

Rabenold Pushes a Tight Racecar to a 15th Place Pocono Finish

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Long Pond, PA (August 7, 2011)- Kory Rabenold of Slatington, PA wheeled his family owned #03 Buzzy's Auto Body Chevrolet to a 15th place effort Sunday in the Pennsylvania 125 at Pocono International Raceway. This marks the second start of the season for Rabenold in the ARCA Racing Series presented by Menards and he was definitely pleased with his team's performance.

Rabenold started off his weekend by running the 22nd quickest lap in Menards Pole Qualifying, which assured him a starting spot in the show. It was a good start for the low buck team, as 45 drivers were registered to qualify.

The race was scheduled for Saturday but Mother Nature stole the show. Rabenold strapped into his car for the start of the 125-mile event on Sunday and things got hairy from the start.

"The race got going and there was a big wreck in front of me", said Rabenold. "I drove through the smoke and almost got into it, but luckily we didn't."

Rabenold then cracked the top 20 and then picked up a few more spots, but the handle on his car was just a tick off.

"The car handled decent, but there was a pretty good push as the race went on". Rabenold continued, "I just hung on and rode it out until the pit stops."

Pit stops were key and Rabenold's volunteer crew went to work during their stop.

"The team made adjustments to make the car more free and we took on some fuel", he said. "Most of the guys got tires, but we took a gamble and it paid off for a little while with track position."

Rabenold drove as far up as 11th before being passed by quicker cars. He sat just outside the top 20 with about twenty to go and then overtook several competitors in the closing laps to finish 15th. His respectable finish is his second best at Pocono, the same track where he earned a 12th place effort in his very first start in 2007.

Rabenold summed up his ARCA weekend by saying. "It was a good weekend for us. Knowing that we're under funded and can't tear up equipment, I had a decent qualifying run and we raced well. I'm just happy to have a good run for my team and sponsors and hopefully someone took notice to our run in our family operation and will give me an opportunity to do it some more."

Teamwork and good people make up a great team and Rabenold is pleased to have the following supports on board this season: Buzzy's Auto Body, Dynamite Woodworking, Mama's Pizza of Slatington PA, Springhouse Eye Care, Ecco Communications, Brooksy's Beers & Barrels Drive Thru, Interstate Batteries of Allentown and Thomson's Meat Market.

For more information on Kory Rabenold and the Rabenold Racing team, visit www.rabenoldracing.com.