by Bob Chorpennig

Last season Williams Grove Speedway offered a lot of family entertainment each and every week at the famous half mile, with the best sprint car racing in the country.

For the second straight season, local driver Lynn Paxton was crowned the track champion. In doing so he collected seven feature wins which included topping off the season by winning the 20th annual National Open event, which was the first time Paxton had ever won it.

The people behind Paxton were very important to the team's success in 1982, as owner Maynard Boop gave his heart and soul in an all out effort to go racing, and to give Lynn Paxton a good ride each week no matter what track.

Here at Williams Grove Speedway was the team each race working frantically in the pits preparing the car for competition. The results were good, and the team as well as driver Lynn Paxton became a threat more so than ever.

Dave Brown Jr., who gave it everything, worked on the car day in and day out to keep it in top running order. If it meant not sleeping in order to repair or altar the car in any way, Dave Brown Jr. was always there and ready. Dave Brown Sr. who is no stranger to auto racing was also the main source behind the team's winning combination, as he used his ideas and ingenuity to put the motors together and to make sure they were up to par, and that they were able to do the job.

Other members of the team were also an important part as they were members that stayed with it not only at the track, but at it all week long. A good crew is what alot of teams lack, but not the Maynard Boop team.

At the Williams Grove Speedway banquet in October, Lynn Paxton and Maynard Boop were honored with their accomplishments, and crowned the kings of Williams Grove Speedway for the second year in a row. Paxton and Boop then presented an award to the crew including the Brown's, to end the year with a touch of class just like they started.

This season the team will still be together, but altered to meet the needs of each and every person involved with the 1983 operation.

Car owner Maynard Boop has sold his business and is now retired. Then some problems arose involving Mrs. Mary Boop, Maynard's wife, which required many, many hours of surgery, after becoming ill. I am happy to say that she is recovering nicely and is expected to pull through. They say behind every successful man is his wife.

Changes were going to take place with the racing operation, but nobody knew just what until in January, when former car owner Al Hamilton decided to put together a team for Lynn Paxton.

Al Hamilton ordered a brand new complete car from Bobby Allen, and Lynn Paxton was slated as the driver. The car will carry the familiar Al Hamilton colors and his familiar number 77. Meanwhile Maynard Boop will own the spare car, or back up car if you will, that will carry the familiar number 1 that Maynard Boop always had. The team of both cars though, will be under the Hamilton banner. It was nice to see that Maynard Boop wouldn't be forgotten, and that he will still be a part of the racing team in 1983.

Again Dave Brown, Jr. and Sr. will be aboard with Junior working full time on the cars under the Hamilton banner. For Paxton, he will run the type racing season he has run the past few years, and that was understood and agreed upon when the team hook-up back in January.

With Paxton, Hamilton, Boop, and the Brown's teaming up for the new season they could be awesome at Williams Grove

Speedway, and a team that could get ink any place in the country. One thing for sure, they will all be giving 100%, and that is what winning is all about.



Veteran Lynn Paxton, one of the best in Sprint car racing...SKELLY PHOTO



The Boop's crew enjoying victory lane honors in the Williams Grove National Open event, that was the teams first...SKELLY PHOTO



Lynn Paxton with his father Melvin Paxton in victory lane...SKELLY PHOTO

1982 OPENING DAY / WILLIAMS GROVE SPEEDWAY



Last year's opening day lineup for the sprint feature with Ohioan Rick Ferkel(0) in the Paul Morgan Special, and Bobby Weaver(20) in the Gohn Jewelers Special, bringing them around for the start, back on March 28th...PAUL IRVING PHOTO



Maynard Yingst(88) driving the Leiby's Mobile Home Special and Jimmy Horton(3) in the Statewide Racing Team Special, really throw their sprinters into the third turn during last year's opening event at Williams Grove. This kind of action was the call of duty for the rest of the season...MARTY GORDNER PHOTO



The big winner of the 1982 inaugural was Bobby Allen(1a) driving the C n B Mushroom Special. Allen later went on to score other feature event wins at Williams Grove during the course of the season, when he was off of the World of Outlaw trail...LEE GREENAWALT PHOTO

