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## **LATOUR STRONG EARLY AT SOUTH BOSTON; FIGHTS TO NINTH PLACE FINISH**

(South Boston, Va.) A 150-lap Late Model race at South Boston Speedway is the epitome of a race fan's dream. Good, tight racing is usually a guaranteed on one of the country's most prized short tracks. On Saturday night, David Latour, Jr. contributed to the intense racing and despite battling a tight condition throughout the race, drove home to a strong top-10 finish.

Latour qualified eighth out of the 18-car field and it wasn't long before he began clicking off positions and was riding just outside of the top five in sixth. Uncharacteristically, the race ran clean and green through the first 101 laps. By that time however, Latour's No. 89 machine was battling a tight condition, halting his charge.

After making a minor adjustment to try to free up his machine, Latour was back on track within the top 10. The race saw only one yellow flag, leaving the final 40-plus laps under green flag conditions. Latour's tight condition lingered but he held on to another solid top-10 run, closing out the night in ninth.

"We had been fighting a tight condition all day. We tried something different with the setup that we thought it would go one way, and it went another. We changed springs, rear shock...We'll go back to where we had it last week," he said.

"The race went really quick. For 150 laps, it was tiring. I'm happy with it. We ran top 10 the entire race."

This weekend Latour will spend the first half of the week readying his brother Dillon for his run at the Lowe's Motor Speedway Summer Shootout. Later in the week Dillon will run at Bowman Grey Stadium, leaving the elder Latour's Saturday run at SoBo up in the air because of a possible late night on Friday.

Whether or not he misses this weekend's event, the former micro sprint racer Latour is happy about his run to date, only a few seasons deep, behind the wheel of a Late Model.

"I should have had a few wins already but that's just been my racing luck. We're pretty good. We're trying to get better and better each week. We're a family team so I can't complain with where we're at based on what we're up against money-wise out there," he said.

### **About David Latour Jr.**

David Latour is an 18-year-old late model racer originally from Riverhead, N.Y. Now residing with his family in Advance, N.C., Latour is in his third season racing late model stock cars. He has had numerous top-five finishes over two years while racing at Hickory, and now is attempting to accomplish top fives and his first late model

stock car win at Caraway and other southern short tracks. David is a former quarter-midget champion and dirt micro-sprint feature winner.

Latour and his brother, Dillon, are members of the Team Full Throttle Driver Development Program and are represented by Driver Development Services, Inc., Charlotte, N.C. Latour Motorsports' marketing partners are Jeffrey Cornatzer Auto Body of Advance, N.C., Hess Race Cars, Inc. and Global Graphics.

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