



## See you at the 'Show Me' State!

Sept 9, 2007

Crandon proved to be a long and tough weekend for the Oberg Team. We went in there with only 1 point separating us from the points leader and we came out of there 13 points behind. With only one weekend to go in Wheatland Missouri on September 22 & 23 we are going to have our work cut out for us. As usual, we are up to the challenge.

We arrived at Crandon on Thursday to get everything set-up for the big weekend. Friday morning Mike and the guys took the truck downtown for the big parade. The morning is spent looking at other teams and meeting with the general public. The trucks go through their Tech Inspections and they also hold the meeting for the Borg/Warner Time Trials which are held all afternoon at the track. Mike had a respectable run, timing in as 3<sup>rd</sup> fastest 2-wheel drive. This would give him a great starting position for the Sunday event.

We went into the Saturday race with several changes to the truck. We reworked the suspension and also changed the gear ratio. This proved to be the wrong move. Mike had a great start on the line but the truck got way out of control coming across the field and Mike had to let up to regain control. This cost valuable time and placed Mike in last position. This was going to be a tough race and Mike would have to work that much harder to salvage a respectable finish, and that he did. He finished 4<sup>th</sup> behind Todd LeDuc in 3<sup>rd</sup>, Kevin Probst in 2<sup>nd</sup> and Scott Taylor took the win.

The guys worked late into Saturday night putting the truck back to the way it was. This proved to be what we needed for that Sunday run. Mike got a great hole shot as usual, coming into turn number 1 in first position. He held that position for a couple of



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### Points Standings

Truck #	Driver	Points
8	Scott Taylor	226
<b>80</b>	<b>Mike Oberg</b>	<b>213</b>
99	Kevin Probst	207
1	Carl Renezender	166
18	Rhonda Konitzer	145
16	Brian Hinman	145
5	Evan Evans	142
21	Ross Hoek	84
3	Todd LeDuc	48
77	D. Vandenheuvel	43
57	H./A. Wald	31
36	Rodrigo Ampudia	28
282r	Dave Waldvogel	17
215r	Ken Hallgren	14
20	Brendan Gaughan	12
177	M Vanden Heuvel	12

laps fending off the point's leader, Scott Taylor. Taylor was able to slip by on lap number three and Mike spent the rest of the race chasing Taylor down. Mike wasn't able to catch Taylor and finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place with Carl Renezeder in 3<sup>rd</sup> and Rhonda Konitzer in 4<sup>th</sup>.

As I had stated earlier, Mike is now 13 points behind Taylor and only 6 points ahead of Kevin Probst. These three are the guys to watch as 4<sup>th</sup> place, Carl Renezeder, is 39 points behind Probst. That is too much of a deficit for Carl to be in contention. Wheatland is going to be tough race.

The Borg/Warner Cup Race was the final event of the weekend. Mike had a great starting spot after timing in as 3<sup>rd</sup> fastest on Friday. The Pro 2 Wheel Drives were lined up in front of the crowd while the Pro 4x4's started in the usual spot out back. This is done because the 4 wheel drives have such an advantage over the 2 wheel drives. As the green flag dropped, Mike had a great start (as always) leading the pack from the start. He was able to fend off Taylor for a couple of laps before Taylor slipped by. Mike and Taylor were able to hold off the 4 wheel drives for a couple more laps before they started getting by. The final toll was Johnny Greaves taking the win (4x4), followed by Taylor, then Carl Renezeder (4x4), Amsoil/Kumho Super Team Member Scott Douglas (4x4) and then Mike. We are happy with the 5<sup>th</sup> place overall and 2<sup>nd</sup> 2 wheel drive. There's always next year.

Crandon was proof, as always, that the sport of off-road racing is growing. The campgrounds were overflowing and people were being turned away. They parked in excess of 10,000 cars on Saturday and I haven't heard any spectator numbers yet but I would bet it was a record crowd. It's great to see the sport growing this much. This is also showing in the TV numbers and that's what really counts.

I wanted to put out a special thanks to the Amsoil/Kumho Tire Super Team Super Fans. These are four guys that have been following the Oberg Team for several years now and are now also supporting fellow team mate Scott Douglas. I went to visit their campsite in what is known as Jurassic Park to meet these guys I have been hearing about for some time now but never had the chance to meet. There they were, sitting in a 40' x 40' Circus Tent, watching a Projection TV which had about a 10' screen. You may be asking, "What were they watching?" Film clips and photos of the Amsoil/Kumho Tire Super Team in action. They didn't get enough from the track that they had to go back and watch some more. I'm not sure who dubbed them the "Super Fans" but they sure get enough attention out in the crowd.

That's all I have for this edition of our newsletter. We have a 3 week break before heading to Wheatland, which some of us need. I, for one, need the time to get my car fixed. One of the Enduro Drivers wasn't paying attention while driving threw the pits and ran into the side of my car. He bashed out my taillight so I need that fixed in order to make the trip. I'm assured it will be ready. So I hope to see some of you in Missouri.

Gilly

Lucas Oil World Series of Off-Road Racing Schedule  
 Wheatland, MO Nissan "Showdown in the Show-Me State"  
 Season Finale: Rounds XII & XIII  
 September 21, 22 & 23, 2007

**SATURDAY AND SUNDAY WSORR EVENTS**

12:00-12:15	Opening Ceremonies
12:15-12:30	Formula 4x4
12:50-1:05	1600 Light Buggy
1:25- 1:40	Stock Truck
2:00-2:15	1600 Buggy
2:35-2:50	Super Stock Truck
3:10-3:25	Super Buggy
3:45-4:00	PRO 4x4
4:20-4:35	PRO Light Pickup
4:55-5:10	PRO 2WD
5:30-6:00	Closing Ceremonies

**Race Schedule**

**2007 World Series Off-Road Racing Schedule**

Round	Track	Date
1-2	Steel County Raceway Owatonna, MN	May 19-20
3-4	I-96 Speedway LakeOdessa, MI	Postponed
5-6	Crandon Int. Raceway Crandon, WI	June 23-24
7-8	Bark River Raceway Bark River, MI	July 14-15
9-10	Bark River Raceway Bark River, MI	Aug 11-12
11-12	Crandon Int. Raceway Crandon, WI	Aug.31-Sept. 2
13-14	Lucas Oil Speedway Wheatland, MO	Sept. 22-23

**TEAM**

- Mike Oberg— Driver Owner**
- Mark Gilly Gelhausen—Team Manager**
- Pete Hansen—Crew Chief**
- Matt Bell—Assistant Crew Chief**
- Todd Lambert—Crew**
- Dave Paff—Crew**
- Cory Lambert—Crew**
- Chuck Warning—Crew**

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