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HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM BEE ON VIDEO

IN 2022 WE CELEBRATE THE RELEASE OF OUR 30TH ORIGINAL DRAG RACING DOCUMENTARY VIDEO ENTITLED "DRAG RACING IN FLORIDA 1950's - 1960's - 1970's. WE THANK ALL OF YOU WHO HAVE SUPPORTED US THROUGHOUT THE YEARS.

WE ARE ALSO PROUD TO ADD ONE NEW EVENT VIDEO TO OUR PRODUCTION LIST FOR 2022. BOTH ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE 2022 HOLIDAY SHOPPING SEASON.

DRAG RACING IN FLORIDA 1950's - 1960's - 1970's

DVD #028

This two hour and forty-nine minute original movie production traces the history of Drag Racing in Florida from the pioneering days of the 1950's through the wild and crazy days of 1970's. The story follows the early use of decommissioned World War 2 airstrips for drag racing through the construction of purpose built quarter mile dragstrips in Florida. There is a whole bunch of movie film from the different decades to help illustrate the story line and some great interviews with people who were influential in the formative years of drag racing in Florida.

The video begins with a short segment

from the Gatornationals at Gainesville and shifts to an interview with Bub Klingler in which he tells of racing at places such as Lake Wales, Kissimmee, Brooksville, Daytona Beach and DeLand back in the 1950's and 60's. In addition to seeing Bub race we show some famous drivers including Don Garlits, Art Malone, Joe Jacono, Wally Dallenbach and Art Arfons.

Bub was one of the first drag racers to race at the newly constructed Daytona International Raceway in 1959. They used the pit road for the drag strip and it was only used for drag racing in 1959. They also used the Raceway for the NASCAR Winter Drags in 1961 and 1962. Joe Jacono takes us on a walk down memory lane with his stories of racing on the sand at Daytona Beach in 1956 and then the backstretch of the Speedway in 1961/1962. No one tells stories better than Joe Jacono.

Bub also introduces us to the 1966 NASCAR Winter Drags held at the DeLand Airfield. We are able to show you some gassers, Super Stock/A/FXers and Dragsters in action on the airstrip/dragstrip. Again very rare film.

We also have an interview with Olin Hopes who is the person responsible for starting drag racing at the Spruce Creek Airport (Daytona Beach area) in 1959. Olin began his racing career in 1954 and is still active with the Turkey Run Car Shows at the Daytona International Speedway. In 1965 NASCAR held its annual Winter Drag Races at Spruce Creek and we have some great photos of the race. Lots of big name cars and

drivers were at the event and Fast Eddie Schartman was the winner with Dyno Don's 1964 Mercury Comet Station Wagon. We also have an interview with Kenny Salter who was driving the Bob Ford 1965 A/FX Mustang at that race.

Bub also introduces us to three drag strips that were in the Tampa area. The first was Tampa Dragway that was East of the City and then a track in Oldsmar which is North of the city. The Oldsmar track had two names during its years of operation. The first was Golden Triangle and later it was named Twin Cities. In addition to seeing Bub race his cars we also see Chris "The Greek" Karamesines, Pete Robinson, Marvin Schwartz and others.

The third Tampa area track was called Sunshine and it still operates today under the name Showtime Dragway. Our footage is from the mid-1960's and features footage of a "Red" Don Garlits dragster. Very rare footage. You get to see dragsters, altereds, gassers and Super Stockers. Great footage.

From there we travel to South Florida and see some of the early airstrip/dragstrips from the 1950's and 1960's. Our first stop is Amelia Earhart field and then Masters Field in Hialeah, Fl. Our guide for this segment is South Florida racer Bob Lee. Bob has been racing his entire life and he is a member of the East Coast Drag Times Hall Of Fame. We also take a look at drag racing at Davie, Fl. where once again they used an old military airstrip to hold the races back in the 1960's.

Bob Lee also introduces us to the opening of Palm Beach International Raceway in 1965. As it turns out Bob was at the first race and he talks about what happened. We also talk with Jerry Gwynn (Darrell Gwynn's dad) about opening day at Palm Beach. The inside scoop however comes from the builder of the track Mr. Ed Bucheck. Ed talks about building the drag strip and a two and a half mile road race course back in 1965. We have some very nice film footage from both 1965 and 1966. Ed also talks about taking the timing equipment from Palm Beach to Valkeria Dragway on Sundays so they could offer drag racing on both Saturday nights (Palm Beach) and Sunday afternoon at Valkeria.

We have a special segment dedicated to the 1971 AHRA Pro/Am Nationals at Palm Beach. Many of the stars of AHRA racing were at the event. We get to see the Top Fuel Eliminator, The Funny Car eliminator and some additional footage from the sportsman classes. We also include an interview with Tom Hoover (White Bear Dodge Funny Car) who was racing in the Funny Car Eliminator.

