

## 1971 USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR REVIEW

One of the most competitive seasons on record marked USAC Sprint Car activity during 1971—a year that saw twelve men earn victory in a schedule that included thirty-one feature events.

Out of the mid-March-through-October scramble emerged Gary Bettenhausen with his second championship in the division, duplicating a 1969 feat.

Point-standings leadership changed hands nine times during the first half of the season. It wasn't until late July that Bettenhausen forged to the front to stay, but his position was precarious right up to the next to last feature of the season when he finally clinched the crown after a spirited late-season duel with defending champion Larry Dickson and world-record-setter Rollie Beale.

Sprint cars are what the name implies. They are open-wheeled, open-cockpit racing vehicles designed for maximum speed over the short haul on basically half-mile tracks, which range from semi-flat dirt to steeply banked paved turns.

The cars are required to have at least an eighty-four-inch wheelbase. Engines can range from overhead camshaft designs built expressly for racing to basic stock block power, adaptable to the sport. The former are restricted to 256.284 cubic inches; the latter to 305.1 cubic inches.

Once basically a circuit dominated by the specialized Offenhauser engine, this year's lineup was almost totally Chevrolet-powered. The one exception was the Ford motor used in the Willie Davis car that Bettenhausen drove regularly.

Feature distances for the sprinters generally are forty laps with twenty-car fields, although a few fifty-lap events are run. Programs also include qualifying (the best timed lap out of two), four 10-lap heat races and a twelve-lap semi-feature.

Beale established a new world one-lap qualifying record on September 12 by touring the high-banked Winchester (Indiana) Speedway half-mile in 16.42 seconds, an average of 109.662 miles per hour.

Sam Sessions opened the season with the point leadership by virtue of a victory at Tri-County Speedway in Cincinnati, but within a fortnight Dick Tobias had moved to the front. Just a week later Dickson was fronting the standings.

On April 24 Tobias was ahead again. He remained tied for the lead with Sessions on May 1, but by the next night Larry (Boom Boom) Cannon shared the top spot with Sessions. By mid-May, however, the latter had pulled out again and began stretching his margin to what appeared to be almost an insurmountable lead by early July.

A crash over the first-turn bank at Salem (Indiana) on July 11 indicated a souring turn of fate for Sessions. Although he sustained only minor injuries, he could not again court Lady Luck in a series of different cars.

By July 24 Dickson had wrested the lead from him, and by the next afternoon Bettenhausen was on top to stay, though no one could have predicted this at the moment.

Dickson's victory on the September 12 date at Winchester moved him to within 1 1/2 points of Gary, and after the first of the twin fifty-lap races at the same track on October 17, not only was Dickson still only 12 1/2 points in arrears but Beale had closed to within 18 points and Bettenhausen's regular mount was sidelined with a broken engine.

It was under such pressure that Bettenhausen uncorked what many veteran observers claim was one of the greatest—if not the greatest—driving performances in the annals of auto racing.

Starting twentieth and last in a borrowed car, he swept all the way to a last-lap, last-foot victory by a wheel over the pace-setting Sessions. Lee Kunzman, in the other car Bettenhausen had passed in that final, desperate surge, was little more than another length back in third place.

The following week at New Bremen, Gary clinched the title with a fifth-place finish and, for insurance, added another fifth in the finale at the same track a week later.

His memorable Winchester triumph was his fifth of the year. Sessions, in his early-season charge, had accumulated a like number of features.

Dickson and Beale wound up with four wins each; Mitch Smith had three; Cannon, Tobias and George Snider, two each; and Kunzman, Bill Puterbaugh, Cy Fairchild and Johnny Parsons, one apiece.

In this fastest, busiest of all forms of racing, supervisor Russ Clendenen had a counter clocking the track time of all cars from the warm-up periods through the features at each track. He estimates that the total aggregate for all entries amounted to 43,338 miles of driving.

Out of that the most serious injury was to Bentley Warren, who required four weeks in a hospital for treatment of two broken heels incurred in a crash at Toledo (Ohio) Speedway.

Clendenen credited such mandatory equipment as USAC-tested roll cages (over the cockpit), fuel-tank bladders, helmets, fireproof suits and on-board fire extinguishers for the splendid safety record.

