

1974 USAC NATIONAL MIDGET SEASON REVIEW

Kenyon is First to Four in '74

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No one to this point had won the USAC National Midget championship four times, but Mel Kenyon had set this as his goal.

Heading into the 1974 season, it had been six years since Kenyon topped the midget chart, and with his brother Don at his side, he was determined to be the king once more. In reaching his goal, Kenyon followed one of the time-honored keys to success - he showed up. Mel lined up for 36 of the 40 scheduled races, six more than any other USAC driver.

Defending champion Larry Rice got off on the wrong foot when he failed to qualify for the opening round indoors at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum in Fort Wayne, Ind. By the time of the series' return to the venue two weeks later, Rice had grown a beard, then rebounded by leading all 100 laps from the pole in the race named in honor of Chuck Rodee.

Steve Cannon won the Fort Wayne opener and, ultimately, secured the Indoor Midget title by a single point over Jimmy Caruthers, the 1970 champion, who grabbed an early point lead by taking his father's car to a win in the first outdoor race of the year at San Jose, Calif. in February. The result raised eyebrows as the top-three cars were powered by a Volkswagen engine.

Gary Byers had competed for nine USAC seasons without a victory, but it was his turn to put one in the column in March indoors at the Indiana State Fairgrounds Coliseum where he broke through for a historic victory. The event marked the long-awaited return to the venue that hosted the first Midget event ever held in the state of Indiana in 1935.

It took some time for Tommy Astone to crack the top-10 in points, but it was mission accomplished when he scored a Night Before the 500 win for Doug Caruthers in May at Indianapolis Raceway Park. Mel Kenyon, now sporting a VW engine of his own, remained atop the points, and added to his margin by winning for the second time at Columbus, Ohio.

The busy summer months proved to be a busy lot with nine dates on the card in June and 14 in July, and when the months closed, Kenyon was still clinging to the top spot and extended his all-time win total to 75 at Denver's Lakeside Speedway on July 19. Rich Vogler's title chances dimmed after sailing over the wall at Oklahoma's Enid Speedway. He was uninjured.

Mel Kenyon flipped violently at Terre Haute to close out July. To recuperate, he planned to sit out the next scheduled race, but a rainout softened the blow of that decision. The final stretch began in August and saw Bob Wente demonstrate he still had fire in his belly with back-to-back while Pancho Carter closed out August with a score on the Du Quoin mile.

As the season wound down, it was clear that nothing stood in the way of Mel Kenyon grabbing his unprecedented fourth championship, but as the year ended, many were wowed by the performance of Bobby Olivero. Bobby carried L. T. "Red" Caruthers' car to three-straight wins in September, including the Hut 100 at the Terre Haute (Ind.) Action Track.

Tommy Astone and Larry Rice rounded out the podium of the standings, with Don Kenyon as the entrant champion. Enid, Oklahoma 18-year-old Richard Powell, who scored a win at Kansas City's Olympic Stadium, was named Rookie of the Year after a ninth-place points finish. Steve Lotshaw, eighth in the standings, was declared the series' Most Improved Driver. The recently retired Merle Bettenhausen was honored with the Jim Blunk Award for Sportsmanship.

Merle's abrupt early July retirement came while he was second in points, citing his desire to be home for his wife and newborn daughter, with the final clincher coming when brother Gary had his left arm paralyzed during a USAC Silver Crown crash at the New York State Fairgrounds that same week. Gary returned in time for November's Turkey Night GP, starting 27th and was running eighth before dropping out. The race was won by first-time USAC winner Danny McKnight.

In off-track news, USAC president Bill Smyth resigned after four-and-a-half years of service. Reynold MacDonald assumed that post with Dick King installed as “the operating head of the club.” On the midget front, Malone served as supervisor, and all USAC personnel faced a unique challenge. In the face of the phenomenon known as the energy crisis, the brass called for a plan to cut fuel consumption by 25%, much of it through strategic scheduling.

Eight-time USAC National Midget winner, 55-year-old Eddie Johnson, his wife Shirley and two other persons were fatally injured in a private plane crash near Lorain, Ohio on June 30. Car owner Owen Kincaid, a 15-time series winner, died in Terre Haute, Ind. on July 6 following an extended illness at age 71. Veteran West Coast Midget car owner Sim Clark died on November 22 while on a fishing trip. His cars won four USAC National Midget features between 1965-1972.

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: January 6, 1974 – Allen County War Memorial Coliseum – Fort Wayne, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Bob Hare, 18, Cornell-8.670; 2. Tom Bigelow, 8, Cornell-8.710; 3. Gary Bettenhausen, 93, Linne-8.740; 4. Jimmy Caruthers, 1, Caruthers-8.840; 5. Eric Morrison, 38, Morrison-8.850; 6. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-8.870; 7. Johnny Parsons, 48, Heerboth-8.910; 8. Merle Bettenhausen, 16, Bettenhausen-8.910; 9. Steve Cannon, 67, Schneider-8.940; 10. Sonny Ates, 34, Cooper-9.010; 11. Billy Engelhart, 59, Tyler-9.080; 12. Jigger Sirois, 50, Doty-9.080; 13. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-9.140; 14. Gary Ponzini, 24, Carey-9.160; 15. Rich Vogler, 17, Korff-9.190; 16. Tom Steiner, 96, Steffes-9.280; 17. Richard Powell, 44, Powell-9.310; 18. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-9.340; 19. Mike Gregg, 7, Gamester-9.380; 20. John Toth, 31, Koehler-9.500; 21. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-9.580; 22. Duke Cook, 177, Bursac-9.610; 23. Jerry Howe, 49, Ammerman-9.650; 24. Van Gurley, 63, Lasser-9.650; 25. Lee Mettetal, 94, Mettetal-10.010; 26. Ron Eden, 77, Eden-10.010; 27. Bruce Field, 81, Graham-10.200; 28. Larry Rice, 2, Shannon-13.460.

NON-QUALIFIERS RACE: (15 laps) 1. Duke Cook, 2. Ron Eden, 3. Jerry Howe, 4. Lee Mettetal, 5. Larry Rice, 6. Bruce Field, 7. Van Gurley, 8. Greg Staab. NT

FIRST HEAT: (15 laps) 1. Gary Irvin, 2. Bob Hare, 3. Richard Powell, 4. Eric Morrison, 5. Steve Cannon, 6. Greg Staab. NT

SECOND HEAT: (15 laps) 1. Duke Cook, 2. Tom Bigelow, 3. Steve Lotshaw, 4. Sonny Ates, 5. Gary Ponzini, 6. Bob Lithgow. 2:20.74

THIRD HEAT: (15 laps) 1. Merle Bettenhausen, 2. Mike Gregg, 3. Johnny Parsons, 4. Rich Vogler, 5. Jerry Howe, 6. Billy Engelhart. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (15 laps) 1. Jigger Sirois, 2. Merle Bettenhausen, 3. Jimmy Caruthers, 4. Tom Steiner, 5. Van Gurley, 6. John Toth. NT

SEMI: (20 laps) 1. Duke Cook, 2. Tom Steiner, 3. Mike Gregg, 4. Rich Vogler, 5. Gary Irvin, 6. Richard Powell, 7. Jerry Howe, 8. Gary Ponzini, 9. Billy Engelhart, 10. Jigger Sirois, 11. Bob Lithgow, 12. John Toth. NT

FEATURE: (75 laps) 1. Steve Cannon, 2. Johnny Parsons, 3. Merle Bettenhausen, 4. Jimmy Caruthers, 5. Gary Bettenhausen, 6. Duke Cook, 7. Sonny Ates, 8. Tom Bigelow, 9. Tom Steiner, 10. Steve Lotshaw, 11. Bob Hare, 12. Eric Morrison. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: January 20, 1974 – Allen County War Memorial Coliseum – Fort Wayne, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Bruce Field, 81, Graham-8.620; 2. Tom Bigelow, 8, Cornell-8.670; 3. Van Gurley, 63, Lasser-8.710; 4. Jigger Sirois, 50, Doty-8.710; 5. Bob Hare, 18, Cornell-8.810; 6. Steve Cannon, 67, Schneider-8.820; 7. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-8.830; 8. Johnny Parsons, 48, Heerboth-8.890; 9. Jimmy Caruthers, 1, Caruthers-8.900; 10. Larry Rice, 2, Shannon-9.000; 11. Tom Steiner, 96, Steffes-9.010; 12. John Toth, 31, Koehler-9.040; 13. Merle Bettenhausen, 16, Bettenhausen-9.060; 14. Billy Engelhart, 59, Tyler-9.170; 15. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-9.190; 16. Sonny Ates, 34, Cooper-9.200; 17. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-9.220; 18. Jerry Howe, 49, Ammerman-9.240; 19. Tommy Astone, 56, Bettenhausen-9.240; 20. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-9.310; 21. Eric Morrison, 38, Morrison-9.370; 22. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-9.410; 23. Duke Cook, 177, Bursac-9.460; 24. Lee Mettetal, 94, Mettetal-9.520; 25. Richard Powell, 144, Powell-9.570; 26. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-9.580; 27. Mike Gregg, 7, Gamester-10.020; 28. Ron Eden, 77, Eden-10.110; 29. Rich Vogler, 17, Korff-NT.

NON-QUALIFIERS RACE: (15 laps) 1. Duke Cook, 2. Gary Irvin, 3. Lee Mettetal, 4. Spike Gehlhausen, 5. Richard Powell, 6. Eric Morrison, 7. Ron Eden, 8. Mike Gregg. NT

FIRST HEAT: (15 laps) 1. Jimmy Caruthers, 2. Bob Lithgow, 3. Merle Bettenhausen, 4. Bob Hare, 5. Bruce Field, 6. Eric Morrison. NT

SECOND HEAT: (15 laps) 1. Steve Cannon, 2. Gary Irvin, 3. Larry Rice, 4. Billy Engelhart, 5. Tom Bigelow, 6. Jerry Howe. 2:15.34

THIRD HEAT: (15 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Greg Staab, 3. Tommy Astone, 4. Tom Steiner, 5. Duke Cook, 6. Van Gurley. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (15 laps) 1. Johnny Parsons, 2. Jigger Sirois, 3. Sonny Ates, 4. Steve Lotshaw, 5. John Toth, 6. Lee Mettetal. NT

SEMI: (20 laps) 1. Gary Irvin, 2. Sonny Ates, 3. Billy Engelhart, 4. Steve Lotshaw, 5. Merle Bettenhausen, 6. Tommy Astone, 7. Tom Steiner, 8. Bob Lithgow, 9. Eric Morrison, 10. John Toth, 11. Greg Staab, 12. Jerry Howe. NT

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Larry Rice, 2. Tom Bigelow, 3. Jimmy Caruthers, 4. Mel Kenyon, 5. Steve Cannon, 6. Gary Irvin, 7. Bob Hare, 8. Sonny Ates, 9. Jigger Sirois, 10. Bruce Field, 11. Van Gurley, 12. Johnny Parsons. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: February 17, 1974 – San Jose Speedway – San Jose, California

QUALIFYING: 1. Dave Strickland, 10, Mauro-15.045; 2. Bobby Olivero, 78, Caruthers-15.301; 3. Danny O'Neill, 2x, O'Neill-15.375; 4. Mike Gregg, 2, Polnau-15.483; 5. Floyd Alvis, 110, Alvis-15.550; 6. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-15.560; 7. Chris Cumberworth, 41, Cumberworth-15.584; 8. Chuck Gurney, 125, Shanoian-15.619; 9. Merle Bettenhausen, 16, Bettenhausen-15.648; 10. Johnny W. Anderson, 22, Gonsel-15.651; 11. Pancho Carter, 7, Gamester-15.686; 12. Jimmy Caruthers, 1, Caruthers-15.700; 13. Tony Simon, 36, Baiza-15.723; 14. Ken Nichols, 3x, Rosen-15.835; 15. Sammy Sauer, 29, Conklin-16.022; 16. George Snider, 99, Linne-16.023; 17. Jim Beckley, 97, Morrison-16.030; 18. Larry Rice, 3, Astone-16.088; 19. Wheeler Gresham, 25, Gresham-16.102; 20. Dave Bowling, 159, Bowling-16.284; 21. Ed Shefchik, 31, Shefchik-16.432; 22. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-16.492; 23. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-16.504; 24. Mike Dannenfeldt, 75, Dannenfeldt-16.809; 25. Arlen Stebbins, 100, Adams-17.709; 26. Mike Ryan, 15NZ, Yates-NT; 27. Pancho Carter, 5x, Cook-NT; 28. Tommy Astone, 5, Caruthers-NT; 29. Johnny Parsons, 66, Lee-NT; 30. Milt Harper, 92, Harper-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Dave Strickland, 2. Danny O'Neill, 3. Mike Gregg, 4. Bobby Olivero. 1:01.632

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Dave Strickland, 2. Floyd Alvis, 3. Tony Simon, 4. Ed Shefchik, 5. Arlen Stebbins, 6. Beckley. 2:37.28

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Bobby Olivero, 2. Johnny W. Anderson, 3. Larry Rice, 4. Ken Nichols, 5. Gary Irvin, 6. Mel Kenyon. 2:36.99

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Sammy Sauer, 2. Danny O'Neill, 3. Pancho Carter, 4. Wheeler Gresham, 5. Chris Cumberworth, 6. Richard Powell. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Jimmy Caruthers, 2. Chuck Gurney, 3. George Snider, 4. Mike Gregg, 5. Dave Bowling, 6. Mike Dannenfeldt, 7. Mike Ryan. 2:38.05

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Chris Cumberworth, 3. Merle Bettenhausen, 4. Richard Powell, 5. Wheeler Gresham, 6. Gary Irvin, 7. Ed Shefchik, 8. Mike Dannenfeldt, 9. Arlen Stebbins, 10. Tommy Astone, 11. Larry Rice. 3:07.20

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Jimmy Caruthers, 2. Dave Strickland, 3. Bobby Olivero, 4. Chuck Gurney, 5. Mike Gregg, 6. Johnny W. Anderson, 7. Chris Cumberworth, 8. Floyd Alvis, 9. Sammy Sauer, 10. Ed Shefchik, 11. Pancho Carter, 12. Wheeler Gresham, 13. Mel Kenyon, 14. Ken Nichols, 15. Tommy Astone, 16. Richard Powell, 17. Tony Simon, 18. George Snider, 19. Larry Rice, 20. Merle Bettenhausen. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: February 22, 1974 – Cow Palace – San Francisco, California

QUALIFYING: 1. Jimmy Caruthers, 1, Caruthers-8.277; 2. Dave Strickland, 10, Mauro-8.352; 3. Danny O'Neill, 2x, O'Neill-8.372; 4. Pancho Carter, 5x, Cook-8.415; 5. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-8.437; 6. Larry Rice, 19, Montgomery-8.486; 7. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-8.490; 8. Milt Harper, 92, Harper-8.504; 9. Ken Nichols, 15NZ, Yates-8.614; 10. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-8.646; 11. Chuck Gurney, 125, Shanoian-8.649; 12. Floyd Alvis, 72, Alvis-8.692; 13. Tommy Astone, 3, Astone-8.693; 14. Ted Montague III, 22x, Montague-8.747; 15. Johnny W. Anderson, 122, Gonsel-8.759; 16. Wheeler Gresham, 25, Gresham-8.769; 17. Mike Dannenfeldt, 75, Dannenfeldt-8.773; 18. Vic Mencarini, 60, Corville-8.797; 19. Bob Anstead, 30, Anstead-8.850; 20. Merle Bettenhausen, 16, Bettenhausen-8.855; 21. Johnny Parsons, 23, Robin-8.999; 22. Chuck Ross, 61x, Garrett-NT; 23. Charlie Hays, 68, Hays-NT; 24. Jim Paniagua, 18, Paniagua-NT(time of 8.933 disallowed due to illegal engine).