Our final stop is at the Miami Hollywood Dragway and once again Bob Lee introduces us to the facility. Turns out Bob lived five miles from the track and raced there on opening day in 1966 and also raced at the last race on December 12, 1992. This segment runs for an hour so you get to see many cars running on the track. They even did some four wide racing at the track but with a little different twist.

Our footage covers both daytime and nighttime racing at the track. The fuel flames at night are very cool. They raced eleven months during the year so they raced on Saturday nights during the summertime and Sunday afternoon during the wintertime.

Mopar Stock and Super Stock legend

Dan Dvorak was a regular at the track and we have an interview with him where he talks about his nickname "Lawman." Interesting story. I also included an interview with John Dee who raced a Stocker and a Super Stocker at Miami/Hollywood. John was raised in the Hollywood area and was at the first race in 1966. John also tells us about another entertainment complex that was part of the Miami/Hollywood property. It was called the Sportatorium and it was known for hosting musical concerts during the 1960's, 70's and 80's. As it turned out John saw Elvis perform there in 1977. John also tells us about the unique concrete grandstands at the track. Talk about being way ahead of their time.

We also include an interview with Jerry Gwynn where he describes the track and his "Baby Huey" AA/FA. Great car and it is still around. We also show Jerry racing his freshly built Monza Alcohol Funny Car.

Our final segment at Miami/Hollywood is a Pro Stock feature from 1975. You see Ronnie Sox, Gapp & Roush, Roy Hill and Bob Glidden among others.

Even though this video features some of the drag strips located in Florida this is not only about Florida drag racers. As you may know Florida is a wintertime destination for many people from up North and the same holds true for drag racers from up North. Even the Pro Drag Racers from other parts of the country came to Florida to get warm and to warm-up their race vehicles. Funny they are still doing the same thing in 2022.

I would like to think this video is more than just drag racing entertainment. I hope you will enjoy learning something about the history of our great sport as you watch and listen to this documentary. We have provided relevant narration to help you understand what you are seeing on the screen as well as a wealth of historical

information about the early years of Drag Racing in Florida. Please consider purchasing this video for your personal library.

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**GASSER BLOWOUT 16
SOUTHERN OUTLAW GASSERS
THE LAST GASSER BLOW OUT
US 90 DRAGWAY
MOBILE ALABAMA
2022**

#191

This three hour and twenty-two minute video production covers all the action of the Southern Outlaw Gassers at US 90 Dragway in Mobile, Al on October 21-22, 2022.

This years show drew over 80 gassers for two full days of racing at the US 90 1/8th mile dragstrip facility. On Friday, October 21, 2022 the event included time trials and a gamblers race open to all competitors. The Gasser's (1967 and older) ran until one emerged as the Friday night champion. The same held true for the footbrake racers. Once again they raced until one was left standing. We took video shots from different areas of the track and for the finals we set up near the finish line. With this view we are able to show you how close racing was at the finish line.

They also had a variety of other race vehicles classified into several categories. There was an open wheel class that included both dragsters (front engine only) and alters. The racing in this category was outstanding. You get to see long burn-outs and competitive runs down the track. The open wheel group was enhanced by the presence of the Southern Slingshot group. These cars are high quality and their crews are very professional. They also had a

three pedal group designed for stick shift vehicles. If you like high (9,000+ RPM's) rev's and dump the clutch launches you will love this category. These drivers let it all hang out and sometimes the result is catastrophic. We also had an Exhibition group that put on an entertaining show. Nothing like the sound a blower car makes as it gets ready for a run. The final group was the Nostalgia footbrake category. Vehicles were restricted to 1972 and older and no electronics were allowed. This group used a dial-in and the breakout rule was in effect. There was some terrific racing in this category.

Our Saturday coverage begins with a walk around the pit area and a series of interviews with the owner/drivers of the cars that showed up for Day Two of the event. We recorded vehicle profiles and interview's with 50+ race vehicle owner's and drivers.

All of the gassers made three or more runs on Saturday. Unfortunately some had problems and were unable to complete the entire program but most made it all the way through. Racing continued as darkness fell upon the track and in the end we had an overall Champion in the Gasser category and a Footbrake class champion.

We also include the after race awards ceremony. All I can say is there was a lot of love being exchanged during the event. You will see numerous examples of family involvement with the race vehicles. That seems to be the theme for the Southern Outlaw Gassers group. They pride themselves on being one big family bonded together through drag racing. Everyone is very sad that Jessie is moving on with other personal responsibilities.

So there you have it; a brief review of the 3 hour and 22 minute production. I recommend you take an intermission between the Friday and Saturday coverage. This video is like getting three productions for the price of one.

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