### **Champion Driver**

Gary Bettenhausen was born to race. His father, Tony, twice was national driving champion. Gary has been around the sport since he was a toddler.

Now thirty, he has his second USAC Sprint Division championship in hand, a hard-fought honor that came during the season of 1971. His earlier title was won in 1969.

Though he was also in the running for the USAC championship for speedway cars until the next to the last race of the season and though he finished within the top twenty in the midget division despite infrequent appearances there, sprint racing remained his forte throughout the past season.

He didn't make his debut in the sprinters until the final race of the '67 season, yet he finished third in that very first feature outing. In addition to the two championships he holds, he also has second-place finishes to Larry Dickson in his other two full seasons on the circuit, 1968 and 1970.

His five feature triumphs last season boosted his total to twenty-seven in the four full seasons. That record is only seven less than Dickson's, the all-time winner, and one less than the late Don Branson's, holder of second place in the number of career wins.

In twenty-eight appearances last year on the sprint trail, Gary was ninth or better on twenty-two occasions. His consistently high finishes accounted for his fifty-five-point margin over Dickson at the conclusion of the season. He didn't gain the lead in point standings until July 25, on the occasion of a victory at New Bremen (Ohio) Speedway. He never again surrendered it, though he didn't clinch the title until the next to the last race of the season, also at New Bremen, where he finished fifth.

Bettenhausen's driving versatility is great. Two of his wins were on dirt (at Eldora Speedway, Rossburg, Ohio, and Terre Haute, Indiana), one on semi-banked pavement (New Bremen) and two on paved high-banked half-milers (at Salem and Winchester, both in Indiana).

His last victory, won on the final straightaway of a fifty-lap race at Winchester in which he started last in a borrowed car, broke the spirited charges of both Dickson and Rollie Beale in their efforts to wrest the title from him.

Bettenhausen, his wife and twin sons reside in Tinley Park, Illinois, where he was reared and schooled. He also has two brothers who race—Merle, who competes periodically in midget, sprint and dirt track competition, and Tony, Jr., who has been obtaining his early seasoning in stock cars in Texas.

### **Champion Entrant**

Colorful race-car builder Willie Davis continued a successful alliance with driver Gary Bettenhausen during USAC's 1971 sprint racing season.

The husky Los Angeles-born Davis, forty-one, has supplied sprinters for Bettenhausen in each of the last four years. They've won championships in 1969 and '71 and finished second in the standings in the other two seasons.

Last year's blue No. 2 Davis model, to which Bettenhausen was regularly assigned, was unique. On a circuit otherwise featuring solely Chevrolet engines, Davis introduced a Ford that brought success.

Willie, who also had relied on Chevrolet power in other years, was undecided as to what kind of engine he'd employ for the 1972 season. But he and Bettenhausen were to retain their team ties, despite Gary's stepped-up program in other areas of racing.

"We'll run on a limited basis," Willie vowed.

Davis, a bachelor who now resides in Indianapolis, got into racing on the West Coast in 1950, the introduction coming in hot rod competition on the dry lakes. Two years later he was involved in preparing cars for oval racing at old Carrell Speedway and other sites in the West. That lasted for a decade.

By 1963 he was on the USAC sprint circuit full-time, campaigning a car with Chuck Hulse as the driver. It was a sharp operation. Hulse won one feature—at New Bremen, Ohio—and had four seconds. He finished in the top ten in seventeen of the eighteen USAC races in which he started and wound up fourth in season point standings.

It was during this same period that Davis underwent a tour of duty with chief mechanic A. J. Watson and the Bob Wilke-owned Leader Card Racers that Watson groomed. The union spanned the years from 1963 to 1968.

In the middle of the '65 season Willie was fielding a sprint car again on a limited basis. By '67, he had a full-time operation on the sprint circuit once more. Driving time in his car was divided among several pilots, with Bud Tingelstad, Al Smith and Mike Mosley doing the bulk of the chores.

Came '68 and the rewarding partnership with Bettenhausen ... and a first- or second-place ranking in each of the next four seasons.

