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mahogany.waldon@hamptoncvb.com**15th Annual Hampton Heat returns to Langley Speedway July 22***Free Hampton Heat Tickets available for Hampton residents**Hampton celebrates All-America City designation*

Hampton, VA - The 15th Annual Hampton Heat returns to Larry King Law's Langley Speedway on Saturday, July 22. Racing will begin at 7 p.m. for the Late Models, Super Streets, UCars and Legends. Larry King Law's Langley Speedway is located at 11 Dale Lemonds Drive in Hampton.

Hampton Heat is the largest race of the year in Hampton Roads and it features the Mid-Atlantic's best drivers competing to win \$10,000 in a 200 (79 miles) lap showdown. This year's drivers include Connor Hall, Brenden Queen, Danny Edwards, Woody Howard and more. The Hampton Heat is the second leg of the Virginia Late Model Triple Crown, which also includes events at South Boston, held July 1, and Martinsville on September 22.

The City of Hampton, sponsor of the Hampton Heat, will celebrate recently being named a 2023 All-America City by the National Civic League. There will be giveaways and special presentations to celebrate the designation. This is the fourth time the City has achieved the designation, with previous wins in 2014, 2002, and 1972.

Larry King Law's Langley Speedway and Hampton Convention & Visitor Bureau are offering a limited supply of free admission tickets to Hampton residents on a first-come, first-served basis, with a limit of two (2) tickets per household. The free tickets are available only at the Hampton Visitor Center, located at 120 Old Hampton Lane. The visitor center hours are Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., Sunday 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. Proof of Hampton residency in the form of an official state identification or residential utility bill must be presented. For more information, call (757) 727-1102.

Regular admission fees for the Hampton Heat event are \$20 Adults (12 and up), \$18 Military (Active or Retired) and Senior Citizens (60 & Over), \$10 children ages 6-11, and free for children age 5 and under, and a \$50 Family Four Pack (2 adults and 2 kids). Advance tickets can be purchased in the Larry King Law's Langley Speedway office Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. (at the gate) or www.langley-speedway.com.

Race fans may park their cars at Virginia Peninsula Community College (525 Butler Farm Road, Hampton VA) and take a shuttle bus provided by Newton Bus Service to Larry King Law's Langley Speedway for the 15th Annual Hampton Heat on July 22, 2023. Shuttles will start at 2 p.m. and provide transport to and from Larry King Law's Langley Speedway to help facilitate parking for this large event. An autograph session will begin at 5:15 p.m. in the speedway's fan zone. Hampton Police will be present at both sites to ensure safety and security for this event.

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Partially bordered by the Hampton Roads harbor and Chesapeake Bay, Hampton, with the 344,000 sq. ft. Hampton Roads Convention Center and the award-winning Hampton Coliseum, is located in the center of Coastal Virginia and the Hampton Roads metropolitan area. Hampton is the site of America's first continuous English-speaking settlement, the site of the first arrival of Africans in English North America, and is home to such visitor attractions as the Virginia Air & Space Science Center, Fort Monroe National Monument, Hampton History Museum, harbor tours and cruises, Hampton University Museum, The American Theatre, among others.