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The North Wilkesboro Speedway is shutting its doors for a second time, and this time it may be for good.

The Speedway announced on Monday that it was closing its doors because its simply running out of money. In a statement released by Speedway Associates Inc. President Alton McBride Jr., it stated that the track was struggling financially.
“We lined up some great events. However, even though we can project positive income from events at the speedway, we do not have the money needed on the front end to make those events happen. In spite of our complete investment in the speedway and in this community, we have run out of money necessary to go forward,”
Some of the events that were held at the track included the Pro All-Star Series (PASS) short track races, tractor pulls, the USA Racing Pro Cup series events (previously known as the Hooters Pro Cup), and tour type modified races.
The track also had some big events lined up this season, which included the first appearances at the track by the United Auto Racing Association (UARA) as well as the United States Auto Club (USAC) Silver Crown and Midgets. Many current and former professional drivers (in both NASCAR and Indy car racing) began their careers in that circuit. Among those were A.J. Foyt, Al Unser, Mario Andretti, Jeff Gordon, Tony Stewart, and Ryan Newman. It's the second time in 16 years the track has shut its doors.