



Jason Wilkinson won his third feature of the season and was fourth in his heat race.

Wilkinson returns to winning

For Jason Wilkinson, getting to the front is not the question, it is how? Starting ninth, the Neligh resident picks his way through and eventual pops out front.

Last week it took seven laps and three cautions. Tracy Buck of Neligh led the first lap from the outside pole. Jeremy Hoskinson of Norfolk jumped out front to lead the next three laps.

But bad luck struck for Hoskinson as he was leading the field a flat tire caused cars behind him to stack up and smash into each other.

Three cars retired and Buck was back out front and Wilkinson was sitting fourth.

Four laps later Wilkinson was pacing the field.

Colby Langenberg of Norfolk was involved in the fifth-lap pileup and was running 13th on the restart. With five laps remaining, Langenberg was running fourth. One lap later he was locked in a battle with Tate Weinrich of Hoskins.

Langenberg held the advantage each lap at the line, but with Weinrich just of his quarter panel. Langenberg took second and Weinrich was third.

Jake Timm of Pierce finally got the bugs worked out of his ride and finished fourth with Tom Marksmeier of Norfolk rounding out the top 5.



After struggling the first couple weeks, Jake Timm (18) finished second in his heat and fourth in the feature.

IMCA HOBBY STOCK STANDINGS											
After 4 nights											
Car No.	Name	Town	Pts.	+/-	"A" wins	Top 5s	"A" starts	Laps led	Heat wins	No. nights	
1-	52	Jason Wilkinson	Neligh	159	S	3	4	4	20	2	4
2-	1J	Colby Langenberg	Norfolk	154	S	1	4	4	10	0	4
3-	17k	Jim Kimmel	Norfolk	144	S	0	2	4	10	1	4
4-	7-11	Travis Coover	Neligh	138	+2	0	1	4	0	0	4
5-	4	Mark Arduser	Battle Creek	135	-1	0	2	4	0	0	4
16s		Derek Sehi	Neligh	135	+2	0	1	4	0	0	4
7-	81	Matt Haase	Norfolk	134	-3	0	1	4	0	0	4
8-	46	Tate Weinrich	Hoskins	133	S	0	2	4	9	2	4
9-	92	Tom Marksmeier	Norfolk	125	+2	0	1	4	2	0	4
10-	9	Kevin Haase	Norfolk	123	-1	0	1	4	0	0	4
11-	26	Jeremy Hoskinson	Norfolk	119	-2	0	0	4	7	1	4
12-	28	Tracy Buck	Neligh	118	S	0	0	4	4	0	4
13-	18	Jake Timm	Pierce	115	S	0	1	3	0	0	4
14-	01	Travis Fleming	Norfolk	85	S	0	0	3	0	0	3
15-	57J	Rudy Brannhorst	Columbus	35	S	0	0	1	0	0	1
16-	59	Han Houfek	Emerson	34	-	0	0	1	0	0	1
17-	12	Marcus Sehi	Norfolk	30	-1	0	0	1	0	0	1
m60		Brian Campbell	Belden	30	-	0	0	1	0	0	1
19-	1A	Greg Anderson	Wayne	29	-2	0	0	1	0	0	1
79s		Quinten Spragg	Columbus	29	-2	0	0	1	0	0	1
21-	4J	Brent Jochum	Norfolk	26	-2	0	0	1	0	0	1
22-	16	Tim Pritchett Jr.	Beemer	25	-2	0	0	1	0	0	1
23-	1d	Derek Anderson	Wayne	24	-2	0	0	0	0	0	1



Tracy Buck led four laps in the feature, as Tom Marksmeier (92) finished fifth in the main event.



Brad Brabec (1B) won his heat, as Kyle Prauner (5k) won his third feature of the season. Brabec finished third in the feature.

Prauner captures win number three

Lapped traffic played a big part in Kyle Prauner's third win of the season, as Prauner was able to squeeze off leader Brad Brabec of Norfolk for the lead.

Brabec led the first lap from his second row starting position and Prauner was running third.

Starting on lap seven of the 15 laps Prauner and Brabec were running side-by-side with Brabec on the high side and Prauner on the inside.

Brabec had the momentum of the high

side to lead each of the laps, but Prauner was just off the quarter panel each time.

As the laps went by, the two started catching the back of the field.

With slower traffic running the high line, Brabec was unable to get under the car so instead of forcing the issue, he maintained his line and watched Prauner fly by into the lead.

Prauner led

the final three laps. Nelson Vollbrecht of Stanton slipped by Brabec to finish second. Brabec was third and Brandon Poesnecker of Atkinson finished fourth. David Johnson of Norfolk rounded out the top 5.

