



Lernerville Hosts BRP Modified's Kirila "Makes the Big Show"

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The BRP Modified tour came to Lernerville Speedway this week which gave Gene a chance to run with some of the best modified drivers in the region from PA, OH, NY and WV.

There were 34 cars and only the top 26 were to make the A Main feature race.

Gene pulled a good number for the starting line-up of the heat race. He started in the 2nd position. He got a good jump at the start and led 5 of the 8 lap race. On lap 6, Rex King Sr. came around Gene for the lead. Gene went high in the turn during lap 7 which allowed another car to pass him. It would be a 3rd place finish for our young driver and this put him in the A Main.

Based on a pill draw, Kirila started in 9th place for the 30-lap feature. During the first 15 laps of green flag racing, he dropped back to 15th. After a caution restart, Gene was able to make his way back up to 12th place.

With 4 laps to go, a caution came out. When the field took the green again Gene and 10 other drivers had their sights set on a top ten finish. He entered turn 1 with 3 cars wide in front and 3 cars wide behind. Gene was sandwiched in the middle of his row which was also 3 wide. As the pack beat and banged their way through the turn, the #007 took a shot to the right front and broke the right side shock mount. This terminated the #007's chance of finishing the race.

To run with the experienced BRP tour drivers was a great opportunity. Finishing 19th in the feature and 3rd in the heat was a very good accomplishment.

Next Saturday, June 6, 2009 the Kirila Racing Team will be making their debut at the Sharon Speedway in Hartford, OH.

We look forward to seeing many of our local fans at the track that night.



Gene with his #007 dirt modified