

Templeman Backs it Up with a Hat Trick

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Shorty Templeman of Seattle, Wash. completed the "hat trick" in midgets for 1957, winning the USAC National, Midwest and Pacific Coast championships. Never before had a driver been able to claim all three titles in the same year.

For several years, Templeman had been the top professional in the midget ranks, and he worked hard in 1957, appearing in 54 races, winning six, placing second nine times, third three times, and on eight occasions, he was the fastest qualifier.

With 184 drivers participating in the 65 feature events, Templeman had serious competition. Rex Easton of Springfield, Ill. challenged him for the point lead all summer and lost out by a small margin. In the matter of wins, Easton had an edge of 11 to eight. Easton had the most sustained stretch of success, winning seven of 14 races during the month of August.

Gene Hartley of Roanoke, Ind., with a strong finish, wound up third in the final national standings. George Amick of Venice, Calif. scored seven feature wins but limited his participation to 31 events and finished eighth.

At the end of April, with all the races to that time scheduled on the Pacific Coast, Billy Garrett of Burbank, Calif. was the leader by one point over Templeman with Johnnie Tolan in third. The May champion was Lloyd Ruby of Wichita Falls, Texas, but Rodee, Easton and Sutton followed.

Templeman scored the most points in June, and this really gave him the boost he needed to win another midget title. Amick, Turner, Easton and Rodee followed in that order for the most points scored in June. The month of July went to Sutton with Templeman second, Turner third, Easton fourth and A.J. Foyt fifth. Foyt, a youngster from Houston, Texas, made his presence felt the rest of the way.

During August, it was all Easton as the Springfield driver made a determined bid for the title. Turner was second for the month, Sutton third, Hartley fourth, Foyt fifth and Templeman sixth. Hartley was the point leader for September, but Templeman was second and clinched the championship. Rodee was third, Gays Biro fourth and Chuck Weyant fifth.

With just a handful of races left after October 1, Templeman was too far out in front for anyone to catch him. The 38-year-old Washingtonian then proceeded to win the Pacific Coast crown to add to his Midwest and National titles.

The 1957 midget season started with the Tangerine Tournament, a series of 11 races at various tracks in Florida during February and March. Most of the top small car pilots made the trek to the Sunshine State and the result was some of the closest and most exciting racing of the year.

Winning four of the 11 feature events, Andy Linden of Speedway, Ind. swept to the championship. Linden was unbeatable at Orlando's Sunbrock Speedway, winning all three races there. He added a victory at Tampa's Florida State Fairgrounds and two seconds for a commanding lead in the final point standings.

After this sensational start, Linden had the most successful season of his career but suffered critical head injuries in a November midget crash at California's Clovis Speedway, permanently ending his racing activities.

Chuck Rodee of Indianapolis, Ind. was the 1957 USAC Indoor Midget champion as a result of his performance in the two races at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum in Fort Wayne, Ind. Rodee scored two third-place finishes. Gene Hartley won both feature events, but Rodee picked up points in the other portions of the programs.

Rodee got his racing start in driving school at Raceway Park in Blue Island, Ill. in the late 1940s. He traveled all the way to Little Rock, Ark. for his first taste of actual competition in a midget.

Three drivers died in USAC National Midget competition during the year. Jack Jordan of Elgin, Texas was killed when his car overturned during qualifying on April 7 at the Arizona State Fairgrounds, dying two days later from a fractured skull.

Just three weeks after capturing his second career USAC National Midget triumph, Al Alpern of Chicago, Ill. ramped over another competitor's wheel during the second heat race at Michigan's Grand Rapids Speedrome on June 20, causing him to flip and, ultimately, succumb to his injuries.

In his first appearance at Wisconsin's Milwaukee Mile, one-time USAC National Midget winner Hank Nykaza was killed in a back straightaway accident which sent his car careening into the back straightaway wall, snapping his seat belt upon impact and ejecting the Chicago Heights, Ill. driver before his body landed on the track's surface.

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Easton Beats the Rain in South Mountain Opener

Phoenix, Arizona.....Rex Easton won the rain-shortened USAC National Championship Midget race at Phoenix, Arizona's South Mountain Speedway on Sunday, January 13.

Rain halted the race at 63 laps with Easton leading the field in the scheduled 100-lap main event.

Rodger Ward set a new track record in qualifications with a lap of 14.140 seconds.

The trophy dash went to Jack Jordan, followed by Don Edmunds, Art Bisch, and Rodger Ward.

Heats went to Bill Boyd, Frank Armi, Sonny McDaniel, and Bill Boyd.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: January 13, 1957 – South Mountain Speedway – Phoenix, Arizona

QUALIFYING: 1. Rodger Ward-14.140 (New Track Record).

DASH: 1. Jack Jordan, 2. Don Edmunds, 3. Art Bisch, 4. Rodger Ward.

FIRST HEAT: 1. Bill Boyd.

SECOND HEAT: 1. Frank Armi.

THIRD HEAT: 1. Sonny McDaniel

FOURTH HEAT: 1. Bill Boyd.

FEATURE: (63 laps, shortened from 100 laps due to rain) 1. Rex Easton (Lloyd Rahn #5), 2. Bob Gregg, 3. Bill Cheesbourg, 4. Dempsey Wilson, 5. Shorty Templeman, 6. Billy Garrett, 7. A.J. Foyt, 8. Len Sutton, 9. Johnnie Tolan, 10. Rodger Ward, 11. Art Bisch, 12. Bob Cortner, 13. Jack Jordan, 14. Don Edmunds, 15. Wayne Weiler, 16. Cecil Elliott, 17. Bud Clemons, 18. Frank Armi.

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Shorty Goes Big at San Jose

San Jose, California.....Shorty Templeman, the 1956 USAC National Midget champion, won the 100-lap USAC National Midget race held at California's San Jose Speedway on Sunday, February 10.

The fastest qualifier was Bob Spoo at 16.340 seconds.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: February 10, 1957 – San Jose Speedway – San Jose, California

QUALIFYING: 1. Bob Spoo-16.340.

FIRST HEAT: 1. Johnnie Tolan, 2. Dickie Reese, 3. Tommy Copp.

SECOND HEAT: 1. Billy Garrett, 2. Bob Cortner, 3. Johnny Boyd.

THIRT HEAT: 1. Don Edmunds, 2. Larry Dunham, 3. Roy Gillhamer.

SEMI: 1. Johnnie Tolan, 2. Bob Cortner, 3. Larry Dunham, 4. Don Horvath.

DASH: 1. Roy Gillhamer.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Shorty Templeman (Jack Whelan #1), 2. Danny Oakes, 3. Johnny Baldwin, 4. Paul Pold, 5. Roy Gillhamer, 6. Mel McGaughy, 7. Bob Veith, 8. Ed Normi, 9. Bob Ramage, 10. Tommy Copp, 11. Gene Gurney, 12. Bob Spoo, 13. Johnny Boyd, 14. George Amick, 15. Don Edmunds, 16. Ray Crawford, 17. Billy Garrett, 18. Bob Machin.

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Garrett Guns it to Win at the Arizona Mile; Jordan Succumbs

Phoenix, Arizona.....Billy Garrett of Burbank, California won the USAC National Championship Midget Race at the Arizona State Fairgrounds in Phoenix on Sunday April 7.

Garrett took the lead on the 97th lap when two former national champions, Johnnie Tolan of Denver, Colorado and Shorty Templeman of Seattle, Washington, both pitted.

Garrett's time for the 100 miles was 1 hour, 12 minutes, 49.72 seconds, only seven minutes off the big car track record.

