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## Clay Dotson Open Golf Tournament at Young Harris College



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YHC President Cathy Cox presents the Afternoon Flight Overall Low Net award to Colton Payne, Marvin McArthur, Jeff Kelly and Clint Hobbs.



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The annual Clay Dotson Open golf tournament to benefit student scholarships at Young Harris College was held on Monday, May 17, at Brasstown Valley Resort. Approximately 150 players enjoyed morning and afternoon flights followed by an awards ceremony.

Prize categories included overall winners for each flight as well as low net and low gross scores, longest drive, closest to the pin and closest putt. The tournament also featured an Alumni Team Challenge in which a prize was awarded to the team of four YHC alumni with the lowest score.

Prizes for the tournament were awarded as follows:

**Morning Flight:**  
Flight 1 Winner: Charles Nicholson, Vaughn Green, Marvin McArthur.  
Flight 2 Winner: Brian Masburn, Matthew Akins, Erik Brinke, Dale Anderson.  
Overall Low Gross: Greg Young, Chris Robbins, Danny Hemphill, Bo Wright.  
Overall Low Net: Bart Boyd, Chris Garmon, Britt McAfee, Zeke Farris.  
Closest to the Pin: Joe Winters.  
Longest Drive: Paul Gribble.  
Putting Contest Winner:

Frank Butler.  
Afternoon Flight:  
Flight 1 Winner: Joe Winters, Chet Roach, Brad Noyes, Anne Shurley.  
Flight 2 Winner: Jackson Kane, Joe Greco, Greg Delaney, Mark Levine.  
Overall Low Gross: Derek Slack, Steve Rowe, Toby Swartz, Keith Chatterton.  
Overall Low Net: Colton Payne, Marvin McArthur, Jeff Kelly, Clint Hobbs.  
Closest to the Pin: Pete Pruitt.  
Longest Drive: Dave Slack.  
Putting Contest Winner: Jason Karnes.  
Alumni Challenge Winners: Bart Boyd, Chris Garmon, Britt McAfee, Zeke Farris.

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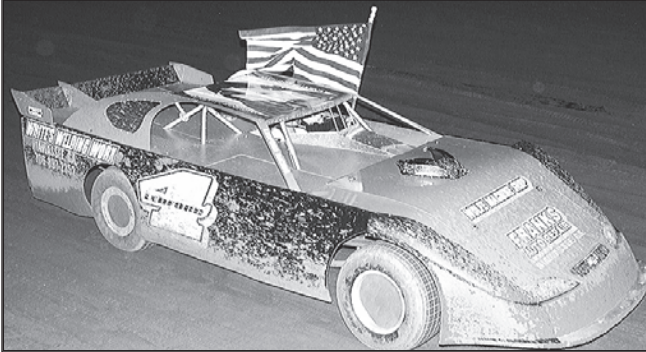
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Located in Young Harris, GA, Brasstown Valley Resort is home to a 7,000 yard, championship par-72 links-style golf course that is ranked by Golf Digest as one of the top 10 places to play in the state.

## Local Racing Action

By: Carl Vanzura



Danny Ledford carried the flag Saturday night at Tri-County.



Young Dallas Manus won Friday night in his new go kart.

### Jonathan Davenport drove to \$10,000 victory at Modoc Speedway

Blairsville's Jonathan Davenport drove to victory Saturday night in South Carolina when he won the \$10,000 Fastrak sanctioned Summer Sizzler 100 at Modoc Speedway. Since he became the house car driver for famed chassis builder Barry Wright, Davenport has been almost unbeatable. Another area driver Ray Cook, after his big win last week, set fast time at Florence Speedway and ran at the front of the pack in the \$10,000 Lucas Oil event before having problems and falling to a 21st finish, Friday night at Tazewell Speedway, he finished 11th. Blairsville's Jacob Grizzle has a 15th place finish at Duck River Speedway last week and lost his points lead to Tony Morris by 10 points in the Southern Regional Series standings.