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: March 14, 1971 – Tri-County Speedway – Cincinnati, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Ralph Liguori, 42, Ziegler-20.910; 2. Jerry Poland, 5, Smith-21.050; 3. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-21.060; 4. Don Nordhorn, 4, Amerling-21.160; 5. Bill Puterbaugh, 32, LeFevre-21.180; 6. Bobby Allen, 60, Emrich-21.200; 7. Sammy Sessions, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-21.200; 8. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-21.210; 9. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-21.310; 10. Tom Bigelow, 84, Gehlhausen-21.360; 11. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-21.390; 12. Johnny Parsons, 18, Forberg-21.410; 13. Charlie Masters, 16, Hille-21.440; 14. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-21.510; 15. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-21.600; 16. Larry Cannon, 71,

Hoffman-21.660; 17. Al Murie, 90, Murie-21.910; 18. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-21.940; 19. Duke Cook, 99, Besecker-21.990; 20. Gary Ponzini, 85, Ponzini-22.030; 21. Doc Dawson, 98, DePalma-22.210; 22. Carl Williams, 76, Winterbotham-22.660; 23. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-23.150; 24. Butch Wilkerson, 36, Stahl-NT; 25. Eldon Rasmussen, 66, Rasmussen-NT; 26. Carl Williams, 82, Williams-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Ralph Liguori, 2. Bill Puterbaugh, 3. Charlie Masters, 4. Darl Harrison, 5. Doc Dawson. 3:37.21 (New Track Record)

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Race canceled after a four-car accident in the first turn on the first lap involving Jerry Poland, Tom Bigelow, Carl Williams & Karl Busson. Bobby Allen & Larry Rice also in this race.

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Sammy Sessions, 3. Rollie Beale, 4. Lee Brayton, 5. Duke Cook, 6. Gary Bettenhausen. 3:38.23

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Cannon, 2. Gary Ponzini, 3. Johnny Parsons, 4. Dick Tobias, 5. Don Nordhorn. 3:40.39

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Don Nordhorn, 2. Bobby Allen, 3. Gary Bettenhausen, 4. Duke Cook, 5. Larry Rice, 6. Doc Dawson. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Sammy Sessions, 2. Rollie Beale, 3. Dick Tobias, 4. Bobby Allen, 5. Don Nordhorn, 6. Bill Puterbaugh, 7. Johnny Parsons, 8. Larry Cannon, 9. Gary Ponzini, 10. Duke Cook, 11. Larry Rice, 12. Larry Dickson, 13. Charlie Masters, 14. Lee Brayton, 15. Doc Dawson, 16. Gary Bettenhausen, 17. Al Murie, 18. Ralph Liguori, 19. Darl Harrison. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: March 28, 1971 – Reading Fairgrounds – Reading, Pennsylvania

QUALIFYING: 1. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-22.910; 2. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-23.110; 3. Johnny Parsons, 18, Forberg-23.150; 4. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-23.380; 5. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-23.840; 6. Bill Puterbaugh, 15, Smith-23.880; 7. Bobby Gerhart, 92, Leffler/Hulsman-23.960; 8. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-24.130; 9. Ralph Liguori, 42, Ziegler-24.240; 10. Doc Dawson, 98, DePalma-24.280; 11. Joe Saldana, 29, Seymour-24.400; 12. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-24.500; 13. Don Nordhorn, 4, Amerling-24.610; 14. Duke Cook, 99, Besecker-24.810; 15. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-24.930; 16. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-24.980; 17. Bobby Allen, 60, Emrich-25.040; 18. Jan Opperman, 46, Wergland-25.170; 19. Bobby Black, 21, Morse-25.200; 20. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-25.410; 21. Al Murie, 90, Murie-25.430; 22. Al Loquasto, 16, Hille-25.470; 23. Sammy Sessions, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-25.980; 24. Gordy Lee, 37, Chariot-26.220; 25. Carl Williams, 82, Williams-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Dick Tobias, 2. Ralph Liguori, 3. Duke Cook, 4. Jan Opperman, 5. Al Loquasto, 6. Gary Bettenhausen. NT

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Cannon, 2. Doc Dawson, 3. Bill Puterbaugh, 4. Karl Busson, 5. Bobby Black, 6. Sammy Sessions. 4:13.19

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Johnny Parsons, 2. Joe Saldana, 3. Darl Harrison, 4. Bobby Gerhart, 5. Lee Brayton, 6. Gordy Lee. 4:08.87

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Bobby Allen, 4. Al Murie, 5. Rollie Beale. NT SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Bobby Black, 2. Lee Brayton, 3. Al Loquasto, 4. Sammy Sessions, 5. Gordy Lee. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Dick Tobias, 3. Larry Cannon, 4. Johnny Parsons, 5. Darl Harrison, 6. Doc Dawson, 7. Jan Opperman, 8. Karl Busson, 9. Bill Puterbaugh, 10. Duke Cook, 11. Lee Brayton, 12. Larry Rice, 13. Bobby Black, 14.

