

## ***Late Race Charge Pushes MacDonald To Fourth At Adirondack***

Eddie MacDonald's fourth place run in the Edge Hotel 150 in the NASCAR Camping World Series East race at Adirondack International Speedway successfully capped off a wild night of racing. Rain delays caused havoc with the set up of the Grimm Construction Chevy from the start but crew chief's Rollie LaChance's decision to stay out with thirty laps to go made the difference.

After qualifying ninth (16.766 sec., 107.360 mph), MacDonald was able to run in that position until rain brought out the red flag on lap 24. When the race resumed one hour later the #71 was not the same.

"The car was really different after the restart. The rain delay changed the track and the handling of the car. It seemed like everyone was having problems and guys were all over the place. It was pretty rough out there for most of the race. I was able to keep it in the top ten for most of the race but the handling was definitely going away towards the end," MacDonald stated after the checkered flag.

Twelve caution flags for 55 of the 150 laps allowed MacDonald to stay near the leaders but the handling became the issue as the race neared the closing laps with MacDonald saying, "We slid back to around 15th and I radioed to Rollie that I needed to come in to make an adjustment but he said to stay out because there were only 30 laps left. The plan was to just ride around and miss the wrecks. I had my doubts but things worked out well and we were able to finish fourth. I thought we had third place at the line but we were scored fourth."

The fourth place run gives the team its fourth top five finish of the season and moves the Grimm Construction Chevy into eighth place in the point's race. After two disappointing finishes in the last two races at Thompson and Nashville, MacDonald is pleased the team is back on track.

"This was a good finish for the team. We really needed this. We have had some great runs this season and it is all because of the crew's hard work. Team owner Rob Grimm and all our sponsors have been super so it is fun to get this finish. Since our win at Loudon things have not gone our way but tonight we finally had some good luck. The car was not the best but we had a good finish for a change. Sometimes you just have luck on your side and tonight is one of those nights. Hopefully this will continue when we race at Lime Rock in a few weeks."

MacDonald's best finish on the Lime Rock road course is a sixth place finish and the team hopes to improve with a top five run in the Berkshires on August 16.