AUGUST RACING ACTION

For Daytona Beach area racing fans, August has lots of action taking place. Kicking it off at the Volusia Speedway Park in Barberville will be the BLAZING GUNS 25 featuring the 604 Late Models. Other divisions include Late Models, DIRTcar UMP Modifieds, 3/4 Modifieds, Street Stocks and 602 Late Models. Volusia Speedway Park — The World's Fastest Half Mile — has been in operation for racing since 1968. Each year Volusia Speedway Park plays host to the prestigious DIRTcar Nationals, Sunshine Nationals and Dale & Emil Reutimann Memorial in addition to its weekly racing program.

The 2022 AquaX Pro Tour, the world's fastest growing jet ski competition, returns to Daytona Beach August 12th - 14th. This event showcases both professional and amateur racers traveling from around the world including England and Canada to battle it out for the 1st place trophy!

What is the history behind these races? In 2011 Powerboat P1 in England created a new, modern and progressive form of racing when they launched the P1 AquaX UK Championship to run alongside the P1 powerboat racing series. P1 AquaX racing first hit the water in Southampton, UK.

The aim at the outset was to appeal to recreational riders and attract new riders by adopting an approach that made the racing affordable and easy to enter. Unlike other formats, the events took place on the sea and the tracks were simple and wide-open, giving competitors a chance to open-up their throttles and enjoy the full performance of their craft in a safe and controlled environment. Furthermore, because of the ever-changing coastal conditions, the riders' skill would prevail over horsepower to create a level playing field.

In 2014, the P1 crossed the big pond to the United States with their first USA race event held in Daytona Beach. Today more than one thousand riders have been trained and have competed in AquaX races on three different continents. This year's Daytona Beach races will take place in the water off the Hard Rock Hotel beach area.

Wrapping up August's month of racing are two major events taking place at Daytona International Speedway. On Friday, August 27th, it will be racing under the lights as the Wawa 250 Powered by Coca-Cola will challenge the 31-degree banked venue in what is always a spirited battle between the NASCAR Xfinity Series' young guns and seasoned veterans. The race will begin at 7:30 PM.

Then on Saturday, August 28th, the Coke Zero Sugar 400 starts at 7 PM. This will be the Regular Season Finale for the NASCAR Cup Series in 2022! Racing under the lights of the famed high banks and with only a couple Playoff spots up for grabs, anything could happen as the stage is set for NASCAR to crown a Champion! The pressure will be on as drivers go all out to keep their championship hopes alive.