Bobby Gerhart, 15. Ralph Liguori, 16. Joe Saldana, 17. Bobby Allen, 18. Al Loquasto, 19. Gary Bettenhausen (#37), 20. Sammy Sessions. NT

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#### USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: April 4, 1971 – Eldora Speedway – Rossburg, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Johnny Parsons, 18, Forberg-17.950; 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-18.050; 3. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-18.140; 4. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-18.260; 5. Doc Dawson, 98, DePalma-18.340; 6. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-18.380; 7. Don Nordhorn, 4, Amerling-18.390; 8. Joe Saldana, 29, Seymour-18.410; 9. Bill Puterbaugh, 36, Stahl-18.570; 10. Sammy Sessions, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-18.610; 11. Bobby Allen, 60, Emrich-18.670; 12. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-18.680; 13. Greg Weld, 92, Leffler/Hulsman-18.750; 14. Duke Cook, 99, Besecker-18.810; 15. Bobby Black, 21, Morse-18.830; 16. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-18.870; 17. Dee Jones, 27, Finn-18.900; 18. Ralph Liguori, 42, Ziegler-18.920; 19. Charlie Masters, 16, Hille-18.960; 20. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-19.020; 21. Lennie Waldo, 32, LeFevre-19.030; 22. Carl Williams, 3, Kilman-19.040; 23. Jim Linder, 15, Smith-19.100; 24. Jan Opperman, 46, Wergland-19.160; 25. Tom Bigelow, 84, Gehlhausen-19.200; 26. Bill Koepfer, 30, Reidling-19.220; 27. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-19.230; 28. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 82, Earnshaw-19.540; 29. Eldon Rasmussen, 66, Rasmussen-20.080; 30. Al Murie, 90, Johnson-20.260; 31. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-20.910; 32. Gordy Lee, 37, Chariot-23.150.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Johnny Parsons, 2. Dee Jones, 3. Greg Weld, 4. Doc Dawson, 5. Tom Bigelow, 6. Lennie Waldo, 7. Bill Puterbaugh. 3:15.76

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Gary Bettenhausen, 2. Carl Williams, 3. Ralph Liguori, 4. Larry Cannon, 5. Sammy Sessions, 6. Duke Cook, 7. Bill Koepfer. 3:09.27 (New Track Record)

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Don Nordhorn, 3. Jim Linder, 4. Bobby Black, 5. Charlie Masters, 6. Lee Brayton, 7. Bobby Allen. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Dick Tobias, 2. Sonny Ates, 3. Joe Saldana, 4. Karl Busson, 5. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 6. Jan Opperman, 7. Darl Harrison. 3:19.54

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Sammy Sessions, 2. Duke Cook, 3. Jan Opperman, 4. Tom Bigelow, 5. Darl Harrison, 6. Butch Wilkerson (#36), 7. Lee Brayton, 8. Charlie Masters, 9. Lennie Waldo, 10. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 11. Eldon Rasmussen, 12. Bill Koepfer. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Gary Bettenhausen, 2. Larry Dickson, 3. Karl Busson, 4. Don Nordhorn, 5. Larry Cannon, 6. Joe Saldana, 7. Johnny Parsons, 8. Carl Williams, 9. Dick Tobias, 10. Jan Opperman, 11. Sonny Ates, 12. Bobby Black, 13. Tom Bigelow, 14. Jim Linder, 15. Duke Cook, 16. Doc Dawson, 17. Ralph Liguori, 18. Greg Weld, 19. Sammy Sessions, 20. Darl Harrison. NT

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#### SESSIONS SCORES 2ND SUCCESS OF '71 SEASON

Sammy Sessions of Nashville, Mich. polished off the field in Sunday's USAC Sprint Car race at Ohio's New Bremen Speedway before a standing room only crowd of some 5,500 fans.

