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## **HOFFMAN RACING IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT BRADY BACON WILL RETURN FOR HIS FOURTH YEAR TO DRIVE THE LEGENDARY HOFFMAN 69 MEAN GREEN MACHINE IN THE USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR SERIES**

Loveland, OH (December 11, 2015) -- Hoffman Racing is announcing that Brady Bacon has agreed to return to the seat of the legendary Hoffman Mean Green #69 for the entire USAC National Sprint Car Series schedule in 2016. "We are proud to have a driver with the skill, determination and experience that Brady brings to our team. We have been very impressed with his ability to adapt to track conditions and to communicate with Rob and the Team. Brady does a tremendous job representing Mean Green, all of our sponsors and always has time for the fans. He is one of the most popular drivers in any series, with loyal fans from coast to coast." said Richard Hoffman, President and owner of Hoffman racing.

"Brady has had tremendous success in the Hoffman car. The entire Team has enjoyed working with him in the past and we are excited about this year. We have won big with Brady. Winning our 10<sup>th</sup> USAC National Sprint Car Championship in 2014, winning more USAC National races in a single season in the history of the Team in 2015 with 7 and in three short years Brady has matched Jerry Coons Jr with 13 USAC National Sprint Car wins, the most in the 86 year storied history of my family's race team" said Rob Hoffman VP of Engineering, Hoffman Racing.

Brady Bacon commented "We had another great year together, setting milestones along the way. More National USAC wins in a single season and helping the Hoffman's reach the 100 USAC National win mark. I look forward to setting more records this year. Racing for a great sponsor like Mean Green is a lot of fun and using it in my race shop reminds me what a great performing product it is on a daily basis".

Brady Bacon, from Broken Arrow Oklahoma, is a third generation driver. He started driving at age 5 in quarter midgets. At age 15 he started running sprint cars and midgets as well. Towards the end of 2006 Brady signed a driver development contract with Chip Ganassi. Brady began racing for Kasey Kahne's USAC Team in sprints and midgets in 2007. In 2009 he began his winged sprint

car career. Brady took over ownership of the winged and non-winged 99 team in 2011. He has been in the top 3 in points with the ASCS tour since 2010. In only his 2<sup>nd</sup> year of running the USAC National Sprint Car series, he won the championship in 2014. Brady now has 13 USAC National Sprint series wins with the Hoffman, Mean Green Team. He not only has excelled in racing but also academically. Brady was a National Merit Scholar and Valedictorian of his class.

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**Highlights of the team’s history include:**

**1929-1960 Gus campaigned Sprint Cars and Midgets. His drivers included Eddie Sachs and Don Branson.**

**1964 Gus’s son, Richard, became co-owner of the Team**

**1973-1984 HAR fielded Indy Cars, including 7 Indy 500 starts**

**1989 HAR won the first of 10 USAC National Sprint Car Championships with Rob Hoffman as the crew chief ('92,'93,'96,'97,'99,'02,'04,'08,'14)**

**With 93 National Sprint Car wins and 10 National Championships, HAR has won more National races and championships than any other team in USAC sprint car history. HAR also has 7 Silver Crown wins, for a total of 100 USAC National wins. In 2003 HAR was recognized for excellence by the Ohio State Senate and House of Representatives. HAR has finished in the top 3 in USAC National Sprint Car owners points 17 times since 1989.**

**Drivers from the past 82 years reads like a Who’s Who of racing: Jeff Gordon, Tony Stewart, Tracy Hines, JJ Yeley, Kasey Kahne, Kenny Irwin Jr, Rich Vogler, Dave Darland, Johnny Parsons Jr., Tim Richmond, Jay Drake, Brian Tyler, Robbie Stanley, Eric Gordon, Steve Butler, Jerry Coons, Jr., Ryan Newman, Dave Steele, George Snider, Tom Bigelow, Shorty Templemen, Don Branson, Eddie Sachs, Bill Puterbaugh, Elmer George, Pancho Carter, Roger Ward, Andy Michener, Kyle Larson and Brady Bacon. In all, approximately 131 drivers have competed in the Hoffman cars. Out of those 131 drivers there are four father/son combinations: Dick and Dickie Gaines, Jim and Tracy Hines, Kerry and Dave Norris, Clark and Shorty Templemen. Two brother combinations: Larry and Steve Cannon, Pancho Carter and Johnny Parsons, Jr. HAR also had a stepgrandfather and stepgrandson combination of Elmer George and Ed Carpenter.**

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