



Over 100 people filled the I-35 Speedway Trackside Bar & Grill to attend the 2013 Drivers Meeting to register, catch up on the latest rule changes, and gather any new racing information. Track owner Mike Johnson started the meeting by welcoming and thanking everyone for their attendance and continued support. Mike talked about the changes completed to the racing surface in turns 1 & 2, changes that promise to enhance the already great competition. Mike encouraged all to keep a positive attitude and have fun this racing season. Also, Mike added that anyone can call and talk to him about any situation; as his phone number is on the website.

Owners Mike and Kyle Johnson continue to work hard and make improvements; as they strive to make I-35 the best, fun, and family oriented race track in the country. In the scoring booth this year will be Karen Darling and Jamie Powell, with JD Green on the receiver. Big additions this year are pit contacts: Brad Whitney and Randy Grimmet to assist with any situations that may arise with line ups and track questions. Tech will be handled primarily by Bobby Lopez with assistance from Jim Peeler as needed. Jim Peeler introduced a better helmet to prevent loss and damage to receivers (contact Jim for details). Jim also stated that all helmets this racing season must be SA 2005-2010. Anyone using a head and neck restraint must have a head rest on both sides of the seat and seat belts must be fastened to the main roll cage, not the tail section. Jim asked all drivers and crew members to assure safety features are correctly in place. Modified, Sport Modified, Street Stock, and Hobby Stock will all remain IMCA sanctioned for the 2013 season. All participants are urged to read the rules.

The 2013 schedule has practice on March 23, 2013, with gates opening at 1:00 pm and practice from 2:00 pm until as long as needed. On March 30, 2013, the U.S. Modified Touring Series (USMTS) returns to I-35 Speedway with the Modifieds and support classes USRA B-Mods and Stocks that always put on a great racing show. I-35 Speedway's season opener is scheduled for April 6, 2013. Three after race concerts are planned along with the always popular fireworks display July 6. Kids' Night at the races will be August 3rd and we will round out the season with the Show-Me Spectacular October 12, 2013. The Midwest Lightning Sprints are on tap for 16 events, with the Show-Me Vintage Racers visiting the speedway 4 times. We will be announcing additional events for the kids from week to week; such as "stinky foot races", bike races, autograph night, and the list goes on. For our complete schedule visit our website www.I-35Speedway.net.

Please come and join us for an exciting season of “Dirt Track Racin’ At It’s Best”.