Evans, Cook, Bryan and Owens opening night winners at Mt Lawn

After two unsuccessful attempts to start the 2024 season Mt Lawn Speedway was able to get the job done with 76 cars on hand.

In the Modified division Austin Evans of Shirley picked up his first feature win at Mt Lawn leading all 30 laps. Evans took advantage of the invert as fast qualifier Brett Butler of Knightstown set fast time of 16.915 and was scheduled to start seventeenth. Evans qualified at 17.325 and started second. Austin's brother Drew Evans finished second followed by Chase Lane of Knightstown, Austin Coe of Ft Wayne, Brian Vaughn of Shirley, Colton Coe of Ft Wayne Andy Cowan of Modoc, Brent Sutton of Shirley, David McConnell of Shirley and Frankie Oakes of Cambridge City. Vaughn, at newcomer to Mt Lawn this year gave a good showing by running second most of the race until a late caution at lap 27 caused him to get shuffled back to fifth. Heat winners were Lane and Skaggs.

In the Crown Vic division Chuck Cook of Wilkinson continued his winning ways from last year by posting second fast time in time trials at 19.189 and taking the checker first in the feature. Adam Lee of New Castle set fast time at 19.029 Cook was followed by Kyle Evans of Shirley 1.3 second behind, Billy Hayes of Charlottesville, Chase Sutton of Middletown, TJ Moore of Greenfield, Korbin McGee of Shirley, JD Blankenship of Shirley, Greg Clark of New Castle, Collin Sutton of Shirley and Will Fox of Anderson. Heat winners were Wes Duvall of Connersville and Clark.

In the Pro Compact class Josh Owens on New Castle set a new track record of 18.082 and also picked up the feature win. Following Owens was TJ Fannin of New Castle, Chris Jennings of Richmond, Shaylon Calciano of Kennard, Trent Gossar of Markleville, Nathan Gwinn of New Castle, Will Jennings of Richmond, Larry Hughes of New Castle, Zach Morris of New Castle, and Travis Lee of Kennard. The heat went to Owens.

Stock Compact feature went to Robert Bryan of Indianapolis. Josh Ebbert of Anderson was second followed by Nick Warner of Anderson, Kaiden Claborn of Cambridge City, Brachelle Wisher of Anderson, Darrell Thompson Jr. of New Castle, Gary Stevens Jr of Muncie, Chris Morris of Middletown, Jacob Corn of New Castle and Levi Moreland of Anderson. Heat winners were Bryan and Ebbert.

The next scheduled race at Mt Lawn will be this Saturday May 4 with all four divisions returning.

Mt Lawn is located at 1494 S CR 400 five miles west of New Castle.