

OTTO WINS \$10,000 MR. SUPERMODIFIED FEATURE IN A THRILLER

OSWEGO, N.Y. (August 1, 2015) – Otto Sitterly captured what will go down as one of his most thrilling and memorable Oswego Speedway Novelis Supermodified feature wins Saturday night in front of nationally televised cameras from SPEED SPORT and MAVTV.

Only three weeks removed from winning the ISMA King of Wings VII winged main event at Oswego, Sitterly out-dueled Ray Graham and Michael Barnes in a wild five-lap finish that produced nine lead changes among the three drivers.

Otto and his G&I Homes / Riccelli Northern Nicotra Racing machine started 11th and moved into second behind Graham on lap 39. Sitterly would follow Graham for the next 30 laps until things finally shook up at the end. Citing a tight handling car, Otto admitted he wasn't sure if he'd have enough for Graham without the help of lap traffic, which didn't come into play until late in the 75-lapper.

"I knew the car was going to get tight, and I expected that going into the race. We weren't good in the last race, so we over-tightened the car to compensate for what happened a couple weeks ago.

"I wanted to get as many positions as I could early when the car was good," Otto explained to Oswego County Today's Chris Porter. "Watching Ray (Graham) from behind, I thought his car was pretty good. I actually thought his car was better than ours was. I thought the only chance I had was lap traffic, but it never really came to materialize until the last several laps of the race, and that's when we were able to get him."

The race ended up a thriller when Graham got loose off turn two on lap 70, and Sitterly finally saw his chance. He shot to the outside of Graham and had him passed into turn three. But Otto pushed up the track in the middle of turns three and four, allowing Graham and Barnes to get past him.

Barnes then shot to the outside of Graham on lap 71, only to push high in the middle of three and four, similar to Otto the previous lap. That allowed Otto to retake second from Barnes, and then he shot to the inside of Graham on the back-stretch, only to push high again in three and four, allowing Graham to slingshot back past Otto on exit.

Finally on lap 73 Otto made it past Graham for good with an inside pass on Graham in turn two.

"First of all I have to thank every one of the fans that came out tonight and supported this great race," said Sitterly, in Turning Stone Resort Casino Victory Lane. "I've also got to thank Ray Graham and Michael Barnes. It is nice to have us all

be able to race together like that. I really can't explain what happened, but we ended up on top. It's pretty good.

"I've got to thank all my crew," Otto added. "They were here early this morning servicing my car and getting things ready for the night. I just have to thank everyone that helps. Our people put a lot of time in, whether its getting off of work to come up here, and some drive a long way to drive to the shop during the week. Of course, my family that continues to supports me and John Nicotra, of course."

The win marks Nicotra Racing's second \$10,000 Mr. Supermodified win; 2013 was the team's first Mr. Super triumph. Otto won the race as a driver-owner in 2006.

Sitterly has now retaken the Oswego Supermodified point lead over Bob Bond.

Next up for Otto and the Nicotra Racing team is a regular the 65th Anniversary of Oswego Speedway, highlighted by the special "Old Timers Reunion," \$5 admission and a 50-lap Novels Supermodified main event.

John Nicotra Racing is a Supermodified race team owned by John Nicotra and maintained by driver and chief mechanic Otto Sitterly. Nicotra Racing is based in Homestead, Fla., and Canajoharie, N.Y., and has won four International Classic 200s, six Oswego Supermodified track championships and now 24 regular-season Oswego feature races since the team's debut in 2007.

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