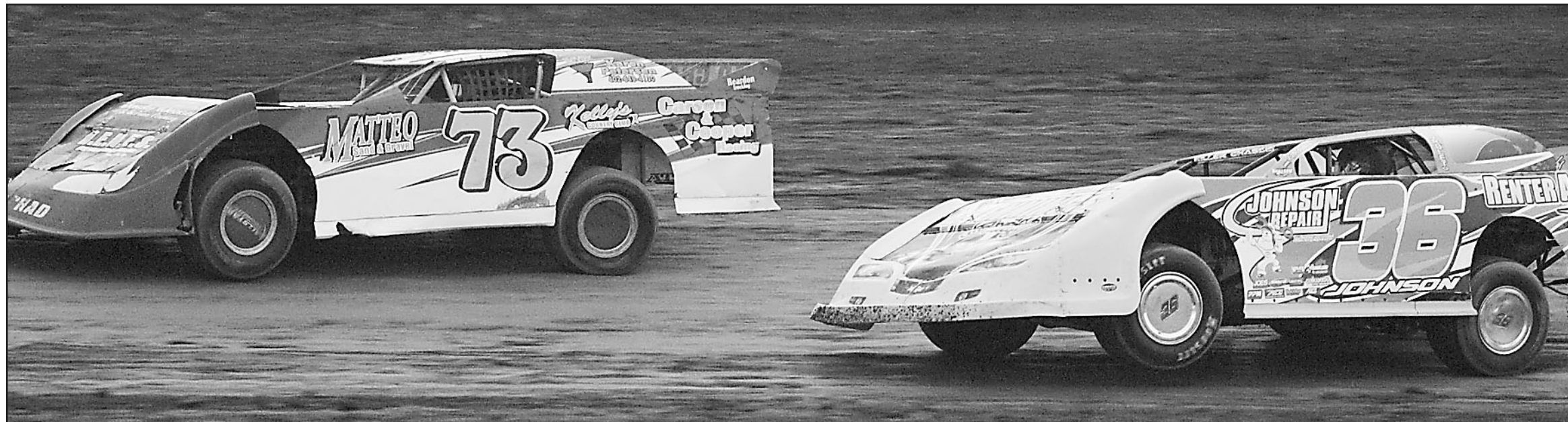


Brandon Poesnecker (52) took his second top 5 finish when he finished fourth.

IMCA SPORTMODS STANDINGS											
After 4 nights											
Car No.	Name	Town	Pts.	+/-	"A" wins	Top 5s	"A" starts	Laps led	Heat wins	No. nights	
1-	5k	Kyle Prauner	Norfolk	157	S	3	4	4	30	3	4
2-	11x	Nelson Vollbrecht	Stanton	154	S	1	4	4	18	3	4
3-	1B	Brad Brabec	Norfolk	137	+1	0	1	4	18	1	4
4-	25	Johnny Kerby	Wisner	135	-1	0	1	4	1	0	4
5-	52p	Brandon Poesnecker	Atkinson	133	S	0	2	4	0	0	4
6-	97	David Johnson	Norfolk	130	S	0	1	4	0	0	4
7-	49	Rick Pendergast	Norfolk	99	+1	0	1	3	0	0	3
8-	0x	Darik Fox	O'Neill	71	-1	0	1	2	0	0	2
9-	79	Brian Barber	Platte Cen.	58	+11	0	0	2	0	0	2
10-	21B	Kirk Beatty	Sioux City	39	-1	0	1	1	0	0	1
11-	2g	Geoff Olson	Sioux City	38	-1	0	1	1	0	0	1
12-	14	Todd Boulware	Jefferson	37	-1	0	1	1	0	0	1
	20	Chad Ten Napel	Sioux City	37	-1	0	1	1	0	0	1
14-	47	Darin Roepke	Lamars, IA	36	-1	0	1	1	0	0	1
15-	23	Chris Tenski	St. Edward	34	-1	0	0	1	0	0	1
	13a	Anthony Kobus	David City	34	-	0	0	1	0	0	1
	13k	Karl Brewer	Vermillion	34	-1	0	0	1	1	1	1
18-	11a	Tyler Afrank	Norfolk	33	-2	0	0	1	0	0	1
19-	M22	Mitch Coble	Columbus	31	-2	0	0	1	0	0	1
20-	17	Mary Lenz	Elmwood	29	-2	0	0	1	0	0	1
21-	32k	Chase Kuhlman	Wagner	28	-2	0	0	1	0	0	1



David Johnson (97) runs outside of Nelson Vollbrecht (11x) during their heat race. Johnson posted his first top 5 finishing fifth in the feature. Vollbrecht was second.



Chad Jensen (73) and Jim Johnson (36) diced it up in the heat race and feature, last week. Jensen took the win and Johnson finished third.

