

EDDIE RACES TO 14TH IN A BACKUP CAR

A blown engine, rain on Friday, and rain during the race on Saturday made for a long race event. During the second practice session on Friday, the engine blew, stranding Eddie out on the course. The motor had also blown on the road course at Watkins Glen in June, so there were worries that the dry sump oiling system in the car might not be right. So team headed back to the shop to grab the car that raced at Lime Rock in 2007 and bring it back on Saturday morning on an open trailer. Rain wiped out the time trials, so the grid was to be set on points. Eddie would start at the back in 32nd due to the swap to the backup car.

The race was marked by a red flag for rain that lasted 75 minutes, a couple of pit road errors by officials, oildowns, and a variety of pit stop strategies. Eddie worked his way up from back, at one point in the top ten as others pitted first. The final result was a solid run to 14th after quite a thrash.