Jack Jordan of Alhambra, California was injured critically when his midget overturned while attempting to qualify. Jordan died two days later at St. Joseph's Hospital in Phoenix without regaining consciousness. The cause of death was a fractured skull.

Bill Boyd of Culver City, California suffered a broken pelvis when he flipped and was thrown from the car on the 12th lap of the feature.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: April 7, 1957 – Arizona State Fairgrounds – Phoenix, Arizona

QUALIFYING: 1. Art Bisch-29.530.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Billy Garrett (Lew Bruns #28), 2. Shorty Templeman, 3. Johnnie Tolan, 4. Johnny Baldwin, 5. Bill Cheesbourg, 6. Art Bisch, 7. Ray Crawford, 8. Danny Jones, 9. A.J. Foyt, 10. Larry Dunham, 11. Bob Ramage, 12. Joe Garson, 13. Bob Cortner, 14. Hank Henry, 15. Bud Clemons, 16. Don Horvath, 17. Don Edmunds, 18. Dempsey Wilson, 19. Les Scott, 20. Bill Boyd, 21. Rodger Ward, 22. Rex Easton. 1:12.49.72

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Garrett Wins at Gardena

Gardena, California.....Billy Garrett of Burbank, California, moved past Shorty Templeman and into the lead in the Pacific Coast Midget standings by winning the USAC National Midget feature race at Gardena Stadium in California on Saturday night, April 13.

Garrett slipped into first place on the 81st lap of the 100-lapper on the quarter-mile oval. George Amick of Venice, California and Johnny Boyd of Fresno, California followed Garrett across the finish line.

Don Horvath of Riverside, California flipped end-over-end three times during a warm-up lap and suffered lacerations and a slight concussion.

A sell-out crowd of 5,354 was in attendance and the purse was \$5,015.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: April 13, 1957 – Gardena Stadium – Gardena, California

QUALIFYING: 1. Joe Garson-14.590

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Billy Garrett (Lew Bruns #28), 2. George Amick, 3. Johnny Boyd, 4. Shorty Templeman, 5. Johnnie Tolan, 6. Dickie Reese, 7. Johnnie Parsons, 8. Joe Garson, 9. Ray Crawford, 10. Bob Machin, 11. Bob Ramage, 12. Johnny Baldwin, 13. Bob Veith, 14. Roy Gillhamer, 15. Bob Spoo, 16. Danny Oakes, 17. Rodger Ward, 18. Frank Armi.

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Johnny Boyd Wins Fresno Feature

Fresno, California.....Johnny Boyd won the 100-lap feature before his hometown fans at Fresno, California's Airport Speedway on Friday night, April 26th.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: April 26, 1957 – Airport Speedway – Fresno, California

QUALIFYING: 1. Tommy Copp-15.110.

DASH: 1. Johnny Boyd, 2. Johnnie Tolan, 3. Danny Oakes.

FIRST HEAT: 1. Bob Machin, 2. Dickie Reese, 3. Norm Rapp.

SECOND HEAT: 1. Billy Garrett, 2. Danny Oakes, 3. Dempsey Wilson.

THIRD HEAT: 1. Johnnie Tolan, 2. Larry Dunham, 3. Mel McGaughy.

FOURTH HEAT: 1. Danny Oakes, 2. Johnnie Tolan, 3. Dickie Reese.

SEMI: 1. Billy Garrett, 2. Bob Machin, 3. Norm Rapp.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Johnny Boyd (Jack London #5), 2. Bob Gregg, 3. Roy Gillhamer, 4. Les Scott, 5. Dickie Reese, 6. Tommy Copp, 7. Norm Hall, 8. Dempsey Wilson, 9. Shorty Templeman, 10. Ed Normi, 11. Ray Crawford, 12. Rodger Ward, 13. Joe Garson, 14. Danny Oakes, 15. Norm Rapp, 16. Bob Cortner, 17. Mel McGaughy, 18. Johnnie Tolan.

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Ruby Wins Midget Race in Oklahoma City

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.....Lloyd Ruby of Houston, Texas, driving the Hardwood Door Special, won the 100-lap USAC National Championship Midget race on the quarter-mile dirt track of Taft Stadium in Oklahoma City on May 7.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: May 7, 1957 – Taft Stadium – Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

QUALIFYING: 1. Rex Easton-17.850.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Lloyd Ruby (Ashley Wright #2), 2. Rex Easton, 3. Bob Tattersall, 4. A.J. Foyt, 5. Eddie McVay, 6. Carl Williams, 7. Paul Pold, 8. George Nash, 9. Gene Gurney, 10. Danny Frye, 11. Bob Parker, 12. Roger Lane, 18. Bill Homeier.

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Tattersall Wins at 81

Park City, Kansas.....Bob Tattersall of Streator, Illinois, driving the Cunningham Special, won the 100-lap USAC National Championship Midget race on the quarter-mile dirt track of 81 Speedway in Park City, Kansas on May 10.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: May 10, 1957 – 81 Speedway – Park City, Kansas

QUALIFYING: 1. Bill Chennault-16.770.

FIRST HEAT: 1. Bob Heilman, 2. Bill Chennault, 3. George Nash

SECOND HEAT: 1. Rex Easton, 2. Danny Frye, 3. A.J. Foyt.

THIRD HEAT: 1. Bob Tattersall, 2. Bob Parker, 3. Willie Hunziker.

FOURTH HEAT: 1. Lloyd Ruby, 2. Lawson, 3. George Nash.

DASH: 1. Bob Tattersall, 2. Bill Chennault, 3. George Nash.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Bob Tattersall (Jack Cunningham #14), 2. Willie Hunziker, 3. Rex Easton, 4. Eddie McVay, 5. Lloyd Ruby, 6. Gene Gurney, 7. Carl Williams, 8. John Yonke, 9. Roger Lane, 10. Bill Chennault, 11. A.J. Foyt, 12. Jack Jansen.

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Foyt Wins at Kansas City

Kansas City, Missouri.....A.J. Foyt of Houston, Texas, driving the Willey Special, won the 100-lap USAC National Championship Midget race on the quarter-mile dirt track of Olympic Stadium in Kansas City, Missouri on May 12.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: May 12, 1957 – Olympic Stadium – Kansas City, Missouri

QUALIFYING: 1. Lloyd Ruby-14.480.

FIRST HEAT: 1. Bob Heilman, 2. Eddie McVay, 3. Lloyd Ruby.

SECOND HEAT: 1. Bill Lawson, 2. Willie Hunziker, 3. Gene Gurney.

THIRD HEAT: 1. Bob Tattersall, 2. Rex Easton, 3. Danny Frye.

FOURTH HEAT: 1. A.J. Foyt, 2. Arnie Knepper, 3. A.J. Foyt.

DASH: 1. A.J. Foyt, 2. Justin King, 3. Bob Parker.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. A.J. Foyt (Elbert Willey #64), 2. Lloyd Ruby, 3. Bob Tattersall, 4. Carl Williams, 5. Paul Pold, 6. Danny Frye, 7. Willie Hunziker, 8. Justin King, 9. Bob Parker, 10. Eddie McVay, 11. Bill Lawson, 12. Gene Gurney, 13. Bob Heileman, 14. George Nash, 15. Arnie Knepper, 16. Jack Jansen, 17. John Yonke, 18. Rex Easton.

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Templeman Takes National Midget Lead with Win in Detroit

Detroit, Michigan.....Shorty Templeman of Seattle, Washington moved into first place in the point standings in defense of his USAC National Midget crown by winning the 75-lap feature on the quarter-mile track of Motor City Speedway in Detroit, Michigan on May 23rd.