Jensen, Osborne, Johnson battle to the end for feature victory

It has not been the best start to a season for former Grand National champion Chad Jensen.

The Norfolk driver started his Grand National career in 1998 and it was probably been that long since he started the first three weeks without a top 5 finish.

Jensen finally got the monkey off his back and won the main event Saturday night, despite the track surface changing several times during the 25-lap feature.

In the first three weeks, Jensen has won two heat races, but has finished 13th each time in the feature and most of the time not even running at the finish.

It probably will not go down as one of his best feature wins of his career, but maybe one of the most exciting.

The former track champion started on the inside of the second row and was leading after lap eight after Travis Birkley

of Wakefield led the first part of the race. Jensen ran the high side which at the beginning of the race was the fastest way around the near perfect track surface.

Jim Johnson of Plainview took full advantage of the outside and battled with Robert Osborne of Norfolk, who was running the inside line.

Slowly, Osborne got the inside to run faster and Osborne and Chris Johnson of Bloomfield got around Jim Johnson on the inside.

But again the track changed and the outside started working again and with four laps left, Jim Johnson came screaming back.

With three laps remaining a caution came out and bunched the field. Jensen was leading, Osborne was second and Jim Johnson was third.

On the restart, Jensen jumped the

cushion and got into the marbles. Both Osborne and Jim Johnson tried to take advantage of the incident, but Jensen managed to recover and it was a three-way battle to the end.

Jensen and Jim Johnson were running the high line and Osborne was on the low side with Chris Johnson.

On the final lap, Jensen pushed in turns one and two allowing Jim Johnson to get to the inside of Jensen.

Going into turn three, Jim Johnson tried to make the pass on the inside, but could not make it stick and run up the track

Jim Johnson's move opened the inside for Osborne and it was drag race to the finish.

Jensen had the momentum and fired off the corner to pass back by Osborne for the win.

Osborne, who had bent his suspension, could not get a big enough bite off the corner had to settle for second. Jim Johnson crossed the line third.

Chris Johnson came through fourth.

Rounding out the top 5 was Birkley. Jensen, Osborne and Alex Banks of Norfolk won their heat races.



Kyle Coover (10) passes Justin Bertschinger (90), who suffered a flat tire.

GRAND NATIONAL STANDINGS											
After 4 nights											
Car No.	Name	Town	Pts.	+/-	"A" wins	Top 5s	"A" starts	Laps led	Heat wins	No. nights	
1-	7	Chris Johnson	Bloomfield	827	5	2	3	4	41	1	4
2-	35	Robert Osborne	Norfolk	723	+4	0	3	4	2	2	4
3-	36	Jim Johnson	Plainview	719	+2	0	2	4	2	1	4
4-	52	Dean Wilkinson	Oakdale	714	-2	0	2	4	1	1	4
5-	34	Nick Opfer	Hartington	700	-1	0	1	4	0	0	4
6-	12	Alex Banks	Norfolk	698	+1	0	0	4	1	1	4
7-	73	Chad Jensen	Norfolk	694	+4	1	1	4	18	3	4
8-	02	Cory Haase	Norfolk	686	-5	0	2	3	21	1	4
9-	17	BJ Haase	Norfolk	656	-1	0	0	4	0	0	4
10-	90	Justin Bertschinger	Norfolk	645	-1	0	1	3	8	0	4
11-	78	Travis Birkley	Wakefield	637	+2	0	1	4	7	1	4
12-	3	Doug Tomka	Stanton	611	-2	0	0	4	0	0	4
13-	10	Jr/Kyle Coover	Norfolk	603	-1	0	0	3	0	0	4
14-	14	Chase Osborne	Norfolk	560	5	0	0	2	0	0	4
15-	71	Mike Benson	Wakefield	555	+1	0	2	3	0	0	3
16-	04	Tad Pospisil	Norfolk	388	-1	1	2	2	2	0	2
17-	07	Ben Sukup	Norfolk	326	5	0	0	2	0	0	2
18-	94	Jeff Haase	Norfolk	293	+3	0	0	1	0	0	2
19-	71x	David Babcock	Creighton	291	-1	0	0	1	0	0	2
20-	83	Mike Babcock	Creighton	266	-1	0	0	1	0	0	2
21-	101	Bill Sukup	Norfolk	154	-1	0	0	1	0	0	1
22-	77	Bob Milander	Pierce	136	-	0	0	1	0	0	1
23-	9	Eric Vanosdall	Winside	131	-1	0	0	0	0	0	1



Travis Birkley (78) grabbed his first top 5 finish taking home fifth last week's feature. He led seven laps.



Alex Banks (12) took a heat race win and later finished sixth in the feature.



Robert Osborne (35) took a second place finish coming up short of the win.