

## For Immediate Release

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## Bandit race at Hickory postponed until August 11th

**(Blooming Prairie, MN April 2018)** – Due to a weekend forecast that features rain, low temperatures and no real positive sign Bandit fans will get to enjoy the event this weekend, the <u>Minimizer Bandit Big Rig Series</u> is moving its race at Hickory Motor Speedway to Aug 11<sup>th</sup>.

"This weekend looks like another miserable forecast for us," The Godfather <u>Craig Kruckeberg (#55)</u> said. "There's no doubt it's disappointing, but we have to consider everyone's safety. With the weather forecast being what it is, the best move is to postpone the event until August 11<sup>th</sup>."

The plan ensures that the event at <u>HMS</u> will still serve as one of the crown jewels of the 2018 Bandit season.

"Our fans in North Carolina are some of the best. We saw that firsthand last year, so we were really excited about this weekend's event. Moving it down the road means it's still going to be as big if not bigger than what we originally had expected, which is really exciting," Bandit General Manager <u>Jason Johnson</u> said.

All times will remain the same, with the green flag dropping at approximately 7:00 p.m. on August  $11^{th}$ . The Minimizer Fan Series Truck Show remains scheduled for 2 p.m. that day.

"It's going to be huge," Johnson said. "Even though the postponement is far from ideal, we're trying to make the best of the situation. We'll still have fireworks, a pit party with music, activities for the whole family, local vendors, and the Bandit meet n' greet. Bandit fans at the World's Most Famous Short Track will not want to miss this one come August!"

Next up for the Bandits – Motor Mile Speedway in Fairlawn, Virginia, on April 21st.

And if fans in North Carolina can't wait until August 11<sup>th</sup>, the Bandits return to the Tar Heel State May 5<sup>th</sup>, when they hit the track at Concord Speedway.

"This gives fans in North Carolina a great chance to catch us not once, but twice, Johnson said. "We love our fans and can't wait to put on a show for them at both Concord and Hickory!"



## **About Bandit Big Rig Series**

The <u>Bandit Big Rig Series</u> returns big rig tractor truck racing to the short track in the United States. The series was designed to be affordable and accessible for anyone wishing to put together a race team.

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## **About Minimizer**

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