Templeman, who was driving the Tomaseski Offy, started in 10th position.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: May 23, 1957 – Motor City Speedway – Detroit, Michigan

QUALIFYING: 1. Russ Congdon-13.160.

FIRST HEAT: 1. Chuck Rodee, 2. Russ Congdon, 3. Hank Nykaza.

SECOND HEAT: 1. Shorty Templeman, 2. Len Sutton, 3. Mel McGaughy.

THIRD HEAT: 1. Tony Lenti, 2. Gays Biro, 3. Johnny Kay.

FOURTH HEAT: 1. Don Horvath, 2. Bill Doster, 3. Ronnie Duman.

DASH: 1. Bill Doster, 2. Chuck Rodee, 3. Len Sutton.

FEATURE: (75 laps) 1. Shorty Templeman (Ray Tomaseski #1), 2. Chuck Rodee, 3. Johnny Kay, 4. Hank Nykaza, 5. Don Horvath, 6. Ronnie Duman, 7. Don Branson, 8. Bill Doster, 9. Len Sutton, 10. Russ Congdon, 11. Paul Howe, 12. Ralph Liguori, 13. Tony Lenti, 14. Roy Graham, 15. Johnny White, 16. Mel McGaughy, 17. Gays Biro, 18. Bill Sprentall.

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Rodee & Sutton Win Night Before the 500

Indianapolis, Indiana.....Chuck Rodee of Chicago, Illinois and Len Sutton of Portland, Oregon each won a feature in the 16th Street Speedway's famous Night Before the 500 midget show on May 29.

Rodee barely defeated Sutton in a wild finish in the hotly-contested 150-lap feature on the quarter-mile track.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: May 29, 1957 – 16th Street Speedway – Indianapolis, Indiana – Night Before the 500

FIRST QUALIFYING: 1. Len Sutton-16.050.

SECOND QUALIFYING: 1. Len Sutton-16.060.

FIRST FEATURE: (150 laps) 1. Chuck Rodee (Ed & Harry Loniewski #87), 2. Len Sutton, 3. Mel McGaughy, 4. Dutch Schaefer, 5. Jimmy Knight, 6. Mauri Wilson, 7. George Amick, 8. Bob Gregg, 9. Don Branson, 10. Tony Bonadies, 11. Gays Biro, 12. Russ Congdon, 13. Billy Garrett, 14. Clyde Young, 15. Leroy Warriner, 16. Bob Boone, 17. Dick Brown, 18. Rex Easton, 19. Roy Graham, 20. Lloyd Ruby, 21. Shorty Templeman, 22. Johnny Kay, 23. Rick Kerr, 24. Jud Larson.

SECOND FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Len Sutton (Kathryn Wright #57), 2. Lloyd Ruby, 3. Chuck Rodee, 4. Don Branson, 5. Frank Burany, 6. Dutch Schaefer, 7. Shorty Templeman, 8. Hank Nykaza, 9. Joe Sostilio, 10. Gays Biro, 11. Johnny Kay, 12. Mauri Wilson, 13. Bob Gregg, 14. Danny Oakes, 15. Roy Graham, 16. Russ Congdon, 17. Ernie McCoy, 18. Dick Brown.

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Nykaza Wins First Race at Lafayette

Lafayette, Indiana.....Hank Nykaza of East Chicago Heights, Illinois won his first feature of the season in the 50-lap feature on the quarter-mile track at Indiana's Lafayette Speedway on May 30.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: May 30, 1957 – Lafayette Speedway – Lafayette, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Shorty Templeman-13.300.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Hank Nykaza (Bill Lloyd #27), 2. Shorty Templeman, 3. Chuck Rodee, 4. Al Alpern, 5. Mel McGaughy, 6. Leroy Warriner, 7. Tony Bonadies, 8. Roy Graham, 9. Mauri Wilson, 10. Arnie Knepper, 11. Jimmy Knight, 12. Roy Newman, 13. Dutch Schaefer, 14. Russ Congdon, 15. Rex Records, 16. Lloyd Ruby.

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Alpern Wins Midget Feature at Berlin

Marne, Michigan.....Al Alpern of Chicago, Illinois won his first midget feature of the season by capturing first in the 30-lap feature on the 1/5-mile dirt track at Marne, Michigan's Berlin Raceway on May 31.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: May 31, 1957 – Berlin Raceway – Marne, Michigan

QUALIFYING: 1. Rex Easton-13.380.

FEATURE: (30 laps) 1. Al Alpern (Al Alpern #48), 2. Rex Easton, 3. Paul Doster, 4. Bill Homeier, 5. Jimmy Knight, 6. Chuck Rodee, 7. A.J. Foyt, 8. Leroy Warriner, 9. Mel McGaughy, 10. Bob Zomerhuis, 11. Ken Henderson, 12. Harry Bennett, 13. Hank Nykaza.

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Templeman Wins Midget Feature in Detroit

Detroit, Michigan.....Shorty Templeman of Seattle, Washington won the 75-lap feature on the quarter-mile track of Motor City Speedway in Detroit, Michigan on June 1.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 1, 1957 – Motor City Speedway – Detroit, Michigan

QUALIFYING: Ronnie Duman-12.950.

FEATURE: (75 laps) 1. Shorty Templeman (Ray Tomaseski #1), 2. Len Sutton, 3. Don Horvath, 4. Russ Congdon, 5. Al Alpern, 6. Jimmy Knight, 7. Ronnie Duman, 8. Gene Hartley, 9. Bob Gregg, 10. Leroy Warriner, 11. Hank Nykaza, 12. Rex Easton, 13. Ronnie Kaplan, 14. Chuck Rodee, 15. Mel McGaughy, 16. Mauri Wilson, 17. Bill Homeier, 18. Johnny Fedricks.

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Knight Takes Midget Feature at Toledo

Toledo, Ohio.....Jimmy Knight of Chicago, Illinois won the 30-lap feature on the half-mile dirt track of Raceway Park in Toledo, Ohio on June 2.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 2, 1957 – Raceway Park – Toledo, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Rex Easton-21.730.

FEATURE: (30 laps) 1. Jimmy Knight (Jimmy Knight #10), 2. Gays Biro, 3. Paul Doster, 4. Al Alpern, 5. Don Horvath, 6. Shorty Templeman, 7. Johnny Stenderup, 8. Mel McGaughy, 9. Wally Hostetler, 10. Paul Hooper, 11. Rick Kerr, 12. Rex Easton.

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Amick Wins at Cincinnati's Race Bowl

Evendale, Ohio.....George Amick of Venice, California won his first USAC National Midget Championship race of the season in the 50-lap feature on the quarter-mile Cincinnati Race Bowl in Evendale, Ohio on June 7.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 7, 1957 – Cincinnati Race Bowl – Evendale, Ohio

QUALIFYING: Jack Turner-12.980.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. George Amick (Walt Schmidthorst #32), 2. Jack Turner, 3. Don Horvath, 4. Gene Force, 5. Shorty Templeman, 6. Leroy Warriner, 7. Chuck Rodee, 8. Bob Gregg, 9. Eddie McVay, 10. Paul Howe, 11. Rick Kerr, 12. Carl Kiser, 13. Mel McGaughy.

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Burany Wins Soldier Field Midget Feature

Chicago, Illinois.....Frank Burany of Elm Grove, Wisconsin won the 100-lap midget feature on the quarter-mile track at Soldier Field in Chicago, Illinois on June 8.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 8, 1957 – Soldier Field – Chicago, Illinois

QUALIFYING: 1. Roy Graham-16.980.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Frank Burany (Ashley Wright #2), 2. Andy Linden, 3. Tony Bettenhausen, 4. Jimmy Knight, 5. Leroy Warriner, 6. Shorty Templeman, 7. Mauri Wilson, 8. Roy Graham, 9. Johnnie Parsons, 10. Danny Oakes, 11. Mel McGaughy, 12. Eddie McVay, 13. Russ Congdon, 14. Tony Lenti, 15. Len Sutton, 16. Gene Hartley, 17. Rex Easton, 18. Hank Nykaza.