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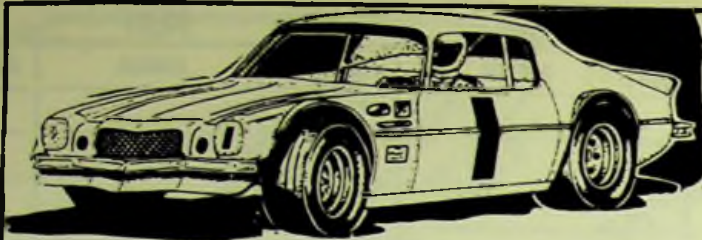
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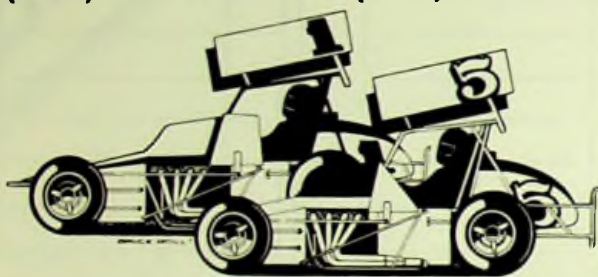
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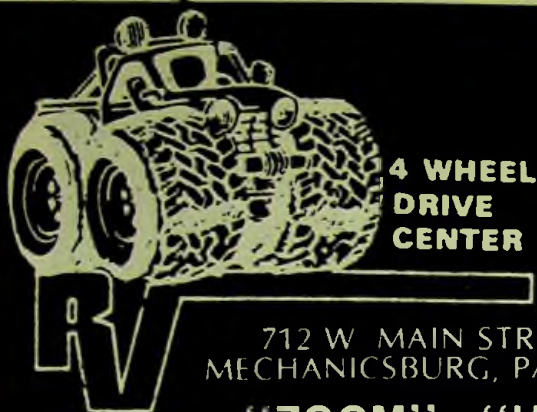


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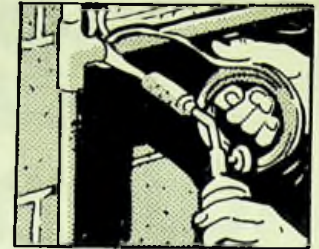
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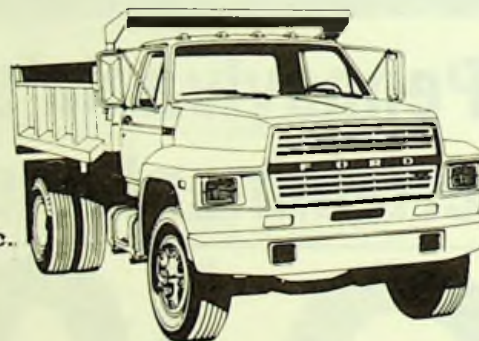
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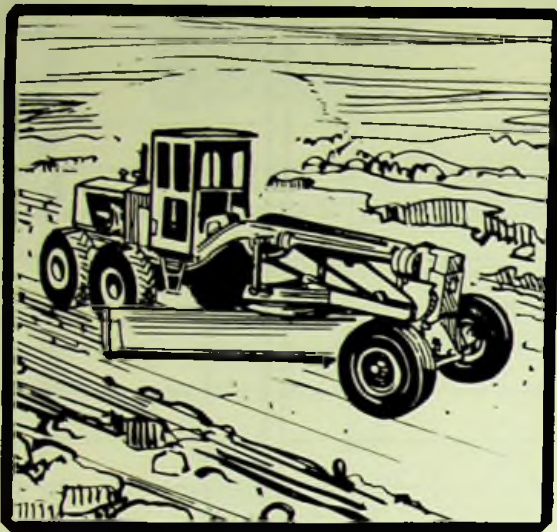
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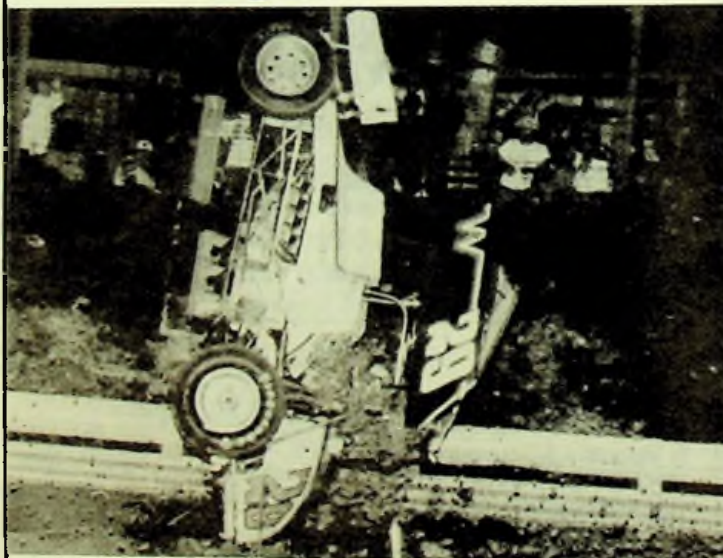


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Doug Stambaugh with a big win at Williams Grove Speedway last season...CLARENCE SNAVELY PHOTO



DOUG STAMBAUGH

A MEMORIAM TO DOUG STAMBAUGH

by Bob Chorpensing

Since the checkered flag was dropped at the conclusion of the 1982 racing season at the Williams Grove Speedway, one popular sprint car driver from Hanover, Pa. died back on December 13th near his home. His name was Douglas Patrick Stambaugh.

