



## Keith Steele Has a Monster Weekend with Back-To- Back Victories in Crandon



Madison, WI (June 24, 2008) - Monster Energy's Keith Steele came to the world center of short-course off-road racing looking to gain points on the WSORR Super Truck leader, Dan Baudoux. The Goodyear Tire shod Super Truck did just that, with back to back victories at the Forest County Potawatomi Brush Run in Crandon, Wisconsin. This puts one of the sport's "Young Guns" at the top of the current WSORR Super Truck Championship points standings.

### Saturday - Round 3

The start saw Keith Steele and his #229 Monster Energy Goodyear Tires Chevrolet Silverado go door-to-door with #210 Hoek and #297 Wandahsega for the lead. The three trucks were nose to tail the entire first lap.

Two laps later the Goodyear tires did their job as Keith made the pass around Wandahsega stick as the Monster Energy Chevy took the lead. The remainder of the race Keith was unchallenged and brought home the victory.

Overnight the Steele Off-Road Race team went through the usual Saturday prep. Keith Steele, someone who never rests on his laurels, made a slight valving adjustment to the rear suspension looking to keep the competition at bay.

### Sunday – Round 4

The land rush start saw the #229 Monster Energy Goodyear Tires Chevrolet Silverado charge to the front of pack and never looked back. Keith led the race wire-to-wire for his second victory of the year.

Quickly, the Steele Off-Road crew went to work prepping the race truck for the Forest County Potawatomi Chairman's Cup Heavy Metal Challenge. The Super Truck teams had about four hours to get their trucks ready for the big money showdown. During that time period, sporadic rain showers pass through the area. Then about an hour before the Cup race the rain became quite heavy. Then the rain stopped just as the Chairman's Cup field was lining up for the start.

In order to give the two-wheel drive trucks a chance at the win, the PRO-2WD and Super Trucks started a half lap a head of the PRO-4x4 racers. Thanks to the afternoon rain showers, most thought the .7 mile lead still would not be enough to give the 4x2 trucks a fair shot. In any case, the Chairman's Cup race not only pays the top overall finishers of the event, but the top finishers in each class that are competing. The event becomes a race within a race.

When the green flag was dropped, the two-wheel drive trucks went everywhere. During the first few laps trucks, trucks spun out at almost every turn. For a brief time Keith Steele put his Monster Energy truck in the overall lead. The position was short lived as he spun out as well. The last half of the race saw Wandahsega, Hoek, and Steele running close together, with Wandahsega in the lead. At the finish Keith Steel finished third in the Super Truck division and ninth overall.

The overall winner of the Chairman's Cup was Kent Brascho in his Chevrolet powered PRO-4x4. Kent drove a quick smooth race and never put a wheel wrong the entire time.

After the weekend was complete, Keith Steele commented; "I'm finally getting more comfortable with this Monster Energy Super Truck. The chassis changes we made last night really improved the handling of the truck. This class is very competitive so you have bring your A game every time. The Goodyear tires and the King Shocks

really compliment each other. Our Wolverine powerplant never misses a beat. The Chairman's Cup was a handful for everybody. As a racer I just over drove the first few laps, and then couldn't really make up the difference. Another lesson learned."

**After four rounds of racing, Keith Steele leads the 2008 WSORR Super Truck Points Championship.**

The next race is Island Casino/Boss Snow Off-Road Challenge, July 12-13, in Bark River, Michigan.

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