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Linden Wins Midget Race at Jeffersonville

Jeffersonville, Indiana.....Andy Linden of Speedway, Indiana won the 50-lap midget feature on the quarter-mile Sportsdrome in Jeffersonville, Indiana on June 15.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 15, 1957 – Sportsdrome – Jeffersonville, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Ronnie Kaplan-15.390.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Andy Linden (Lee Elkins #73), 2. Rex Easton, 3. Jack Turner, 4. Johnnie Tolan, 5. Gene Force, 6. Chuck Rodee, 7. Jimmy Knight, 8. Jerry Lundquist, 9. Al Alpern, 10. Ronnie Kaplan, 11. Mauri Wilson, 12. Russ Congdon, 13. Billy Garrett, 14. Johnnie Parsons, 15. Les Scott, 16. Hank Nykaza, 17. Rick Kerr, 18. George Amick.

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Chennault Wins Midget Race at Kansas City

Kansas City, Missouri.....Bill Chennault of Kansas City, Missouri won the 100-lap midget feature on the quarter-mile Olympic Stadium in Kansas City, Missouri on June 16.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 16, 1957 – Olympic Stadium – Kansas City, Missouri

QUALIFYING: 1. Bill Chennault-12.890.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Bill Chennault (Vito Calia #3), 2. Lloyd Ruby, 3. Carl Williams, 4. Frank Burany, 5. Willie Hunziker, 6. Eddie McVay, 7. Jay King, 8. Bob Burdick, 9. Gene Hartley, 10. Bob Parker, 11. Jack Jansen, 12. Howard House, 13. Bill Lawson, 14. Roger Lane, 15. Joe Walter, 16. Danny Frye, 17. Shorty Templeman, 18. Jerry Kemp.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 19, 1957 – Galesburg Speedway – Galesburg, Michigan

QUALIFYING: 1. Chuck Rodee-15.980.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Don Branson (Bill Logan #38), 2. Shorty Templeman, 3. George Amick, 4. Mel McGaughy, 5. Jimmy Knight, 6. Len Sutton, 7. Jack Turner, 8. Johnnie Tolan, 9. Ronnie Kaplan, 10. Russ Congdon, 11. Al Alpern, 12. Rex Easton, 13. Gene Hartley, 14. Hank Nykaza, 15. Ronnie Duman, 16. Chuck Rodee, 17. Leroy Warriner, 18. Jerry Lundquist.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 20, 1957 – Grand Rapids Speedrome – Grand Rapids, Michigan

QUALIFYING: 1. A.J. Foyt-13.970.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Billy Garrett (Bob Nowicke #15), 2. Andy Linden, 3. Chuck Rodee, 4. Don Branson, 5. Johnnie Tolan, 6. Len Sutton, 7. Rex Easton, 8. George Amick, 9. Jack Turner, 10. Les Scott, 11. Hank Nykaza, 12. A.J. Foyt, 13. Danny Oakes, 14. Russ Congdon, 15. Ronnie Duman, 16. Leroy Warriner, 17. Gene Hartley, 18. Ronnie Kaplan.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 21, 1957 – Dixie Motor Speedway – Birch Run, Michigan

QUALIFYING: 1. Clark Templeman-18.120.

FEATURE: (30 laps) 1. George Amick (Bob Sowle #7), 2. Gene Hartley, 3. Rex Easton, 4. Billy Garrett, 5. Jack Turner, 6. Mel McGaughy, 7. Johnnie Tolan, 8. Shorty Templeman, 9. Al Herman, 10. Hank Nykaza, 11. Ronnie Kaplan, 12. Chuck Rodee, 13. Leroy Warriner, 14. Don Branson, 15. Ronnie Duman, 16. Bill Peters, 17. Johnny White, 18. Bill Doster.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 22, 1957 – Motor City Speedway – Detroit, Michigan

QUALIFYING: 1. Andy Linden-13.100.

FEATURE: (75 laps) 1. Chuck Rodee (Ed & Harry Loniewski #87), 2. George Amick, 3. Johnnie Tolan, 4. Jack Turner, 5. Gene Hartley, 6. Andy Linden, 7. Len Sutton, 8. Leroy Warriner, 9. Rex Easton, 10. Ronnie Kaplan, 11. Ronnie Duman, 12. Johnny Fedricks, 13. Bob McLean, 14. Chuck Weyant, 15. Don Branson, 16. Hank Nykaza, 17. Shorty Templeman, 18. Danny Oakes.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 23, 1957 – Kokomo Speedway – Kokomo, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Ronnie Kaplan-17.420.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Len Sutton (Bob Sowle #7), 2. Rex Easton, 3. Chuck Rodee, 4. Danny Oakes, 5. Leroy Warriner, 6. Mauri Wilson, 7. Ted Hartley, 8. Rick Kerr, 9. Gene Force, 10. Ronnie Kaplan, 11. Wally Hostetler, 12. Les Scott, 13. Harry Beck, 14. Mel McGaughy, 15. Norm Hall, 16. Dick Northam, 17. Johnny Roberts, 18. Hank Nykaza.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 26, 1957 – Raceway Park – Blue Island, Illinois

QUALIFYING: 1. Jack Turner-12.870.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Shorty Templeman (Ray Tomaseski #1), 2. Rex Easton, 3. George Amick, 4. Jack Turner, 5. Russ Congdon, 6. Frank Burany, 7. Mauri Wilson, 8. Norm Hall, 9. Leroy Warriner, 10. Les Scott, 11. Ronnie Kaplan, 12. Jack Bates, 13. Chuck Rodee, 14. Len Sutton, 15. Gene Hartley, 16. Jerry Lundquist, 17. Tony Lenti, 18. Mel McGaughy.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 5, 1957 – Springfield Speedway – Springfield, Illinois

QUALIFYING: 1. Shorty Templeman-13.050.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Chuck Rodee (Ed & Harry Loniewski #87), 2. Rex Easton, 3. Don Branson, 4. Shorty Templeman, 5. A.J. Foyt, 6. Jack Turner, 7. George Amick, 8. Chuck Weyant, 9. Johnny Roberts, 10. Mauri Wilson, 11. Mel McGaughy, 12. Carl Williams, 13. Ronnie Kaplan, 14. Norm Hall, 15. Ray Richards, 16. Don Phillips, 17. Gene Weyant, 18. Bob Wente.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 6, 1957 – Motor City Speedway – Detroit, Michigan

QUALIFYING: 1. Jack Turner-12.920.

