



SERIES OVERVIEW



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MODIFIEDS

The foundation of the RoC is the Modified class. The first RoC Modified race was run in 1951 and the division continues today as part of the RoC Modified Series.

Originating in 1994, the RoC Series has hosted over 280 feature events and planning has begun for the 73rd Annual Lucas Oil ROC 250 weekend. The Modifieds share similarities with other ROC series/classes, those being the Sportsman & 602 classes. For the Sportsman, the main similarity is the body/chassis of the car.

The more powerful Modifieds stand alone with their larger tires and "take no prisoners" style of racing. Forty-five (45) different drivers, many of whom competed in all 10 ROC events in 2022, competed for a feature win in a minimum 20-car field.

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SPORTSMAN

The ROC Sportsman Series hosts the same open-wheel chassis designs as the Modifieds but does so using a less expensive and narrower tire. Although the ROC Sportsman Series has only existed for a limited amount of time, it has one of the highest car counts of the ROC or any asphalt division raced in the Northeast.

Typically Sportsman are a weekly type car racing locally throughout the region. The Sportsman Series serves as a stepping stone for drivers to learn the Modified chassis as well as providing an opportunity for local drivers to showcase their skills.

Currently, Spencer Speedway in Williamson, NY serves as the home base for the Race of Champions Sportsman Series, holding multiple events each year. However, they also visit other tracks at which the Modifieds race and have some unique venues of their own as they travel across WNY and Pennsylvania.

The Sportsman also tend to be a fierce group of racers with many rivalries throughout the division providing great entertainment for the fans. Shorter distance races do not prevent tempers to flare any less, as fewer laps mean fewer chances to get to the front and a more challenging chance at victory.

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LATE MODEL

Late Models are recognized as the highest class of fully fendered cars in the ranks of short track racing and are seen as one of the stepping stones to NASCAR as compared to the Modifieds.

Those who compete in the ROC Late Model Series are dedicated to the division and are working to build the class and keep the division visible.

With one of the hardest sidewall tires in asphalt racing, the Late Model tires take a beating during a race as the Late Model drivers use down force to maintain their fast speeds through the corners.

There is a future for the Late Model division in Western New York as it nearly reached a new high in car count during Race of Champions Weekend in 2022.

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SUPER STOCKS

ROC Super Stocks are what many refer to as stock cars with full fenders over all tires and typically a muscle car, such as a Dodge Charger or Challenger, Ford Mustang, or Chevy Camaro, appearing front fender.

They are considered to be the second to last step of fully fendered cars but, they continually produce some of the best racing as they tend to run side-by-side for laps on end.

With the same tires as the Sportsman Series, the class is permitted to run used, lower-cost tires from the Sportsman series with only one new tire per race. Before the Super Stocks joined the ROC they were known as the Big 10 Super Stocks headed by racer Joe Mancuso.

Mancuso is one of the most decorated racers in the Northeast in the Super Stock division winning three championships over his Super Stock career. With other racers such as Tommy Barron, Tim Gullo, and Matt Druar it is never easy as Barron has gone back to back in his championship campaign.

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DASH SERIES

The ROC FOAR Score Four Cylinder Dash Series is the most competitive entry-level division in short-track racing.

The Four Cylinders are raced at almost every track across the nation as it is governed by one of the most basic rule sets for a racecar and one of the closest to what once was considered a stock car. This allows the Dash Series to be one of the most populated divisions on the ROC Schedule.

The ROC permits drivers to run their "home track" rules which allows them to race the same car they would race weekly.

With more cars come stronger competition and that's exactly what happens with the ROC FOAR Score Dash Series. With close to 40 entries for every race event, there are no guarantees for qualifying let alone winning the event. With this also being an entry-level division, many entries are learning to race and how to compete.

However, the slower speed of these cars provides these drivers a great opportunity to learn and hone their skills, at a lower cost, before advancing to another division.

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DIRT SPORTSMAN

The ROC Dirt 602 Sportsman Series is currently the only ROC Dirt Series it is also currently the only ROC Series that has races in a different country (Canada).

The Dirt 602 Sportsman uses a crate 602 motor allowing for a cheaper car and hopefully more competitors to allow for better competition throughout the field.

Previously there was a ROC Dirt Modified Series however, back when the ROC 250 began there was no dirt or asphalt modified as they raced the same cars on all track types.

Dirt offers the unique channel of a constantly changing track as compared to just rubber being out down on asphalt the way the clay of a dirt track moves during a race effects how the race may play out. It also changes depending on the layout of the track as many different tracks have many different preferred lines.

There is also a thing called a cushion that builds up over the time of the race. This cushion is a build of the clay and gives the cars a higher banking to "lean on" which allows for faster speeds around the top of the racetrack.

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602 SPORTSMAN

The most recent addition the ROC family is a very limited entry division the Rocket Performance 602 Sportsman.

This division allows younger drivers to get experience on bigger tracks as they are coming up from quarter midgets that race on small tracks as they are just beginning their racing careers as this is where many start.

Although this division has the smallest car count out of the ROC divisions it still gives the youngsters a chance to race nerf bar to nerf bar on tracks such as Spencer Speedway.

Some of the top prospects from the series so far are Andrew Lewis Jr., who is the champion in the first two years but, is looking to win this year's ROC FOAR Score Dash Series Championship as well.

Next up is Alyssa Leaty, with the Leaty last name she looks to follow in her father and grandfather's footsteps with two wins under her belt so far she looks to be moving up soon than later.

Andrew Cook has also taken his talents up to the FOAR Score Dash Series with mixed success but, he is beginning to give Andrew Lewis Jr., a challenge in the 602 Sportsman.



PARTNERS



