

PRESS RELEASE
ROCKY MOUNTAIN RACEWAY PARK
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MIDSUMMER MAYHEM

Competitors of all ages, from all over Southern Alberta gathered at Rocky Mountain Raceway Park on Saturday July 19th for “Midsummer Mayhem”. The second of three “Days of Destruction” had children competing in the 5th annual Young Guns race, a 13 vehicle Tuff Truck event, a Burnout Competition and round one of the Canadian Extreme Freestyle Trucks.

The event was kicked off with the Rocks 5th annual “Young Guns “ race. Children of all ages come out in their home made cardboard box race cars to race each other through a series of obstacles and tasks. When the checkered flag flies everybody is a winner and all the competitors receive prizes.

Tuff Truck competitors from all over Southern Alberta tested their driving skills as they pounded their vehicles through one of Canada’s most challenging obstacle courses. Veteran racer Ken Hodgins of Cremona Alberta drove his 2003 Jeep TJ into the winners circle with top times in the first qualifying round and again in the finals. Greg Ennis of Calgary finished a close second behind the wheel of a Ford Explorer, followed by Lisa Hodgins of Langdon. The “Hard Luck” award went to Mike Bulych of Calgary for landing his Chev Blazer on it roof in the second round of qualifying.

The Barton Pipeline Outlaw Sprint Karts thrilled spectators with an exhibition race on the Rocks mini oval. Competitors ranging from 5 years old and up raced modified karts capable of speeds up to 100 mph. Normally racing on Sundays in front of smaller crowds the kart drivers were very excited and happy to perform in front of a larger crowd.

A special part of the event is the Charity Burnout Competition. This gives spectators a chance to become part of the show, while raising funds for Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Alberta. A special concrete pad is placed on the track and spectators donate money for an opportunity to burn the tires off their vehicles in a crowd judged demonstration of horse power and smoke. Mike Bulych returned in his squished Chev Blazer and won the event and a \$100 tire voucher from Mr. Detail of Calgary for his innovative reverse burnout.

The Canadian Extreme Freestyle Trucks hit the Rock with everything they had, climbing hills, ripping through mud bogs crushing cars and flying over buses in a crowd judged competition that got even the most experienced racers adrenaline pumping. David Krulc (lil Dave) literally flew his 1000 hp Chev Blazer sponsored by Folk Automotive to victory, defeating 2007 Champion Clayton Krattz pilot of Evolution Machining’s Warthog.

The Thunder returns on Friday July 25th at 7 p.m. when the Rock hosts the Sportsman Sprints, I.M.C.A. Modifieds, Part Source Hobby Stocks and Claimer cars on the high banks.

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