FEATURE: (75 laps) 1. Danny Oakes (Bill Butters #59), 2. A.J. Foyt, 3. Andy Linden, 4. Gays Biro, 5. Len Sutton, 6. Johnnie Tolan, 7. Gene Hartley, 8. Jack Turner, 9. Shorty Templeman, 10. Russ Congdon, 11. Mel McGaughy, 12. Eddie Johnson, 13. Les Scott, 14. Hank Nykaza, 15. Chuck Rodee, 16. Ronnie Kaplan, 17. Leroy Warriner, 18. Bill Peters.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 10, 1957 – Raceway Park – Blue Island, Illinois

QUALIFYING: 1. Rex Easton-12.880.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Shorty Templeman (Ray Tomaseski #1), 2. Tony Bettenhausen, 3. Jack Turner, 4. Rex Easton, 5. A.J. Foyt, 6. Len Sutton, 7. Frank Burany, 8. Mel McGaughy, 9. Gene Hartley, 10. Leroy Warriner, 11. Chuck Rodee, 12. Bob Wente, 13. Mauri Wilson, 14. Andy Linden, 15. Jack Bates, 16. Les Scott, 17. Don Branson, 18. Tony Lenti.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 12, 1957 – Cincinnati Race Bowl – Evendale, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Don Branson-13.040.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Rex Easton (Lloyd Rahn #5), 2. A.J. Foyt, 3. Len Sutton, 4. Don Branson, 5. Norm Hall, 6. Bob McLean, 7. Les Scott, 8. Russ Congdon, 9. Paul Howe, 10. Cecil Smith, 11. Johnnie Tolan, 12. Gene Force, 13. Mel McGaughy, 14. Bob Wente, 15. Elmer George, 16. Leroy Warriner.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 13, 1957 – 16th Street Speedway – Indianapolis, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Len Sutton-15.920.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Johnnie Tolan (Don Persons #79), 2. Len Sutton, 3. Les Scott, 4. Mel McGaughy, 5. Hank Nykaza, 6. Rex Easton, 7. Shorty Templeman, 8. Ronnie Kaplan, 9. Jack Bates, 10. Jack Turner, 11. Norm Hall, 12. Gene Hartley, 13. Gene Force, 14. George Amick, 15. Eddie Johnson, 16. Jimmy Davies, 17. Frank Burany, 18. Andy Linden.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 17, 1957 – Galesburg Speedway – Galesburg, Michigan

QUALIFYING: 1. Leroy Warriner-15.960.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Danny Oakes (Bill Butters #59), 2. Len Sutton, 3. Johnny Kay, 4. A.J. Foyt, 5. Jack Turner, 6. Shorty Templeman, 7. Andy Linden, 8. Norm Hall, 9. Ronnie Kaplan, 10. Johnnie Tolan, 11. Chuck Rodee, 12. Les Scott, 13. Bob Wente, 14. Tony Lenti, 15. Jimmy Davies, 16. Gene Hartley, 17. Leroy Warriner, 18. Rex Easton.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 18, 1957 – South Bend Motor Speedway – South Bend, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Jack Bates-13.250.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Norm Hall (Phillip Cole #32), 2. A.J. Foyt, 3. Danny Oakes, 4. Bob McLean, 5. Johnny Kay, 6. Shorty Templeman, 7. Chuck Rodee, 8. Jack Turner, 9. Gene Hartley, 10. Les Scott, 11. Len Sutton, 12. Don Branson, 13. Tony Lenti, 14. Jack Bates, 15. Ronnie Kaplan, 16. Ted Hartley, 17. Bill Homeier, 18. Leroy Warriner.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 19, 1957 – Berlin Raceway – Marne, Michigan

QUALIFYING: 1. Gene Hartley-24.730.

FEATURE: (30 laps) 1. Gene Hartley (Mabel Cummings #45), 2. George Amick, 3. Len Sutton, 4. Don Branson, 5. Rex Easton, 6. Jack Turner, 7. Chuck Rodee, 8. Danny Oakes, 9. A.J. Foyt, 10. Shorty Templeman, 11. Bob Wente, 12. Bob McLean, 13. Bill Homeier, 14. Johnny Roberts, 15. Norm Hall, 16. Bill Doster, 17. Johnny Fedricks, 18. Ronnie Kaplan.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 20, 1957 – Motor City Speedway – Detroit, Michigan

QUALIFYING: 1. Chuck Rodee-12.940.

FEATURE: (75 laps) 1. Andy Linden (Lee Elkins #73), 2. Shorty Templeman, 3. Jack Turner, 4. Eddie Johnson, 5. Chuck Rodee, 6. Don Branson, 7. Les Scott, 8. Len Sutton, 9. Rex Easton, 10. Ronnie Duman, 11. Bob Wente, 12. Bob McLean, 13. Johnny Kay, 14. A.J. Foyt, 15. Leroy Warriner, 16. Norm Hall, 17. Jim Packard, 18. Gays Biro.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 27, 1957 – Soldier Field – Chicago, Illinois

QUALIFYING: 1. Len Sutton-16.520.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Frank Burany (Ashley Wright #2), 2. Shorty Templeman, 3. Leroy Warriner, 4. Len Sutton, 5. Tony Bettenhausen, 6. Elmer George, 7. Jack Turner, 8. Les Scott, 9. Ronnie Kaplan, 10. Bob McLean, 11. Hank Nykaza, 12. George Amick, 13. Chuck Rodee, 14. Jack Bates, 15. Eddie Johnson, 16. Norm Hall, 17. Mauri Wilson, 18. A.J. Foyt.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 28, 1957 – 16th Street Speedway – Indianapolis, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Mauri Wilson-15.860.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. George Amick (Elbert Willey #64), 2. Shorty Templeman, 3. Len Sutton, 4. Mauri Wilson, 5. Gene Hartley, 6. Danny Oakes, 7. Chuck Rodee, 8. Leroy Warriner, 9. Andy Linden, 10. Jack Turner, 11. Ronnie Kaplan, 12. Rodger Ward, 13. Don Branson, 14. Norm Hall, 15. Rex Easton, 16. Dick Northam, 17. Frank Burany, 18. Jack Bates.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 1, 1957 – Grand Rapids Speedrome – Grand Rapids, Michigan

QUALIFYING: 1. Andy Linden-13.880.

FEATURE: (75 laps) 1. Rex Easton (Lloyd Rahn #5), 2. Jack Turner, 3. George Amick, 4. Gene Hartley, 5. Shorty Templeman, 6. Norm Hall, 7. A.J. Foyt, 8. Johnny Kay, 9. Chuck Rodee, 10. Elmer George, 11. Les Scott, 12. Bob Zomerhuis, 13. Andy Linden, 14. Ken Henderson, 15. Len Sutton, 16. Bob Wente, 17. Bill Homeier.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 2, 1957 – Zilwaukee Speedway – Saginaw, Michigan

QUALIFYING: 1. George Amick-14.180.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Rex Easton (Lloyd Rahn #5), 2. A.J. Foyt, 3. Bob Wente, 4. Norm Hall, 5. Leroy Warriner, 6. Shorty Templeman, 7. George Amick, 8. Hank Nykaza, 9. Chuck Rodee, 10. Andy Linden, 11. Len Sutton, 12. Johnny Kay, 13. Elmer George, 14. Jim Packard, 15. Les Scott, 16. Jack Turner, 17. Larry McCloskey, 18. Bill Homeier.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 3, 1957 – Motor City Speedway – Detroit, Michigan

QUALIFYING: 1. Gene Hartley-12.910.

