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CURRIE PIERCE HAS TOUGH WEEKEND AT BRISTOL

BRISTOL, Tenn. – Recently-joined Team Full Throttle NASCAR Driver Development racer Currie Pierce made the trek from Griffin, Ga., to Tennessee’s Bristol Motor Speedway last weekend for the INEX-sanctioned 600 Racing “Battle at Bristol.” The 16-year-old Georgia native had a tough weekend in his first trip to Bristol while competing in the legends car semi-pro division, compiling two DNFs in two days of racing. The legends cars raced on the apron of the .533-mile oval, utilizing the pit roads for straight-aways.

“We had a rough weekend, but I’m still glad we came,” Pierce said Sunday afternoon. “We haven’t finished many races lately, so it’s been a pretty rough stretch. We’re going to keep at it and I know our luck will turn around soon.”

On Saturday, Pierce was running a competitive top five before another car hit his rear bumper causing a bolt to break and the bumper to drag on the track’s surface. INEX made the decision to black flag Pierce because of this, ending an encouraging race prematurely.

On Sunday, Pierce qualified and started ninth in the semi-pro legends class. He ran in that position throughout the opening laps of the race and was negotiating a pass for eighth when he and another car made contact exiting turn 4. The contact caused Pierce’s right-front to collapse, again ending his feature event early.

“It was disappointing because we had a pretty good car both days. We would have had a top five on Saturday and I think we could have moved into the top five on Sunday too. Our team gained some great experience, though, and I’m looking forward to getting back to it and finishing some races.”

Pierce’s next race is Saturday at Lanier National Speedway in Braselton, Ga.

Currie Pierce is a member of the Team Full Throttle NASCAR Driver Development Program, and is represented by Driver Development Services, Inc., Charlotte, N.C. His

marketing partners include Chris Danials CPA, Curry's Collision Center, Firehouse Subs, and Team Full Throttle.

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