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Johnny Parsons, 2. Mike Dannenfeldt, 3. Tommy Astone, 4. Richard Powell, 5. Jimmy Caruthers, 6. Ken Nichols. 2:10.06

FIRST HEAT: (15 laps) 1. Johnny Parsons, 2. Mike Dannenfeldt, 3. Tommy Astone, 4. Richard Powell, 5. Jimmy Caruthers, 6. Ken Nichols. 2:10.06

SECOND HEAT: (15 laps) 1. Dave Strickland, 2. Vic Mencarini, 3. Gary Irvin, 4. Larry Rice, 5. Ted Montague III, 6. Jim Paniagua. 2:15.37

THIRD HEAT: (15 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Chuck Gurney, 3. Bob Anstead, 4. Johnny W. Anderson, 5. Danny O'Neill. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (15 laps) 1. Merle Bettenhausen, 2. Floyd Alvis, 3. Wheeler Gresham, 4. Milt Harper, 5. Pancho Carter. 2:10.99

SEMI: (20 laps) 1. Johnny Parsons, 2. Bob Anstead, 3. Merle Bettenhausen, 4. Mike Dannenfeldt, 5. Johnny W. Anderson, 6. Wheeler Gresham, 7. Tommy Astone, 8. Floyd Alvis, 9. Vic Mencarini, 10. Ted Montague III, 11. Chuck Gurney, 12. Jim Paniagua. 2:54.28

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Pancho Carter, 3. Johnny Parsons, 4. Dave Strickland, 5. Bob Anstead, 6. Larry Rice, 7. Gary Irvin, 8. Ken Nichols, 9. Milt Harper, 10. Danny O'Neill, 11. Richard Powell, 12. Jimmy Caruthers. 17:03.24

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: March 9, 1974 – Indiana State Fairgrounds Coliseum – Indianapolis, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-10.040; 2. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-10.350; 3. Larry Rice, 2, Shannon-10.360; 4. Billy Engelhart, 59, Tyler-10.380; 5. Merle Bettenhausen, 93, Bettenhausen-10.440; 6. Bob Richards, 63, Lasser-10.480; 7. Bob Wente, 25, Wente-10.530; 8. Gary Byers, 51, Smith-10.560; 9. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-10.570; 10. Bob Hare, 10, Rice-10.580; 11. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-10.620; 12. Steve Cannon, 67, Schneider-10.620; 13. Gary Ponzini, 79, King-10.630; 14. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-10.870; 15. Bruce Field, 81, Graham-10.940; 16. Sonny Ates, 34, Cooper-10.960; 17. Jerry Howe, 49, Ammerman-10.960; 18. Eric Morrison, 38, Morrison-10.970; 19. Jigger Sirois, 50, Doty-10.980; 20. Steve Chassey, 16, Bettenhausen-11.050; 21. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-11.110; 22. Duke Cook, 177, Bursac-11.400; 23. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-11.430; 24. Ken Weiland, 84, Weiland-11.520; 25. Mike Dannenfeldt, 75, Dannenfeldt-11.570; 26. Lee Mettetal, 94, Mettetal-11.610; 27. Dennis Dorsey, 48, Heerboth-11.820; 28. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-12.010; 29. Ron Eden, 77, Eden-12.020.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Richard Powell, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Larry Rice. 42.93

FIRST HEAT: (15 laps) 1. Gary Ponzini, 2. Greg Staab, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Merle Bettenhausen, 5. Jerry Howe, 6. Bob Lithgow. NT

SECOND HEAT: (15 laps) 1. Gary Irvin, 2. Duke Cook, 3. Bob Richards, 4. Richard Powell, 5. Eric Morrison, 6. Bob Hare. 2:40.41

THIRD HEAT: (15 laps) 1. Larry Rice, 2. Bruce Field, 3. Spike Gehlhausen, 4. Jigger Sirois, 5. Bob Wente, 6. Rich Vogler. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (15 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Gary Byers, 3. Steve Cannon, 4. Sonny Ates, 5. Ken Weiland, 6. Steve Chassey. 2:43.57

SEMI: (20 laps) 1. Jigger Sirois, 2. Steve Cannon, 3. Gary Ponzini, 4. Spike Gehlhausen, 5. Greg Staab, 6. Jerry Howe, 7. Duke Cook, 8. Eric Morrison, 9. Sonny Ates, 10. Steve Chassey, 11. Bruce Field, 12. Gary Irvin. NT

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Gary Byers, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Merle Bettenhausen, 5. Steve Cannon, 6. Gary Irvin, 7. Richard Powell, 8. Bob Lithgow, 9. Jigger Sirois, 10. Billy Engelhart, 11. Bob Wente, 12. Bob Richards. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: March 29, 1974 – South Bay Speedway – Chula Vista, California

QUALIFYING: 1. Rick Goudy, 12, Faas-24.720; 2. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-25.300; 3. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-25.350; 4. Tony Simon, 36, Baiza-25.470; 5. Danny McKnight, 30, Weingarten-25.580; 6. Ken Nichols, 125, Shanoian-25.720; 7. Johnny W. Anderson, 12x, Gonsel-25.750; 8. Buddy Irwin, 150, Irwin-25.770; 9. Billy Engelhart, 2, Polnau-25.810; 10. Dave Strickland, 10, Mauro-25.870; 11. Wheeler Gresham, 25, Gresham-25.880; 12. John Redican, 24, Kischell-26.000; 13. Floyd Alvis, 110, Alvis-26.020; 14. Chuck Gurney, 93, Linne-26.070; 15. Ed Shefchik, 31, Shefchik-26.180; 16. Sleepy Tripp, 61x,

Tripp-26.310; 17. Dean Thompson, 146, Hansen-26.380; 18. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-26.440; 19. Bobby Olivero, 78, Caruthers-26.650; 20. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-26.800; 21. Mike Dannenfeldt, 75, Dannenfeldt-26.810; 22. Milt Harper, 92, Harper-26.810; 23. Dave Bowling, 159, Bowling-26.810; 24. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-26.900; 25. Jerry Weeks, 96, Linne-26.910; 26. Mike Shaw, 18, Pratt-27.070; 27. Mike Ryan, 15NZ, Yates-27.120; 28. Wally Pankratz, 42, Geanakos-27.170; 29. Arlen Stebbins, 100, Adams-29.050; 30. Merle Bettenhausen, 66, Lee-NT; 31. Duane Lavelly, 85, Kischell-NT; 32. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Tony Simon, 2. Rick Goudy, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Tommy Astone. 1:42.62

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Rick Goudy, 2. Billy Engelhart, 3. Dean Thompson, 4. Floyd Alvis, 5. Danny McKnight, 6. Jerry Weeks, 7. Mike Dannenfeldt, 8. Duane Lavelly. 4:23.37

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Chuck Gurney, 2. Dave Strickland, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Steve Lotshaw, 5. Milt Harper, 6. Mike Shaw, 7. Ken Nichols. NT

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Johnny W. Anderson, 2. Wheeler Gresham, 3. Merle Bettenhausen (#31), 4. Dave Bowling, 5. Mike Ryan, 6. Tommy Astone, 7. Bobby Olivero. 4:23.22

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Sleepy Tripp, 2. Jay Cornell, 3. Wally Pankratz, 4. Richard Powell, 5. Buddy Irwin, 6. John Redican, 7. Tony Simon. NT

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Tony Simon, 3. Danny McKnight, 4. Ken Nichols, 5. Buddy Irwin, 6. John Redican, 7. Jerry Weeks, 8. Milt Harper, 9. Dave Bowling, 10. Gary Irvin (#75), 11. Bobby Olivero, 12. Mike Ryan. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Tony Simon, 3. Johnny W. Anderson, 4. Ken Nichols, 5. Rick Goudy, 6. Chuck Gurney, 7. Dave Strickland, 8. Jay Cornell, 9. Wally Pankratz, 10. Dave Bowling, 11. Floyd Alvis, 12. Merle Bettenhausen, 13. Tommy Astone, 14. Danny McKnight, 15. Richard Powell, 16. Steve Lotshaw, 17. Dean Thompson, 18. Wheeler Gresham, 19. Mel Kenyon, 20. Sleepy Tripp. 17:40.69

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: May 25, 1974 – Indianapolis Raceway Park – Clermont, Indiana – Night Before the 500

QUALIFYING: 1. Bob Wente, 25, Wente-23.860; 2. Billy Engelhart, 59, Tyler-24.000; 3. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-24.060; 4. Sammy Sessions, 55, Hamilton-24.140; 5. Joe Saldana, 7, Gamester-24.180; 6. Merle Bettenhausen, 16, Bettenhausen-24.230; 7. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-24.270; 8. Larry Rice, 4, Shannon-24.600; 9. Mike Ryan, 15NZ, Yates-24.630; 10. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-24.710; 11. Gary Ponzini, 32, Carlson-24.880; 12. Gary Byers, 51, Smith-24.880; 13. Milt Harper, 92, Harper-24.920; 14. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-24.920; 15. Ken Weiland, 84, Weiland-24.930; 16. George Carey, 24, Carey-24.990; 17. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-25.000; 18. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-25.010; 19. Bob Richards, 31, Koehler-25.030; 20. Steve Cannon, 67, Schneider-25.200; 21. Lee Osborne, 93, Linne-25.240; 22. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-25.550; 23. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-25.600; 24. Spike Gehlhausen, 92, Gehlhausen-26.230; 25. Chuck Gurney, 99, Linne-26.290; 26. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-26.320; 27. Mike Schiesel, 88, English-26.490; 28. Scott Dennison, 79, King-26.590; 29. Eric Morrison, 38, Morrison-26.810; 30. Duke Cook, 50, Doty-26.840; 31. Jerry Howe, 49, Ammerman-27.590; 32. Dennis Dorsey, 48, Heerboth-NT; 33. Mike Dannenfeldt, 75, Dannenfeldt-NT; 34. Bruce Field, 81, Graham-NT; 35. Jim Beckley, 197, Morrison-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Mel Kenyon, 3. Billy Engelhart, 4. Sammy Sessions. 1:36.50 (New Track Record)

FIRST HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Joe Saldana, 2. Bob Wente, 3. Greg Staab, 4. Milt Harper, 5. Mike Ryan, 6. Jay Cornell, 7. Bob Lithgow, 8. Duke Cook. 2:26.64

SECOND HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Rich Vogler, 2. Merle Bettenhausen, 3. Billy Engelhart, 4. Richard Powell, 5. Bob Richards, 6. Steve Lotshaw, 7. Jerry Howe, 8. Mike Schiesel. NT

THIRD HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Tommy Astone, 3. Gary Ponzini, 4. Ken Weiland, 5. Steve Cannon, 6. Scott Dennison, 7. Spike Gehlhausen. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Sammy Sessions, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Gary Byers, 4. George Carey, 5. Eric Morrison, 6. Chuck Gurney, 7. Lee Osborne. NT

SEMI: (8 laps) 1. Bob Richards, 2. Steve Lotshaw, 3. Gary Irvin (#38), 4. Mike Ryan, 5. Steve Cannon, 6. Jay Cornell, 7. Duke Cook, 8. Bob Lithgow, 9. Eric Morrison, 10. Chuck Gurney, 11. Mike Schiesel, 12. Lee Osborne. 3:19.95

FEATURE: (30 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Mel Kenyon, 3. Sammy Sessions, 4. Mike Ryan, 5. Rich Vogler, 6. Joe Saldana, 7. Merle Bettenhausen, 8. Steve Lotshaw, 9. Bob Richards, 10. Richard Powell, 11. Gary Byers, 12. Greg Staab, 13. Gary Irvin, 14. George Carey, 15. Milt Harper, 16. Billy Engelhart, 17. Ken Weiland, 18. Gary Ponzini, 19. Bob Wente, 20. Larry Rice. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 2, 1974 – Columbus Motor Speedway – Columbus, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-14.990; 2. Jimmy Caruthers, 1, Caruthers-15.010; 3. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-15.200; 4. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-15.270; 5. Bob Wente, 25, Wente-15.270; 6. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-15.400; 7. Lennie Waldo, 57, Nuckles-15.460; 8. Junior Smalley, 59, Nuckles-15.530; 9. George Carey, 24, Carey-15.640; 10. Gary Byers, 51, Smith-15.640; 11. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-15.700; 12. Merle Bettenhausen, 16, Bettenhausen-15.730; 13. Larry Rice, 4, Shannon-15.750; 14. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-15.920; 15. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-15.950; 16. Eric Morrison, 38, Morrison-16.070; 17. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-16.080; 18. Jerry Howe, 49, Ammerman-16.120; 19. Mike Schiesel, 88, English-16.200; 20. Scott Dennison, 79, King-16.370; 21. Lee Mettetal, 94, Mettetal-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Jimmy Caruthers, 3. Gary Irvin, 4. Jay Cornell. 1:01.15

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Richard Powell, 2. Bob Wente, 3. Gary Irvin, 4. Jay Cornell, 5. Lennie Waldo, 6. Rich Vogler, 7. Jerry Howe, 8. Eric Morrison, 9. Scott Dennison, 10. George Carey. NT

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Jimmy Caruthers, 3. Steve Lotshaw, 4. Junior Smalley, 5. Gary Byers, 6. Greg Staab, 7. Merle Bettenhausen, 8. Spike Gehlhausen, 9. Mike Schiesel, 10. Lee Mettetal. 2:35.29

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Jimmy Caruthers, 3. Bob Wente, 4. Gary Irvin, 5. Richard Powell, 6. Gary Byers, 7. Steve Lotshaw, 8. Rich Vogler, 9. Merle Bettenhausen, 10. Greg Staab, 11. Mike Schiesel, 12. Spike Gehlhausen, 13. Scott Dennison, 14. Eric Morrison, 15. Junior Smalley, 16. Jay Cornell, 17. Jerry Howe, 18. Lennie Waldo, 19. George Carey, 20. Lee Mettetal, 21. Larry Rice. 13:09.32

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 13, 1974 – Angell Park Speedway – Sun Prairie, Wisconsin

QUALIFYING: 1. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-17.610; 2. Billy Engelhart, 59, Tyler-17.540; 3. Steve Cannon, 67, Schneider-17.710; 4. Ken Weiland, 84, Weiland-17.750; 5. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-17.780; 6. Tom Bigelow, 50, Doty-18.070; 7. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-18.140; 8. Larry Rice, 4, Shannon-18.160; 9. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-18.220; 10. Chuck Gurney, 71, Willman-18.310; 11. Mike Schiesel, 88, English-18.320; 12. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-18.340; 13. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-18.480; 14. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-18.700; 15. George Carey, 24, Carey-18.790; 16. Merle Bettenhausen, 16, Bettenhausen-18.870; 17. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-18.940; 18. Gary Ponzini, 32, Carlson-19.090; 19. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-19.360; 20. Carl Hungness, 70, Hungness-NT; 21. #41, Berg-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Tommy Astone, 3. Ken Weiland, 4. Steve Cannon. 1:10.71

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Ken Weiland, 2. Merle Bettenhausen, 3. Chuck Gurney, 4. Steve Lotshaw, 5. Spike Gehlhausen, 6. Richard Powell, 7. Tommy Astone. NT