FEATURE: (75 laps) 1. George Amick (Elbert Willey #64), 2. Jack Turner, 3. Gays Biro, 4. A.J. Foyt, 5. Shorty Templeman, 6. Johnny Kay, 7. Gene Hartley, 8. Leroy Warriner, 9. Rex Easton, 10. Len Sutton, 11. Andy Linden, 12. Chuck Rodee, 13. Johnny Fedricks, 14. Eddie Johnson, 15. Hank Nykaza, 16. Fred Johns, 17. Elmer George, 18. Ronnie Kaplan.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 7, 1957 – Kil-Kare Speedway – Xenia, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Andy Linden-15.560.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. George Amick (Elbert Willey #64), 2. Jack Turner, 3. Leroy Warriner, 4. Norm Hall, 5. Don Branson, 6. Andy Linden, 7. Len Sutton, 8. Chuck Rodee, 9. Rex Easton, 10. Johnny Kay, 11. Ted Hartley, 12. A.J. Foyt.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 8, 1957 – South Bend Motor Speedway – South Bend, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Jack Bates-13.320.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Chuck Rodee (Ed & Harry Loniewski #87), 2. Leroy Warriner, 3. Len Sutton, 4. Shorty Templeman, 5. A.J. Foyt, 6. Rex Easton, 7. Jack Turner, 8. Gene Hartley, 9. Bob McLean, 10. Norm Hall, 11. George Amick, 12. Danny Oakes.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 9, 1957 – Cincinnati Race Bowl – Evendale, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Don Branson-12.890.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Rex Easton (Lloyd Rahn #5), 2. A.J. Foyt, 3. Jack Turner, 4. Johnny Kay, 5. Len Sutton, 6. George Amick, 7. Eddie Sachs, 8. Don Branson, 9. Shorty Templeman, 10. Chuck Rodee, 11. Dick Northam, 12. Leroy Warriner.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 10, 1957 – 16th Street Speedway – Indianapolis, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Jack Turner-15.710.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Rex Easton (Lloyd Rahn #5), 2. A.J. Foyt, 3. Shorty Templeman, 4. Andy Linden, 5. Gene Hartley, 6. Jack Turner, 7. Chuck Rodee, 8. Don Branson, 9. Bob Wente, 10. Danny Oakes, 11. Jimmy Reece, 12. Paul Howe, 13. Les Scott, 14. Johnny Kay, 15. Mauri Wilson, 16. Len Sutton, 17. George Amick, 18. Ted Hartley.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 14, 1957 – Raceway Park – Blue Island, Illinois

QUALIFYING: 1. Gene Hartley-12.880.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Len Sutton (Kathryn Wright #57), 2. Rex Easton, 3. A.J. Foyt, 4. Jack Turner, 5. Gene Hartley, 6. Shorty Templeman, 7. Bob McLean, 8. Mauri Wilson, 9. Jack Bates, 10. Byron Fisher, 11. Johnny Roberts, 12. Don Branson, 13. Johnny Kay, 14. Bob Wente, 15. Don Boorse, 16. Tony Lenti, 17. Chuck Rodee, 18. Tony Bettenhausen.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 16, 1957 – Springfield Speedway – Springfield, Illinois

QUALIFYING: 1. Shorty Templeman-13.200.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Rex Easton (Lloyd Rahn #5), 2. Bill Homeier, 3. Chuck Rodee, 4. Gene Hartley, 5. Bob Wente, 6. Billy Garrett, 7. Shorty Templeman, 8. Norm Hall, 9. Carl Williams, 10. Roger Lane, 11. Don Branson, 12. Chuck Weyant, 11. Don Branson, 12. Chuck Weyant, 13. Johnny Roberts, 14. Gene Weyant, 15. Chuck Marshall, 16. A.J. Foyt, 17. Jack Turner, 18. Don Edmunds.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 17, 1957 – Kokomo Speedway – Kokomo, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Shorty Templeman-17.330.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Rex Easton (Lloyd Rahn #5), 2. Mauri Wilson, 3. Bill Homeier, 4. Rick Kerr, 5. Paul Howe, 6. Norm Hall, 7. Johnny Roberts, 8. Shorty Templeman, 9. Chuck Rodee, 10. Gene Hartley, 11. Danny Oakes, 12. Hank Nykaza, 13. Bob Schroeder, 14. George Tichenor, 15. Ted Hartley, 16. Johnnie Parsons, 17. Bob McLean, 18. Bob Wente.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 21, 1957 – O’Hare Stadium – Chicago, Illinois

QUALIFYING: 1. Tony Bettenhausen-14.490.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Jack Turner (Jack Turner #6), 2. A.J. Foyt, 3. Shorty Templeman, 4. Rex Easton, 5. Chuck Rodee, 6. Bob McLean, 7. Billy Garrett, 8. Mauri Wilson, 9. Bob Wente, 10. Byron Fisher, 11. Gene Force, 12. Danny Oakes, 13. Tony Lenti, 14. Gene Hartley, 15. Len Sutton, 16. Bob Hare, 17. Tony Bettenhausen, 18. Bob Ellingham.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 24, 1957 – Wisconsin State Fair Park – West Allis, Wisconsin

QUALIFYING: 1. Don Branson-35.908.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Johnnie Parsons (Fred Gerhardt #31), 2. Rodger Ward, 3. Len Sutton, 4. Gene Hartley, 5. Frank Burany, 6. Jud Larson, 7. Jimmy Reece, 8. Chuck Weyant, 9. Danny Oakes, 10. Johnny Thomson, 11. Eddie Johnson, 12. George Amick, 13. Johnnie Tolan, 14. Shorty Templeman, 15. Pat O’Connor, 16. Don Branson, 17. Billy Garrett, 18. Gene Force, 19. Norm Hall, 20. Chuck Rodee, 21. Gays Biro, 22. Art Bisch, 23. Andy Linden, 24. Ray Crawford, 25. Rex Records, 26. Mauri Wilson, 27. Hank Nykaza, 28. Tony Bettenhausen, 29. Bob Wente, 30. Jack Turner, 31. A.J. Foyt, 32. Dick Ritchie, 33. Rex Easton.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 27, 1957 – Sportsdrome – Jeffersonville, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Shorty Templeman-15.070.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Rex Easton (Lloyd Rahn #5), 2. Shorty Templeman, 3. Gene Hartley, 4. Jack Turner, 5. Danny Oakes, 6. A.J. Foyt, 7. Len Sutton, 8. Art Bisch, 9. Rick Kerr, 10. Don Branson, 11. Justin King, 12. Cecil Smith, 13. Billy Garrett, 14. Johnny Kay, 15. Tony Bettenhausen, 16. Chuck Rodee.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 29, 1957 – Motor City Speedway – Detroit, Michigan

QUALIFYING: 1. Gene Hartley-13.040.

FEATURE: (75 laps) 1. Jack Turner (Jack Turner #6), 2. Rex Easton, 3. A.J. Foyt, 4. Gene Hartley, 5. Len Sutton, 6. Gays Biro, 7. Johnny Kay, 8. Don Branson, 9. Ronnie Duman, 10. Johnny Fedricks, 11. Fred Johns, 12. Shorty Templeman, 13. Bill Sprentall, 14. Rick Kerr, 15. Chuck Rodee.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: September 1, 1957 – Michigan State Fairgrounds – Detroit, Michigan

