Ragan Aims to Win at Milwaukee Mile Driver Takes Skuttle Tight Ford to ARCA Fest

CONCORD, N.C. (July 8, 2013) – The last time David Ragan raced a late-model event, he finished second. He'll look to do one better in Tuesday's Swiss Colony Howie Lettow Memorial 150 at the Milwaukee Mile's ARCA Fest. The Sprint Cup Series driver will take his own <u>No. 77 Skuttle Tight Ford</u> to the popular Midwest Tour-sanctioned race.

It will be the second consecutive year that Ragan will participate in the Howie Lettow 150 and his third late-model race of the season. Last year, Ragan finished 17th in the event, which benefits the MACC Fund (Midwest Athletes Against Childhood Cancer).



Skuttle Tight is a Willmar, Minn.-based manufacturer that offers insulated attic-entry systems that replace older attic hatches and access panels that can cause drafts. The Milwaukee race will be the second event of the 2013 season that the company will join Ragan on his late-model campaign and the second straight year that Skuttle Tight will adorn the No. 77 Ford for the ARCA Fest.

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Ragan's last outing in the Skuttle Tight Ford was in the Denny Hamlin Short Track Showdown in April at Richmond, where he finished second to Kyle Busch.

The Milwaukee Mile is a one-mile oval on the grounds of the Wisconsin State Fair Park in West Allis, Wis., and is the oldest operating motor speedway in the world. Tickets for ARCA Fest are on still sale at <u>arcafest.com</u>. Fans can follow along about news and updates on the event at <u>facebook.com/midwesttour</u> or on Twitter at @midwesttour. Keep up to date on Ragan's racing activities at <u>facebook.com/DavidRaganPage</u> or on Twitter at @dRagan_updates.

Comments from Skuttle Tight driver David Ragan heading to Milwaukee:

"For me it's fun to go run the premier short-track races around the country – the Snowball Derby, the World Crown 300, Speedfest – and this is one of those premier races. It honors Howie Lettow, who is one of the veteran short track racers of his time. Even though it's in the Midwest and a little farther from the Southeast, I still have an appreciation for a lot of the good racers who came from that area. It's a big race. And when you can only run four or five races a year, you want to do it against the best guys. And the Milwaukee Mile is a great racetrack. There's a lot of history there, and it's cool to go there and take part in a race.

"I think this year's there's about 80 cars pre-entered. So, it's a hard race to make and a hard race to win. Running it last year, I drove another guy's car and learned a lot, and now I'm looking forward to taking my own car there. It'll be fun with the group of guys going with me to help. I've got a couple of the Front Row Motorsports guys that are tagging along, and my cousin Brett and a few friends, go, too.

"Skuttle Tight is back on our Ford for this race. They were on our car for the Denny Hamlin Showdown race at Richmond, and we were able to get a second-place finish there. Hopefully we can improve it by a spot. That'd be a lot of fun. Skuttle Tight's home office is not too far away in Minnesota, so it'll be good to have those guys there."

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