

ACCIDENT INFORMATION SUMMARY
DPS 38 C Rev. 7/94

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF STATE POLICE

FATAL

NO. & TYPE OF VEHICLES INVOLVED 2 Car
(passenger car, truck, bus, etc.)

OTHER(S) INVOLVED Cement blocks (x3)
(pedestrian, pole, bridge abutment, etc.)

CASE NUMBER DPS04-041553 DATE 8/19/04 TIME 2314

TOWN Thompson Speedway infield, 3rd turn ROUTE Poplawski # 827

3 point harness & helmet
UTILITY POLE NAME & # _____

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OP #1 Baldwin, Thomas S Sr. AGE 3/14/47

OP #2 Silk, Ronald S AGE 2/17/83

ADDRESS 80 Beaver Spur #10

ADDRESS 28 Hanford Lane

TOWN Moriches STATE NY 11955

TOWN Wilton STATE CT 06897

OP. LIC. B0141576463842178-47 STATE NY

OP. LIC. 027344953 STATE CT

OWNER #1 SAME

OWNER #2 Kelekio, William

ADDRESS SAME

ADDRESS Berlin, CT

REG. #7 Car STATE N/A

REG. #14 car STATE N/A

MAKE AND TYPE VEH. Feather Lite Modified Race Car YEAR _____

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OCCUPANTS _____ AGE _____

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OP #3 _____ AGE _____

OP #4 _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____

ADDRESS _____

TOWN Thompson STATE X

TOWN _____ STATE _____

OP. LIC. _____ STATE _____

OP. LIC. _____ STATE _____

OWNER #3 _____

OWNER #4 _____

ADDRESS _____

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REG. _____ STATE _____

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At approx. 2314 Hours, during a Featherlite Modified Race at the Thompson International Speedway, Thomas S. Baldwin (3-14-47), was killed when his vehicle struck three cement blocks near a light post in the infield. The impact to his vehicle was on the drivers side door area. The vehicle had just come out of the second turn onto the back-stretch when several racecars made contact with each other. This caused Car #7 (Baldwin) to attempt to avoid these cars, which were traveling from the right side of the track to the left. He lost control and entered the grass infield, continued into the cement blocks. A second vehicle, car #14, driven by Ronald Silk, also lost control at the same time and also entered the grass infield. This vehicle slid backwards and made contact with Mr. Baldwin's vehicle, causing very minor damage to the second vehicle. The second operator was NOT injured.

Mr. Baldwin was transported to Hubbard Hospital in Webster, MA where he was pronounced dead at 2350 Hours. The Office of the Boston Medical examiner will be conducting an autopsy in the morning.

The next of kin (Thomas Baldwin Jr.) was notified of the fatal accident by his father's crew chief, David Nois.

A State Police Accident reconstruction specialist was called to the scene as well as Troopers from Troop D. They will work in conjunction with NASCAR officials, this investigation remains open and active. Both vehicles involved were seized and transported to Troop D.