Sessions took the lead from Larry Dickson on lap 16 of the 40-lap feature event around the 1/2-mile paved oval and led the rest of the way to win. Gary Bettenhausen placed second behind Sessions and Karl Busson was third. The victory was the second in four races for Sessions and car co-owners Ralph Hulsman and Paul Leffler.

The fastest qualification time of the afternoon was posted by former IMCA champion Darl Harrison at 17.68 seconds. Merle Bettenhausen started second and led all the way to win the first 10-lap heat race with Larry Cannon second and Harrison third. The second ten-lapper found Jim Malloy winning over Fred Linder and Bob Pratt. Dickson, the defending USAC Sprint Car champion, found victory lane in the third heat race as he edged Don Nordhorn and Tom Bigelow while Gary Bettenhausen came from sixth place to win the fourth heat over Cy Fairchild and Leigh Earnshaw.

The 12-lap semi-feature was pivotal in Sessions' drive to victory as he had to place in the top-four in that event to even make the feature. Sessions had earlier placed fifth in his heat race and was, therefore, required to run the semi. Sessions led all 12 laps from the pole to win the semi and that earned him the number five starting spot for the finale.

In the 40-lap feature, Lennie Waldo grabbed the lead at the start from pole sitter Pratt and led the opening round, but a multi-car tangle on the backstretch on lap one brought out the red flag and eliminated Sonny Ates and Bentley Warren.

On the restart, Larry Cannon and Merle Bettenhausen were eliminated in a minor tangle at the start/finish line. When the green finally waved, Waldo raced away to first place for nine laps. On lap 10, Nordhorn spun in turn four and the yellow flag was issued. When the green reappeared, Dickson shot by Waldo and led for the next six laps. Sessions caught Waldo on lap 11, and just five laps later, he passed Dickson entering turn one and led the rest of the way. The margin of victory for Sessions was more than a half-lap. The duel for second place, however, was a sight to behold.

Four cars – Dickson, Bettenhausen, Harrison and Busson – dueled lap after lap, switching positions. Then on lap 33, Bettenhausen moved into second, and three laps later, Busson took command of third. Harrison finally placed fourth and Dickson fifth. The win boosted Sessions into second place in the point standings behind Dickson.

#### USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: April 18, 1971 – New Bremen Speedway – New Bremen, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-17.680; 2. Sammy Sessions, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-17.700; 3. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-17.750; 4. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-17.800; 5. Lennie Waldo, 14, Coil-17.830; 6. Bob Pratt, 26, Doty-17.950; 7. Don Nordhorn, 4, Amerling-17.970; 8. Duke Cook, 99, Besecker-17.970; 9. Doc Dawson, 98, DePalma-18.010; 10. Sonny Ates, 98, Iddings-18.010; 11. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-18.080; 12. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 82, Earnshaw-18.090; 13. Johnny Parsons, 18, Forberg-18.100; 14. Jim Malloy, 56, Colvin-18.110; 15. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-18.120; 16. Butch Wilkerson, 36, Stahl-18.190; 17. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-18.210; 18. Fred Linder, 15, Smith-18.250; 19. Ralph Liguori, 42, Ziegler-18.250; 20. Bobby Black, 21, Morse-18.300; 21. Bentley Warren, 37, Chariot-18.380; 22. Charlie Masters, 16, Hille-18.470; 23. Tom Bigelow, 84, Gehlhausen-18.470; 24. Cy Fairchild, 11, Watson-18.630; 25. Merle Bettenhausen, 32, LeFevre-18.690; 26. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-18.750; 27. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-18.780; 28. Tom York, 76, Winterbotham-18.810; 29. Joe Saldana, 29, Seymour-18.900; 30. Eldon Rasmussen 66, Rasmussen-18.940; 31. Dee Jones, 27, Finn-19.040; 32. Ed Angle, 52, Angle-19.070; 33. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-NT; 34. Bill Koepfer, 30, Reidling-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Merle Bettenhausen, 2. Larry Cannon, 3. Darl Harrison, 4. Johnny Parsons, 5. Lennie Waldo, 6. Bentley Warren, 7. Doc Dawson. 3:07.03

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Jim Malloy, 2. Fred Linder, 3. Bob Pratt, 4. Sonny Ates, 5. Sammy Sessions, 6. Charlie Masters, 7. Lee Brayton. 3:05.08