QUALIFYING: 1. Shorty Templeman-37.720.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Johnnie Parsons (Fred Gerhardt #1), 2. Shorty Templeman, 3. Gays Biro, 4. Chuck Weyant, 5. A.J. Foyt, 6. Gene Hartley, 7. Bob Wente, 8. Len Sutton, 9. Jack Turner, 10. Bill Homeier, 11. Frank Burany, 12. Chuck Rodee, 13. Wally Hostetler, 14. Johnny Roberts, 15. Ted Hartley, 16. Art Hartsfeld, 17. Johnny Fedricks, 18. Buckie Sager, 19. Les Scott, 20. Ronnie Duman, 21. Ronnie Kaplan, 22. Johnny Kay.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: September 1, 1957 – Dayton Speedway – Dayton, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Rex Easton-19.380.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Rex Easton (Lloyd Rahn #5), 2. Don Branson, 3. Andy Linden, 4. Ed Elisian, 5. Gene Force, 6. Art Bisch, 7. George Morris, 8. Vern Faler, 9. Rick Kerr, 10. Bill Peters, 11. Dick Betts, 12. George Amick, 13. Cecil Smith, 14. Tuffy Cushner, 15. Red Landrum, 16. Clyde Egbert, 17. Tom Marshall, 18. Norm Hall, 19. Jim Hemmings, 20. Danny Oakes.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: September 4, 1957 – Illiana Motor Speedway – Schererville, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Len Sutton-23.920.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Tony Bettenhausen (Harry Turner #82), 2. Gene Hartley, 3. Rex Easton, 4. Jack Turner, 5. Len Sutton, 6. Chuck Weyant, 7. Don Branson, 8. A.J. Foyt, 9. Chuck Rodee, 10. Danny Oakes, 11. Ted Hartley, 12. Frank Burany, 13. Bill Homeier, 14. Don Boorse, 15. Danny Kladis, 16. Gene Force, 17. Shorty Templeman, 18. Billy Garrett, 19. Elmer George, 20. Norm Hall.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: September 7, 1957 – 16th Street Speedway – Indianapolis, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Dick Betts-15.830.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Gene Hartley (Red Marley #88), 2. Gene Force, 3. Rex Easton, 4. Mauri Wilson, 5. Danny Oakes, 6. Chuck Rodee, 7. Jack Turner, 8. Eddie Johnson, 9. Shorty Templeman, 10. Norm Hall, 11. Len Sutton, 12. Jack Bates, 13. Don Branson, 14. Frank Burany, 15. Jiggs Peters, 16. Ted Hartley, 17. Leroy Warriner, 18. Johnny Kay.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: September 10, 1957 – Columbus Motor Speedway – Columbus, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. A.J. Foyt-16.120.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Rex Easton (Lloyd Rahn #5), 2. Jack Turner, 3. Danny Oakes, 4. Shorty Templeman, 5. A.J. Foyt, 6. Billy Garrett, 7. Jim Packard, 8. Jim Whitman, 9. Gays Biro, 10. Gene Hartley, 11. Don Branson, 12. Rick Kerr, 13. Paul Howe, 14. Norm Hall, 15. Len Sutton, 16. Chuck Rodee, 17. Walt Schmidthorst.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: September 11, 1957 – Kil-Kare Speedway – Xenia, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Gene Hartley-15.330.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. A.J. Foyt (Bob Higman #67), 2. Len Sutton, 3. Rex Easton, 4. Chuck Rodee, 5. Shorty Templeman, 6. Billy Garrett, 7. Don Branson, 8. Gene Force, 9. Norm Hall, 10. Elmer George, 11. Jim Whitman, 12. Johnny Kay.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: September 15, 1957 – Raceway Park – Blue Island, Illinois

QUALIFYING: 1. Mauri Wilson-13.970.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Gene Hartley (Ray Bolander #4), 2. Chuck Rodee, 3. George Amick, 4. Danny Oakes, 5. Jack Bates, 6. Tony Bettenhausen, 7. Don Boorse, 8. Frank Burany, 9. Don Branson, 10. Johnny Roberts, 11. Paul Howe, 12. Lloyd Janke, 13. A.J. Foyt, 14. Len Sutton, 15. Rex Easton, 16. Shorty Templeman, 17. Jack Turner, 18. Mauri Wilson.

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Rodee Wins 100-Miler at Trenton

Trenton, New Jersey.....Chuck Rodee of Indianapolis, Indiana won the first 100-mile USAC National Midget Championship race at the New Jersey State Fairgrounds on Sunday, September 22.

Rodee's winning time on the one-mile track was 1 hour, 1 minute, 42 seconds for an average of 97.245 miles per hour.

Bill Randall of North Reading, Massachusetts was the fastest qualifier with a time of 35.460 seconds at an average of 101.523 miles per hour and led the race from the start.

Van Johnson of Anaheim, California, who had started in the 18th position in a field of 33 starters, had passed Randall by the end of 30 laps. Johnson hit the wall halfway through the race and that started a duel for first between Len Sutton of

Portland, Oregon and Jim Packard of Indianapolis, Indiana. After Sutton had dropped out with mechanical difficulties, Rodee passed Packard and led to the finish.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: September 22, 1957 – New Jersey State Fairgrounds – Trenton, New Jersey

QUALIFYING: 1. Bill Randall-35.460.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Chuck Rodee (Ed & Harry Loniewski #87), 2. Shorty Templeman, 3. Gene Hartley, 4. Gays Biro, 5. Chuck Weyant, 6. Rex Records, 7. Wayne Doerstler, 8. Tony Bonadies, 9. Jim Packard, 10. Jim Whitman, 11. Jerry Russo, 12. Chuck Arnold, 13. George Amick, 14. Russ Klar, 15. Jiggs Peters, 16. Ernie McCoy, 17. Len Duncan, 18. Roger Bailey, 19. Len Sutton, 20. Van Johnson, 21. Bill Randall, 22. Tony Bettenhausen, 23. Bob Wente, 24. Frank Burany, 25. Johnnie Parsons, 26. Bill Homeier, 27. Andy Furci, 28. Dutch Schaefer, 29. Al Herman, 30. Tony Romit, 31. Bill Case, 32. Joe Sostilio, 33. Don Wood. 1:01:42.00

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: September 28, 1957 – Orange Show Stadium – San Bernardino, California

QUALIFYING: 1. Ray Crawford-17.030.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Johnnie Tolan (Bill Krech #76), 2. Art Bisch, 3. Harry Stockman, 4. Don Edmunds, 5. Don Horvath, 6. Dempsey Wilson, 7. Billy Garrett, 8. Ray Crawford, 9. Norm Rapp, 10. Jim Hayes, 11. Danny Burke, 12. Gene Gurney, 13. Joe Garson, 14. Larry Dunham, 15. Les Scott, 16. Bud Clemons.

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Johnny Boyd Wins Midget Race at Gardena

Gardena, California.....Johnny Boyd of Fresno, California won the 100-lap feature event on the quarter-mile dirt track at California's Gardena Stadium on Saturday, October 5.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: October 5, 1957 – Gardena Stadium – Gardena, California

QUALIFYING: 1. Art Bisch-14.290.

FIRST HEAT: 1. Johnny Boyd, 2. Dempsey Wilson, 3. Art Bisch.

SECOND HEAT: 1. Dickie Reese, 2. Joe Garson, 3. Roy Gillhamer.

THIRD HEAT: 1. Don Horvath, 2. Leroy Warriner, 3. Billy Garrett.

FOURTH HEAT: 1. Johnny Boyd, 2. Dickie Reese, 3. Dempsey Wilson.

SEMI: 1. Dickie Reese, 2. George Amick, 3. Norm Rapp.

DASH: 1. Bob Veith, 2. Ray Crawford, 3. Art Bisch.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Johnny Boyd (Jack London #5), 2. Ray Crawford, 3. Johnnie Parsons, 4. Bob Cortner, 5. Dempsey Wilson, 6. Danny Oakes, 7. Harry Stockman, 8. Art Bisch, 9. Billy Garrett, 10. Bob Machin, 11. Don Edmunds, 12. Bill Cheesbourg, 13. Les Scott, 14. Bud Clemons, 15. Bob Veith, 16. Leroy Warriner, 17. Rosie Roussel, 18. Johnnie Tolan.

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Hartley Wins Hut 100 at Terre Haute

Terre Haute, Indiana.....Gene Hartley of Roanoke, Indiana won the final Midwest Midget race of the season, the Hut 100 at Indiana's Terre Haute Action Track on Sunday, October 6, as records were broken for all distances.

Hartley jumped into the lead in the first turn of the 100-lap feature event on the half-mile dirt track and was in command all the way. He finished a half-lap ahead of the second place driver, Jud Larson, and set a new record for 100 laps of 44 minutes and 20.17 seconds, breaking the old record of 46:21.12 set by Tony Bettenhausen on October 9, 1955.

