

CLASS OF 2015

Steve Nelson

Steve Nelson has had probably more experience and raced more laps at Unity Raceway than any other driver. For thirty-three years, he has competed at the one-third mile track winning races and championships.

A lot of drivers would be happy winning one championship – Steve has won ten track championships at Unity, the first occurring in 1972. He won Limited Sportsman championships in 1972, 1974, 1976, 1991-92 and took home Pro Stock titles in 1989, 1991, 1995-96.

He won championships six and seven in the same year – 1991 – competing in the Limited Sportsman and Pro Stock divisions. Steve is only one of two drivers to achieve that feat in the history of the speedway.

As great a year as 1991 was for Steve, the following may have been more noteworthy. He won nine consecutive Limited Sportsman feature races and was later listed as one of the top ten sports stories by the Waterville *Morning Sentinel* newspaper.

Steve hasn't limited his racing to Unity Raceway. He has raced and won races at Wiscasset Speedway and he won the first Firecracker 100 at Spud Speedway. One of his proudest moments was qualifying for the 1995 OXFORD 250 at Oxford Plains Speedway using a two-barrel carburetor.

He has achieved a great deal driving a race car but probably his biggest achievement has been earning the respect of his fellow racers and race fans on and off the track. Steve has been presented the "Sportsman-of-the-Year Award" multiple times in his career.

Steve and wife Sonia make their home in Albion, Maine.