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Don Nordhorn, 3. Tom Bigelow, 4. Dick Tobias, 5. Karl Busson, 6. Ralph Liguori. 3:06.05

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Gary Bettenhausen, 2. Cy Fairchild, 3. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 4. Duke Cook, 5. Butch Wilkerson, 6. Bobby Black, 7. Joe Saldana. 3:03.11

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Sammy Sessions, 2. Lennie Waldo, 3. Karl Busson, 4. Bentley Warren, 5. Butch Wilkerson, 6. Charlie Masters, 7. Lee Brayton, 8. Dee Jones, 9. Bobby Black, 10. Joe Saldana, 11. Eldon Rasmussen, 12. Doc Dawson. 3:34.58

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Sammy Sessions, 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 3. Karl Busson, 4. Darl Harrison, 5. Larry Dickson, 6. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 7. Fred Linder, 8. Dick Tobias, 9. Bob Pratt, 10. Johnny Parsons, 11. Cy Fairchild, 12. Tom Bigelow, 13. Lennie Waldo, 14. Jim Malloy, 15. Duke Cook, 16. Don Nordhorn, 17. Merle Bettenhausen, 18. Larry Cannon, 19. Sonny Ates, 20. Bentley Warren. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: April 24, 1971 – Reading Fairgrounds – Reading, Pennsylvania

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Rollie Beale (#3 Kilman), 2. Joe Saldana (#29 Seymour), 3. Pancho Carter (#5 Carter), 4. Leigh Earnshaw (#82 Earnshaw), 5. Duke Cook (#99 Besecker), 6. Bobby Black (#21 Morse). 4:07.68

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Cannon (#71 Hoffman), 2. Gary Bettenhausen (#2 Davis), 3. Johnny Parsons (#18 Forberg), 4. Bobby Allen (#60 Allen), 5. Merle Bettenhausen (#32 LeFevre), 6. Darl Harrison (#45 Maloy). 4:00.84

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Sammy Sessions (#6 Leffler-Hulsman), 2. Don Nordhorn (#4 Amerling), 3. Larry Dickson (#1 Leyba), 4. Billy Cassella (#27 Finn), 5. Larry Rice (#43 Welsh), 6. Carl Williams (#7 Smith). 4:08.52

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Karl Busson (#95 Cedoz), 2. Dick Tobias (#17 Ruppert), 3. Doc Dawson (#98 DePalma), 4. Lee Brayton (#61 Brayton), 5. Carl Van Horn (#15 Smith), 6. Bruce Walkup (#92 Faas). 4:03.40

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Merle Bettenhausen, 2. Bruce Walkup, 3. Duke Cook, 4. Larry Rice, 5. Darl Harrison, 6. Carl Van Horn. 4:13.85

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Dick Tobias, 2. Larry Cannon, 3. Rollie Beale, 4. Gary Bettenhausen, 5. Karl Busson, 6. Joe Saldana, 7. Johnny Parsons, 8. Sammy Sessions, 9. Merle Bettenhausen, 10. Bobby Allen, 11. Pancho Carter, 12. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 13. Darl Harrison, 14. Doc Dawson, 15. Don Nordhorn, 16. Larry Dickson, 17. Lee Brayton, 18. Billy Cassella, 19. Larry Rice, 20. Duke Cook. NT

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## **GEORGE SNIDER WINS FIRST TONY HULMAN CLASSIC**

George Snider of Bakersfield, Calif., driving the Seymour Enterprises sprinter, got the jump on Don Nordhorn on a restart three laps from the finish to capture the inaugural Tony Hulman Classic at Terre Haute's Action Track.

Snider, winning the first USAC sprint car event of his career, took home approximately \$2,000 from the rich purse of \$28,538, the largest ever paid for a USAC sprint event.

The 30-year-old driver had led the first 35 laps of the feature before losing the front-running position to Nordhorn of Wadesville, Ind. on the 36th circuit.

But before Nordhorn could take the checkered, Johnny Parsons lost a tire and was stranded near the outside fence in turn one to bring out the yellow caution flag.

On the restart after Parsons' car was removed, Snider got the edge on Nordhorn and went home free with the triumph.