Missouri's Bob Wente cracked the old qualifying mark of 25.190 seconds set by Don Branson on October 7, 1956, with a time of 24.820 seconds.

Frank Burany of Elm Grove, Wisconsin won the first heat race in a record time for 10 laps of 4:17.28, erasing Gays Biro's mark of 4:25.23, set on October 7, 1956.

Nine cars of an original starting field of 24 were running at the finish.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: October 6, 1957 – Terre Haute Action Track – Terre Haute, Indiana – Hut 100

QUALIFYING: 1. Bob Wente-24.820 (New Track Record)

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Frank Burany, 2. Shorty Templeman, 3. Jud Larson. 4:17.28 (New Track Record)

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Bill Homeier, 2. Van Johnson, 3. A.J. Foyt.

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Chuck Weyant, 2. Gene Force, 3. Chuck Rodee.

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Mauri Wilson, 2. Andy Linden, 3. Elmer George.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Gene Hartley (Ray Bolander #4), 2. Jud Larson, 3. Bill Homeier, 4. Mauri Wilson, 5. A.J. Foyt, 6. Johnny Roberts, 7. Frank Burany, 8. Don Branson, 9. Paul Howe, 10. Jimmy Reece, 11. Don Evans, 12. Andy Linden, 13. Shorty Templeman, 14. Chuck Weyant, 15. Don Boorse, 16. Chuck Rodee, 17. Gene Force, 18. Jim Packard, 19. Van Johnson, 20. Bob Wente, 21. Norm Hall, 22. Jack Stroud, 23. Rex Easton, 24. Elmer George. 44:20.17 (New Track Record)

FEATURE LAP LEADERS: Laps 1-100 Gene Hartley.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: October 18, 1957 – Contra Costa Stadium – Pacheco, California

QUALIFYING: 1. Shorty Templeman-14.600.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Johnny Boyd (Jack London #5), 2. Shorty Templeman, 3. George Amick, 4. Les Scott, 5. Gene Gurney, 6. Billy Garrett, 7. Danny Oakes, 8. Bob Veith, 9. Johnnie Tolan, 10. Ed Normi, 11. Don Horvath, 12. Bob Cortner, 13. Bob Machin, 14. Larry Dunham, 15. Ray Crawford, 16. Roy Gillhamer, 17. Art Bisch, 18. Dempsey Wilson.

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Amick Wins Midget Race at Clovis

Clovis, California.....George Amick of Venice, California won the 50-lap feature of a midget program on the half-mile Clovis Speedway dirt track in California on Sunday, November 3.

Andy Linden suffered severe head injuries when his car went through the outside guardrail and overturned on the 15th lap of the feature event.

Shorty Templeman of Seattle, Washington was the fastest qualifier with a time of 26.370 seconds. This is a track record, since this was the first race sanctioned by the United States Auto Club on the Clovis track.

Templeman was second in the 50-lapper. His second place finish enabled him to pass Billy Garrett in the Pacific Coast Midget Championship point standings.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: November 3, 1957 – Clovis Speedway – Clovis, California

QUALIFYING: 1. Shorty Templeman-26.370 (New Track Record).

FIRST HEAT: 1. Norm Hall, 2. Bob Cortner, 3. Andy Linden.

SECOND HEAT: 1. George Amick, 2. Earl Motter, 3. Art Bisch.

THIRD HEAT: 1. Bob Spoo, 2. Roy Gillhamer, 3. Rodger Ward.

DASH: 1. Bill Homeier, 2. Shorty Templeman, 3. Art Bisch, 4. Danny Oakes.

SEMI: 1. Bob Cortner, 2. Roy Gillhamer, 3. Earl Motter.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. George Amick (Harold Guidi #15), 2. Shorty Templeman, 3. Art Bisch, 4. Rodger Ward, 5. Johnnie Parsons, 6. Joe Garson, 7. Elmer George, 8. Gene Gurney, 9. Ray Crawford, 10. Bob Cortner, 11. Cotton Farmer, 12. Les Scott, 13. Johnny Boyd, 14. Billy Garrett, 15. Danny Oakes, 16. Don Edmunds, 17. Bill Homeier, 18. Andy Linden.

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Amick Wins Turkey Night Grand Prix at Gardena

Gardena, California.....George Amick of Venice, California won the 150-lap USAC National Midget Championship race at California's Gardena Stadium on Thanksgiving day, November 28, in record time of 38:09.93.

Amick was followed across the finish by a couple of veteran midgeteers in Johnnie Parsons of Van Nuys, California and Johnnie Tolan of Denver, Colorado.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: November 28, 1957 – Gardena Stadium – Gardena, California – Turkey Night Grand Prix

QUALIFYING: 1. Bob Cortner-14.670.

DASH: 1. George Amick, 2. Johnnie Parsons, 3. Bob Cortner, 4. Johnnie Tolan.

SEMI: 1. Art Bisch, 2. Larry Dunham, 3. Bob Machin, 4. Don Edmunds, 5. Dempsey Wilson, 6. Rodger Ward.

FEATURE: (150 laps) 1. George Amick (Harold Guidi #15), 2. Johnnie Parsons, 3. Johnnie Tolan, 4. Joe Garson, 5. Bob Cortner, 6. Art Bisch, 7. Rosie Roussel, 8. Larry Dunham, 9. Danny Oakes, 10. Ray Crawford, 11. Bob Veith, 12. Dickie Reese, 13. Johnny Moorhouse, 14. Don Horvath, 15. Shorty Templeman, 16. Harry Stockman, 17. Gene Gurney, 18. Bud Clemons. 38:09.93 (New Track Record)

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Templeman Wins Midget Race at Bonelli

Santa Clarita, California.....Shorty Templeman of Seattle, Washington completed a most successful season in midget competition by winning the 100-lap feature event on the one-third mile paved track of Bonelli Stadium in Santa Clarita, California on Sunday, December 29.

Templeman, who won the USAC National, Midwest, and Pacific Coast Midget Championships for 1957, took the lead from George Amick of Venice, California on the 18th lap and was leading by three quarters of a lap at the finish.

Templeman's time in Ashley Wright's roadster midget was 34:20.70. His share of a \$2,280 purse was \$500.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: December 29, 1957 – Bonelli Stadium – Santa Clarita, California

QUALIFYING: 1. Bud Clemons-19.050.

DASH: 1. Jerry Lundquist, 2. Johnny Boyd.

FIRST HEAT: 1. George Amick, 2. Bill Cheesbourg, 3. Joe Garson.

SECOND HEAT: 1. Shorty Templeman, 2. Norm Hall, 3. Rodger Ward.

THIRD HEAT: 1. Jack Turner, 2. Johnnie Tolan, 3. Len Sutton.

FIRST SEMI: 1. George Amick, 2. Jack Turner, 3. Johnnie Tolan, 4. Len Sutton.

SECOND SEMI: 1. Les Scott, 2. Shorty Templeman, 3. Cotton Farmer, 4. Danny Oakes.

LAST CHANCE: 1. Johnnie Parsons, 2. Jerry Lundquist, 3. Bud Clemons.

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Shorty Templeman (Kathryn Wright #57), 2. George Amick, 3. Rodger Ward, 4. Johnnie Tolan, 5. Bill Cheesbourg, 6. Johnny Boyd, 7. Billy Garrett, 8. Len Sutton, 9. Jack Turner, 10. Danny Oakes, 11. Norm Hall, 12. Gene Gurney, 13. Les Scott, 14. Joe Garson, 15. Jerry Lundquist, 16. Art Bisch, 17. Cotton Farmer, 18. Johnnie Parsons. 34:20.70