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Rich Vogler, 3. Larry Rice, 4. Mike Schiesel, 5. Greg Staab, 6. Jay Cornell. 3:02.01

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Steve Cannon, 3. Tom Bigelow, 4. George Carey, 5. Gary Irvin, 6. Gary Ponzini. 3:03.39

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Gary Ponzini, 2. Richard Powell, 3. Spike Gehlhausen, 4. Gary Irvin, 5. Greg Staab, 6. Jay Cornell. 3:04.43

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Gary Irvin, 2. Gary Ponzini, 3. Richard Powell, 4. Mike Schiesel, 5. Spike Gehlhausen, 6. Rich Vogler, 7. Greg Staab, 8. George Carey, 9. Chuck Gurney, 10. Steve Lotshaw, 11. Larry Rice, 12. Jay Cornell. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Larry Rice, 2. Steve Cannon, 3. Billy Engelhart, 4. Rich Vogler, 5. Tom Bigelow, 6. Chuck Gurney, 7. Gary Irvin, 8. Richard Powell, 9. Ken Weiland, 10. Merle Bettenhausen, 11. Steve Lotshaw, 12. George Carey, 13. Mike Schiesel, 14. Greg Staab, 15. Spike Gehlhausen, 16. Mel Kenyon, 17. Jay Cornell, 18. Gary Ponzini, 19. Tommy Astone, 20. Carl Hungness. 12:04.23

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 14, 1974 – Santa Fe Speedway – Hinsdale, Illinois

QUALIFYING: 1. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-15.750; 2. Johnny Parsons, 84, Weiland-15.810; 3. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-15.990; 4. Gary Ponzini, 32, Carlson-16.000; 5. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-16.010; 6. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-16.030; 7. Billy Engelhart, 59, Tyler-16.220; 8. George Carey, 24, Carey-16.230; 9. Chuck Gurney, 71, Willman-16.270; 10. Merle Bettenhausen, 16, Bettenhausen-16.310; 11. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-16.320; 12. Tom Bigelow, 50, Doty-16.340; 13. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-16.370; 14. Larry Rice, 4, Shannon-16.410; 15. Bob Hare, 18, Cornell-16.430; 16. Mike Schiesel, 88, English-16.500; 17. Larry Cannon, 31, Koehler-16.560; 18. Dennis Dorsey, 48, Heerboth-16.630; 19. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-16.770; 20. Lee Mettetal, 94, Mettetal-16.930; 21. Jerry Howe, 49, Ammerman-17.000; 22. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-17.210; 23. Joe Saldana, 7, Gamester-17.720; 24. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-NT; 25. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-NT; 26. Dusty Oval, 4x, Oval-NT; 27. Larry Bridges, 41, Berg-NT; 28. Steve Cannon, 67, Schneider-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Steve Lotshaw, 2. Gary Ponzini, 3. Rich Vogler, 4. Johnny Parsons. 1:04.35

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Rich Vogler, 2. Chuck Gurney, 3. Tommy Astone, 4. Steve Cannon, 5. Greg Staab, 6. Jay Cornell, 7. Jerry Howe. NT

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Richard Powell, 3. Merle Bettenhausen, 4. Larry Rice, 5. Dennis Dorsey, 6. Johnny Parsons. NT

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Gary Irvin, 3. Bob Hare, 4. Joe Saldana, 5. Steve Lotshaw, 6. Spike Gehlhausen. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tom Bigelow, 2. George Carey, 3. Mike Schiesel, 4. Gary Ponzini, 5. Bob Lithgow, 6. Lee Mettetal. NT

SEMI: (10 laps) 1. Johnny Parsons, 2. Steve Lotshaw, 3. Spike Gehlhausen, 4. Greg Staab, 5. Dennis Dorsey, 6. Jay Cornell, 7. Jerry Howe, 8. Lee Mettetal, 9. Bob Lithgow, 10. Dusty Oval, 11. Larry Bridges, 12. Steve Cannon. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 15, 1974 – Springfield Speedway – Springfield, Illinois

QUALIFYING: 1. Ken Weiland, 84, Weiland-12.810; 2. Billy Engelhart, 59, Tyler-12.820; 3. Mel Kenyon, 61, Kenyon-13.020; 4. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-13.070; 5. George Carey, 24, Carey-13.200; 6. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-13.250; 7. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-13.280; 8. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-13.310; 9. Steve Cannon, 31, Koehler-13.530; 10. Larry Rice, 4, Shannon-13.650; 11. Dennis Dorsey, 48, Heerboth-13.650; 12. Merle Bettenhausen, 16, Bettenhausen-13.720; 13. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-13.860; 14. Jerry Howe, 49, Ammerman-14.550; 15. Lee Mettetal, 94, Mettetal-15.550.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Ken Weiland, 3. Rich Vogler, 4. Billy Engelhart. 52.96

FIRST HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Larry Rice, 2. Gary Irvin, 3. Ken Weiland, 4. Rich Vogler, 5. Bob Lithgow. 1:22.65

SECOND HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Spike Gehlhausen, 3. Dennis Dorsey, 4. George Carey, 5. Jerry Howe. 1:20.92

THIRD HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Steve Cannon, 2. Mel Kenyon, 3. Richard Powell, 4. Merle Bettenhausen, 5. Lee Mettetal. 1:21.10

FOURTH HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Rich Vogler, 2. Merle Bettenhausen, 3. Bob Lithgow, 4. George Carey, 5. Jerry Howe, 6. Lee Mettetal. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Steve Cannon, 2. Rich Vogler, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Billy Engelhart, 5. Ken Weiland, 6. Larry Rice, 7. Bob Lithgow, 8. Spike Gehlhausen, 9. Merle Bettenhausen, 10. Dennis Dorsey, 11. Jerry Howe, 12. Gary Irvin, 13. George Carey, 14. Richard Powell, 15. Lee Mettetal. 8:57.39

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 16, 1974 – Winchester Speedway – Winchester, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Sammy Sessions, 55, Hamilton-17.930; 2. Bob Wente, 25, Wente-17.960; 3. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-18.150; 4. Billy Engelhart, 59, Tyler-18.170; 5. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-18.270; 6. Jimmy Caruthers, 1, Caruthers-18.520; 7. Merle Bettenhausen, 16, Bettenhausen-18.660; 8. Larry Rice, 4, Shannon-18.850; 9. Gary Ponzini, 32, Carlson-18.940; 10. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-18.970; 11. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-19.020; 12. Johnny Parsons, 84, Weiland-19.070; 13. Chuck Gurney, 71, Willman-19.070; 14. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-19.190; 15. Gary Byers, 51, Smith-19.330; 16. Bruce Field, 81, Graham-19.440;

17. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-19.440; 18. George Carey, 24, Carey-19.570; 19. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-19.590; 20. Joe Saldana, 7, Gamester-20.140; 21. Eric Morrison, 38, Morrison-20.600; 22. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-20.750; 23. Jerry Howe, 49, Ammerman-23.230; 24. Lee Mettetal, 94, Mettetal-24.940.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Bob Wente, 3. Sammy Sessions, 4. Steve Lotshaw. 1:12.75

FIRST HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Sammy Sessions, 2. Rich Vogler, 3. Gary Ponzini, 4. Richard Powell, 5. Chuck Gurney, 6. Eric Morrison. 2:26.71

SECOND HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Jimmy Caruthers, 3. Gary Irvin, 4. George Carey, 5. Greg Staab, 6. Spike Gehlhausen. 2:28.73

THIRD HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Steve Lotshaw, 2. Merle Bettenhausen, 3. Gary Byers, 4. Jay Cornell, 5. Mel Kenyon, 6. Jerry Howe. 2:30.43

FOURTH HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Bruce Field, 4. Joe Saldana, 5. Ken Weiland. 2:28.42

SEMI: (10 laps) 1. Richard Powell, 2. Bruce Field, 3. Chuck Gurney, 4. Jay Cornell, 5. Spike Gehlhausen, 6. Gary Byers, 7. Greg Staab, 8. Eric Morrison, 9. Ken Weiland, 10. Mel Kenyon, 11. Jerry Howe, 12. Joe Saldana. NT

FIRST FEATURE: (25 laps) 1. Sammy Sessions, 2. Billy Engelhart, 3. Rich Vogler, 4. Steve Lotshaw, 5. Bob Wente, 6. Merle Bettenhausen, 7. Jimmy Caruthers, 8. Gary Ponzini, 9. Bruce Field, 10. Joe Saldana, 11. Chuck Gurney, 12. Richard Powell, 13. Gary Irvin, 14. Greg Staab, 15. Jay Cornell, 16. Spike Gehlhausen, 17. Eric Morrison, 18. George Carey, 19. Larry Rice, 20. Gary Byers, 21. Ken Weiland, 22. Mel Kenyon, 23. Jerry Howe, 24. Lee Mettetal. NT

SECOND FEATURE: (25 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Rich Vogler, 3. Merle Bettenhausen, 4. Joe Saldana, 5. Steve Lotshaw, 6. Chuck Gurney, 7. Bruce Field, 8. Gary Irvin, 9. Richard Powell, 10. Gary Byers, 11. Jay Cornell, 12. Greg Staab, 13. Eric Morrison, 14. Spike Gehlhausen, 15. Sammy Sessions, 16. Gary Ponzini, 17. Larry Rice, 18. Bob Wente, 19. Ken Weiland, 20. Mel Kenyon, 21. Jimmy Caruthers. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 20, 1974 – 81 Speedway – Park City, Kansas

QUALIFYING: 1. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-19.641; 2. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-20.295; 3. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-20.399; 4. Merle Bettenhausen, 16, Bettenhausen-20.547; 5. Bob Wente, 25, Wente-20.624; 6. Larry Rice, 197, Morrison-20.714; 7. Duke Cook, 50, Doty-20.748; 8. Dale Reed, 23, Westerhaus-20.933; 9. Jerry Stone, 54, Stone-20.950; 10. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-21.055; 11. George Carey, 42, Carey-21.120; 12. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-21.181; 13. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-21.275; 14. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-21.412; 15. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-21.488; 16. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-21.605; 17. Al Murie, 19, Murie-22.249; 18. Don Jones, 131, Holestine-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Mel Kenyon, 3. Merle Bettenhausen, 4. Richard Powell. 1:21.701

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Merle Bettenhausen, 2. Steve Lotshaw, 3. Gary Irvin, 4. Duke Cook, 5. Jay Cornell, 6. Tommy Astone. NT

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Mel Kenyon, 3. George Carey, 4. Dale Reed, 5. Greg Staab, 6. Al Murie. 3:25.48

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Rich Vogler, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Jerry Stone, 4. Richard Powell, 5. Don Jones, 6. Spike Gehlhausen. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Spike Gehlhausen, 3. Greg Staab, 4. Jay Cornell, 5. Don Jones, 6. Al Murie. 3:32.69

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Rich Vogler, 2. Jerry Stone, 3. Dale Reed, 4. Spike Gehlhausen, 5. Jay Cornell, 6. Gary Irvin, 7. Al Murie, 8. Greg Staab, 9. Duke Cook, 10. Steve Lotshaw. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Tommy Astone, 3. Larry Rice, 4. Bob Wente, 5. Merle Bettenhausen, 6. Richard Powell, 7. Rich Vogler, 8. Duke Cook, 9. Steve Lotshaw, 10. Jay Cornell, 11. Spike Gehlhausen, 12. Al Murie, 13. Jerry Stone, 14. George Carey, 15. Don Jones, 16. Greg Staab, 17. Gary Irvin, 18. Dale Reed. 13:38.03

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 21, 1974 – Enid Speedway – Enid, Oklahoma

QUALIFYING: 1. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-19.401; 2. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-19.901; 3. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-19.928; 4. Bob Wente, 25, Wente-19.957; 5. Jerry Stone, 54, Stone-20.096; 6. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-20.225; 7. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-20.240; 8. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-20.267; 9. George Carey, 42, Carey-20.449; 10. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-20.537; 11. Merle Bettenhausen, 16, Bettenhausen-20.628; 12. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-20.722; 13. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-20.771; 14. Don Jones, 131, Holistine-20.842; 15. Al Murie, 19, Murie-23.910; 16. Duke Cook, 50, Doty-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Tommy Astone, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Gary Irvin. 1:19.98

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Merle Bettenhausen, 2. Tommy Astone, 3. Jerry Stone, 4. George Carey, 5. Spike Gehlhausen, 6. Steve Lotshaw, 7. Gary Irvin, 8. Al Murie. 3:26.67

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Rich Vogler, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Jay Cornell, 5. Greg Staab, 6. Don Jones, 7. Richard Powell. NT

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Steve Lotshaw, 2. Spike Gehlhausen, 3. Greg Staab, 4. Al Murie, 5. Don Jones. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Merle Bettenhausen, 3. Rich Vogler, 4. Bob Wente, 5. Jerry Stone, 6. Jay Cornell, 7. George Carey, 8. Mel Kenyon. 2:45.58

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Tommy Astone, 3. Merle Bettenhausen, 4. Richard Powell, 5. Mel Kenyon, 6. Jerry Stone, 7. Gary Irvin, 8. George Carey, 9. Rich Vogler, 10. Spike Gehlhausen, 11. Jay Cornell, 12. Al Murie, 13. Greg Staab, 14. Steve Lotshaw, 15. Don Jones, 16. Duke Cook. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: June 22, 1974 – Olympic Stadium – Kansas City, Missouri

QUALIFYING: 1. Bob Wente, 25, Wente 13.334; 2. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-13.344; 3. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-13.598; 4. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-13.980; 5. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-13.998; 6. George Carey, 42, Carey-14.019; 7. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-14.488; 8. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-14.573; 9. Jerry Stone, 54, Stone-14.672; 10. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-14.756; 11. Merle Bettenhausen, 16, Bettenhausen-14.953; 12. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-15.608; 13. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-NT; 14. Al Murie, 19, Murie-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Rich Vogler, 3. Bob Wente, 4. Jay Cornell. 54.21

FIRST HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Rich Vogler, 2. Bob Wente, 3. Richard Powell, 4. Jerry Stone, 5. Greg Staab, 6. Merle Bettenhausen. 1:51.64

SECOND HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Gary Irvin, 3. Jay Cornell, 4. George Carey, 5. Steve Lotshaw, 6. Spike Gehlhausen. 1:51.73

THIRD HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Richard Powell, 2. Greg Staab, 3. Bob Wente, 4. Rich Vogler, 5. Gary Irvin, 6. Tommy Astone. 1:46.49

FOURTH HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Jay Cornell, 2. Spike Gehlhausen, 3. Steve Lotshaw, 4. Merle Bettenhausen, 5. George Carey, 6. Jerry Stone. 1:53.60

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Richard Powell, 2. Rich Vogler, 3. Merle Bettenhausen, 4. Greg Staab, 5. Steve Lotshaw, 6. Jerry Stone, 7. Bob Wente, 8. Spike Gehlhausen, 9. George Carey, 10. Gary Irvin, 11. Tommy Astone, 12. Jay Cornell, 13. Mel Kenyon, 14. Al Murie. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: May 10 & June 28, 1974 – Charleston Speedway – Charleston, Illinois

QUALIFYING: 1. Billy Engelhart, 59, Tyler-16.170; 2. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-16.220; 3. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-16.420; 4. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-16.610; 5. Joe Saldana, 7, Gamester-16.620; 6. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-16.630; 7. Steve Cannon, 67, Schneider-16.730; 8. Bob Wente, 25, Wente-16.810; 9. Ken Weiland, 84, Weiland-16.890; 10. Mike Schiesel, 88, English-16.910; 11. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-16.940; 12. George Carey, 24, Carey-16.970; 13. Gary Ponzini, 3, Astone-17.190; 14. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-17.410; 15. Bruce Field, 81, Graham-17.430; 16. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-17.400; 17. Larry Rice, 4, Shannon-17.770; 18. Jerry Howe, 72, Higman-17.870; 19. Gary Irvin, 49, Ammerman-17.910; 20. Ron Eden, 77, Eden-17.930; 21. Eric Morrison, 38, Morrison-18.010; 22. Don Jones, 131, Holestine-18.030; 23. Lee Mettetal, 94, Mettetal-18.840; 24. Dennis Dorsey, 48, Heerboth-NT; 25. Merle Bettenhausen, 16, Bettenhausen-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Billy Engelhart, 3. Rich Vogler, 4. Steve Lotshaw. 1:04.97 (New Track Record)

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Gary Ponzini, 3. Steve Cannon, 4. Steve Lotshaw, 5. Mike Schiesel, 6. Gary Irvin, 7. Greg Staab, 8. Don Jones. 2:49.58

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Rich Vogler, 2. Joe Saldana, 3. Bob Wente, 4. Ron Eden, 5. Jay Cornell, 6. Lee Mettetal, 7. Spike Gehlhausen, 8. Larry Rice. 2:49.86

MAY 10 PROGRAM INTERRUPTED BY RAIN DURING THIRD HEAT & RESUMED JUNE 28.