Third place went to Sammy Sessions with veteran Jim McElreath taking fourth and Larry Cannon fifth.

In the only major accident of the day, Ralph Liguori rammed the outside fence and flipped three times during the second heat, but thanks to his roll bar and other USAC required safety equipment, he escaped injury.

Heat victories were recorded by Jerry McClung, Jimmy Oskie, Larry Cannon and Jim Malloy, while Rollie Beale captured the 12-lap semi-feature.

#### USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: May 1, 1971 – Terre Haute Action Track – Terre Haute, Indiana – Inaugural Tony Hulman Classic

QUALIFYING: 1. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-24.190; 2. Joe Saldana, 44, Stapp-24.210; 3. Sammy Sessions, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-24.390; 4. Jim McElreath, 23, McElreath-24.500; 5. Jimmy Caruthers, 34, Peabody-24.510; 6. Don Nordhorn, 4, Amerling-24.520; 7. George Snider, 29, Seymour-24.550; 8. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-24.660; 9. Pancho Carter, 5, Carter-24.670; 10. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-24.720; 11. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-24.740; 12. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-24.800; 13. Greg Weld, 25, Smith-24.850; 14. Ralph Liguori, 42, Ziegler-24.900; 15. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-24.920; 16. Johnny Parsons, 18, Forberg-25.020; 17. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-25.090; 18. Jerry Poland, 15, Smith-25.160; 19. Gary Ponzini, 85, Ponzini-25.160; 20. Merle Bettenhausen, 32, LeFevre-25.170; 21. Jerry McClung, 99, Craddock-25.330; 22. Jimmy Oskie, 91, Oskie-25.340; 23. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 82, Earnshaw-25.370; 24. Butch Wilkerson, 53, Smith-25.390; 25. Bobby Black, 21, Morse-25.400; 26. Doc Dawson, 98, DePalma-25.440; 27. Dee Jones, 27, Finn-25.440; 28. Jim Malloy, 56, Colvin-25.470; 29. Bruce Walkup, 92, Faas-25.480; 30. Carl Williams, 9, Williams-25.490; 31. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-25.640; 32. Ed Angle, 52, Merritt-25.720; 33. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-25.750; 34. Tom Bigelow, 84, Gehlhausen-25.880; 35. Eldon Rasmussen, 66, Rasmussen-25.920; 36. Bob Evans, 46, Wergland-26.060; 37. Gordy Lee, 55, Otis-26.270; 38. Bentley Warren, 37, Chariot-26.480; 39. Al Murie, 90, Murie-26.550; 40. Charlie Masters, 16, Hille-26.580; 41. Cy Fairchild, 36, Stahl-26.650; 42. Billy Thrasher, 14, Coil-27.600; 43. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-NT; 44. Mel Cornett, 76, Winterbotham-NT; 45. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-NT; 46. Duke Cook, 99, Besecker-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Jerry McClung, 2. Bobby Black, 3. Jimmy Caruthers, 4. Pancho Carter, 5. Gary Bettenhausen, 6. Larry Rice, 7. Greg Weld. NT

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Jimmy Oskie, 2. Don Nordhorn, 3. Jerry Poland, 4. Joe Saldana, 5. Lennie Waldo, 6. Doc Dawson, 7. Ralph Liguori. NT

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Cannon, 2. Karl Busson, 3. Dee Jones, 4. Sammy Sessions, 5. George Snider, 6. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 7. Gary Ponzini. 4:16.04

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Jim Malloy, 2. Merle Bettenhausen, 3. Jim McElreath, 4. Johnny Parsons, 5. Rollie Beale, 6. Dick Tobias, 7. Butch Wilkerson. 4:21.00

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Rollie Beale, 2. George Snider, 3. Butch Wilkerson, 4. Lennie Waldo, 5. Larry Rice, 6. Bruce Walkup, 7. Darl Harrison, 8. Gary Bettenhausen. 5:06.30

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. George Snider, 2. Don Nordhorn, 3. Sammy Sessions, 4. Jim McElreath, 5. Larry Cannon, 6. Rollie Beale, 7. Merle Bettenhausen, 8. Butch Wilkerson, 9. Karl Busson, 10. Jimmy Oskie, 11. Pancho Carter, 12. Bobby Black, 13.

