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Nickolai not to be denied ARA win

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CLERMONT, Ind. (May 16) – Colin Nickolai makes the trip from Piqua, Ohio for Advance Racing Association action at O'Reilly Raceway Park for a reason – to win.

Saturday he was not going to be denied his first victory of 2009. He took the lead on Lap 9 and left the rest of the field to win the Voris Construction Limited Late Model 40-lap feature.

Nickolai started 11th and quickly moved around last week's winner Dave Kinney who started a row ahead. The rout was on from there.

He cruised the Horton Emergency Vehicles/Kwik-N-Kold/Stewart Racing Engines/Firestorm Graphix Dodge Charger to his second career ARA win. Kinney made several late-race moves to take second, followed by Mark Lambert, Tim Byrdwell and Eddie Phelps.

For the second straight week, Tom Miller made up a straightaway deficit to win the Job Central Pro Truck 40-lap feature. Miller passed Steve Blair with 10 circuits to go after Blair paced the event to that point.

Brian Lemmer, Evan Roberts and Scott Brooks rounded out the Top 5.

Al Renner won the Performance Racing Last Chance 600 Series 20-lapper. James Edsall III came off his win the night before at Salem Speedway to take second. Karey Roseman, Darrel Brown and Mark Dalvey, Jr. came next.

The ARA is back at O'Reilly Raceway Park this Saturday as part of the annual "Night Before the 500". The Voris Construction Limited Late Models and Job Central Pro Trucks join the USAC Midgets and O'Reilly USA Modifieds for the popular event.

Practice and qualifying precede the 7 p.m. first green flag.

Advance Racing Association is brought to the track by Voris Construction, Job Central National Labor Exchange, ARP Racing Bodies, Hoosier Racing Tires, Hubler Automotive Group, Hinchman Racing Uniforms, Racing Radios, Impact Racing and Alexandria's Gift Baskets, Inc.

Results:

Voris Construction Limited Late Models

Feature (40 laps) - 1. Colin Nickolai, Piqua, Ohio 2. Dave Kinney, Indianapolis 3. Mark Lambert, Noblesville 4. Tim Byrdwell, Danville 5. Eddie Phelps, Martinsville 6. Reed White, Centralia, Ill. 7. Phil Jenkins, Greenfield 8. Rick Tackman, Jr., Waukesha, Wis. 9. Brian Bradley, Ladoga 10. Keith Lyons, Brownsburg 11. Mark Sweet, Ladoga 12. Eldon Wright, Danville, Ill. 13. Kevin Liles, Indianapolis 14. Jake Gibson, Indianapolis 15. Steve Reeves, Indianapolis 16. Brian Hedge, Crawfordsville 17. Glenn Andrew, Farmersburg 18. Tyler Cline, Ladoga

First Heat (8 laps) - 1. Tackman 2. Phelps 3. Jenkins 4. Lyons

Second Heat (8 laps) - 1. Byrdwell 2. Hedge 3. Andrew 4. Liles

Trophy Dash (4 laps) - 1. Kinney 2. Nickolai 3. Lambert 4. White

Qualifying - 1. Nickolai, 24.447, 101.018mph

Job Central Pro Trucks

Feature (40 laps) - 1. Tom Miller, Indianapolis 2. Steve Blair, Brownsburg 3. Brian Lemmer, Indianapolis 4. Evan Roberts, Indianapolis 5. Scott Brooks, Indianapolis 6. Mark Soots, Indianapolis 7. Buddy Davis, Muncie, IN. 8. Jerry Faucett, Indianapolis 9. Chris Isenhower, Tipton 10. Mark Livesay, Carthage 11. Reggie Perry, Ladoga 12. Kraig Bontrager, Noblesville 13. Mike Roberts, Indianapolis

DNS – Ray Perry, Ladoga

First Heat (8 laps) - 1. Blair 2. Faucett 3. Lemmer 4. E. Roberts

Second Heat (8 laps) - 1. Isenhower 2. Bontrager 3. Reggie Perry 4. Ray Perry

Trophy Dash (4 laps) - 1. Brooks 2. Davis 3. Soots 4. Miller

Qualifying - 1. Miller 25.329, 97.501mph

Performance Racing Last Chance 600 Series

Feature (20 laps) - 1. Al Renner 2. James Edsall 3. Karey Roseman 4. Darrel Brown 5. Mark Dalvey, Jr. 6. John Thompson