

Kimmel Racing Hoping for Win #10 at Salem Speedway

CORNELIUS, N.C. (September 17, 2009) – Kimmel Racing is riding a wave of momentum into the team's 'hometown track' for Saturday's Kentuckiana Ford Dealers ARCA Fall Classic at Salem Speedway. The track, which is located just 47 miles from the Kimmel Racing headquarters in Clarksville, has been the site of nine victories for driver Frank Kimmel. Combined with the recent run of success enjoyed by the No. 44 Ansell/Menards team, scoring top-five finishes in four of the last six events, Kimmel's prowess at Salem could result in win number one of the 2009 ARCA RE/MAX Series season.

"I think momentum is very important in racing and the team has continued to work hard and build fast race cars," said Kimmel. "Now we're coming back to a track that we've had so much success at over the years and with all the friends and fans that will be in attendance, we put a lot of pressure on ourselves to run up front and contend for the win."

The team tested at Salem Speedway this past Monday, with a focus on bringing chassis #340 back for the race weekend. The car had last raced at Toledo Speedway two weeks ago, where Kimmel finished fourth. However, following the one day test Kimmel and brother/crew chief Bill Kimmel Jr., opted instead to bring "the Don", the team's tried and true favorite car.

"The Don" has visited Victory Lane a total of three times, including last September at Salem.

"Obviously "the Don" is the car that we won with last fall and after trying something different at the test we decided to stick with what we know and go back to our notes from last year's race," explained Kimmel.

In addition to usual on track activities, Salem Speedway and ARCA have joined together to organize a racer's reunion bringing together some of the track's favorite drivers from years ago. With Bill Kimmel Sr. leading the charge to organize many of these drivers, it will be a special night for the entire Kimmel family.

"That's going to be a really neat part of race day at Salem," said Bill Kimmel Jr. "With some help from our dad, Salem Speedway and ARCA have worked to gather some of the older racers who have played a big part in the history of Salem Speedway. Those guys, like Bill Kimmel Sr., Charlie Glotzback and Andy Hampton and quite a few others, will be on hand for the pre race ceremonies. It's really a neat deal and it would be especially cool if we could go out and win the race with Dad there."

Practice for the Kentuckiana Ford Dealers ARCA Fall Classic 200 is from 1:05 PM until 2:35 PM Saturday afternoon followed by Menards Pole Qualifying presented by Ansell at