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Richard Powell, 3. George Carey, 4. Merle Bettenhausen, 5. Ken Weiland, 6. Bruce Field, 7. Jerry Howe, 8. Eric Morrison. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Richard Powell, 2. Spike Gehlhausen, 3. Steve Lotshaw, 4. Merle Bettenhausen, 5. George Carey, 6. Duke Cook, 7. Joe Saldana, 8. Jay Cornell. NT

SEMI: (10 laps) 1. Steve Cannon (#31 Koehler), 2. Spike Gehlhausen, 3. Billy Engelhart, 4. Rich Vogler, 5. Gary Irvin (#9 Pool), 6. Mel Kenyon (#61 3-K), 7. Carl Hungness (#70 Hungness), 8. Duke Cook (#49), 9. Jay Cornell, 10. Tommy Astone. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Steve Cannon (#31), 3. Gary Irvin (#9), 4. Steve Lotshaw, 5. Duke Cook (#49), 6. Richard Powell, 7. Mel Kenyon, 8. Spike Gehlhausen, 9. Carl Hungness, 10. Tommy Astone, 11. Merle Bettenhausen, 12. Rich Vogler, 13. Jay Cornell, 14. Joe Saldana, 15. George Carey. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 5, 1974 – Hales Corners Speedway – Hales Corners, Wisconsin

QUALIFYING: 1. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-18.020 (New Track Record); 2. Ken Weiland, 84, Weiland-18.080; 3. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-18.130; 4. Steve Cannon, 67, Schneider-18.180; 5. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-18.200; 6. Billy Engelhart, 59, Tyler-18.210; 7. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-18.210; 8. Larry Cannon, 31, Koehler-18.270; 9. Larry Rice, 71, Willman-18.310; 10. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-18.320; 11. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-18.380; 12. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-18.410; 13. Dennis Dorsey, 48, Heerboth-18.540; 14. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-18.580; 15. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-18.640; 16. Mark Alderson, 1x, Alderson-18.780; 17. Eric Morrison, 38, Morrison-19.310; 18. Mike Schiesel, 88, English-19.510; 19. Duke Cook, 49, Ammerman-19.510; 20. Lee Mettetal, 94, Mettetal-NT; 21. #7, Gamester-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Rich Vogler, 2. Steve Cannon, 3. Ken Weiland, 4. Steve Lotshaw. 1:14.05 (New Track Record)

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Rich Vogler, 2. Steve Cannon, 3. Dennis Dorsey, 4. Richard Powell, 5. Gary Irvin, 6. Duke Cook, 7. Mark Alderson. 3:05.15

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Cannon, 2. Mel Kenyon, 3. Ken Weiland, 4. Spike Gehlhausen, 5. Bob Lithgow, 6. Eric Morrison, 7. Lee Mettetal. NT

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Mike Schiesel, 4. Greg Staab, 5. Jay Cornell, 6. Steve Lotshaw. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Mark Alderson, 2. Jay Cornell, 3. Duke Cook, 4. Lee Mettetal, 5. Gary Irvin, 6. Eric Morrison, 7. Bob Lithgow. NT

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Mark Alderson, 2. Steve Lotshaw, 3. Spike Gehlhausen, 4. Mike Schiesel, 5. Eric Morrison, 6. Richard Powell, 7. Greg Staab, 8. Dennis Dorsey, 9. Duke Cook, 10. Lee Mettetal, 11. Bob Lithgow, 12. Gary Irvin. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Larry Rice, 2. Rich Vogler, 3. Larry Cannon, 4. Steve Lotshaw, 5. Mike Schiesel, 6. Ken Weiland, 7. Jay Cornell, 8. Greg Staab, 9. Steve Cannon, 10. Billy Engelhart, 11. Gary Irvin, 12. Spike Gehlhausen, 13. Eric Morrison, 14. Mel Kenyon, 15. Lee Mettetal, 16. Mark Alderson, 17. Dennis Dorsey, 18. Duke Cook, 19. Richard Powell, 20. Bob Lithgow. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 6, 1974 – Springfield Speedway – Springfield, Illinois

QUALIFYING: 1. Ken Weiland, 84, Weiland-13.430; 2. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-13.620; 3. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-13.700; 4. Billy Engelhart, 59, Tyler-13.760; 5. Steve Cannon, 67, Schneider-13.890; 6. Larry Rice, 71, Willman-13.950; 7. Bob Wente, 25, Wente-13.960; 8. Dennis Dorsey, 48, Heerboth-14.050; 9. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-14.070; 10. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-14.160; 11. Tommy Astone, 16, Bettenhausen-14.200; 12. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-14.210; 13. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-14.230; 14. Eric Morrison, 38, Morrison-14.270; 15. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-14.280; 16. Mark Alderson, 1x, Alderson-14.280; 17. Larry Cannon, 31, Koehler-14.360; 18. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-14.460; 19. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-

14.590; 20. Mike Schiesel, 88, Schiesel-14.680; 21. Lee Mettetal, 94, Mettetal-14.710; 22. Loague Yount, 6, Yount-14.760; 23. Duke DeRosa, 63, DeRosa-14.840; 24. Mike Stroud, 20, Stroud-15.030; 25. Roger Branson, 72, Branson-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Rich Vogler, 2. Billy Engelhart, 3. Ken Weiland, 4. Richard Powell. 55.77

FIRST HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Larry Cannon, 2. Jay Cornell, 3. Ken Weiland, 4. Steve Cannon, 5. Gary Irvin, 6. Lee Mettetal. 1:24.71

SECOND HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Richard Powell, 2. Steve Lotshaw, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Loague Yount, 5. Larry Rice, 6. Eric Morrison. 1:23.64

THIRD HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Rich Vogler, 3. Bob Lithgow, 4. Tommy Astone, 5. Greg Staab, 6. Richard Powell. 1:22.52

FOURTH HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Mike Schiesel, 2. Billy Engelhart, 3. Mark Alderson, 4. Dennis Dorsey, 5. Spike Gehlhausen, 6. Mike Stroud, 7. Roger Branson. 1:22.68

SEMI: (8 laps) 1. Larry Rice, 2. Gary Irvin, 3. Spike Gehlhausen, 4. Greg Staab, 5. Lee Mettetal, 6. Mike Schiesel, 7. Mike Stroud, 8. Eric Morrison, 9. Loague Yount, 10. Mark Alderson, 11. Duke DeRosa, 12. Roger Branson. NT

FEATURE: (30 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Rich Vogler, 3. Billy Engelhart, 4. Steve Cannon, 5. Mel Kenyon, 6. Larry Cannon, 7. Ken Weiland, 8. Bob Lithgow, 9. Gary Irvin, 10. Mike Schiesel, 11. Steve Lotshaw, 12. Tommy Astone, 13. Lee Mettetal, 14. Larry Rice, 15. Dennis Dorsey, 16. Mark Alderson, 17. Richard Powell, 18. Jay Cornell, 19. Mike Stroud, 20. Greg Staab. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 7, 1974 – Angell Park Speedway – Sun Prairie, Wisconsin

QUALIFYING: 1. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-16.840; 2. Billy Engelhart, 59, Tyler-17.030; 3. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-17.040; 4. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-17.120; 5. Steve Cannon, 31, Koehler-17.280; 6. Ken Weiland, 84, Weiland-17.310; 7. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-17.500; 8. Mike Schiesel, 88, English-17.600; 9. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-17.630; 10. Larry Rice, 7, Gamester-17.650; 11. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-17.840; 12. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-17.840; 13. Mark Alderson, 1x, Alderson-17.940; 14. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-17.970; 15. Dennis Dorsey, 48, Heerboth-18.080; 16. Bruce Field, 81, Graham-18.240; 17. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-18.500; 18. Mike Stroud, 20, Stroud-18.850; 19. Lee Mettetal, 94, Mettetal-19.480.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Billy Engelhart, 3. Rich Vogler, 4. Richard Powell. 1:08.78 (New Track Record)

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Bruce Field, 3. Rich Vogler, 4. Larry Rice, 5. Mark Alderson, 6. Lee Mettetal, 7. Tommy Astone. 2:55.96

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Steve Cannon, 2. Billy Engelhart, 3. Greg Staab, 4. Jay Cornell, 5. Mike Schiesel, 6. Gary Irvin. 2:51.68

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Steve Lotshaw, 2. Richard Powell, 3. Ken Weiland, 4. Dennis Dorsey, 5. Mike Stroud, 6. Bob Lithgow. 2:55.31

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Gary Irvin, 3. Mark Alderson, 4. Mike Schiesel, 5. Mike Stroud, 6. Bob Lithgow, 7. Lee Mettetal. NT

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Ken Weiland, 2. Mark Alderson, 3. Bruce Field, 4. Mike Schiesel, 5. Dennis Dorsey, 6. Greg Staab, 7. Larry Rice. 3:31.05

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Billy Engelhart, 3. Steve Cannon, 4. Mel Kenyon, 5. Rich Vogler, 6. Larry Rice, 7. Mike Schiesel, 8. Steve Lotshaw, 9. Ken Weiland, 10. Bruce Field, 11. Dennis Dorsey, 12. Jay Cornell, 13. Bob Lithgow, 14. Greg Staab, 15. Gary Irvin, 16. Richard Powell, 17. Mark Alderson, 18. Mike Stroud, 19. Lee Mettetal. 11:35.47 (New Track Record)

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 10, 1974 – Midwest Speedway – Lincoln, Nebraska

QUALIFYING: 1. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-16.308; 2. Bobby Olivero, 78, Caruthers-16.853; 3. Steve Cannon, 31, Koehler-16.868; 4. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-17.253; 5. Walt McWhorter, 23, Westerhaus-17.310; 6. Roger Branson, 72, Branson-17.343; 7. Joe Saldana, 7, Gamester-17.358; 8. Rich Vogler, 84, Weiland-17.519; 9. Jerry Stone, 54, Stone-17.602; 10. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-17.662; 11. Larry Rice, 197, Morrison-17.682; 12. Eddie Norman, 7x, Norman-17.733; 13. Hank Albers, 18, Gardner-17.869; 14. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-17.986; 15. Mark Alderson, 1x, Alderson-18.009; 16. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-18.052; 17. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-18.327; 18. Al Murie, 19, Allard-18.847; 19. Don Jones, 131, Holestine-19.135; 20. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-NT; 21. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Bobby Olivero, 2. Steve Cannon, 3. Tommy Astone, 4. Bob Lithgow. 1:08.76

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Steve Lotshaw, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Joe Saldana, 5. Bob Lithgow, 6. Don Jones, 7. Hank Albers. 2:50.39

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Bobby Olivero, 2. Rich Vogler, 3. Gary Irvin, 4. Larry Rice, 5. Walt McWhorter, 6. Greg Staab. 2:52.68

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Steve Cannon, 2. Mark Alderson, 3. Jerry Stone, 4. Roger Branson, 5. Eddie Norman, 6. Al Murie. 2:54.32

FOURTH HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Bob Lithgow, 2. Hank Albers, 3. Joe Saldana, 4. Eddie Norman, 5. Walt McWhorter, 6. Spike Gehlhausen. 2:01.99

SEMI: (8 laps) 1. Gary Irvin, 2. Mark Alderson, 3. Larry Rice, 4. Mel Kenyon, 5. Steve Lotshaw, 6. Jerry Stone, 7. Hank Albers, 8. Greg Staab. 2:18.21

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Steve Cannon, 2. Roger Branson, 3. Tommy Astone, 4. Mel Kenyon, 5. Rich Vogler, 6. Joe Saldana, 7. Bob Lithgow, 8. Mark Alderson, 9. Larry Rice, 10. Steve Lotshaw, 11. Eddie Norman, 12. Gary Irvin, 13. Hank Albers, 14. Bobby Olivero, 15. Greg Staab, 16. Spike Gehlhausen, 17. Al Murie, 18. Jerry Stone, 19. Walt McWhorter, 20. Don Jones. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 11, 1974 – 81 Speedway – Wichita, Kansas

QUALIFYING: 1. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-19.391; 2. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-19.690; 3. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-19.872; 4. Larry Rice, 197, Morrison-19.905; 5. Walt McWhorter, 23, Westerhaus-19.980; 6. Jerry Stone, 54, Stone-20.009; 7. Joe Saldana, 7, Gamester-20.011; 8. Rich Vogler, 84, Vogler-20.162; 9. Bobby Olivero, 78, Caruthers-20.185; 10. Roger Branson,

72, Branson-20.355; 11. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-20.492; 12. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-20.573; 13. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-20.628; 14. Steve Cannon, 31, Koehler-20.661; 15. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-20.799; 16. Mark Alderson, 2x, Alderson-21.592; 17. Al Murie, 19, Allard-21.879.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Steve Lotshaw. 1:20.30

FIRST HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Larry Rice, 2. Tommy Astone, 3. Joe Saldana, 4. Mark Alderson, 5. Richard Powell, 6. Roger Branson. NT

SECOND HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Steve Cannon, 2. Steve Lotshaw, 3. Rich Vogler, 4. Greg Staab, 5. Al Murie, 6. Walt McWhorter. NT

THIRD HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Bobby Olivero, 2. Bob Lithgow, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Jerry Stone, 5. Gary Irvin. 2:04.76

FOURTH HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Mark Alderson, 2. Richard Powell, 3. Walt McWhorter, 4. Jerry Stone, 5. Gary Irvin, 6. Greg Staab. 2:12.70

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Bobby Olivero, 2. Mel Kenyon, 3. Jerry Stone, 4. Larry Rice, 5. Rich Vogler, 6. Steve Lotshaw, 7. Richard Powell, 8. Gary Irvin, 9. Mark Alderson, 10. Steve Cannon, 11. Greg Staab, 12. Bob Lithgow, 13. Tommy Astone, 14. Al Murie, 15. Joe Saldana, 16. Walt McWhorter, 17. Roger Branson. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 12, 1974 – Enid Speedway – Enid, Oklahoma

