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Bandit Rude completes perfect night at historic Hickory

Points leader wins heat, challenge and feature races on way to \$10,000 check

(Newton NC August 2018) – It's hard to have a better night than [Ricky Rude](#).

Scratch that. It's impossible.

Completing a perfect 3-for-3 night with wins in his heat, challenge and feature races, the [Minimizer Bandit Series](#) points leader stole yet another \$10,000 check in front of some passionate fans at Hickory Motor Speedway [Saturday night](#).

"That's what I'm talking about!" the North Carolina native said. "We go up north and I've never been to those tracks, so these guys beat on me, but we bring them back here to our front yard and here we go. First place, baby."

A yellow caution flag on lap 20 bunched up the field, but Rude was able to hold them off at the [World's Most Famous Short Track](#).

"Years ago, I used to worry about (cautions), but now I know it's going to happen," Rude said.

Even in his own backyard, Rude wasn't the most popular Bandit during the Bandit Series meet-and-greet.

Susan Lisenbee, making history as the first female Bandit, proved extremely popular with her fellow North Carolinians.

"Her autograph line was one of the longest of the night," Bandit General Manager [Jason Johnson](#) said. "Everyone wanted a picture or autograph with the first female Bandit."

Everyone will also want a picture or an autograph from the [Diesel Sellerz' Heavy D](#) when the Bandits run [Elko Speedway](#) on August 25th.

The star of the Discovery Channel's [Diesel Brothers](#), Heavy D – aka Dave Sparks – will race alongside the Bandits in the [Kruckeberg Motorsports](#) #51 truck.



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“In addition to Heavy D, we’ll also have Diesel Dave and the Muscle on hand to sign autographs,” Johnson said. “Go to the [Bandit Facebook page](#) to enter the raffle for your chance to win!”

BioDiesel experts Steve Howell and Hun Ge will be at Elko to educate the trucking community on the benefits of BioDiesel.

“The presenting sponsor, [Minnesota Soybean Research and Promotion Council](#), will also bring their custom Diesel Brothers truck known as Indomitus to the event. It’s going to be a great night of racing,” Johnson said.

Tickets for the Bandit Big Rig Series Bio Diesel 20 at Elko Speedway are available [online](#).

About Bandit Big Rig Series

The [Bandit Big Rig Series](#) 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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