

Track History

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"DIRT Hall of Fame Headquarters"Often most fondly referred to as Weedsport Speedway, the Cayuga County Fair Speedway and surrounding fairgrounds have grown in both size and stature since the early era of stock car racing. Purchased by DIRT MotorSports on August 6, 2004, the modernized facility has gained national recognition as the headquarters of DIRT MotorSports NorthEast and home of the DIRT Hall of Fame and Classic Car Museum.

Concluding its 'Golden Anniversary' celebration in 2005, racing began at 'The Port' in 1955 with Sportsman, Figure Eight and Late Model stock cars competing at various times throughout the summer season. DIRT founder Glenn Donnelly took over the helm in 1971 and promoted big block Modifieds as he gradually began to upgrade the property. The site now boasts a spacious VIP Tower and adjacent clubhouse, staff office building, video production pavilion, and the neighboring Hall of Fame structure.

Sunday night race programs on the high-banked 3/8 mile clay oval continue to show off some of the best open wheel Modified and Sportsman talent in the entire Northeast, with full-fender Street Stock and Enduro action comprising the weekly card alongside Sprint Car, Mod Lite, Mini Sprint, Modified Midget and CanAm Late Model Series specials that dot the summer-long schedule.

The nearby Hall of Fame and Classic Car Museum is the only one of its kind in New York State. Dozens of exhibits stand to showcase historic race cars, classic autos, unique racing memorabilia and rarely seen photographs. The building remains open on weekends only from Memorial Day through Columbus Day weekends with extended hours offered during Super DIRT Week, Oct. 4-8, 2006.

The classic gift shop greets visitors as it offers a wide assortment of wearing apparel, souvenirs and limited edition collector items. Once inside, the major attraction becomes the Portrait Gallery which acts to highlight legendary drivers that have been inducted for their distinguished career achievements. Open to all visitors is the Jack Burgess Video Theater Room, one showing vintage speedway footage from days gone by in honor of the former "Voice" of local stock car racing.