Closer to home, Todd Morrow was the big winner at Cleveland Speedway, I didn't get the run down, but Johnny Chastain in the Randall Twigg's prepared Monte Carlo has been running there since Tri-County dropped his class. Derrick Ellis won at North Georgia Speedway. Blairsville driver Jamie Lunsford drives his Ford powered Limited Late Model their on Saturday nights. Shane Clanton won the Bill Ingram Memorial race at Dixie Speedway, Bill's son Frank finish second. Benji Cole was the big winner at Toccoa Speedway and Wesley English won the Southeastern Sportsman even there.

Peachtree driver Jamie Oliver had a strong horse Saturday night at Tri-County Race Track when he blasted past pole sitter Bobby Panter on lap three to take the 25-lap Late Model feature. A late caution closed the lead of three former track champions as Oliver finished in front of Panter and Danny Ledford. Rounding out the top five were Preston Crisp and Jonathan Cope.

For the second week in a row, Murphy's Jacob Anderson checked out on the field and won the GM Performance Late Model main event over Jason Deal, Kevin Bradshaw, Tony Ledford and Nick Sellers.

The Cornwell Tools Modified Street feature saw Morganton driver Brad Thomas return to Victory Lane inches in front of Greg Sudderth who made several attempts who pull past him in the 15-lap event. Sammy Berrong, Justin Thomas and Nick Sellers rounded out the top five positions.

Andrews driver Josh Roberts won for the third time in his second season of racing when he led Charles Tommy, Ricky Smith and Jeff Mashburn across the line.

A good showing of Mini Stock drivers saw Andrews driver Marty Clark win for the third time over Shannon Jones, Lynn Burchfield, Travis Robinson and Josh Stapler in the top five.

### Teams, sponsors still needed for Lake Chatuge Scholarship Golf Classic

The Towns County Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the 2010 Lake Chatuge Scholarship Golf Classic on June 12 & 13, two great days of golf. Each year two \$500 scholarships are awarded to qualified students in the Tri-County area. We still have a need for sponsors, door prizes and additional teams. Your assistance will be appreciated. Free radio advertising for your business is just one of the benefits. A sign advertising your business will be on the tee or green. Please contact Jane Holland at 706-896-4966 for additional information.

## NASCAR 2010

By Gerald Hodges/the Racing Reporter

### Fourth Pocono win for Hamlin

Denny Hamlin got his fourth Sprint Cup win at Pocono Sunday after surviving a green-white-checkered finish that saw ten cars wreck behind him.

"We knew we had a good car at the beginning of the race," said Hamlin. "This is one of my favorite tracks, and I knew if we stayed out of trouble, we'd have a good chance of winning today."

The race ended with a huge crash that launched Kasey Kahne's car off the ground and collected several drivers, including Jeff Gordon, Mark Martin, Greg Biffle and others. Kahne ran through the grass after being blocked by AJ Allmendinger, causing Kahne to lose control of his car and spin back across the track. He was hit by Biffle and Martin, lifting Kahne's car off the track and sending several cars spinning.

A few laps earlier, Joey Logano spun after he and Kevin Harvick brushed.

The two drivers were racing for a top-five position when Harvick got into Logano's left-rear quarterpanel, sending him spinning. A furious Logano parked his car near Harvick's on pit road after the race and had to be restrained



by his crew as he went after Harvick. Logano yelled at Harvick for several seconds before being led away by his crew.

"The 29 let me go down the straightaway and then decided to dump me in the next corner," Logano said. "It's probably not his fault ... his wife tells him what to do. ... I don't know what I did to piss him off. He's just stupid."

Harvick didn't see it that way.

"We were both racing for the same space," said Harvick. "I just got in there and we wound up getting together. It was just two cars going for the same space."

Hamlin's teammate Kyle Busch, finished second, followed by Tony Stewart, Kevin Harvick, Jeff Burton, Juan Montoya, Clint Bowyer, A. J. Allmendinger, Sam Hornish, and Carl Edwards.

Dale Earnhardt Jr. finished 16th, but never led a lap.

The start of the race was delayed approximately one hour, 45 minutes after a heavy rain hit the track as the cars were taking their warm-up laps.

