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\$316,000 UFO Race Championship Tour Blasts off in Western PA in 2008!

Powerful forces in the Western Pennsylvania Super Late Model scene have unified to bring an exciting new concept to fans and drivers of the area for 2008. Pittsburgh's Pennsylvania Motor Speedway and the Challenger Raceway have announced a new alliance linking 6 major spring/summer events and 2 of the premier fall events in the Eastern US. The brand-new Unified Force Race Championship will tie these high-profile events into one season-long points championship with common rules and procedures. Over \$308,000 of race prize money plus a year-end, multi-track, points bonus will be offered to Super Late Model teams in the region.

The UFO Race Championship alliance will see standardized Super Late Model car rules and race procedures established with a few optional variations that allow each event to be customized to each facility. The PPMS/SUPR-type spec motor will be accepted at all events and will receive a weight break and spoiler variance. An open 11" x 92" x 16 3/4" tire rule will be in effect allowing all race teams to compete with their current stock of tires. A standard minimum payoff has been set for each race and all payoffs will be fully advertised and guaranteed by each track. This rules package should make all area Super Late Model teams both legal and competitive.

Race procedures and format for the UFO Race Championship have been designed to generate passing and side-by-side racing while allowing the competitors a total opportunity to qualify for the feature event and earn the pole position. Drivers will qualify into the feature race from extended-lap, pill-draw heat races and consolations. The top qualifying drivers from the heat races will then redraw for feature lineup. The heat races and consolations will utilize double file restarts until 2 laps remain with feature events using double file restarts until race completion.

The UFO Race Championship 2008 tour currently includes 8 race dates and peaks with the massive season finale events, the Pittsburgher 100 and The Ultimate14/FallFest. The season is set to open at the Challenger Raceway in April with their all-new "PA State Short Track Championships" event featuring a \$5,000 to win Super Late Model payoff. The next race will be the "F-2 Shockwave" for May 18 at PPMS with \$5,000 possible to win for the duel 30-lap features. The Challenger Raceway will present "Mega-Blitz 2008" paying \$5,000 to win in early June. July will see 2 events, the 2nd annual "Red Miley 53" on Sunday, July 13 at PPMS paying \$5,300 to win and the revenge of "Tri-Star Superthunder" at Challenger with a twin 30-lap format and \$5,000 total to win. PPMS will present the \$5,000 to win "PENNational" on Sunday, August 17. . All \$5,000 to win single-feature events will feature "Area 51-lap" championship races.

The newly formed championship will showcase two of the biggest Super Late Model events in the Eastern US, The Pittsburgher 100 and The Ultimate 14/FallFest. In 2008, the "Pittsburgher 100" returns on Thursday-Friday-Saturday, September 18-19-20 with a 100-lap feature paying an \$80,000 total payoff. The tour will conclude at the Challenger Raceway on Thursday-Friday-Saturday, October 9-10-11 with "The Ultimate 14" as the star attraction of the FallFest weekend, with this year's winner's prize payoff being increased to \$25,000 possible to win of the \$99,000 Super Late Model prize money. Both events will use the UFO format. This same format was used at the 2007 version of The Ultimate/FallFest and saw Billy Drake from Bloomington IL take the feature win after starting 15th in the feature and 8th in the heat race.

While the 2008 UFO Race Championship will record points for only the Super Late Models, the associated speedways have created universal rules for the other divisions that will run as support to UFO events on a rotating basis. In an effort to bring economy back to these divisions while allowing competitors to use their current equipment, a standardized set of rules have been developed for the Semi-Late (limited/crate/steel block late model), Cadet (street/pro-stock), Sport Stock (strictly stock/charger/hobby), Roadrunner (4-cylinder front-wheel driver) and E-mod classes. These combined rules will make virtually every car that competes at other area speedways eligible to race, while equalizing the differences in motors and cars with weight, spoiler and other easily adjustable variances. This concept was tested at the Challenger Raceway in 2007 which much success and in 2008, PPMS will also utilize the same rules for their UFO events.

With the current cost of fuel, the UFO Race Championship tour should be highly attractive to both race teams and race fans of the area as travel distances are limited. The current schedule of 8 championship events are within a 70-mile range. Race teams will be able to compete for high payoffs while benefiting from the aspects of unified rules and format.

The season-ending bonus will be distributed among the ten teams from the overall points ranking. The points bonus will be a minimum of \$8,000 based on these 8 events. This vaults the total payoff available to area Super Late Model teams to over \$316,000 with the current scheduled races.

A limited number of additional dates are available on the tour schedule, as the UFO Race Championship is designed to keep racer travel to a minimum and avoid major conflicts with weekly racing schedules. The official website for the UFO Race Championship has just been launched at www.uforacechampionship.com. The tour website will be the up-to-date source for tour news and information including press, points, rules and payoffs. Specific event information will be posted at the track websites www.ppms.com and www.challengerraceway.com. Information on the tour may be also be obtained by calling Miley Motorsports at 412-279-7223 or the Challenger Raceway at 724-726-5494 weekdays or by emailing uforacechampionship@yahoo.com.

