## **Chris Smyser and Johnny Fennewald are Latest ULMA Winners!**

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There are just four races left in the regular championship season for Lucas Cattle Company Late Model drivers after last weekend's events. Chris Smyser grabbed his second victory of the season and first at Lake Ozark Speedway on Saturday. Then, on Sunday, Johnny Fennewald captured his fourth main-event win of the year and first-ever win at Central Missouri Speedway (CMS) on Sunday.

Last Saturday, the ULMA weekend kicked off with a strong field of cars on hand at Lake Ozark Speedway. Aaron Marrant, Dustin Hodges, and Larry Ferris each collected heat race victories to set up the starting grid for the main event. Hodges earned the pole position and started up front alongside outside pole-sitter and fellow heat-race winner Chris Smyser. Smyser ultimately secured his second victory of the season from his second starting position and beat Larry Ferris to the line for the win. Hodges finished strong in third while Fennewald finished fourth, one spot of Jason Russell to round out the top five for the night.

ULMA Late Models win participate in this weekend's Twin 25 lap events at Lake Ozark Speedway with \$3,000 in prize money on the line. Pit Gates opens at 3:00 pm, Grandstands open at 5 pm. Drivers: Pill draw closes at 6:00 pm. Hot Laps are at 6:30 pm, followed by racing gat 7. Admission prices are: Adults \$12, Seniors (62 and up) \$11, Children (5-12) \$5, Children under 5 years are free. Family Pass (2 adults and 2 children) is \$25. Pit Passes are \$30. The speedway is located at 50 Twiggy Lane, Eldon, Missouri. The track may be reached by phone at 573-418-0565.

There are three events remaining at Lake Ozark Speedway over the next few weeks. Including this weekend's increased purse and special event for ULMA Late Models. Complete information on this weekend's special event are available at <a href="https://www.lakeozarkspeedway.net">www.lakeozarkspeedway.net</a>. ULMA will also compete for championship points at Lake Ozark Speedway on September, 16th, and 23rd.

On Sunday at CMS, 18 cars raced in three preliminary heat races and a 20-lap main event. From the latest CMS press release, "The 18 Lucas Cattle Company ULMA late model drivers produced some solid heat racing action with Johnny Fennewald, Todd McCoin and Aaron Marrant earning the preliminary wins. For the 20-lap late model feature event, Fennewald started on poll and in the early stages, Aaron Marrant and Todd McCoin raced for second and third. Chris Cox took advantage later in the race and moved past Marrant for second. In the end, Fennewald was strongest and ultimately captured the victory. Cox was second at the line followed by Marrant, Cordray, and Cody Holtkamp. For additional information visit www.centralmissourispeedway.net.

On this week's point standings, Marrant has moved into the lead in search for his first-ever ULMA Championship. He is just two points ahead of former leader Holtkamp but both Marrant and Holtkamp likely have their eyes on Fennewald as he has now advanced to third in the overall standings with just four points-earning events remaining.

Drivers are reminded that the I-35 Speedway way website is not updated to represent the September 30th points-ending race there but we have confirmed the date is correct, the 30th will be the final ULMA points-earning night of the season.

All competing drivers must either purchase the yearly license or a temporary license to race in this weekend's events. The 2017 license form is printable from the ULMA website. The season schedule and additional

association information may be found on the site. You may also keep up-to-date on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ULMA-United-Late-Model-Association. ULMA is found online at <a href="https://www.ulmaracing.com">www.ulmaracing.com</a>.

ULMA wishes to thank the 2017 business partners, which include Lucas Cattle Company, Hoosier Tire Midwest, Fischer Body Shop, RacinDirt.com, FastShafts, Hooker Harness, Dynamic Drivelines, Melloway Fast Wraps, Radical Race Gear, and the official motorsports classifieds of ULMA, KRCracing.com, and RacingJunk.com.

## Remaining ULMA Events - Subject to Change

Saturday, September 9 – Lake Ozark Speedway Saturday, September 16 – Lake Ozark Speedway

Saturday, September 23 – Lake Ozark Speedway

Saturday, September 30 – I-35 Speedway

## **ULMA CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS END**

## **Lucas Cattle Company Current Top Ten Point Standings**

POS	CAR#	NAME	STARTS	POINTS
1st	1X	Aaron Marrant	20	1572
2nd	23	Cody Holtkamp	27	1570
3rd	21	Johnny Fennewald®	17	1529
4th	22H	<b>Dustin Hodges</b>	20	1512
5th	1T	Chris Cox	19	1512
6th	8	Dylan Hoover ®	19	1486
7th	5	Tommy Cordray	18	1424
8th	45	Aaron Poe	13	1270
9th	42L	Lane Ehlert	15	1265
10th	7X	Todd McCoin	13	1246