Top-12 Chase contenders after 14 of 36: 1. Harvick-2063, 2. Kyle Busch-2044, 3. Ham-

lin-1927, 4. Kenseth-1905, 5. J. Gordon-1839, 6. Burton-1812, 7. Kurt Busch-1804, 8. Johnson-1770, 9. Edwards-1736, 10. Martin-1723, 11. Biffle-1715, 12. Bowyer-1694

**KESELOWSKI PICKS UP GUITAR AT NASHVILLE**

Brad Keselowski led a race high 97 laps en route to victory ahead of Carl Edwards in the Federated Auto Parts 300 at Nashville Superspeedway on Saturday night. The win is the third Nationwide Series win of 2010 for the first-year Penske Racing driver, and the ninth win of his career. He now has a bookend Gibson guitar trophy from Nashville to go with the one he won in 2008, which was his first series victory.

Top-10 leaders after 12 of 35: 1. Keselowski-1946, 2. Kyle Busch-1945, 3. Har-

vick-1852, 4. Edwards-1689, 5. Allgaier-1681, 6. Menard-1513, 7. Logano-1398, 8. Biffle-1368, 9. Leffler-1350, 10. Raines-1249

**ROUSH AND FORD TEAMS STRUGGLING**

Jack Roush's race teams are winless since Jamie McMurray's win last October at Talladega, and none of the current drivers have won since Matt Kenseth won the first two races of 2009.

Though Kenseth, Greg Biffle and Carl Edwards are all in the top-11 in points, they haven't been close to winning and Biffle is slumping after a fast start. Edwards, who won nine races in 2008, is barely hanging on in the top-12.

Biffle had the best car at Charlotte, but couldn't hang on at the end.

"We just can't get our car to drive right," Biffle said. "I was over driving it. We just want to run up front so bad and we were good, then bad. We were very hit and miss. The car just wandered around a lot out there tonight."

Eventually, it wandered into the wall, ruining a good night for Biffle and costing him two spots in the standings.

"I just couldn't drive it," he said. "We got really loose in the corner and it just flat out got away from me. That pretty much did us in right there."

While Roush continues to struggle, it also looks as if the organization has had little impact on Richard Petty Motorsports, which merged with Yates Racing during the off-season and is getting assistance from Roush.

Paul Menard finished eighth at Charlotte and teammates Kasey Kahne and AJ Allmendinger finished 12th and 14th, respectively, but none of the drivers were serious contenders and it was one of the organization's best races of the season.

Allmendinger summed up RPM's performance: "We were terrible," he said. "I am proud of my guys for taking a 25th-place car and getting 15th out of it. ... It wasn't easy and it certainly wasn't fun. We got a decent day out of something that wasn't good."

Pocono and Michigan have been Roush strongholds over the years, but Kenseth says the organization has a long way to go to return to form.

"Everybody is working on it as hard as they can, but we just have to keep working on it," he said. "We don't have anything that can possibly win against those guys right now, but we will keep working on it."

Carl Edwards had nine wins in 2008, but has been winless ever since.

"Here is the deal," Edwards said. "Roush Fenway and the Ford race cars are not as fast as we need to be right now.

"What we need to do is just be faster."

"People ask me all different ways about that -- but the point is we just aren't fast enough."

"And, yes, it is very important for everyone to stay upbeat and keep working and do the best you can. We can't let the frustration snowball and make things worse."

"That is probably one of the toughest things as a human -- when things aren't going well, to keep your head up and press on."

**Weekend Racing:** The Cup cars and Camping World Trucks are at the 2-mile Michigan International Speedway, while the Nationwide teams battle each at the 1.5-mile Kentucky Speedway.

Sat., June 12, Camping World Trucks, race 9 of 25; Starting time: 2 pm ET; TV: Speed.

Sat., June 12, Nationwide Series, race 14 of 35; Starting time: 7:30 pm ET; TV: ESPN.

Sun., June 13, Sprint Cup Heluva Good 100, race 15 of 36; 1 pm ET; TV: TNT.

**Racing Trivia Question:** Where is the NASCAR Hall of Fame located?

**Last Week's Question:** How many Cup championships did former Cup driver Dale Jarrett win? **Answer:** His only championship came in 1999.

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