



Race day at Sunset Speedway on Saturday would start off with three practice sessions with the first seeing Cole adjust to the track for the first time this season while also trying to get a feel for the handling of the #18 mini stock. The team made several adjustments to try loosening the car up to where it needed to be going into the first of two heat races. Cole lined on the pole in the first heat race of the day where he led from start to finish picking up his first checkered flag of the season. Despite picking up the win, some work was required to tighten the car back up before his second heat race. Cole started back in the 7th position for his second heat race as the #18 struggled throughout as the car was way too free. Despite the handling not being what he wanted Cole finished 3rd and with the invert he would start 3rd for the 25-lap feature.

Before the feature, the team went back to some of their earlier changes to try and get the handling correct. Luckily, the changes paid off as the car would be handling the best it had all day. Starting on the inside of row 2 Cole quickly jumped up into the 2nd position before the caution would fly early bunching the field back up again. Cole was able to get a good launch on the restart but was forced to settle into 2nd before dropping back into 3rd on lap 11. Despite putting together some of his fastest laps of the night over the remaining laps, Cole finished in the 3rd position bringing home his second straight podium finish to start off the season.



Cole and the #18 team feel good about their chances as they return to Sunset Speedway for the \$1,000 to win Open Invitational where the mini stock class will be supporting the NASCAR Pinty's Series. The front gates open at 1:00PM with racing getting underway at 2:30PM. Billy and the #86 pro late model team make their season debut on Saturday as well as they head to Flamboro Speedway for a regular night of racing before the first race of the APC United Late Model Series season next weekend. The front gates open at 5:00PM with racing getting underway at 6:30PM.