

# Macon Speedway Under New Ownership

*Exciting changes are in store for Macon Speedway!*



A new partnership, Macon Speedway LLC, purchased the Macon Speedway venue in December of 2006. Macon Speedway is one of the Midwest's premier dirt racing facilities and it is one of Illinois' oldest racetracks. Macon Speedway hosts many premier events including the "Wayne Webb Memorial" and the U.M.P. Summernationals and the Herald and Review 100. The track consists of a 1/5-mile high-banked dirt oval race track with permanent grandstands that accommodate 3,000 spectators. The new owners bring extensive experience in event promotions and management as well as a thorough, first-hand knowledge of motorsports. In fact, the new owners that formed Macon Speedway LLC will bring unmatched exposure to Macon Speedway, the Midwestern racing scene and dirt racing. The new management at Macon Speedway consists of Bob Sargent, Tony Stewart, Kenny Wallace and Ken Schrader.



Bob Sargent, the Chief Operating Officer of Track Enterprises, Inc., has decades of successful promotional experience at numerous Midwestern racetracks including both Illinois State Fairgrounds' facilities and is recognized as one of the industry's best track managers. The 1994 USAC Promoter of the Year recipient has strategic relationships with all major racing series from the ARCA RE/MAX Series and NASCAR to dirt racing's premier sanctions including the American Motorcycle Association (AMA) and the World of Outlaws' Sprint and Late Model series.



Ken Schrader is renowned as a racer's racer who will compete in anything with wheels. Missouri-born Schrader started his racing career on dirt tracks throughout the Midwest before establishing a successful NASCAR racing career. The NASCAR Nextel Cup veteran also owns his own NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series, ARCA RE/MAX and dirt late model racing teams. Additionally, Schrader is the co-owner of another dirt track- I-55 Raceway in Pevely, MO. Schrader and Sargent have also partnered for numerous racing endeavors in the past including the 2003 purchase of the United Midwestern Promoters' racing series and 2004 acquisition of the Stacker 2® Xtreme DirtCar Series, both of which were subsequently purchased by the parent company of the prominent World of Outlaws' Series—Dirt Motorsports. Schrader and Sargent also have teamed up with Dale Earnhardt Jr. in their purchase of the Paducah International Raceway in November of 2005.



Tony Stewart is one of NASCAR's superstars. Stewart will help usher in a new era at Macon Speedway with his ownership experience at the popular Eldora Speedway. Stewart started his career racing go-karts with his father serving as car owner and crew chief. Stewart is the first and only driver to have won championships in stock cars, Indy cars and open-wheel midget, Sprint and Silver Crown cars. Among Stewart's many victories was the acclaimed win in the Brickyard 400 which he had dreamed of since racing go-karts. During that remarkable 1999 rookie season in NASCAR, where Stewart won three races and was crowned Rookie of the Year, he also competed in both the Indianapolis 500 and the Coca-Cola 600 on the same day.



Kenny Wallace a fan favorite won the first race he ever entered. It was 1982, and the youngest member of the racing Wallace family, a longtime mechanic and crew member for his brothers Rusty and Mike, had a shot at driving a racecar of his own in the Illinois Street Stock State Championship. Kenny's win in that race would be the first of many in his racing career.



The management and staff of Macon Speedway look forward to combining the fan-friendly, grassroots racing excitement of dirt racing with the entertaining atmosphere of NASCAR into a unique experience that fans will only be able to obtain at Macon Speedway. We look forward to having you join us this year in our exciting new venture!

