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Sprint Cars in New England

Pre-SCoNE

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1993 Alan Nichols raced at Nor-Way Pines in a home-made Sprint Car built by Mike Kondrat for ice racing.

1994 first year a real Sprint Car competed at Canaan USA Doug Sanborn in a J&J Sprint Car ran in the "outlaw-run what ya brung" open wheel class against DIRT Modifieds on a weekly basis.

1995 Doug Murphy Sr. purchased a Sprint Car and raced weekly at Nor-Way Pines Speedway with the 6 cylinder open wheel class.

1995 Tunk Berry ran a Sprint Car towards the end of the season with the 6 cylinder open wheel class.

1996 Doug Sanborn in the #93 organized an exhibition at Canaan with ESS sprint drivers Scott Holcomb # 91 and Bob Karkos # 10k, and locals Tunk Berry # 69.

1998 Canaan USA Speedway was sold to Doug Murphy Sr. and name changed to Hurricane Motorsports. They ran a weekly Sprint Car division with drivers such as Tunk Berry # 11, Donny Sharp Jr. # 28, Mark Cole # 6x, Jason Merrill # 2, Alan Nichols # 24, # 1 Charlie Murphy.

1998 Champion- # 28 Donny Sharp Jr

That was the only year New Hampshire got to see a field of sprint cars race together until.....

2002 Nick Berry (at age 15) organizes the NESCC - New England Sprint Car and registers it with the state of New Hampshire (races at Bear Ridge, Canaan and Rumney)

2002 Champion- Mark Cole # 6x

2003 Jeff Taylor steps in for Nick Berry (Nick's age didn't make for legal binding contracts with tracks) AJ Electronics sponsors the series

2003 Champion - Mark Cole # 6x Rookie- Brian Glasser # 20g

2004 Mike Kondrat takes over for Jeff Taylor as group organizer. Group Named changed to SCoNE (Sprint Cars of New England)