Doug was 27 years old and was a carpenter as well as a race driver. He started his racing career back in the early 70's, which was sprint car racing. Doug is survived by his parents Patrick and Clotildy Stambaugh, two brothers Dave and Dane, and a sister Debbie.

The funeral was held on December 16th at the St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Hanover, Pa. His burial was nearby and was kept private for family members only.

The death of Dough Stambaugh casted a dark shadow over the Central, Pa. area over the holidays as no one could believe or accept the fact of his death.

The Williams Grove Speedway management was in total shock and disbelief. Nick Turo was quoted as saying that, "It's a real [tragedy] and a great loss for not only Williams Grove Speedway, but for Sprint car racing in Central, Pa. Doug was a likeable little guy and I want to remember him like he was when he won here at the "Grove" this past season. Boy was he ever a happy guy that night."

On that night of September 12th Doug enjoyed one of his happiest moments in his career when he outran Lynn Paxton and Steve Smith in a real race thriller. That win came during the 8th Annual Williams Grove Old Timers Convention. As

Doug crawled out of his car that night in victory lane, the little blonde haired frame of a guy was smiling ear-to-ear and showing tears of emotion.

The last racing function Doug attended was the Williams Grove Speedway banquet back in October, where he came with a smile and with pride. He kept saying to people attending the gathering on how he could hardly wait to get back to racing. "I wish the start of the season was tomorrow," Doug was heard to say.

Well, Doug never made the new season in which he was so excited about, but here today his memory will be in the minds of everybody. And there won't be that little driver in the pits today with that blonde hair and that big smile either waiting to put on a show for the fans, but in everybody's heart, he will be present.

Life can be tough sometimes and this world has some tough adventures to endure once in awhile. When a person passes on, it means that his time is up and that God knows when to come and retrieve, and on December 13th, little "Dougie" Stambaugh was retrieved, as his number came up.

As the Williams Grove Speedway starts another season of racing, it's hard to believe that Doug Stambaugh will not be in the lineup. He meant so much to sprint car racing and so much to Williams Grove Speedway.

This past season was pretty good for Stambaugh and he was looking to win a lot of features at Williams Grove, but his wins will still come to him, as he will be standing above us all with a big smile and holding the checkered flag.

May he rest in everlasting peace.



by Bob Chorpenning

Any given race track in the country that runs weekly sprint car events, would have loved to have the kind of competition Williams Grove Speedway had to offer last season.

Williams Grove definitely lived up to its reputation as each and every week the best sprint car racing in the country was taking place at the famous half mile dirt oval, that is located in Central, Pennsylvania.

Last season was the second season the speedway was being run by the new promoters since the death of former promoter Jack Gunn in 1980, and again they proved to a lot of people across the nation, that they could do it, and that they had a lot of pride in their kind of operation to make Williams Grove as successful as it ever was.

The speedway management was offering \$1,500 to win a 30 lap sprint feature last year, and it was drawing cars from all corners, as well as the fans. Williams Grove was once again setting a new wave length to other tracks in the area, as the "Grove" has always been the pace setter since it's beginning back in 1939.

Racing got started off last year on Sunday afternoon March the 28th with popular driver Bobby Allen winning, driving the CnB Mushroom Special. The show drew a large field of 49 sprints.

The following week it looked like Bobby Allen would win his second in a row, but coming through turn four, Allen lost the handle and flipped over, thus giving the well deserved win to Van May who was running the Sterner Construction Special. It was a race that will go down into the history books of Williams Grove Speedway.

The first Friday night show was the following week with Rookie sprint driver Paul Lotier winning in his C.W. Irwin & Son Food Dist. Special. It was only the third start for Lotier in his sprinter at the "Grove". It might have been the earliest a Rookie has ever captured a feature event at the "Grove".

One thing that took place that night was the fact that Lynn Paxton didn't qualify, which was the first time that had happened to him at Williams Grove since 1969.

Also on the first Friday night show was the first appearance of the season for the Super Sportsman cars. Rich Eichelberger driving the D & M Auto Special was the winner, that included a 23 car field.

On April 23rd Bobby Allen roared back to win his second of the year driving his familiar no. 1a, over Lynn Paxton and Billy Stief.

The next week it was Steve Smith "The Black Bandit" scoring a popular win driving the Bill Cappetta/Roy Miller sprinter, that was sold to them during the winter months. Steve was in the car until his own car was completed.

May 7th was the next show and it was the Second Annual Fram/Autolite night at Williams Grove. On hand was District Manager Rick Shroder and Vice President of Fram Autolite Steve Hawkins.

