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ARCA West LMCS & Trucks Return to WVSO on June 16th

AW LMCS MEDIA

Graham, Wash. (June 12, 2007) – The ARCA West Q-Racing Late Model Challenge Series will make its first of two return visits to Wenatchee Valley's Super Oval this Saturday with another large showing of the region's best Late Model Super Stock drivers and teams expected at the 'Washington 125'. The series kicked off their 2007 season at this same facility May 5th in which 29 cars participated making that event one of the West Coast's largest and most competitive opener's this season. Gary Lewis of Bothell, WA won the opener which helped to currently place him at the top of the AW LMCS 2007 championship point standings.

Teams will be busy reviewing race notes from the initial race at WVSO, especially the characteristics of the Goodyear slicks which have had many teams adjusting suspension setups and driving strategies. These tires require more heat before they 'come around'; and there has been a shortage of ideal tire sizing & stagger. Cold weather conditions at the season opener played a large part in early race incidences. Qualifying times have been very important to all teams this season, where a mere ½-second off pace can easily place top teams into a poor position on the starting grid.

38 of the Northwest's top Late Model teams have participated in an AW LMCS event to date this season representing four states and two countries. The three events have produced 3 different winners: WVSO's 'Apple Blossom 125' - Gary Lewis, Yakima's 'WIX Filter's 125' - Garrett Evans (E. Wenatchee WA), and Roseburg's 'Elmer's Restaurant 125' - Jeff Jefferson (Yakima, WA). Jefferson currently stands just seven points behind Lewis in the championship points battle. Current top three contenders in the AW LMCS Port City Racecars 'Rookie Challenge' are Erick Hargraves (Yakima, WA), Jim Warn (Aurora, OR) and Joe McNeil (Sumner WA).

WVSO is home to many local hotshoes like Brent Harris, Christian Roeder, Terry Halverson, Chad Holaday, Josh Roberts, Todd Walters, Mark Faw and Marty Wason. Harris has three (3) prior wins with the LMCS at WVSO. Lon Werremeyer and Shelby Thompson are both expected, and also have pulled off wins at WVSO with the series. Look forward to a fast-paced, competitive program this weekend. Together with the series' many bonus and contingency awards the top finisher can walk away with over \$2,300.00 in winnings.

The companion traveling series with the AW LMCS is the exciting ARCA West Truck Series. The point chase is very competitive between brothers Steve (W. Richland, WA) and Rick (Prosser, WA) Thompson. They are tied for the 2007 championship with each getting a win earlier this season. Third is Jerry Chester (Prosser, WA). The truck series' rookie contender, Daniel Moore (Snohomish WA) has had two strong runs and sits in 4th overall. The truck program has been growing steadily, due in part with showcasing the trucks along with the ARCA West Late Models at many scheduled AW LMCS events this season.

WVSO's 'Washington 125' race schedule: Saturday, June 16th - Hot laps start at 2pm with qualifying for all classes to begin at 6pm. Racing at 7pm. Front Gate opens at 5pm. Ticket prices: \$16.00 adult, \$11.00 student, \$4.00 kids, 5yo & under free.

Please visit: www.LateModelChallenge.com for the latest series news and racing information. Contact WVSO at 509-886-5801 or www.WVSO.com .

