



## **A.E. McKay Builders Races into Petty Raceway with Late Model Division**

(RIVER GLADE, NB - May 14th 2018) - Petty International Raceway is excited to welcome A.E. McKay Builders to their family of marketing partners for the 2018 season. A.E. McKay Builders will serve as the primary sponsor of the Late Model Sportsman division, the premier house division at Petty International Raceway. The A.E. McKay Builders Late Model Sportsman will kick off their season on Saturday, May 19th at 6pm.

A.E. McKay Builders is based in Quispamsis, New Brunswick and specializes in custom built residential homes. Their work has made them a preferred builder in the Kennebecasis Valley and they are the proud builders of the NB Hospital Home Lottery Home. For more information on A.E. McKay Builders, you can visit their online home at [AEMcKayBuilders.com](http://AEMcKayBuilders.com), like them on Facebook at [@AEMcKayBuilders](https://www.facebook.com/AEMcKayBuilders) or contact their office at (506) 849-9532.

Andrew McKay is passionate about motorsports and his family lives and breathes grassroots stock car racing. Andrew's competition resume includes snowmobiles, Sportsman and Pro Stock racing and even has a Sportsman start at Petty International Raceway to his credit. A.E. McKay Builders Racing fields a Pro Stock car for Andrew's daughter and fan favorite Sarah McKay, who will compete on the Parts for Trucks Pro Stock Tour full time in 2018.

A.E. McKay Builders has been a longtime supporter of grassroots racing as a marketing partner with various programs throughout Atlantic Canada. The involvement continues with the title sponsorship of the Late Model Sportsman division at a track that sits a short drive from the A.E. McKay Builders home base.

"We couldn't be happier to support Petty International Raceway and the Late Model Sportsman division," said Andrew McKay. "Craig McFetridge, Wayne Smith and their staff continue to invest into their facility to make the experience top notch for fans and teams alike. We're proud to stand behind that dedication to the sport and couldn't pass up the chance to be partnered with the Late Model class."

With the announcement of the A.E. McKay Builders Late Model Sportsman division, it means all staple house divisions at Petty International Raceway now have a major marketing partner associated with their brand of racing. It is an accomplishment that Petty International Raceway management is quite proud of.

“To have each of our house divisions paired with a marketing partner our fans and teams can connect to the racing on track is huge,” said Craig McFetridge, co-owner of Petty International Raceway. “Andrew McKay and A.E. McKay Builders love this sport. They are involved with motorsports on many levels and we are honored to have them on board to support our Late Model Sportsman class this season.”

The A.E. McKay Builders Late Model division has seen a Who’s Who of Atlantic Canadian racing stars make starts in the class since the track re-opened in 2011. Just last season alone, Shawn Turple (Enfield, NS), Craig Slaunwhite (Terence Bay, NS) and Dylan Blenkhorn (Truro, NS), all former Parts for Trucks Pro Stock Tour winners at Petty International Raceway, each made a stop to challenge the likes of regulars including Kenny MacKenzie Jr. (Salisbury), Jordan Veinotte (Porter’s Lake, NS) and Neal Crawford (Salisbury). Blenkhorn and former track champion Russell Smith Jr. (Lakeside, NS) were the only two drivers able to get by eventual track champion MacKenzie Jr. to capture checkered flags one year ago.

The A.E. McKay Builders Late Model Sportsman will see the transition back to the Hoosier “890” tire after one year of racing on the slick Hoosier “1070” tire the Pro Stock teams in Atlantic Canada race on. This move will open competition up to teams that compete in the Sportsman division across the region by way of making one less change in order to compete in the class and in turn growing the division at the River Glade facility.

Petty International Raceway will throw the 2018 stock car season in gear this weekend with their Season Opening Weekend. Friday, May 18th will see the year kick off with the Westwood Estates Street Stock, Leisure Days/CRC RV Bandolero, Mister Transmission Mini Stock and Beginner Four Cylinder classes. Post time for Friday night’s racing action is 7:30pm and a special front gate admission rate of \$10 for adults will be in effect. All Petty International Raceway house divisions will run for double points on Victoria Day Weekend that will count towards their championship chases in 2018.

Saturday night will see the Parts for Trucks Pro Stock Tour open their 18th season with the Lucas Oil 150. Joining them on the card will be the MJS and Prime Lift East Coast Mini Stock Tour, the Atlantic Modified Tour and A.E. McKay Builders Late Model Sportsman. The Lucas Oil 150 will serve as the first of five races in the Bumper to Bumper \$5k Petty Pro Stock Challenge. Racing begins at 6pm on Saturday, May 19th.

For complete information on Petty International Raceway, visit [PettyInternationalRaceway.com](http://PettyInternationalRaceway.com).

### **About A.E. McKay Builders:**

A.E. McKay Builders specializes in custom built residential homes as well as major renovations. Our distinctive homes have made us the preferred builder in the Kennebecasis Valley. We work hard to earn the trust and respect of our customers. We show integrity and honesty in our dealings and believe the

project is not complete until you are completely satisfied with your new home. Visit our online home at [AEMcKayBuilders.com](http://AEMcKayBuilders.com), like us on Facebook at [@AEMcKayBuilders](https://www.facebook.com/AEMcKayBuilders) or contact our office at (506) 849-9532 for more information!

**About Petty International Raceway:**

Petty International Raceway is located on Highway 106, just 40 km west of Moncton, New Brunswick. To learn more about Petty International Raceway, its location, admission, policies, history, and more, please visit [www.pettyinternationalraceway.com](http://www.pettyinternationalraceway.com). To get current updates delivered to you directly please follow us on Twitter.