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An added purse was on the menu courtesy of Fram/Autolite, and the winner of the sprint feature was Steve Siegel driving the Tony Diaz Special. Siegel collected \$2500 for his efforts. Lap money was also being offered in every event held that night courtesy of Fram/Autolite. It was a very successful evening for all sides.

The next race was one of the biggest of the season, with the appearance of the World of Outlaws. The first show was held on Thursday night with Sammy Swindell coming out the big winner in the Nance Speed Shop Special. Smokey Snellbaker driving the new creation of the Lloyd Ent. was the fastest qualifier. The Outlaws brought 12 good cars into race at Williams Grove.

The very next evening it was again the second straight event for the Outlaws where local driver Bobby Allen showed everybody the short way around the track. The 50 lap event paid \$6,000, which was a new record for Williams Grove Speedway. In this event Lynn Paxton finished second, and Steve Smith hit the third turn fence head on after his car developed a malfunction. Steve was uninjured, but the car was a complete write off. The race also drew a packed house, as there was so many fans trying to get into see the races, the show had to be held up.

Bobby Allen came right back the following week to capture yet another feature as the Outlaws made their third and final appearance of the season. Doug Wolfgang and Lynn Paxton followed, and Danny Smith driving the Kenny Rogers Special flipped in the third turn for the second straight week at the "Grove". Also Smokey Snellbaker set a new one lap record in qualifying with a time of 20:55 lowering the old mark of 20:67 set by Steve Kinser a year ago.

The first race in June saw Smokey Snellbaker pull off his first win driving the Lloyd Racing Ent. Special. In the Super Sportsman class Ron Heisey scored his first ever at Williams Grove in a last lap thriller.

The next race saw Smokey Snellbaker again setting in victory lane for his second straight victory. It was Smokey's 41st career win at the "Grove". Todd Shaffer scored the go-cart feature race over Larry Lamey who was the winner in the first appearance of the carts back in April.

On June 18th Allen Klinger pulled an upset as he captured the main event driving the Larry Hull Trucking Special. The last feature win for Klinger was back in 1980 when he captured the National Open driving the Lucas Mining Special. For Larry Hull it was his first Williams Grove win ever. Larry Jackson was the Super Sportsman winner over Tim Leiphart.

The next week saw Randy Wolfe capture his first of the year driving the Keen Transport Special, in a race that ended a five year drought for Wolfe. The USAC Dirt Champ car show slated for that Saturday had to be cancelled due to rain.

The following week it was again Randy Wolfe the winner over Jimmy Horton in the Statewide Sprinter. The win also gave Wolfe a qualifying spot up at Syracuse in October, representing the Williams Grove Speedway. After this show there was nine different winners showing up on paper so far in the season, and Lynn Paxton who was the defending track champion was still winless.

The next show produced the 10th different winner with Lynn Paxton finally getting a win under his belt driving the Boop's Sprinter. Johnny Murphy was the Super Sportsman feature winner driving the Highland's Special.

The July 16th show saw Binky Lederer win the first ever

sprint car feature since coming up from the Midget ranks. It was also Binky's birthday to help the celebration that much more. Also on that night's menu was the ever popular Joie Chitwood Thrill Show.

The following week Scott Tobias became yet another winner in the sprint car ranks as he beat out Steve Smith and Lynn Paxton. The victory for Tobias was a big victory as it was 7 Up Night at the Speedway sponsored by the Stoner Beverage Company. Added purse money as well as hats and free 7 Up was part of the very successful evening.

The All Star Circuit of Champion Outlaws invaded the speedway the next week with Barry Camp taking top honors in the special added distance race that paid good money. Camp became the 13th different winner in sprint competition.

August 6th was Steve Smith all the way in the main event for his second win of the year. Jim McBee won the Late Model feature, as the previous winner Jeff Leiphart was a DNF.

August 13th was another win for Lynn Paxton as MODCAR Modifieds were also on hand in a show that was rained out back on May 30th. In the MODCAR portion it was Kenny Brightbill the big winner. There was 45 Modifieds in the pits, and it was the first appearance of that division at Williams Grove since 1976.

Once again it was Lynn Paxton winning his third feature event and second straight the next week as he beat out Ron Kramer just barely at the finish line after the motor started to seize up in the Boop's Special. For Ron Kramer it was his best finish at the "Grove" ever.

August 27th produced a new winner of Bobby Davis Jr. driving the Bob Weikert Sprinter. Davis beat out Randy Wolfe and Scott Tobias for top honors. Owner Bob Weikert turned all the winnings over to his driver in victory lane ceremonies. Todd Shaffer was the winner of the go-cart feature event.

