

April 2014 Marsha Gadzera, Editor

Hi Folks,

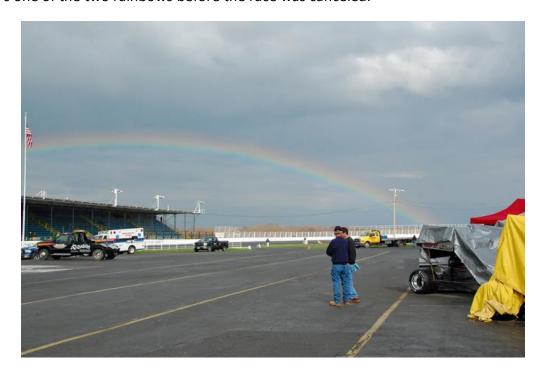
Hope everyone is doing well. In Massachusetts, it looks like spring has finally arrived. The daffodils are in bloom and trees have leaves on them.

#### Thanks to Jim Feeney

As you attend an ISMA race, you may notice a photographer who seems to be every place at every track ISMA races—Jim Feeney is a terrific photographer. He captures the photos you see on the ISMA website and also in the ISMA yearbook. He not only takes pictures of heat winners and victory lane, but also pictures of what's happening in the pits. I can speak from personal experience that hanging on the wall at my house are pictures of Tony the Tuner doing what he loves to do. Tony didn't know the picture was being taken, but Jim took a great picture. So as this season finally gets underway, I'd like to say thanks to Jim for the great pictures he continues to take.

#### Shea Concrete 'Steel Palace' ISMA Super Series

ISMA and Oswego tried to get the first race in, but the weather just didn't want to cooperate on Saturday or Sunday. Here's one of the two rainbows before the race was canceled.



The teams were out there for the first leg of the Shea Concrete 'Steel Palace' ISMA Super Series events sponsored by Ed Shea of Shea Concrete. Here's a picture of the dapper Ed Shea (in signature cap) talking with Vic Miller owner of the #11 driven by Chris Perley.



So—I'll say this again--in about three weeks (as I write this) will be the ISMA Opener. Yes!! Methanol fumes and fast cars will be there!!

### **ISMA Membership**

Want to be part of the ISMA family? Anyone can be a member of ISMA—you do not need to be part of a race team. If you'd like to be a member of ISMA, fill out the membership form that is available on the ISMA website under the forms tab. Membership is \$50 for the season. You'll receive a membership card as well as the official ISMA newsletter.

Also, keep in mind after the last race at Thompson, there is the ISMA banquet weekend at Turning Stone Casino in New York. ISMA has its own hospitality room on Friday and Saturday where everyone can relax; there is also a general meeting of the organization, and the awards banquet is always an opportunity to see everyone dressed up. Of course, the banquet's also an opportunity to honor our champions and special award winners. And ISMA fans, you are welcome at the banquet. So add the November 8<sup>th</sup> weekend to your calendar. It is always a fun weekend. Details of the weekend will be available later in the season.

#### **Hard Charger Award**

The Hard Charger Award is for the driver who advances the most positions during the feature and finishes the further forward. So only one driver can win at each race. Because of the rainout, the top two hard chargers will each receive \$100.

Hard Charger Award at Oswego (2 Awards of \$100)

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## In Memory of Irish Jack Murphy and his "Shamrock 6"

This award will be presented to the winner at the next race during the Drivers Meeting.

#### **ISMA News**

Here's some pictures that include the ISMA officers and board members. Board Member Brian Allegresso in a discussion with ISMA Vice President Doc Hathaway and Jeff Locke, driver of the 37.



Here are two great supporters of ISMA—Kathy Harrington (ISMA Secretary) and Jessica Ordway (daughter, sister, fiance of supermodified drivers). They adorned tshirts in honor of Jack Murphy and the Shamrock 6. They both do a great job selling ISMA 50/50 tickets.



Here's ISMA President Howie Lane getting the 97 super checked out.



Here's some tidbits of news from various teams.

It was great to see the 27 back at Oswego with Jamie Timmons driving and his dad Jim Timmons (who must have starting tuning supers before he finished first grade)—who's tuned various cars running the ISMA circuit in the past. What was different about this 27? The color—the Timmons cars have always been dark blue. Not now—it's RED. It will really show up on the speedway. From this picture it looks like they have room for another sponsor on the wing.



Another team, the 21 team, owned by Pam and Lee Vinal, and driven by Eddie Witkum Jr. also were at Oswego. As you can see, both owners were involved in adjusting the wing on the red 21.



Here's a picture of Dan Bowes and Cowboy Mike checking out a spring for the 25 super. Isn't that nice that Dewalt made a tape measure with the car number 25 on it!



Well, it's time to close. If you have any questions for me, be sure to write to <a href="mailto:tony.marsha@verizon.net">tony.marsha@verizon.net</a>. I'll try to get the answers for you.

See you at the races,

Dr. Mom Says, "School is Cool!"