QUALIFYING: 1. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-18.960; 2. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-19.684; 3. Bobby Olivero, 78, Caruthers-19.686; 4. Rich Vogler, 84, Weiland-19.693; 5. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-19.696; 6. Steve Cannon, 31, Koehler-20.019; 7. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-20.060; 8. Larry Rice, 197, Morrison-20.280; 9. Roger Branson, 72, Branson-20.362; 10. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-20.506; 11. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-20.523; 12. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-20.600; 13. Walt McWhorter, 23, Westerhaus-20.859; 14. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-21.667; 15. Mark Alderson, 1x, Alderson-21.727; 16. Jerry Stone, 54, Stone-NT; 17. Al Murie, 19, Allard-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Rich Vogler, 3. Bobby Olivero, 4. Richard Powell. 1:23.24

FIRST HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Rich Vogler, 3. Richard Powell, 4. Greg Staab, 5. Walt McWhorter. 1:59.14

SECOND HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Jay Cornell, 3. Steve Lotshaw, 4. Larry Rice, 5. Gary Irvin. 2:00.27

THIRD HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Steve Cannon, 2. Olivero, 3. Lithgow, 4. Branson, 5. Alderson. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Steve Cannon, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Tommy Astone, 4. Bobby Olivero, 5. Richard Powell, 6. Roger Branson, 7. Steve Lotshaw, 8. Jay Cornell, 9. Bob Lithgow, 10. Rich Vogler, 11. Jerry Stone, 12. Gary Irvin, 13. Greg Staab, 14. Walt McWhorter, 15. Mark Alderson, 16. Mel Kenyon, 17. Al Murie. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 18, 1974 – Sportsman Raceway Park – Colorado Springs, Colorado

QUALIFYING: 1. Dave Strickland, 11, Mauro-15.136; 2. Bob Wente, 78, Caruthers-15.220; 3. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-15.272; 4. Jerry Weeks, 8, Lynch-15.296; 5. Jim Beckley, 97, Morrison-15.313; 6. Chuck Gurney, 99, Linne-15.364; 7. Bobby Tripp, 61x, Tripp-15.376; 8. Bill Weingarten, 30, Weingarten-15.377; 9. Spyder Anderson, 41, Hains/Ludwig-15.389; 10. Eddie Jackson, 10D, Shaver-15.427; 11. Sleepy Tripp, 67, Tripp-15.477; 12. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-15.514; 13. Jan Opperman, 2D, Mauro-15.523; 14. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-15.538; 15. Larry Rice, 197, Morrison-15.543; 16. Sammy Sauer, 29, Conklin-15.557; 17. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-15.594; 18. Joel Terry, 64, Sullivan-15.642; 19. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-15.699; 20. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-15.746; 21. Bruce Field, 81, Graham-15.757; 22. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-15.787; 23. Roger Branson, 72, Branson-15.824; 24. Buddy Irwin, 80, Wright-15.883; 25. Hank Albers, 18, Gardner-15.902; 26. Steve Troxell, 1D, Mauro-15.905; 27. Rich Vogler, 24, Carey-15.928; 28. Mark Alderson, 1x, Alderson-15.953; 29. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-16.029; 30. Cal Chambers, 17D, Morrison-16.052; 31. Billy Engelhart, 2, Polnau-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Jerry Weeks, 3. Bob Wente, 4. Dave Strickland. 1:02.44

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Spyder Anderson, 2. Dave Strickland, 3. Jim Beckley, 4. Greg Staab, 5. Bruce Field, 6. Mel Kenyon, 7. Jan Opperman, 8. Hank Albers. 2:48.12

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Chuck Gurney, 2. Steve Troxell, 3. Bob Wente, 4. Eddie Jackson, 5. Richard Powell, 6. Spike Gehlhausen, 7. Joel Terry, 8. Cal Chambers. 2:46.64

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Rice, 2. Tommy Astone, 3. Rich Vogler, 4. Sleepy Tripp (#61x), 5. Roger Branson, 6. Bobby Tripp (#67), 7. Steve Lotshaw. 2:37.05

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Mark Alderson, 2. Sammy Sauer, 3. Bill Weingarten, 4. Buddy Irwin, 5. Jerry Weeks, 6. Gary Irvin, 7. Jay Cornell. NT

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Jerry Weeks, 2. Jan Opperman, 3. Gary Irvin, 4. Mel Kenyon, 5. Spike Gehlhausen, 6. Steve Lotshaw, 7. Bruce Field, 8. Richard Powell, 9. Jay Cornell, 10. Cal Chambers, 11. Hank Albers, 12. Roger Branson, 13. Bobby Tripp, 14. Joel Terry. 3:07.33

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Chuck Gurney, 2. Sleepy Tripp, 3. Bob Wente, 4. Spyder Anderson, 5. Jerry Weeks, 6. Tommy Astone, 7. Eddie Jackson, 8. Larry Rice, 9. Gary Irvin, 10. Sammy Sauer, 11. Greg Staab, 12. Rich Vogler, 13. Mark Alderson, 14. Buddy Irwin, 15. Mel Kenyon, 16. Steve Troxell, 17. Dave Strickland, 18. Bill Weingarten, 19. Jim Beckley, 20. Jan Opperman. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 19, 1974 – Lakeside Speedway – Denver, Colorado

QUALIFYING: 1. Jim Beckley, 97, Morrison-12.507; 2. Dave Strickland, 11, Mauro-12.707; 3. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-12.742; 4. Mel Kenyon, 61, Kenyon-12.754; 5. Don Wilson, 162, Olds-12.769; 6. Spyder Anderson, 41, Hains/Ludwig-12.830; 7. Leo Tucker, 5D, Goldman-12.836; 8. Bobby Tripp, 67, Tripp-12.841; 9. Rick Montgomery, 22D, Schleiger-12.868; 10. Sammy Sauer, 29, Conklin-12.944; 11. Sleepy Tripp, 61x, Tripp-12.945; 12. Jerry Weeks, 8, Lynch-12.976; 13. Jan Opperman, 2D, Mauro-13.002; 14. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-13.008; 15. Chuck Gurney, 99, Linne-13.015; 16. Bob Wente, 78, Caruthers-13.034; 17. Bill Weingarten, 30, Weingarten-13.069; 18. Buddy Irwin, 80, Wright-13.089; 19. Steve Troxell, 1D, Mauro-13.097; 20. Eddie Jackson, 10D, Shaver-13.103; 21. Speed Roberts, 4D, Melching-13.118; 22. Joel Terry, 64, Sullivan-13.123; 23. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-13.152; 24. Larry Rice, 197, Morrison-13.170; 25. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-13.181; 26. Billy Yeros, 66, Mack-13.182; 27. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-13.216; 28. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-13.285; 29. Mark

Alderson, 1x, Alderson-13.307; 30. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-13.331; 31. Rich Vogler, 24, Carey-13.352; 32. Hank Albers, 18, Gardner-13.393; 33. Roger Branson, 72, Branson-13.405; 34. Ray Stringer, 163, Stringer-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Dave Strickland, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Jim Beckley. 51.25

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Jim Beckley, 2. Mark Alderson, 3. Greg Staab, 4. Don Wilson, 5. Rick Montgomery, 6. Speed Roberts, 7. Jan Opperman, 8. Bill Weingarten. NT

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Dave Strickland, 2. Sammy Sauer, 3. Richard Powell, 4. Spyder Anderson, 5. Buddy Irwin, 6. Billy Yeros, 7. Gary Irvin, 8. Joel Terry. 2:13.67

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Rich Vogler, 3. Steve Lotshaw, 4. Chuck Gurney, 5. Steve Troxell, 6. Bobby Tripp (#61x), 7. Jay Cornell, 8. Leo Tucker. 2:11.65

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Bob Wente, 3. Spike Gehlhausen, 4. Eddie Jackson, 5. Larry Rice, 6. Jerry Weeks, 7. Sleepy Tripp (#67), 8. Hank Albers. 2:10.84

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Leo Tucker, 2. Sleepy Tripp, 3. Bobby Tripp, 4. Jerry Weeks, 5. Rick Montgomery, 6. Buddy Irwin, 7. Gary Irvin, 8. Jan Opperman, 9. Bill Weingarten, 10. Speed Roberts, 11. Joel Terry, 12. Larry Rice, 13. Jay Cornell, 14. Billy Yeros, 15. Steve Troxell. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Sammy Sauer, 3. Sleepy Tripp, 4. Dave Strickland, 5. Chuck Gurney, 6. Bob Wente, 7. Spyder Anderson, 8. Jerry Weeks, 9. Bob Tripp, 10. Leo Tucker, 11. Don Wilson, 12. Steve Lotshaw, 13. Mark Alderson, 14. Rich Vogler, 15. Greg Staab, 16. Tommy Astone, 17. Jim Beckley, 18. Eddie Jackson, 19. Spike Gehlhausen, 20. Richard Powell. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 17 & 21, 1974 – Englewood Speedway – Englewood, Colorado

QUALIFYING: 1. Dave Strickland, 11, Mauro-15.416; 2. Sleepy Tripp, 67, Tripp-15.432; 3. Jim Beckley, 97, Morrison-15.497; 4. Bob Wente, 78, Caruthers-15.535; 5. Eddie Jackson, 10D, Shaver-15.594; 6. Chuck Gurney, 99, Linne-15.615; 7. Billy Engelhart, 2, Polnau-15.618; 8. Spyder Anderson, 41, Hains/Ludwig-15.639; 9. Bill Weingarten, 30, Weingarten-15.657; 10. Leo Tucker, 5D, Goldman-15.683; 11. Joel Terry, 64, Sullivan-15.758; 12. Larry Rice, 197, Morrison-15.811; 13. Steve Troxell, 1D, Mauro-15.832; 14. Speed Roberts, 4D, Melching-15.840; 15. Cal Chambers, 17D, Morrison-15.843; 16. Don Wilson, 162, Olds-15.860; 17. Steve Lotshaw, 61, Lotshaw-15.879; 18. Bruce Field, 81, Graham-15.880; 19. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-15.889; 20. Mike Gregg, 12, McMurry-15.900; 21. Sammy Sauer, 29, Conklin-15.912; 22. Jerry Weeks, 8, Lynch-15.917; 23. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-15.926; 24. Buddy Irwin, 80, Wright-15.984; 25. Rich Montgomery, 22D, Schleiger-16.063; 26. Bobby Tripp, 61x, Tripp-16.099; 27. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-16.133; 28. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-16.133; 29. Jan Opperman, 2D, Mauro-16.169; 30. Roger Branson, 72, Branson-16.177; 31. Rich Vogler, 24, Carey-16.314; 32. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-16.327; 33. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-16.604; 34. Mark Alderson, 1x, Alderson-16.921; 35. Hank Albers, 18, Gardner-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Jim Beckley, 3. Sleepy Tripp, 4. Dave Strickland. 1:04.10

REMAINDER OF PROGRAM COMPLETED JULY 21

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Rick Montgomery, 2. Sammy Sauer, 3. Jan Opperman, 4. Bill Weingarten, 5. Steve Troxell, 6. Eddie Jackson, 7. Steve Lotshaw, 8. Dave Strickland. 2:41.16

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Chuck Gurney, 2. Jerry Weeks, 3. Leo Tucker, 4. Sleepy Tripp, 5. Bruce Field, 6. Speed Roberts, 7. Powell, 8. Bobby Tripp. 2:41.35

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Jim Beckley, 3. Billy Engelhart, 4. Rich Vogler, 5. Joel Terry, 6. Jay Cornell, 7. Cal Chambers, 8. Mel Kenyon. 2:38.77

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Gary Irvin, 2. Bob Wente, 3. Spyder Anderson, 4. Larry Rice, 5. Mike Gregg, 6. Spike Gehlhausen, 7. Don Wilson, 8. Buddy Irwin. 2:39.58

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Dave Strickland, 2. Eddie Jackson, 3. Steve Troxell, 4. Joel Terry, 5. Mike Gregg, 6. Steve Lotshaw, 7. Buddy Irwin, 8. Bruce Field, 9. Bobby Tripp, 10. Cal Chambers, 11. Greg Staab, 12. Jay Cornell, 13. Don Wilson, 14. Speed Roberts, 15. Ray Stringer, 16. Spike Gehlhausen. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Dave Strickland, 2. Spyder Anderson, 3. Bob Wente, 4. Jim Beckley, 5. Tommy Astone, 6. Bill Weingarten, 7. Sleepy Tripp, 8. Billy Engelhart, 9. Chuck Gurney, 10. Eddie Jackson, 11. Jerry Weeks, 12. Larry Rice, 13. Leo Tucker, 14. Joel Terry, 15. Sammy Sauer, 16. Mel Kenyon (#1D), 17. Rich Vogler, 18. Rick Montgomery, 19. Gary Irvin, 20. Jan Opperman. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 23, 1974 – Meridian Speedway – Meridian, Idaho

QUALIFYING: 1. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-14.175; 2. Larry Rice, 78, Caruthers-14.189; 3. Chuck Gurney, 99, Linne-14.210; 4. Dave Strickland, 11, Mauro-14.258; 5. Billy Engelhart, 2, Polnau-14.449; 6. Eddie Jackson, 10D, Shaver-14.470; 7. Bill Weingarten, 30, Weingarten-14.476; 8. Bobby Tripp, 61x, Tripp-14.506; 9. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-14.552; 10. Joel Terry, 64, Sullivan-14.569; 11. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-14.606; 12. Buddy Irwin, 80, Wright-14.621; 13. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-14.689; 14. Jerry Weeks, 8, Lynch-14.748; 15. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-14.761; 16. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-14.819; 17. Bruce Field, 81, Graham-14.873; 18. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-14.890; 19. Rich Vogler, 24, Carey-NT; 20. Sleepy Tripp, 67, Tripp-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Dave Strickland, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Chuck Gurney, 4. Tommy Astone. 58.06

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Dave Strickland, 2. Tommy Astone, 3. Greg Staab, 4. Bill Weingarten, 5. Joel Terry, 6. Jay Cornell. 2:27.97

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Bruce Field, 4. Steve Lotshaw, 5. Bobby Tripp, 6. Jerry Weeks. 2:27.45

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Chuck Gurney, 2. Richard Powell, 3. Gary Irvin, 4. Eddie Jackson, 5. Rich Vogler, 6. Buddy Irwin, 7. Mel Kenyon. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Jay Cornell, 2. Bobby Tripp, 3. Joel Terry, 4. Mel Kenyon, 5. Bruce Field, 6. Jerry Weeks. 2:29.34

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Dave Strickland, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Chuck Gurney, 4. Tommy Astone, 5. Mel Kenyon, 6. Bob Tripp, 7. Billy Engelhart, 8. Bill Weingarten, 9. Eddie Jackson, 10. Steve Lotshaw, 11. Gary Irvin, 12. Greg Staab, 13. Jerry Weeks, 14. Bruce Field, 15. Jay Cornell, 16. Joel Terry, 17. Richard Powell, 18. Rich Vogler, 19. Buddy Irwin, 20. Sleepy Tripp. 12:15.16

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 24, 1974 – Suntana Raceway – Provo, Utah

QUALIFYING: 1. Larry Rice, 78, Caruthers-18.232; 2. Mel Kenyon, 61, Kenyon-18.271; 3. Chuck Gurney, 99, Linne-18.319; 4. Dave Strickland, 11, Mauro-18.331; 5. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-18.501; 6. Eddie Jackson, 10, Shaver-18.554; 7. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-18.699; 8. Joel Terry, 64, Sullivan-18.721; 9. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-18.809; 10. Rich Vogler, 24, Carey-18.840; 11. Billy Engelhart, 2, Polnau-18.844; 12. Jerry Weeks, 8, Lynch-18.876; 13. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-18.924; 14. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-19.127; 15. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-19.228; 16. Bruce Field, 81, Graham-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Chuck Gurney, 2. Dave Strickland, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Larry Rice. 1:13.56

