



Kirila Gorilla's 2009 Race Season Plans

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We have had so many inquiries about our race plans for this season and are very excited to get started once again after a long winter. Gene was in the hands of the best doctors following his broken leg incident last November that involved a freak farm accident (guess he is safer in a race car). Dr. Plakseychuk from the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center's (UPMC) Orthopedic group was his surgeon. Using a fairly new technique in the U.S. called an external fixator, Gene's doctor had him walking on it after only 6 weeks and had all metal off within 3 months.



Gene with Dr. Plakseychuk

Our 2009 racing program involves some very exciting changes! Gene will be racing both his late model on the pavement and he will be racing a dirt modified car.

After a meeting with Chip Ganassi in his Pittsburgh office this past January, our team was directed to some contacts in the Charlotte, NC area. This led Gene to introductions of several race industry leaders. Gene has been fortunate to sign with a premier late model program. David Stremme is the owner of this team and David races in the NASCAR Sprint Cup series (Penske team's car #12). Stremme's late model team has the support of Penske and Ganassi race teams. The opportunity provided to Gene by running with Stremme Racing gives him access to 1st class equipment. He will

race approximately 10 to 13 high profile races during this 2009 season.



Gene in his late model

During the weekends in between the races down south, Gene will be driving a dirt modified car up north for team owner Dwayne Clay. He will race at both Lernerville (near Butler, PA) and Sharon Speedway (Hartford, OH).



Ready to race in the dirt

Our Kirila Gorilla Racing team is headed to Hickory Motor Speedway in Hickory, NC this coming weekend. Gene's first late model race for the season will be this Saturday, April 11, 2009.

Look for our new 2009 race schedule posted on our website at www.kirilaracing.com.

We are looking forward to a great race season running for 2 owners, Stremme and Clay. We really appreciate all of the support and good wishes from our fans!