

Otto 8th in Race of Champions special at Oswego

Oswego, N.Y. – Otto Sitterly experienced an eventful Saturday night of racing at Oswego Speedway in the special 61-lap tribute to late modified star Richie Evans on Race of Champions weekend.

A new feature lineup system that handicaps the top five finishers from each of the three heat races meant Otto and the G&I Homes No. 7 started 15th – three or four positions further back than the Nicotra Racing team is accustomed to starting.

Sitterly was battling early in the race when he and another car came together in turn one. The incident relegated Otto to the rear of the 22-car field for the lap-five restart.

With plenty of fast machines ahead, Otto fought hard to return to the top 10, officially recording an eighth-place result in the season's eighth supermodified feature at the Big O.

Sitterly spoke about the night.

“The track was very loose. I got underneath Mikey Muldoon there and he sort of came down as we were going down the frontstretch. I dove underneath him and I'm not sure what happened. I didn't think it was that close but he got into my right rear. We ended up with no damage and we came from the rear, but it just seemed like the longer the race went, the looser it got. I'm sure it had to do with the heat and the modified rubber (on the track).

“It was just amazingly loose and I'm sure most guys down the pit will echo me on that. You would have needed a real tight racecar tonight to make any headway.”

Otto has now moved into fourth place in the Oswego point standings with a full month of August still on tap. The Nicotra team is only 42 points behind leader Dave McKnight Jr. Joe Gosek is three markers out of the lead in second, while Randy Ritskes sits third, 10 points better than Otto's current total.

Next up for the Nicotra team is the second biggest non-wing supermodified race of the season – the \$10,000-To-Win Mr. Supermodified 50 at Oswego on Saturday, Aug. 6.

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