It was then September and the season was fast coming to a close. On Friday night September 3rd Lynn Paxton won



another feature as he beat out Randy Wolfe. On Sunday night it was all Paxton again as he was definitely the hottest driver at Williams Grove. On Friday night that weekend Jeff Robinson claimed the feature for the Late Models, on Sunday night Gary Wolford claimed the Super Sportsman feature.

September 12th was the night Doug Stambaugh claimed his win in a thriller all the way to the end, as he beat out Lynn Paxton and Steve Smith. It was the first win for Stambaugh at Williams Grove since 1976.

It was the National Open weekend and on Friday night the regular feature was won by Dave Blaney from Ohio, or was it Lynn Paxton? Actually the decision was made at first that Blaney was the winner, but a photographer took a photo at the finish that had Paxton ahead by inches. The decision was then made by the speedway management to pay both for first place.

In that race Blaney was dominant and couldn't be caught, until the very last lap when his motor expired and he coasted across the finish line.

The next night it was the 20th annual National Open with Lynn Paxton winning it for the first time ever. The two day event drew 61 cars.

The Williams Grove Speedway had it all, and this season there will be even more as Williams Grove Speedway will be the place to be in 1983.



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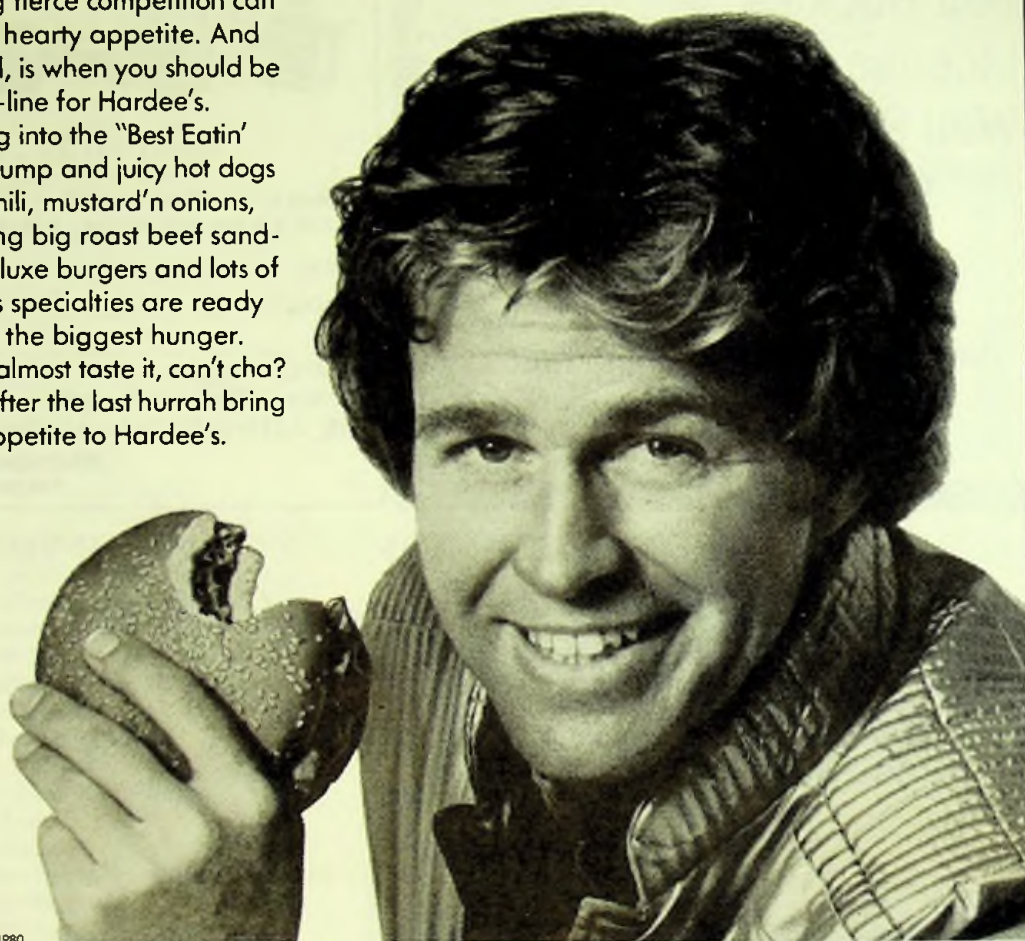
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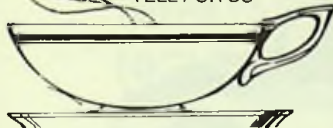
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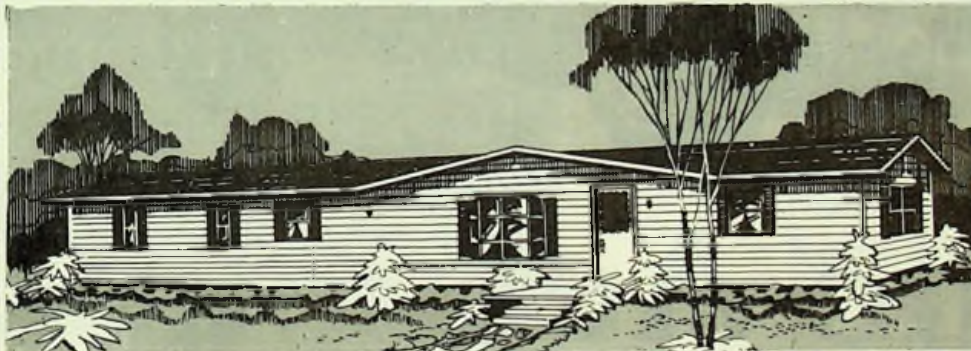


