

# Froggy 44 at Speedway sees longest Hornets race

Cottage Grove Speedway played host to the Saturday, July 30 Froggy 44. The event was run in honor of the late Melvin Walker and is the biggest race of the season for the Quality RV Repair Hornets. The Clark Printing Extreme Sprints were also in the house and competing for an increased purse with the winner taking home \$1,000. Also on the cards were the Late Models and IMCA Sport Mods.

The Froggy 44 was a 44 lap affair for the Quality RV Repair Hornets and is no doubt the longest race they will run for the rest of the year. Westfir's Josh Corley got out to the front and paced the field for some time. Corley would lose the lead on lap 18.

Taking over for Josh Corley was Springfield driver Daniel Ray but he was soon passed on lap 22 by K.C. Scott. Scott, also out of Springfield, would keep the competition behind him for a few laps until the 24th circuit. Sutherlin native Bernie Bryant looked to be the class of the field for the second half of the race.

Bryant seized an opportunity to get to the front on lap 24 and remained there until lap 36. Chris Pierce would get around Bryant and held on the rest of the way to win the 2016 Froggy 44. It was also the Cottage Grove chauffeur's first race of

the season.

Bernie Bryant was second, followed by K.C. Scott in third. Finishing fourth was Junction City's Marcel Forte, and Mike Swaim of Dexter completed the top five.

Ricky Ashley was the car to beat in the first few laps of the Clark Printing Extreme Sprint main event. Ashley, out of Thurston, led for five laps before Dave Hibbard made it around him on the sixth circuit. Hibbard, out of Medford, stayed in first place the rest of the distance to win his second race of the year.

Ricky Ashley was the runner-up and Eugene's Raquel Ivie got third. Patrick Dills, of Cottage Grove, crossed the wire in fourth while Harrisburg teenager Tyler Thompson finished fifth.

Ron Brewster had an incredibly successful night in the Late Models. The Redmond veteran dominated the race and was in the first place on every single lap. It marked the third occasion that Brewster has won at CGS in 2016.

Pleasant Hill's Blaine Taylor got second and behind him, was Chuck Christian of Eugene. Fellow Eugene racer David Schmidt was fourth and Lebanon's Josh Sim got fifth.

Last but not least were the IMCA Sport Mods. Daniel Ray had a firm grip on the top

spot. Ray, doing double duty on the weekend, obtained the coveted position on lap six and never gave it back. It would be the first time Daniel Ray has won a Sport Mod event at "The Grove".

Bobby McHargue, out of Winston, finished an impressive second and Eugene's Andrew Mathers was third. Brandon Letsom, of Marcola, ended the night in fourth and behind, in fifth, was Chris Frisbie of Vancouver, Washington.

Cottage Grove Speedway is next in action on Friday, August 5 for the return of the Kage Karts. Saturday will be Fan Appreciation Night. This is where all the cars in the pits come out on the front stretch and sign autographs and hand out pictures. And to show appreciation to our valued fans CGS is offering a specially priced \$10 tickets for General Admission (Age 13+). Classes in action include the Clark Printing Extreme Sprints, IMCA Modifieds, Late Models, IMCA Sport Mods, and the Quality RV Repair Hornets.



Chris Pierce took home \$444 at the Froggy 44 race.

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## OUTDOOR TIPS

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### HOW TO BE A BOW-HUNTING FANATIC

A bowhunting fanatic absolutely loves the sport; they live and breathe it, not just in the fall but year-round.

A bowhunting fanatic remains motionless on a stand for hours until they've tagged the deer they've been after. A bowhunting fanatic doesn't sit at home and watch TV. A bowhunting fanatic is outside hunting every day of the season and scouts before and after the season.

If they aren't bowhunting or scouting, bowhunting fanatics are out shooting their bow, fine-tuning arrows, going through their accessories, sharpening broadheads, reading about bowhunting, talking about bowhunting

and dreaming about bow hunting.

Nationwide, only about 15% of bowhunters tag a deer. Those 15% spend a lot of time investing and don't give up. The other 85% are not willing or can't invest the time and effort needed to be a bow-hunting fanatic.

### CATCHING WALLEYE IN THE HEAT OF AUGUST

During the heat of August, walleye head for deeper water and cooler temperatures. Walleye like underwater structures, which also help lower the water temperature and are a great place for them to find bait fish.

Find out what the main forage for walleye is in summer for the water you are fishing and use bait that is as close to this natural food source as possible. Walleye can be slow and

lazy, especially during the summer months, so make your bait an easy meal they don't have to work for.

Try crankbaits if the walleye are holding at 20' or above. If they are deeper, switch to a dropshot rig or bottom bouncer in combination with a spinner-crawler rig. Live bait, including minnows, worms, leeches and night crawlers will work well at almost any depth. Jigging spoons and jigs also usually get good results in August.

### SCOUTING FOR BUCKS DURING THE SUMMER

During the summer, buck's antlers are covered with velvet containing hundreds of nerve endings and blood vessels. To protect their velvet from bugs and things that might scuff up their antlers, they tend to stay

in semi-open areas where there are few branches and breezes to keep the bugs away.

If you want to scout a new area or see signs of quality bucks in your hunting area, fields are a great place to scope in the mornings and evenings. Pipeline and power line right-of-ways are other good areas to look.

As summer temperatures rise, whitetails will visit watering holes more often than people think.

Summertime also gives you the chance to pattern does. Chances are they'll stick around the entire year. As food sources change, so do their patterns. In areas with plenty of agriculture, patterns don't seem to change as much as they do in the deep woods.

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