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Chuck Gurney, 4. Billy Engelhart, 5. Jay Cornell, 6. Gary Irvin, 7. Steve Lotshaw, 8. Greg Staab. 2:30.38

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Dave Strickland, 2. Mel Kenyon, 3. Jerry Weeks, 4. Rich Vogler, 5. Richard Powell, 6. Eddie Jackson, 7. Joel Terry. 2:30.87

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Chuck Gurney, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Larry Rice, 5. Rich Vogler, 6. Tommy Astone, 7. Dave Strickland, 8. Jerry Weeks. 2:28.87

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Joel Terry, 2. Eddie Jackson, 3. Jay Cornell, 4. Steve Lotshaw, 5. Richard Powell, 6. Greg Staab. 2:31.46

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Dave Strickland, 3. Larry Rice, 4. Chuck Gurney, 5. Billy Engelhart, 6. Steve Lotshaw, 7. Gary Irvin, 8. Richard Powell, 9. Joel Terry, 10. Rich Vogler, 11. Eddie Jackson, 12. Jay Cornell, 13. Jerry Weeks, 14. Greg Staab, 15. Mel Kenyon. 12:26.33

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 26, 1974 – Lakeside Speedway – Denver, Colorado

QUALIFYING: 1. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-12.745; 2. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-12.747; 3. Leo Tucker, 5D, Goldman-12.760; 4. Spyder Anderson, 41, Hains/Ludwig-12.809; 5. Dave Strickland, 11, Mauro-12.828; 6. Jim Beckley, 97, Morrison-12.882; 7. Rick Montgomery, 22, Schleiger-12.894; 8. Billy Engelhart, 2, Polnau-12.916; 9. Steve Troxell, 1D, Mauro-12.939; 10. Chuck Gurney, 29, Conklin-12.970; 11. Eddie Jackson, 10, Shaver-12.995; 12. Duane Harr, 82x, Harr-12.998; 13. Jan Opperman, 2x, Mauro-13.027; 14. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-13.066; 15. Larry Rice, 197, Morrison-13.118; 16. Joel Terry, 64, Sullivan-13.131; 17. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-13.189; 18. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-13.215; 19. Rich Vogler, 24, Carey-13.222; 20. Ray Stringer, 163, Stringer-13.288; 21. Mark Alderson, 1x, Alderson-13.301; 22. Skip Eggert, 4D, Melching-13.336; 23. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-13.377; 24. Larry Clark, 12, McMurry-13.485; 25. Larry Houghton, 35, Houghton-13.608; 26. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-13.622; 27. Mike Stroud, 20, Stroud-13.892.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Spyder Anderson, 2. Mel Kenyon, 3. Tommy Astone, 4. Leo Tucker. 51.58

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Dave Strickland, 2. Mark Alderson, 3. Jan Opperman, 4. Steve Lotshaw, 5. Tommy Astone, 6. Steve Troxell, 7. Larry Houghton. 2:10.50

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Jim Beckley, 2. Chuck Gurney, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Gary Irvin, 5. Richard Powell, 6. Greg Staab, 7. Skip Eggert. 2:10.38

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Rice, 2. Rick Montgomery, 3. Rich Vogler, 4. Leo Tucker, 5. Eddie Jackson, 6. Jay Cornell, 7. Mike Stroud. 2:11.77

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Spyder Anderson, 3. Joel Terry, 4. Larry Clark, 5. Ray Stringer, 6. Duane Harr. 2:11.77

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Eddie Jackson, 3. Steve Troxell, 4. Richard Powell, 5. Jay Cornell, 6. Greg Staab, 7. Ray Stringer, 8. Skip Eggert, 9. Mike Stroud, 10. Duane Harr, 11. Larry Houghton. 2:34.22

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Jim Beckley, 2. Billy Engelhart, 3. Mel Kenyon, 4. Leo Tucker, 5. Spyder Anderson, 6. Tommy Astone, 7. Rick Montgomery, 8. Jan Opperman, 9. Larry Rice, 10. Steve Lotshaw, 11. Richard Powell, 12. Chuck Gurney, 13. Joel Terry, 14. Mark Alderson, 15. Rich Vogler, 16. Gary Irvin, 17. Larry Clark, 18. Eddie Jackson, 19. Dave Strickland, 20. Steve Troxell. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 27, 1974 – Colorado National Speedway – Erie, Colorado

QUALIFYING: 1. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-19.054; 2. Jan Opperman, 2x, Mauro-19.585; 3. Larry Clark, 12, McMurry-19.767; 4. Larry Rice, 197, Morrison-20.044; 5. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-20.166; 6. Billy Engelhart, 2, Polnau-20.255; 7. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-20.272; 8. Rich Vogler, 24, Carey-20.324; 9. Steve Troxell, 1D, Mauro-20.427; 10. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-20.514; 11. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-20.536; 12. Leo Tucker, 5D, Goldman-20.588; 13. Chuck Gurney, 29, Conklin-20.718; 14. Jim Beckley, 97, Morrison-20.948; 15. Mark Alderson, 1x, Alderson-21.144; 16. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-21.209; 17. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-21.272; 18. Billy Yeros, 66, Mack-21.283; 19. Cal Chambers, 17D, Morrison-21.310; 20. Speed Roberts, 4D, Melching-21.399; 21. Spyder Anderson, 41, Hains/Ludwig-21.388; 22. Mike Stroud, 20, Stroud-21.554; 23. Ray Stringer, 163, Stringer-22.055.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Larry Clark, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Tommy Astone, 4. Jan Opperman. 1:19.95

FIRST HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Chuck Gurney, 2. Mike Stroud, 3. Steve Lotshaw, 4. Larry Rice, 5. Jay Cornell, 6. Greg Staab, 7. Cal Chambers, 8. Tommy Astone. 2:45.88

SECOND HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Richard Powell, 2. Mel Kenyon, 3. Jan Opperman, 4. Gary Irvin, 5. Rich Vogler, 6. Jim Beckley, 7. Ray Stringer, 8. Speed Roberts. 2:42.13

THIRD HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Steve Troxell, 3. Larry Clark, 4. Spyder Anderson, 5. Mark Alderson, 6. Leo Tucker, 7. Billy Yeros. 2:42.07

FOURTH HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Greg Staab, 3. Cal Chambers, 4. Leo Tucker, 5. Ray Stringer, 6. Speed Roberts. NT

SEMI: (10 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Rich Vogler, 3. Mark Alderson, 4. Leo Tucker, 5. Speed Roberts, 6. Cal Chambers, 7. Greg Staab, 8. Jay Cornell, 9. Jim Beckley, 10. Ray Stringer. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Steve Troxell, 2. Larry Clark, 3. Steve Lotshaw, 4. Jay Cornell, 5. Spyder Anderson, 6. Greg Staab, 7. Cal Chambers, 8. Mike Stroud, 9. Richard Powell, 10. Billy Engelhart, 11. Larry Rice, 12. Jan Opperman, 13. Rich Vogler, 14. Tommy Astone, 15. Speed Roberts, 16. Leo Tucker, 17. Mel Kenyon, 18. Gary Irvin, 19. Chuck Gurney, 20. Mark Alderson. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: July 30, 1974 – Terre Haute Action Track – Terre Haute, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Tommy Astone, 3, Astone-24.000; 2. Bob Wente, 25, Wente-24.020; 3. Johnny Parsons, 69, Lockard-24.030; 4. Roger Branson, 72, Branson-24.090; 5. Billy Engelhart, 2, Polnau-24.130; 6. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-24.200; 7. Sammy Sessions, 55, Hamilton-24.210; 8. Larry Rice, 71, Willman-24.240; 9. Steve Cannon, 67, Schneider-24.270; 10. Larry Cannon, 31, Koehler-24.290; 11. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-24.300; 12. Jim Hettinger, 8x, Haller-24.480; 13. Jimmy Caruthers, 1, Caruthers-24.510; 14. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-24.530; 15. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-24.590; 16. Ken Weiland, 84, Weiland-24.620; 17. Gary Byers, 51, Smith-24.630; 18. Mike Schiesel, 88, English-24.690; 19. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-24.750; 20. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-24.760; 21. Eric Morrison, 38, Morrison-24.810; 22. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-24.900; 23. Chet Johnson, 66, Jett-24.920; 24. Mark Alderson, 1x, Alderson-24.950; 25. Duke Cook, 49, Ammerman-25.020; 26. Dennis Dorsey, 48, Heerboth-25.080; 27. Mike Stroud, 20, Stroud-25.370; 28. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-25.380; 29. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-25.440; 30. Carl Hungness, 7x, Hungness-26.620; 31. Tom Bigelow, 50, Doty-NT; 32. Lee Mettetal, 94, Mettetal-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Johnny Parsons, 3. Roger Branson, 4. Tommy Astone. 1:37.50

FIRST HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Jay Cornell, 3. Gary Byers, 4. Tommy Astone, 5. Steve Cannon, 6. Eric Morrison, 7. Duke Cook, 8. Jimmy Caruthers. 2:25.72

SECOND HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Rich Vogler, 2. Bob Wente, 3. Spike Gehlhausen, 4. Larry Cannon, 5. Dennis Dorsey, 6. Mike Schiesel, 7. Carl Hungness, 8. Gary Irvin. 2:30.58

THIRD HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Johnny Parsons, 2. Mel Kenyon, 3. Richard Powell, 4. Bob Lithgow, 5. Mike Stroud, 6. Sammy Sessions, 7. Chet Johnson. 2:30.26

FOURTH HEAT: (6 laps) 1. Steve Lotshaw, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Mark Alderson, 4. Ken Weiland, 5. Don Branson, 6. Jim Hettinger, 7. Greg Staab. NT

SEMI: (8 laps) 1. Roger Branson, 2. Jim Hettinger, 3. Greg Staab, 4. Steve Cannon, 5. Mike Schiesel, 6. Gary Irvin, 7. Dennis Dorsey, 8. Eric Morrison, 9. Chet Johnson, 10. Mike Stroud, 11. Carl Hungness, 12. Duke Cook, 13. Sammy Sessions, 14. Jimmy Caruthers. 3:18.21

FEATURE: (30 laps) 1. Billy Engelhart, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Roger Branson, 4. Jim Hettinger, 5. Tommy Astone, 6. Steve Lotshaw, 7. Bob Lithgow, 8. Mike Schiesel, 9. Spike Gehlhausen, 10. Johnny Parsons, 11. Mel Kenyon, 12. Steve Cannon, 13. Ken Weiland, 14. Greg Staab, 15. Larry Cannon, 16. Bob Wente, 17. Rich Vogler, 18. Gary Byers, 19. Mark Alderson, 20. Jay Cornell. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 9, 1974 – Hales Corners Speedway – Hales Corners, Wisconsin

QUALIFYING: 1. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-17.850; 2. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-17.970; 3. Johnny Parsons, 69, Lockard-18.120; 4. Larry Cannon, 31, Koehler-18.150; 5. Jim Hettinger, 15, Haller-18.180; 6. Billy Engelhart, 2, Polnau-18.210; 7. Chuck Gurney, 71, Willman-18.240; 8. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-18.240; 9. Roger Branson, 72, Branson-18.300; 10. Steve Cannon, 67, Schneider-18.370; 11. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-18.370; 12. Ken Weiland, 84, Weiland-18.380; 13. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-18.570; 14. Mike Schiesel, 88, English-18.640; 15. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-18.670; 16. Dennis Dorsey, 48, Heerboth-18.680; 17. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-18.720; 18. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-18.850; 19. Mark Alderson, 1x,

Alderson-18.870; 20. Chet Johnson, 65, Jett-18.890; 21. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-18.910; 22. Leo Dugo, 21, Stroud-18.930; 23. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-18.970; 24. Mike Stroud, 20, Stroud-19.240; 25. Eric Morrison, 38, Morrison-19.410; 26. George McBeath, 53, McBeath-19.450; 27. Lee Mettetal, 94, Mettetal-20.210; 28. Larry Rice, 7, Gamester-NT; 29. Carl Hungness, 7x, Hungness-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Larry Cannon, 2. Tommy Astone, 3. Johnny Parsons, 4. Richard Powell. NT

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Jim Hettinger, 2. Richard Powell, 3. Roger Branson, 4. Spike Gehlhausen, 5. Eric Morrison, 6. Gary Irvin, 7. Rich Vogler. NT

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tommy Astone, 2. Billy Engelhart, 3. Steve Cannon, 4. Steve Lotshaw, 5. Leo Dugo, 6. George McBeath, 7. Mike Schiesel. NT

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Marl Alderson, 3. Chuck Gurney, 4. Johnny Parsons, 5. Jay Cornell, 6. Greg Staab, 7. Lee Mettetal. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Cannon, 2. Ken Weiland, 3. Chet Johnson, 4. Bob Lithgow, 5. Dennis Dorsey, 6. Mike Stroud, 7. Larry Rice. NT

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Mike Schiesel, 2. Jay Cornell, 3. Greg Staab, 4. Dennis Dorsey, 5. Leo Dugo, 6. Mike Stroud, 7. Eric Morrison, 8. Gary Irvin, 9. Lee Mettetal, 10. Rich Vogler, 11. George McBeath, 12. Larry Rice. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Steve Cannon, 2. Billy Engelhart, 3. Tommy Astone, 4. Chuck Gurney, 5. Johnny Parsons, 6. Larry Cannon, 7. Jim Hettinger, 8. Roger Branson, 9. Ken Weiland, 10. Jay Cornell, 11. Bob Lithgow, 12. Mark Alderson, 13. Mel Kenyon, 14. Spike Gehlhausen, 15. Greg Staab, 16. Dennis Dorsey, 17. Chet Johnson, 18. Mike Schiesel, 19. Leo Dugo, 20. Steve Lotshaw. 12:31.39

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 17, 1974 – Springfield Speedway – Springfield, Illinois

QUALIFYING: 1. Steve Cannon, 67, Schneider-12.270; 2. Gary Irvin, 7, Gamester-13.041; 3. Bob Wente, 25, Wente-13.118; 4. Jim Hettinger, 15, Hettinger-13.137; 5. Roger Branson, 72, Branson-13.249; 6. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-13.253; 7. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-13.334; 8. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-13.378; 9. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-13.391; 10. Ken Weiland, 84, Weiland-13.525; 11. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-13.527; 12. Mike Stroud, 20, Stroud-13.537; 13. Mike Schiesel, 88, English-13.550; 14. Chet Johnson, 65, Jett-13.568; 15. Mark Alderson, 1x, Alderson-13.575; 16. Larry Rice, 31, Koehler-13.576; 17. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-13.644; 18. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-13.761; 19. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-13.766; 20. John Lucas, 17, Powell-14.062; 21. Gary Byers, 51, Smith-14.363; 22. Lee Mettetal, 94, Mettetal-NT; 23. Leo Dugo, 21, Stroud-NT; 24. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-NT; 25. George McBeath, 53, McBeath-NT; 26. Duke DeRosa, 1B, Range-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Jim Hettinger, 3. Steve Cannon, 4. Gary Irvin. 52.04

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Steve Cannon, 2. Richard Powell, 3. Ken Weiland, 4. Mel Kenyon. 2:15.84