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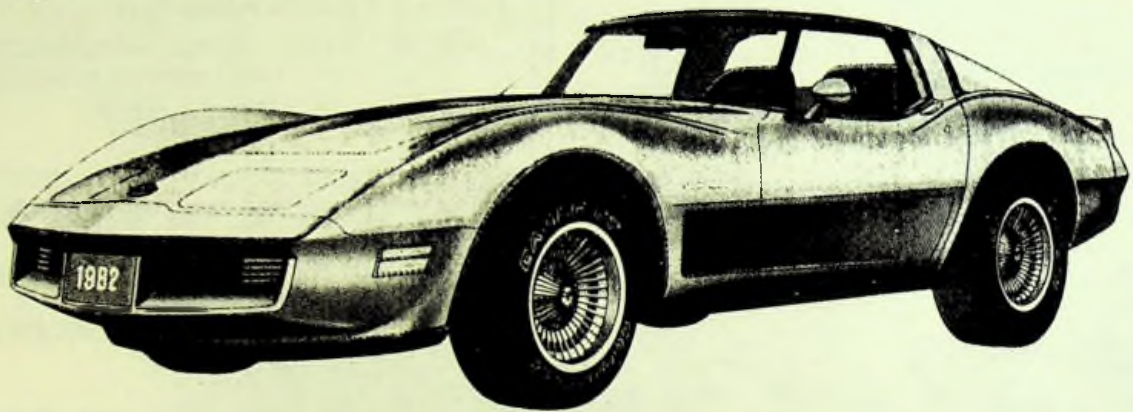
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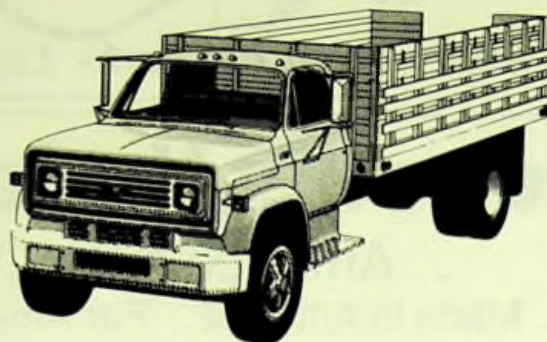
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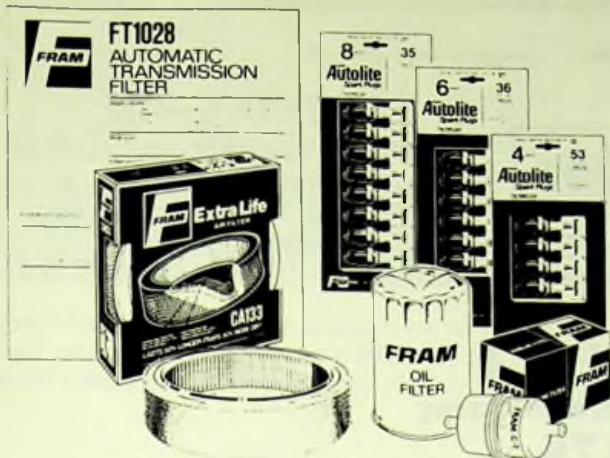
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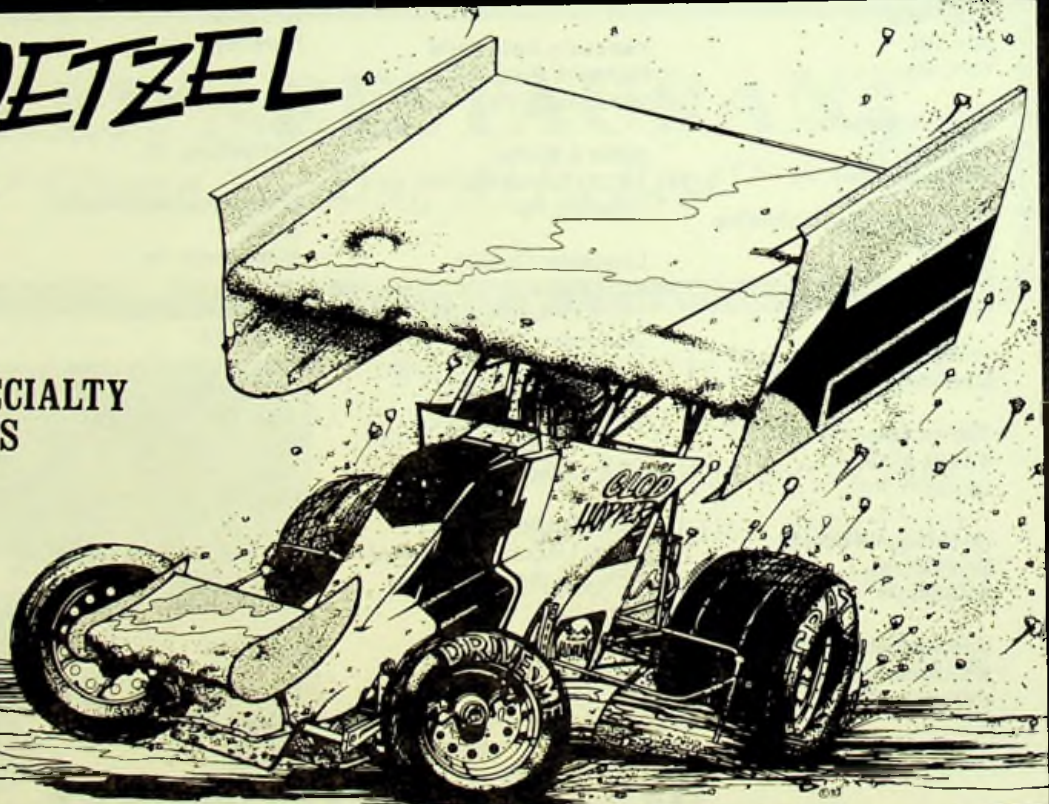
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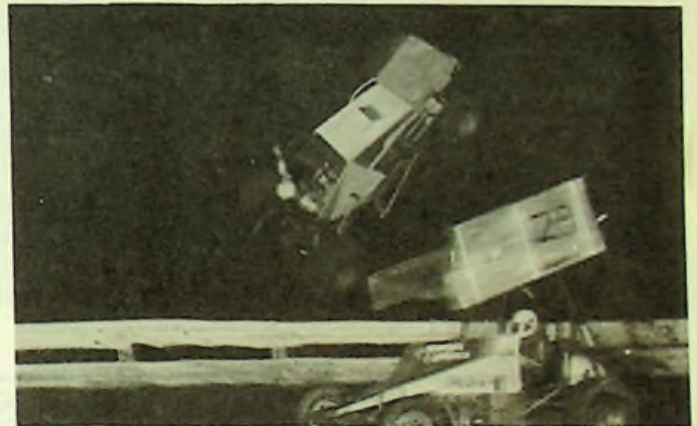
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At the beginning of last season, Scott Tobias (17) took a few nasty looking flips up in turns one and two in the feature event. Scott was uninjured and later returned to the lineup without a wing...DICK GREENAWALT PHOTO



