

You see it all the time. As you sit watching the race you'll notice drivers wander over to the tech booth to the right of the concession building in the pits, study the window for a bit then walk away shaking their heads. What's going on?

That window is where infield officials post the lineups for the upcoming races, telling drivers the starting order. Drivers often wonder where these lineups come from. Most are convinced the whole racing world is against them and they can never catch a break.

No, there's no bingo machine popping up numbers; there's no iPhone app generating random starting positions. The starting order is actually taken from a long standing tradition with the club, which uses previous results and points, along with inversion.

For the most part, line ups are done the same for all local division racing. Things are different for the travelling shows such as the Dakota Dunes Series, Super Trucks and Legends, and perhaps we can cover them on another day. But, the Creepy Kritterz Pest Control Mini Stocks, the Brock Salvage Street Stocks, the FFUN Motor Group Pro Trucks, the Midwest Combustion Sportsman and the WSSL Auto Parts Super Late Models all line up under the same basic rules.

We start each race day with a heat race for each division, which is usually 15 laps. To determine the starting order we pull up their finishing order for their previous race date feature race. We take those results and fully invert them, front to back. The last place finisher starts the heat race in first and the winner starts at the back.

Next we run a second heat race, or what we for some reason call a qualifier; again, usually 15 laps. To line up the qualifier, we take the finishing order from the heat race and invert that. Once again, the winner goes to the back and last place gets the pole.



We finish off with the feature race in each division. A little more tracking and math is involved with determining this line up. To get a starting order for the feature, we take each car/truck's finishing position (points earned) for all previous features that year and average that out for an average per feature race. We then invert that, so the car with the highest feature average starts at the back, the car with the lowest feature average is at the front.

A higher car count makes the line up a little more complicated, but it all follows the same path. As a rule we split (run two heats) super late models and super trucks at 12, sportsman, pro truck and legends at 14, street stocks at 16 and mini stocks at 18.

When the heats are split, as we see regularly with the pro trucks, we take the previous feature and split that in half, with the front half of the winning field in one heat (fast) and the back half in the other heat (slower). For the qualifier line up we take the heat results and put the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, etc. position in the first qualifier (odd), with 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, etc. going in the second qualifier (even). Of course full inversion is still in place so the winners end up at the back.

That's the basics of line ups. There are of course other factors to consider such as black flags, disqualifications, substitute drivers or the driver that wants to start at the back. If nothing else, you can take away from this the knowledge that the line ups for tonight's heat and feature were known as soon as each division's last feature was finished. There may be some tweaking, but there is no magic app or even voodoo behind their creation.

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## RACE DAY SCHEDULE

(Subject to Change)

**August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

**4:30pm** – Front Gates Open

**5:15** – Dakota Dunes Casino WCSLMCS  
Qualifying in Order of Draw

**6:00pm** – National Anthem(s)  
and Invocation

**6:05pm** – Mid West Combustion  
Sportsman Heat Race

Dakota Dunes Casino  
WCSLMCS Heat Race A

Dakota Dunes Casino  
WCSLMCS Heat Race B

Brock Salvage  
Street Stock Heat Race

Mid West Combustion  
Sportsman Qualifier Race

Dakota Dunes Casino WCSLMCS  
“B” Main (if over 20 cars)

Brock Salvage  
Street Stock Qualifier Race

### INTERMISSION

Dakota Dunes WCSLMCS Cars to  
Front Straight for Introductions

Dakota Dunes WCSLMCS  
Castrol 150

Mid West Combustion  
Sportsman Feature

Brock Salvage  
Street Stock Feature Race

Pits open to public

Social on Concourse

Western Canadian SLM Championship Series		
Pos	Driver	Points
1	#5 Ryan Wells	89
2	#55 Jim Gaunt	81
3	#99 Doug Fischer	80
4	#2 Greg Funk	69
5	#5X Mike Czaja	66
6	#10 Grant Edwards	61
-	#51 Nicholas Jewel	61
8	#0 Tony Lambert	60
9	#62 Kenny Heintz	58
10	#38 Dave Bone	54
11	#36 Les Harding	52
12	#17 Rob Janzen	51
13	#22 Doug Bienia	48
14	#88 Jason Gervais	47
15	#97 Jared Reddekopp	39
16	#24 Ryan Purdy	32

Sportsman		
Pos	Driver	Points
1	#12 Matthew Shirley	93
2	#07 Casey Randall	88
3	#94 Jason Hankewich	86
4	#21 Nick Allen	84
5	#04 Tim Kammer	72
6	#77 Shane James	65
7	#27 Rick Schurmanns	56
-	#5 Kirk Senger	56
9	#46 Dan Shirley	43
10	#93 Neil Schneider	14
11	#53 Scott Kessler	11



Street Stock		
Pos	Driver	Points
1	#44 Craig Katelnikoff	324
2	#42 Nicole Sheetka	285
3	#81 Curtis Houben	267
4	#18 Mike Rea	258
5	#22 Ryan Fredrickson	252
6	#15 Todd Pluhator	238
7	#3 Ron Eby	221
8	#36 Darryl Potts	196
9	#14 Guy Derald	72
10	#43 Eric McIntosh	53
11	#8 Alvin Dube	17
12	#9 Justin Tooley	14
13	#93 Harold Edwards	3
-	#28 Brennan Forseille	3

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