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Greg Staab, 2. Jay Cornell, 3. Mark Alderson, 4. Gary Irvin, 5. Bob Lithgow. NT

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Rich Vogler, 4. Mike Stroud, 5. John Lucas. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Jim Hettinger, 2. Spike Gehlhausen, 3. Mike Schiesel, 4. Steve Lotshaw, 5. Gary Byers, 6. Leo Dugo. 2:13.30

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Bob Lithgow, 2. Richard Powell, 3. Spike Gehlhausen, 4. Mike Schiesel, 5. Mark Alderson, 6. Rich Vogler, 7. John Lucas, 8. Leo Dugo, 9. Gary Byers, 10. Chet Johnson. 2:41.68

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Mel Kenyon, 3. Steve Cannon, 4. Bob Lithgow, 5. Larry Rice, 6. Gary Irvin, 7. John Lucas, 8. Greg Staab, 9. Mike Stroud, 10. Mark Alderson, 11. Mike Schiesel, 12. Rich Vogler, 13. Richard Powell, 14. Steve Lotshaw, 15. Ken Weiland, 16. Jim Hettinger, 17. Spike Gehlhausen, 18. Jay Cornell, 19. Leo Dugo, 20. Gary Byers. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 25, 1974 – Columbus Motor Speedway – Columbus, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-15.130; 2. Bob Wente, 25, Wente-15.140; 3. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-15.190; 4. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-15.220; 5. Jim Hettinger, 15, McKown-15.250; 6. Larry Rice, 7, Gamester-15.310; 7. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-15.350; 8. John Lucas, 17, Powell-15.360; 9. Mark Alderson, 1x, Alderson-15.410; 10. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-15.420; 11. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-15.490; 12. Steve Cannon, 4, Shannon-15.510; 13. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-15.600; 14. Eric Morrison, 38, Morrison-15.870; 15. Gary Byers, 51, Smith-15.910; 16. Jack Shipman, 49, Ammerman-16.270; 17. Chet Johnson, 65, Jett-16.310; 18. Tommy Astone, 1, Caruthers-NT; 19. Lee Mettetal, 94, Mettetal-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Richard Powell, 3. Bob Wente, 4. Greg Staab. NT

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Jay Cornell, 3. Jim Hettinger, 4. Steve Lotshaw, 5. Mark Alderson, 6. Chet Johnson, 7. Spike Gehlhausen, 8. Gary Byers, 9. Jack Shipman. 2:36.71

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Richard Powell, 4. Steve Cannon, 5. Gary Irvin, 6. Eric Morrison, 7. Greg Staab, 8. John Lucas. 2:34.20

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Mel Kenyon, 3. Greg Staab, 4. Jim Hettinger, 5. Larry Rice, 6. Steve Lotshaw, 7. Larry Cannon, 8. Spike Gehlhausen, 9. Eric Morrison, 10. Jay Cornell, 11. John Lucas, 12. Gary Irvin, 13. Mark Alderson, 14. Gary Byers, 15. Jack Shipman, 16. Chet Johnson, 17. Richard Powell. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: August 31, 1974 – Du Quoin State Fairgrounds – Du Quoin, Illinois

QUALIFYING: 1. Pancho Carter, 4, Shannon-35.370; 2. Jimmy Caruthers, 1, Caruthers-35.480; 3. Billy Engelhart, 2, Polnau-35.510; 4. Tommy Astone, 59, Tyler-35.570; 5. Jim Hettinger, 15, Hettinger-35.930; 6. Dana Carter, 57, Ryan-36.120; 7. Johnny Parsons, 69, Lockard-36.120; 8. Chuck Gurney, 71, Willman-36.160; 9. Billy Vukovich, 16, Bettenhausen-36.330; 10. Arnie Knepper, 35, Knepper-36.350; 11. Larry Cannon, 31, Koehler-36.400; 12. Steve Cannon, 67, Schneider-36.420; 13. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-36.450; 14. Sammy Sessions, 55, Hamilton-36.460; 15. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-36.470; 16. Bob Wente, 25, Wente-36.500; 17. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-36.500; 18. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-36.520; 19. Gary Ponzini, 3, Astone-36.650; 20. Gary Byers, 51, Koehler-36.670; 21. Roger Branson, 72, Branson-36.750; 22. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-36.790; 23. Mark Alderson, 33, Wirtzes-36.800; 24. Larry Rice, 197, Morrison-36.840; 25. Bobby Olivero, 78, Caruthers-36.900; 26. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-36.930; 27. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-37.010; 28. Ralph Liguori, 12, Jones-37.140; 29. Jay Cornell, 82, Cornell-37.210; 30. John Hubbard, 49, Ammerman-37.210; 31. Joe Saldana, 7, Gamester-37.210; 32. Jim Beckley, 162, Olds-37.340; 33. Dennis Dorsey, 48, Heerboth-37.410; 34. Ken Weiland, 84, Weiland-37.690;

35. Mike Schiesel, 88, English-37.990; 36. Eric Morrison, 38, Morrison-38.390; 37. George McBeath, 53, McBeath-38.680; 38. Charlie Wilder, 135, Wilder-39.190; 39. John Lucas, 37, Powell-39.220; 40. Gary Irvin, 65, Jett-40.250; 41. Mike Stroud, 20, Stroud-40.440; 42. Tom Bigelow, 50, Doty-NT; 43. Ronnie Burke, 79, King-NT; 44. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-NT.

NON-QUALIFIERS RACE: (15 laps) 1. Larry Rice, 2. Bobby Olivero, 3. Don Branson, 4. Mark Alderson, 5. Rich Vogler, 6. Greg Staab, 7. Bob Lithgow, 8. Joe Saldana, 9. Tom Bigelow, 10. Mike Schiesel, 11. Jay Cornell, 12. Dennis Dorsey, 13. John Lucas, 14. Jim Beckley, 15. Eric Morrison, 16. Gary Irvin, 17. Ken Weiland, 18. Mike Stroud, 19. Arnie Knepper, 20. John Hubbard, 21. George McBeath, 22. Ronnie Burke, 23. Ralph Liguori. 9:05.02

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Pancho Carter, 2. Tommy Astone, 3. Johnny Parsons, 4. Larry Rice, 5. Dana Carter, 6. Bob Wente, 7. Bobby Olivero, 8. Steve Lotshaw, 9. Mel Kenyon, 10. Rich Vogler, 11. Steve Cannon, 12. Jim Hettinger, 13. Bob Lithgow, 14. Mark Alderson, 15. Richard Powell, 16. Gary Byers, 17. Larry Cannon, 18. Spike Gehlhausen, 19. Arnie Knepper, 20. Chuck Gurney, 21. Joe Saldana, 22. Billy Engelhart, 23. Roger Branson, 24. Gary Ponzini, 25. Greg Staab, 26. Jimmy Caruthers, 27. Sammy Sessions, 28. Billy Vukovich. 30:02.38

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: September 4, 1974 – Midwest Speedway – Lincoln, Nebraska

QUALIFYING: 1. Bobby Olivero, 78, Caruthers-16.617; 2. Steve Cannon, 31, Koehler-16.917; 3. Bob Wente, 25, Wente-16.996; 4. Mark Alderson, 33, Wirtzes-17.078; 5. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-17.113; 6. Spyder Anderson, 41, Anderson-17.209; 7. Dave Gable, 5, Polak-17.360; 8. Al Murie, 19, Allard-17.382; 9. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-17.391; 10. Jim Beckley, 162, Olds-17.496; 11. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-17.528; 12. Jerry Stone, 54, Stone-17.549; 13. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-17.558; 14. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-17.579; 15. Walt McWhorter, 23, Westerhaus-17.841; 16. Butch Bahr, 6, Marshall-17.937; 17. Roger Rager, 18, Gardner-17.993; 18. Ray Stringer, 163, Stringer-18.125; 19. Jack Shipman, 49, Ammerman-19.139; 20. Cal Milley, 25x, Schmedding-19.331; 21. Jim Hettinger, 15, McKown-NT; 22. Cal Chambers, 17, Chambers-NT; 23. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Bobby Olivero, 3. Larry Cannon, 4. Mark Alderson. 1:09.332

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Bobby Olivero, 2. Bob Wente, 3. Greg Staab, 4. Richard Powell, 5. Rich Vogler, 6. Dave Gable, 7. Roger Rager, 8. Bob Lithgow, 9. Walt McWhorter, 10. Jack Shipman, 11. Jim Hettinger. 2:54.740

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Steve Cannon, 2. Mel Kenyon, 3. Spyder Anderson, 4. Jerry Stone, 5. Mark Alderson, 6. Al Murie, 7. Ray Stringer, 8. Butch Bahr, 9. Jim Beckley, 10. Cal Milley. NT

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Steve Cannon, 2. Bobby Olivero, 3. Bob Wente, 4. Richard Powell, 5. Mark Alderson, 6. Rich Vogler, 7. Mel Kenyon, 8. Jim Beckley, 9. Bob Lithgow, 10. Dave Gable, 11. Spyder Anderson, 12. Al Murie, 13. Greg Staab, 14. Jim Hettinger, 15. Jack Shipman, 16. Ray Stringer, 17. Jerry Stone, 18. Roger Rager, 19. Cal Milley, 20. Walt McWhorter, 21. Butch Bahr. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: September 5, 1974 – Sunset Speedway – Omaha, Nebraska

QUALIFYING: 1. Steve Cannon, 67, Schneider-20.110; 2. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-20.150; 3. Bobby Olivero, 78, Caruthers-20.490; 4. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-20.640; 5. Jerry Stone, 54, Stone-20.840; 6. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-20.900; 7. Mark Alderson, 33, Wirtzes-20.990; 8. Mel Kenyon, 61, Kenyon-21.020; 9. Jim Hettinger, 15, McKown-21.030; 10. Bob Wente, 25, Wente-21.060; 11. Roger Rager, 18, Gardner-21.190; 12. Jim Beckley, 162, Olds-21.240; 13. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-21.640; 14. Mike Stroud, 20, Stroud-21.650; 15. Dave Gable, 5, Polak-21.790; 16. Spyder Anderson, 41, Anderson-21.810; 17. Walt McWhorter, 23, Westerhaus-21.980; 18. Ray Stringer, 163, Stringer-22.020; 19. Leo Dugo, 21, Stroud-22.330; 20. Jack Shipman, 49, Ammerman-24.420; 21. Al Murie, 19, Allard-26.810.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Bobby Olivero, 2. Bob Lithgow, 3. Richard Powell, 4. Steve Cannon. 1:22.02

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Bobby Olivero, 2. Al Murie, 3. Jim Hettinger, 4. Steve Cannon, 5. Dave Gable, 6. Greg Staab, 7. Mark Alderson, 8. Jerry Stone, 9. Roger Rager, 10. Walt McWhorter, 11. Leo Dugo. 3:32.06

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Bob Wente, 2. Rich Vogler, 3. Richard Powell, 4. Mel Kenyon, 5. Bob Lithgow, 6. Mike Stroud, 7. Spyder Anderson, 8. Jack Shipman, 9. Ray Stringer. NT

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Bobby Olivero, 2. Bob Wente, 3. Steve Cannon, 4. Jim Hettinger, 5. Rich Vogler, 6. Bob Lithgow, 7. Richard Powell, 8. Roger Rager, 9. Dave Gable, 10. Spyder Anderson, 11. Al Murie, 12. Greg Staab, 13. Mike Stroud, 14. Mark Alderson, 15. Ray Stringer, 16. Mel Kenyon, 17. Jack Shipman, 18. Jerry Stone, 19. Walt McWhorter. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: September 8, 1974 – Terre Haute Action Track – Terre Haute, Indiana – Hut 100

QUALIFYING: 1. Jimmy Caruthers, 1, Caruthers-24.500; 2. Steve Cannon, 67, Schneider-25.190; 3. Arnie Knepper, 35, Knepper-25.290; 4. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-25.330; 5. Johnny Parsons, 69, Lockard-25.500; 6. Ken Weiland, 84, Weiland-25.520; 7. Tom Bigelow, 4, Shannon-25.620; 8. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-25.690; 9. Chuck Gurney, 71, Willman-25.800; 10. Tommy Astone, 59, Tyler-25.930; 11. Larry Cannon, 31, Koehler-25.990; 12. Dennis Dorsey, 48, Heerboth-26.020; 13. Bobby Olivero, 78, Caruthers-26.020; 14. Mark Alderson, 33, Wirtzes-26.050; 15. Ralph Liguori, 50, Doty-26.080; 16. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-26.110; 17. Gary Ponzini, 3, Astone-26.150; 18. Greg Staab, 12, Jones-26.210; 19. Billy Engelhart, 2, Polnau-26.310; 20. Larry Rice, 197, Morrison-26.330; 21. Mike Schiesel, 88, English-26.340; 22. Jim Hettinger, 15, McKown-26.350; 23. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-26.380; 24. Joe Saldana, 7, Gamester-26.490; 25. Gary Byers, 51, Smith-26.560; 26. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-26.590; 27. Dana Carter, 57, Ryan-26.590; 28. Mike Gregg, 62, Lotshaw-26.840; 29. Lee Osborne, 135, Wilder-26.900; 30. Steve Chassey, 16, Bettenhausen-26.900; 31. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-26.910; 32. Jim Beckley, 162, Olds-27.040; 33. John Lucas, 37, Powell-27.080; 34. Jack Shipman, 49, Ammerman-27.120; 35. Chet Johnson, 65, Jett-27.220; 36. Eric Morrison, 38, Morrison-27.280; 37. Spyder Anderson, 41, Anderson-27.370; 38. Ray Stringer, 163, Stringer-27.450; 39. Al Murie, 19, Allard-27.450; 40. Carl Hungness, 7x, Hungness-27.940; 41. Wes Stafford, 39, Fortune-NT; 42. Mike Stroud, 20, Stroud-NT; 43. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-NT; 44. George McBeath, 53, McBeath-NT; 45. Roger Branson, 72, Branson-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Arnie Knepper, 2. Jimmy Caruthers, 3. Bob Lithgow, 4. Steve Cannon. 1:46.44

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Bobby Olivero, 2. Arnie Knepper, 3. Tommy Astone, 4. Steve Cannon, 5. Mel Kenyon, 6. Billy Engelhart, 7. Dana Carter, 8. Larry Cannon, 9. Mark Alderson, 10. Mike Gregg, 11. Bob Lithgow, 12. Jim Beckley, 13. Rich Vogler, 14. Mike Schiesel, 15. John Lucas, 16. Dennis Dorsey, 17. Steve Chassey, 18. Chuck Gurney, 19. Jim Hettinger, 20. Gary Byers, 21. Gary Irvin, 22. Larry Rice, 23. Gary Ponzini, 24. Ralph Liguori, 25. Joe Saldana, 26. Spike Gehlhausen, 27.

