

Frank Krmel snapped Dennis Anderson's epic nine-event race winning streak when he drove the Advance Auto Parts Grinder to the Championship Race win over Grave Digger by a matter of six inches in one of the year's most exciting final round races, then Anderson closed the event by earning a thunderous standing ovation from the crowd of more than 65,000 in Atlanta's Georgia Dome with a breathtaking freestyle than saw Anderson take home his first freestyle winner's trophy in over a month Saturday night.

"The Streak" was again the talk of the pits throughout the build up to one of the sport's most popular annual events with the 13 other superstars in the field all stating their desire to be the driver that put an end to the phenomenal winning streak in Championship Round Races for Anderson, and by the narrowest of margins it was Krmel who got the job done. Advance Auto Parts Grinder survived a close, disputed first round race against War Wizard to move on and upset Maximum Destruction in the 2nd round, then eliminated Superman in the semifinal round to move into the Championship Race where Anderson would be the opponent, Grave Digger knocking off Avenger in the semifinal round. Even though Anderson had turned the fastest laps in the earlier rounds a slight bobble cost The Icon a little time in the finale and Krmel took full advantage, another strong run resulting in the photo finish win for the Advance Auto Parts Grinder.

Freestyle got off to a rockin' start with Chuck



Werner in El Toro Loco setting the bar high and Joe Sylvester turning in a strong early run in Bad Habit, but it was Randy Moore and the War Wizard that combined all the elements the crowd and

the leader for most of the event. Several trucks were spectacular but their runs ended due to roll overs over broken wheels with time left on the clock until Neil Elliott blistered the huge floor in



## RACING RESULTS

1st round - El Toro Loco def. Brutus; Advance Auto Parts Grinder def. War Wizard; Maximum Destruction def. Geter Done; Lucas Oil Crusader def. Bad Habit; Avenger def. Superman; Grave Digger def. Robo Machine; Ironman def. Predator (Superman advanced to 2nd round as the fastest 1st round loser)

2nd round - Superman def. El Toro Loco; Advance Auto Parts Grinder def. Maximum Destruction; Avenger def. Lucas Oil Crusader; Grave Digger def. Ironman

Semifinals - Advance Auto Parts Grinder def. Superman; Grave Digger def. Avenger

**CHAMPIONSHIP RACE - ADVANCE AUTO PARTS GRINDER DEFEATED GRAVE DIGGER**

## FREESTYLE RESULTS

GRAVE DIGGER 31 (27 + 4 bonus points)  
 Maximum Destruction 25  
 War Wizard 23 (20 + 3)  
 El Toro Loco 22 (20 + 2)  
 Bad Habit 22 (20 + 2)  
 Lucas Oil Crusader 22 (21 + 1)  
 Ironman 21 (18 + 3)  
 Brutus 18  
 Avenger 18  
 Superman 17  
 Robo Machine 15  
 Advance Auto Parts Grinder 15

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