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# Conn Survives Winchester, Becomes 4<sup>th</sup> Different Main Event Winner This Season

Winchester, IN – June 25, 2016 – The Royal Purple King of the Wing National Sprintcar Series took to the fast ½ mile oval Saturday night. Only 10 drivers dared to take on the 37 degree turns at the 102-year-old track located in Central Indiana.

Brian Gerster was quick qualifier with a 13.308 second lap running 135 mph. The invert for the main event was 6<sup>th</sup> placing the rookie driver Jason Conn on the pole. Aaron Pierce, who started inside 3<sup>rd</sup> row, quickly moved to the outside on the green flag and passed for the lead in turn 1 just after completing the first lap. Pierce was lapping cars by lap 10. Meanwhile Gerster stayed calm and steadily made passes moving into the second position. On lap 28 heavy smoke bellowed from Gerster's car bringing out the first caution of the race. Pierce now the only car on the lead lap pitted and changed both rear tires. If a driver pits and changes a tire that driver will be penalized by going one lap down to the leader.

Jason Conn running 3<sup>rd</sup> inherited the lead and with 12 laps remaining. With little time remaining Pierce was picking off cars one by one. On lap 35 Pierce spun in the entrance of 4. This brought out the 2<sup>rd</sup> caution of the race which lead to a red flag so drivers could fuel. Conn held on for the remaining 5 laps for the victory.

Davey Hamilton Jr. finished 2<sup>nd</sup> after he missed qualifying due to a blown engine forcing him to start scratch in 10<sup>th</sup> position. He also earned the Wilwood Hard Charger Award for gaining the most positions in the main event. His teammate Robert Stout also suffered mechanical issues forcing him to miss qualifying. He started in the 9<sup>th</sup> spot and took home his first podium finish. Gerster and Pierce were the heat race winners.

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#### Results

		Qualifying			Heat 1		Heat 2		40 lap Feature
1	50m	Brian Gerster	13.308	50m	Gerster	26	Pierce	88	Conn
2	26	Aaron Pierce	13.322	12	Larson	4	Cox	45	Hamilton
3	25	Sierra Jackson	13.841	25	Jackson	39	Goodnight	23	Stout
4	4	Jason Cox	14.463	5	Giesler	88	Conn	12	Larson
5	12	Ron Larson	14.494	23	Stout	1	Hamilton	39	Goodnight
6	88	Jason Conn	14.717					26	Pierce
7	5	Johnny Giesler	14.777					50m	Gerster
8	39	Matt Goodnight	15.723					25	Jackson
9	23	Robert Stout	NT					5	Gielser
10	1	Davey Hamilton Jr.	NT					4	Cox