Johnny Parsons, 28. Tom Bigelow, 29. Lee Osborne, 30. Greg Staab, 31. Ken Weiland, 32. Richard Powell, 33. Jimmy Caruthers. NT

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: November 2, 1974 – FasTrack International Speedway – Avondale, Arizona

QUALIFYING: 1. Pancho Carter, 10, Cook-31.350; 2. Tom Bigelow, 4, Shannon-31.690; 3. Ken Nichols, 4x, Shanoian-31.710; 4. A.J. Foyt, 9, Pool-31.770; 5. Bobby Olivero, 78, Caruthers-31.930; 6. Jimmy Caruthers, 1, Caruthers-31.970; 7. Gary Irvin, 2x, Pool-32.130; 8. Johnny Parsons, 69, Lockard-32.210; 9. Steve Chassey, 16, Bettenhausen-32.230; 10. Tom Sneva, 59, Riggs-32.270; 11. Sammy Sauer, 29, Conklin-32.280; 12. Chuck Gurney, 99, Linne-32.290; 13. Jerry Weeks, 8x, Lynch-32.460; 14. Jim Beckley, 197, Morrison-32.630; 15. John Hubbard, 18, Haller-32.780; 16. Mark Alderson, 33, Wirtzes-32.860; 17. Milt Harper, 92, Harper-32.860; 18. Larry Rice, 162, Olds-32.950; 19. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-32.960; 20. Spyder Anderson, 41, Hains/Ludwig-33.000; 21. Billy Engelhart, 2, Polnau-33.130; 22. Harry Stryker Jr., 11, Stryker-33.180; 23. Dave Strickland, 11x, Mauro-33.240; 24. Rick Goudy, 66, Lee-33.260; 25. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-33.260; 26. Rich Vogler, 8, Cornell-33.360; 27. Billy Humphreys, 73, Elkins-33.590; 28. Johnny W. Anderson, 12, Gonsel-33.650; 29. Karl Busson, 91x, Alvis-33.670; 30. Greg Staab, 44, Staab-33.740; 31. George Benson, 7, Miller-33.840; 32. Spike Gehlhausen, 91, Gehlhausen-33.990; 33. Mike Gregg, 27, Dyer/Leslie-34.090; 34. Clark Templeman, 24, Kischell-34.240; 35. John Lucas, 37, Powell-34.270; 36. Floyd Alvis, 10x, Alvis-34.600; 37. Arlen Stebbins, 10B, Adams-35.660; 38. Jack Wilson, 64, Wilson-35.800; 39. Bob Wente, 25, Wente-39.570; 40. Jan Opperman, 84, McKnight-NT; 41. Hank Butcher, 3x, DuPont-NT; 42. Steve Lotshaw, 62, Lotshaw-NT; 43. George Snider, 93, Linne-NT; 44. Mike Stroud, 96, Linne-NT; 45. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-NT; 46. Sammy Sessions, 55, Hamilton-NT.

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Bobby Olivero, 2. Sammy Sauer, 3. Ken Nichols, 4. Jerry Weeks, 5. Steve Chassey, 6. Johnny Parsons, 7. Tom Sneva, 8. Rich Vogler, 9. Billy Humphreys, 10. Gary Irvin, 11. Larry Rice, 12. Bob Lithgow, 13. Harry Stryker Jr., 14. Milt Harper, 15. Rick Goudy, 16. Mark Alderson, 17. Tom Bigelow, 18. Richard Powell, 19. Jimmy Caruthers, 20. John Hubbard, 21. A.J. Foyt, 22. Spyder Anderson, 23. Dave Strickland, 24. Jim Beckley, 25. Pancho Carter, 26. Billy Engelhart, 27. Chuck Gurney, 28. Johnny W. Anderson. 27:13.32

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USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: November 24, 1974 – Bakersfield Speedway – Bakersfield, California

QUALIFYING: 1. Sleepy Tripp, 67, Tripp-13.741; 2. Roger Mears, 26, Rimco-13.963; 3. Bobby Tripp, 61x, Tripp-13.976; 4. Hank Butcher, 3x, DuPont-13.999; 5. Bill Weingarten, 30, Weingarten-14.034; 6. Jeff Heywood, 33x, Winick-14.070; 7. Pancho Carter, 10, Cook-14.084; 8. Jerry Weeks, 8x, Lynch-14.106; 9. Chuck Gurney, 99JR, Linne-14.123; 10. George Snider, 99, Linne-14.130; 11. Wheeler Gresham, 89, Gresham-14.167; 12. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-14.175; 13. Larry Patton, 35, Luhrs-14.180; 14. Tom Bigelow, 4, Shannon-14.192; 15. Larry Rice, 162, Olds-14.193; 16. George Benson, 7, Miller-14.228; 17. Jimmy Caruthers, 1, Caruthers-14.235; 18. Danny O'Neill, 71, Bussell-14.263; 19. Bobby Morrow, 82, Rogers-14.307; 20. Clark Templeman, 24, Kischell-14.312; 21. Pancho Carter, 80, Wright-14.336; 22. Danny McKnight, 87, Caruthers-14.338; 23. Mike Ryan, 92, Palmer/Healy-14.382; 24. Jim Beckley, 197, Morrison-14.400; 25. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-14.412; 26. Mark Alderson, 33, Wirtzes-14.422; 27. Bubby Jones, 60, Schweitzer-14.425; 28. Buddy Irwin, 50, Irwin-14.432; 29. Johnny W. Anderson, 12, Gonsel-14.470; 30. Duke Cook, 27, Scettrini-14.472; 31. Jim Edwards, 126, Edwards-14.505; 32. Billy

Humphreys, 73, Elkins-14.553; 33. Jim Watson, 101, Watson-14.667; 34. Wally Pankratz, 15, Skellenger-14.690; 35. Floyd Alvis, 18, Sousa-14.827; 36. Ed Shefchik, 199, Shefchik-14.846; 37. Arlen Stebbins, 106, Adams-14.867; 38. Don Hawley, 6, Noffsinger-14.957; 39. Dave Bowling, 159, Bowling-15.082; 40. John Redican, 65, Jett-15.165; 41. Bob East, 85, Lavelly-15.621; 42. Bobby Olivero, 78, Caruthers-NT; 43. Chris Cumberworth, 90, Corbin-NT; 44. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Hank Butcher, 2. Sleepy Tripp, 3. Roger Mears, 4. Bobby Tripp. 56.71

FIRST HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Johnny W. Anderson, 2. Gary Irvin, 3. Jimmy Caruthers, 4. Sleepy Tripp, 5. Dana Carter, 6. Larry Patton, 7. Chuck Gurney, 8. Bill Weingarten. 1:54:79

SECOND HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Mark Alderson, 2. Danny McKnight, 3. George Snider, 4. Danny O'Neill, 5. Tom Bigelow, 6. Roger Mears, 7. Duke Cook, 8. Jeff Heywood. 1:55.73

THIRD HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Larry Rice, 2. Pancho Carter, 3. Wheeler Gresham, 4. Bobby Tripp, 5. Bubby Jones, 6. Jim Edwards, 7. Mike Ryan, 8. Bobby Morrow. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (8 laps) 1. Mel Kenyon, 2. Jerry Weeks, 3. Jim Beckley, 4. Hank Butcher, 5. Billy Humphreys, 6. George Benson, 7. Clark Templeman, 8. Buddy Irwin. 1:55.82

SEMI: (10 laps) 1. Roger Mears, 2. Jeff Heywood, 3. Bill Weingarten, 4. Chuck Gurney, 5. Larry Patton, 6. Tom Bigelow, 7. George Benson, 8. Clark Templeman, 9. Bubby Jones, 10. Dana Carter, 11. Duke Cook, 12. Jim Edwards, 13. Jim Watson, 14. Billy Humphreys, 15. Bobby Morrow, 16. Mike Ryan. 2:19.15

FEATURE: (30 laps) 1. Sleepy Tripp, 2. Chuck Gurney, 3. Pancho Carter, 4. Mel Kenyon, 5. Jimmy Caruthers, 6. Jerry Weeks, 7. Danny O'Neill, 8. Bill Weingarten, 9. Danny McKnight, 10. Larry Rice, 11. Johnny W. Anderson, 12. Jim Beckley, 13. Gary Irvin, 14. Mark Alderson, 15. Wheeler Gresham, 16. Hank Butcher, 17. Roger Mears, 18. Bob Tripp, 19. Jeff Heywood, 20. George Snider. NT

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McKnight Posts First USAC Victory at Turkey Night; Gary B. Returns to Racing

Danny McKnight of San Dimas, California scored his first ever USAC victory on Thanksgiving Night, November 28, at Ascot Park in Gardena, California.

The occasion was the prestigious annual running of the 100-lap Turkey Night Grand Prix.

Driving the No. 87 Caruthers Volkswagen and starting alongside pole-winning Bobby Olivero in the No. 78 Caruthers Volkswagen, McKnight waited until lap 45 to overhual leader Duane "Pancho" Carter and then led the rest of the distance. Olivero led the opening 20 laps before blowing an engine and Carter then led until McKnight's winning charge at the half-mile dirt.

Pancho finished second in the Mason Cook Sesco while Jerry Weeks finished third in the Joe Lynch Volkswagen. Gary Irvin was fourth in the Dan Pool Sesco, and George Snider was fifth in the Howard Linne Volkswagen.

Mel Kenyon, despite a slow qualifying time which forced him to run in the semi where he dropped out, still earned his fourth USAC Midget driving title, an unprecedented feat. He finished 112 points ahead of Tommy Astone who, despite not competing in the final two races of the season, still finished as the runner-up for the second consecutive year. Tommy is still recuperating from injuries suffered in October during a California racing accident.

Don Kenyon, owner of the Volkswagen campaigned by Mel on this year's Midget trail, finished 29 points ahead of defending champion Doug Caruthers to claim the 1974 entrant title.

The Turkey Night Grand Prix was also the site for Gary Bettenhausen's return to racing. Gary was seriously injured in a July 4 accident in Syracuse, New York and had been idled until Turkey Night with an injured arm.

Gary started ninth in the semi and finished third, earning a spot in the 100-lap feature. Driving the No. 93 Howard Linne SESCO, Gary started from the 27th spot in the feature and worked his way up to eighth before dropping out. He placed 20th in the official finish.

McKnight's victory made him the 18th different feature winner on the 40-race 1974 USAC National Midget schedule. Steve Cannon led the field with six victories. Mel Kenyon, Billy Engelhart, Bob Wente, and Bobby Olivero had four each. Larry Rice and Tommy Astone won three. Dave Strickland won two. Single wins were posted by Jimmy Caruthers, Gary Byers, Sammy Sessions, Richard Powell, Chuck Gurney, Jim Beckley, Steve Troxell, Pancho Carter, Sleepy Tripp, and McKnight.

The victories for Byers, Powell, Tripp, and McKnight were their first in USAC competition.

Twenty-two wins were posted by Volkswagen engines and 17 by SESCOs. Sammy Sessions grabbed the only victory for Offy when he won at Indiana's Winchester Speedway. The Volkswagens were truly dominant on the pavement during the outdoor season as they took 12 of 14 features. The only non-VW wins were by Sessions in an Offy and Engelhart in a SESCO, both at Winchester.

USAC NATIONAL MIDGET RACE RESULTS: November 28, 1974 – Ascot Park – Gardena, California – Turkey Night Grand Prix

QUALIFYING: 1. Bobby Olivero, 78, Caruthers-22.145; 2. Danny McKnight, 87, Caruthers-22.184; 3. Dana Carter, 80, Wright-22.229; 4. Pancho Carter, 10, Cook-22.283; 5. George Snider, 99, Linne-22.340; 6. Jimmy Caruthers, 1, Caruthers-22.405; 7. Billy Engelhart, 2, Polnau-22.420; 8. Bubby Jones, 60, Schweitzer-22.430; 9. Steve Chassey, 16, Bettenhausen-22.433; 10. Johnny W. Anderson, 12, Gonsel-22.553; 11. Van May, 97, Kehan-22.557; 12. Jim Beckley, 197, Morrison-22.557; 13. Larry Patton, 35, Noutary-22.578; 14. Ken Nichols, 4x, Shanoian-22.583; 15. Larry Rice, 162, Olds-22.592; 16. Gary Irvin, 9, Pool-22.592; 17. Chris Cumberworth, 41, Cumberworth-22.660; 18. Buddy Irwin, 150, Irwin-22.687; 19. Tom Bigelow, 4, Shannon-22.714; 20. Jerry Weeks, 8x, Lynch-22.741; 21. Chuck Gurney, 99JR, Linne-22.757; 22. Sleepy Tripp, 61x, Tripp-22.781; 23. Sammy Sessions, 55, Hamilton-22.806; 24. Hank Butcher, 3x, Dupont-22.858; 25. John Redican, 6, Noffsinger-22.894; 26. Rick Goudy, 66, Lee-22.898; 27. Johnny Corbin, 90, Corbin-22.900; 28. Bob East, 85, Lavelly-22.985; 29. Bob Lithgow, 28, Lithgow-22.988; 30. Mark Alderson, 33, Wirtzes-23.050; 31. Gary Bettenhausen, 93, Linne-23.062; 32. Mel Kenyon, 61, 3-K-23.071; 33. Bobby Morrow, 82, Scettrini-23.110; 34. Mike Shaw, 65, Jett-23.221; 35. Clark Templeman, 84, McKnight-23.344; 36. Danny O'Neill, 71, O'Neill/Anderson-23.347; 37. Jim Watson, 101, Watson-23.383; 38. Jim Edwards, 126, Edwards-23.415; 39. Mike Gregg, 27, Gregg-23.554; 40. Billy Humphreys, 73, Elkins-23.572; 41. John Hubbard, 18, Hailer-23.591; 42. Jack Mattson, 7x, Mattson-23.597; 43. Mike Stroud, 96, Stroud-23.644; 44. Jeff Heywood, 33x, Heywood-23.703; 45. Floyd Alvis, 10x, Alvis-23.791; 46. Bill Renshaw, 92, Harper-23.824; 47. Wally Pankratz, 146, Hanson-23.951; 48. Richard Powell, 43, Powell-23.989; 49. Wally Pankratz, 15, Skellenger-24.114; 50. Mike Ryan, 15NZ, Yates-24.122; 51. Ed Shefchik, 199, Shefchik-24.245; 52. Arlen Stebbins, 108, Adams-25.151; 53. Jack Wilson, 64, Wilson-25.701; 54. Clark Templeman, 24, Kischell-NT; 55. Bill Weingarten, 30, Weingarten-NT; 56. Gary Howard, 96x, Dzienanowicz-NT.

DASH: (4 laps) 1. Pancho Carter, 2. Danny McKnight, 3. Bobby Olivero, 4. Dana Carter. 1:30.98 (New Track Record)

SEMI: (15 laps) 1. Johnny Corbin, 2. Rick Goudy, 3. Gary Bettenhausen, 4. Mark Alderson, 5. Bob Lithgow, 6. Bobby Morrow, 7. Billy Humphreys, 8. Richard Powell (#65), 9. Jim Watson, 10. Jim Edwards, 11. Mike Gregg, 12. John Redican, 13. Danny O'Neill, 14. Bob East, 15. Mel Kenyon, 16. Clark Templeman. NT

FEATURE: (100 laps) 1. Danny McKnight, 2. Pancho Carter, 3. Jerry Weeks, 4. Gary Irvin, 5. George Snider, 6. Rick Goudy, 7. Jim Beckley, 8. Mark Alderson, 9. Larry Patton, 10. Sleepy Tripp, 11. Chuck Gurney, 12. Hank Butcher, 13. Jimmy Caruthers, 14. Tom Bigelow, 15. Billy Engelhart, 16. Steve Chassey, 17. Johnny Corbin, 18. Buddy Irwin, 19. Larry Rice, 20. Gary Bettenhausen, 21. Johnny W. Anderson, 22. Sammy Sessions, 23. Bobby Olivero, 24. Ken Nichols, 25. Dana Carter, 26. Van May, 27. Chris Cumberworth, 28. Bubby Jones. NT

FEATURE LAP LEADERS: Laps 1-20 Bobby Olivero, Laps 21-44 Pancho Carter, Laps 45-100 Danny McKnight.