

Husband/wife duo rack up wins July 31 at River City Speedway

By Mike Weber

Columbia County Racing Association division leaders Clark Tenney, Gary Morris, Troy Schreiner, Joe Cherington and Jacki Graham each recorded top-five finishes to remain atop their respective point standings following the Coyner Auto Body sponsored race Saturday, July 31, at River City Speedway in St. Helens.

The husband/wife duo of Dan and Kerry Smith, of Scappoose, had a remarkable accomplishment as they both captured main event wins. Dan

won the Reser's Fine Foods Modified Main and Kerry won the women's race. Portland's LeRoy White (sportsman) and Rainier's Jon "Razor" Gillett (street stock) both notched A main victories. Cherington, of Vancouver, won the mini stock main and George Dohn of St. Helens, had a career-best second place. Gillett and Dan Smith were in runner-up spots, but were rewarded with first place after street stock winner Kari Puncochar and modified winner Ron Greer were both disqualified by speedway offi-

cials because of a controversial technical rules violation.

The modified main was delayed four times by yellow flag caution periods in the first 15 laps. Greer took the lead from Clint Petty on lap three and led the next 37 circuits of the quarter-mile clay oval track to notch what seemed to be his first ever A main win in the series. Smith was subsequently awarded the win in the STC Racing modified racer owned by Sam and Jane Jeffers of Scappoose. Morris, of Boring, leads the division and took second, followed by Portland's Ray Elwess, Jeremy Martin of St. Helens and "Mello" Marc Sayre of Portland. Shawn Dorie of Scappoose, maneuvered up from last place to win

the 30-lap B main.

Puncochar, of Hillsboro, led the street stock main from start-to-finish with her RPM Motorsports Chevrolet Camaro. It would've been her first win in the series, prior to the unfortunate ruling by technical inspector Scott Winebarger. Gillett was elevated to first, followed by division leader Tenney of Scappoose, Vernonia's Gary Meyer and Aaron Prettyman of St. Helens.

White led the first three laps of the sportsman A main in his Genie Electric Construction Monte Carlo. Rainier's Corey Cook overtook him and led briefly on lap four, but White regained the advantage on the ensuing go-around and led the

remainder of the 40-lap race, with runnerup Doug Hurley of Castle Rock a car-length behind. Cook was third, followed by Rainier's Mike Hagen, series leader Schreiner, Marty "McFly" Holmason of St. Helens, Lisa Liner of St. Helens and Tenney.

Smith took the lead in the women's main after passing Beaverton's Sue Wallace on lap four and won by a half lap over division leader Graham, of Portland.

RIVER CITY SPEEDWAY July 31 Results

SPORTSMAN - Fast Time: 15.82 - Troy Schreiner, Longview. Trophy Dash: Corey Cook, Rainier. Heat 1: Don Thompson, Astoria; Andy Flath, St. Helens; Allen Roth, Portland. Heat 2: Bob Cram, Kelso; Tim Williams, St. Helens; Don Schott, Portland. Heat 3: Schreiner; Doug Hurley, Castle Rock; Mike Hagen, Rainier. B Main: Thompson; Kirk Brissett, Scappoose; Tricia Brittain, St. Helens; Dustin Maxwell, Portland; Roth. A Main: LeRoy White, Portland; Hurley; Cook; Hagen; Schreiner; Marty Homason, St. Helens; Lisa Liner, St. Helens; Clark Tenney, Scappoose; Thompson; Schott.

MODIFIED - Fast Time: 14.60 - Dan Smith, Scappoose. Trophy Dash: Ron Greer, Rainier. Heat 1: Shawn Dorie, Scappoose; Jeremy Brookshire, Portland; Paul Folwick, St. Helens. Heat 2: Scott Puncochar, Hillsboro; Greg Greer, Rainier; Ray Elwess, Portland. Heat 3: Gary Morris, Boring; Smith; Ron Greer. B Main: Dorie; Mike Graham, Portland; Sam Jeffers, Scappoose; Brookshire; Folwick. A Main: Smith; Morris; Elwess; Jeremy Martin, St. Helens; Marc Sayre, Portland; Puncochar; Rob Sjogren, Portland; Greg Greer; Clint Petty, St. Helens; Sean Fox, Scappoose.

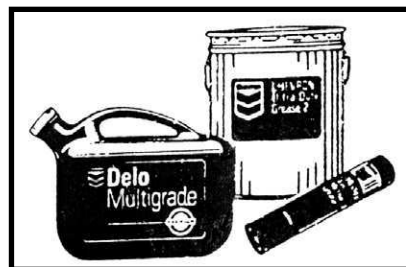
STREET STOCK - Fast Time: 16.12 - Gary Meyer, Vernonia. Trophy Dash: Jon Gillett, Rainier. Heat 1: Aaron Bozarth, Rainier; Randy O'Connor, Portland; Steven Harris, Battleground. Heat 2: Ralph Puncochar, Hillsboro; Scott Puncochar; Mark Reser, Beaverton. Heat 3: Clark Tenney; Meyer; Gillett. B Main: Bozarth; O'Connor; Terry Moss, St. Helens; Nathan Slape, Rainier; Harris. A Main: Gillett; Tenney; Meyer; Aaron Prettyman, St. Helens; John Nusom, Gresham; Skip Pillow, Gresham; Ralph Puncochar; O'Connor; Reser; Robert Sterling, Scappoose.

MINI STOCK - Fast Time: 16.67 - Joe Cherington, Vancouver. Trophy Dash: George Dohn, St. Helens. Heat: Cherington; Dohn; Kelly Nace, Portland. Main:

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