Dave Blaney won the preview event to the National Open on Friday night, as Ronnie Trevis the car builder is on the left and his father Lou Blaney to the right of Dave Blaney...MARTY GORDNER PHOTO



One of the highest speed crashes to occur at Williams Grove in quite some time took place near the end of the season last year when Elmer Stoltzfus (00) sailed out over the first turn and out over, landing beside the outer building. Elmer was uninjured and walked back to the pits...DICK GREENAWALT PHOTO



Bobby Davis, Jr. in victory lane at Williams Grove late in the season, who drove the Weikert Livestock Special to victory...BOB ZEIDERS PHOTO



Also at the beginning of the season saw Dan Dietrich (8D) take a few flips in turn one, end to end in his D, L, & G Racing Special. Dietrich was uninjured, and was back racing the next week...DICK GREENAWALT PHOTO



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1983 Williams Grove Speedway Racing Schedule

MARCH

- 13 Season Opener (Sprints)
- 20 Sprints (Camera Day)
- 27 Early Bird Championship (Sprints)

APRIL

- 1 No Racing
- 3 No Racing
- 8 Sprints & Sportsman
- 15 Sprints & Late Models
- 22 Sprint Challenge
- 29 Sprints & Sportsman

MAY

- 6 FRAM/AUTOLITE NIGHT (Sprints)
- 13 Sprints & MODCARS
- 20 Sprints & Late Models
- 26 World of Outlaws
- 27 World of Outlaws
- 29 AMA Motorcycles

JUNE

- 3 Sprints (WoO Rain Date)
- 10 Sprints & Late Models
- 17 Sprints (Student Night)
- 24 Sprints & Sportsman

JULY

- 1 Syracuse Qualifier & Fireworks
- 2 USAC Champ Cars
- 8 Sprints & Go-Karts (Kids Night)
- 15 Sprints & Joie Chitwood
- 22 Sprints & Sportsman
- 29 7 UP NIGHT (Sprint Championship)

AUGUST

- 5 Sprints & Late Models
- 12 Sprints & MODCARS
- 14 AMA Motorcycles
- 19 Sprints & Go-Karts
- 26 Twin 20's (Sprints)

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Sprints & Late Models
- 4 Sprints, Sportsman & Fireworks
- 9 Williams Grove Oldtimers Convention
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- 11 Williams Grove Oldtimers Convention
- 18 Sprints & Small Block Modifieds
- 23 Williams Grove National Open
- 24 Williams Grove National Open

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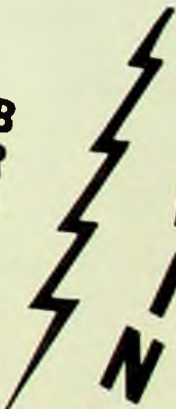
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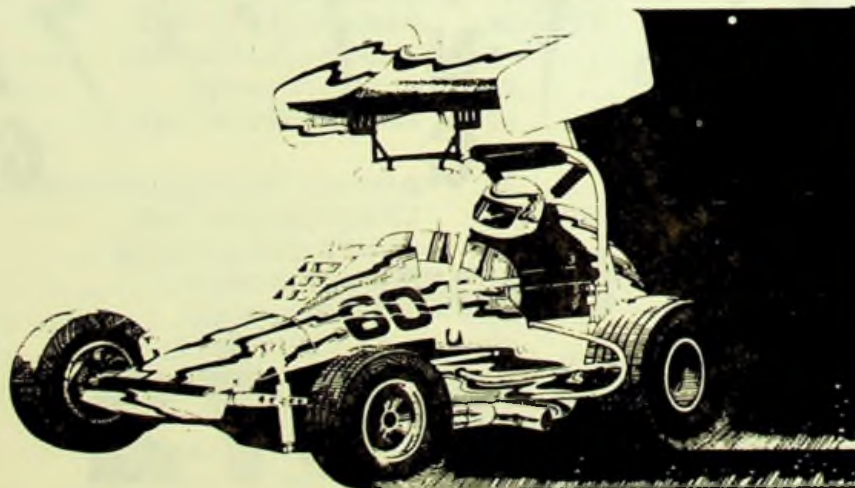
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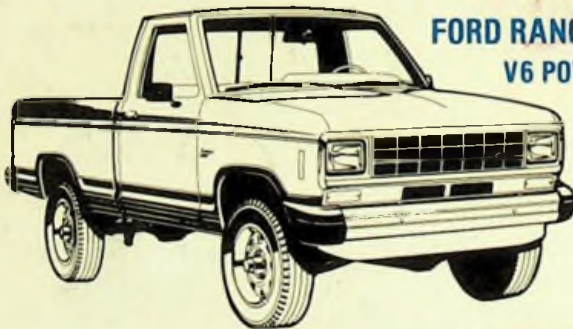
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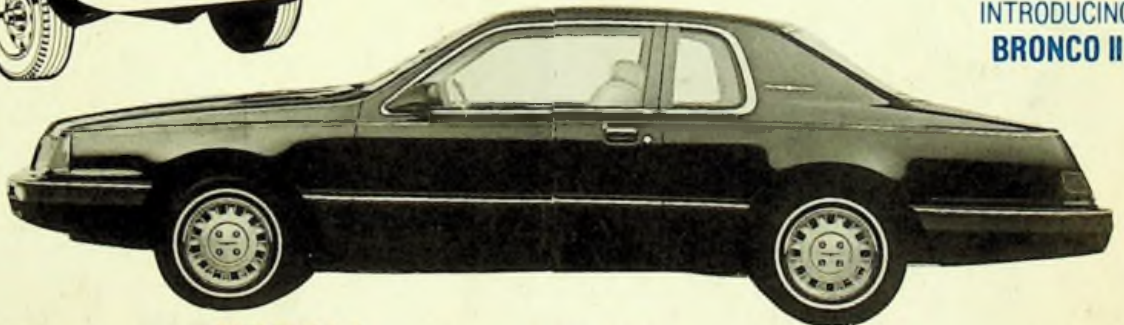


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