Jimmy Caruthers, 14. Jim Malloy, 15. Jerry Poland, 16. Dee Jones, 17. Johnny Parsons, 18. Lennie Waldo, 19. Jerry McClung, 20. Joe Saldana. NT

FEATURE LAP LEADERS: Laps 1-35 George Snider, Laps 36-37 Don Nordhorn, Laps 38-40 George Snider.

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: May 2, 1971 – Tri-County Speedway – Cincinnati, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-19.290; 2. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-19.410; 3. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-19.460; 4. Billy Thrasher, 14, Coil-19.510; 5. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-19.620; 6. Lee Kunzman, 8, Niebel/Mead-19.650; 7. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-19.670; 8. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-19.710; 9. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-19.740; 10. Eldon Rasmussen, 66, Rasmussen-19.880; 11. Bob Pratt, 26, Doty-19.850; 12. Sammy Sessions, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-19.890; 13. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-19.890; 14. Joe Saldana, 44, Stapp-19.910; 15. Merle Bettenhausen, 32, LeFevre-19.910; 16. Bob Evans, 92, Faas-20.000; 17. Butch Wilkerson, 53, Smith-20.020; 18. Doc Dawson, 98, DePalma-20.030; 19. Jimmy Caruthers, 46, Wergland-20.070; 20. Jerry Poland, 15, Smith-20.080; 21. Duke Cook, 99, Besecker-20.080; 22. Charlie Masters, 16, Hille-20.120; 23. Jimmy Oskie, 34, Peabody-20.130; 24. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 82, Earnshaw-20.130; 25. Jim Malloy, 56, Colvin-20.140; 26. Ed Angle, 52, Merritt-20.150; 27. Johnny Parsons, 18, Forberg-20.210; 28. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-20.360; 29. George Snider, 29, Seymour-20.370; 30. Pancho Carter, 5, Carter-20.370; 31. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-20.410; 32. Lennie Waldo, 10, Waccholz-20.490; 33. Gordy Lee, 55, Otis-20.540; 34. Dee Jones, 27, Finn-20.590; 35. Mel Cornett, 76, Winterbotham-NT; 36. Don Nordhorn, 4, Amerling-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Jim Malloy, 2. Rollie Beale, 3. Butch Wilkerson, 4. Larry Rice, 5. Tom Bigelow, 6. Duke Cook, 7. Gary Bettenhausen. 3:23.86

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Charlie Masters, 2. Larry Cannon, 3. Joe Saldana, 4. Lee Kunzman, 5. Doc Dawson, 6. Eldon Rasmussen, 7. Ed Angle. 3:24.07

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Jimmy Oskie, 2. Merle Bettenhausen, 3. Jimmy Caruthers, 4. Bob Pratt, 5. Lee Brayton, 6. Darl Harrison, 7. Karl Busson. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 2. George Snider, 3. Larry Dickson, 4. Jerry Poland, 5. Bob Evans, 6. Sammy Sessions, 7. Billy Thrasher. 3:21.26

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Tom Bigelow, 2. Sammy Sessions, 3. Billy Thrasher, 4. Eldon Rasmussen, 5. Bob Evans, 6. Pancho Carter, 7. Gary Bettenhausen, 8. Dick Tobias, 9. Darl Harrison, 10. Karl Busson, 11. Lee Brayton, 12. Doc Dawson. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Larry Cannon, 2. Sammy Sessions, 3. Billy Thrasher, 4. Jimmy Oskie, 5. George Snider, 6. Rollie Beale, 7. Larry Rice, 8. Jim Malloy, 9. Gary Bettenhausen (#46), 10. Merle Bettenhausen, 11. Larry Dickson, 12. Lee Kunzman, 13. Bob Pratt, 14. Butch Wilkerson, 15. Jerry Poland, 16. Charlie Masters, 17. Tom Bigelow, 18. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 19. Joe Saldana, 20. Eldon Rasmussen. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: May 15, 1971 – Indianapolis Raceway Park – Clermont, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Sammy Sessions, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-23.020 (New Track Record); 2. Lee Kunzman, 14, Coil-23.160; 3. Tom Bigelow, 84, Gehlhausen-23.310; 4. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-23.450; 5. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-23.520; 6. Cy Fairchild, 11, Watson-23.530; 7. Jim Malloy, 56, Colvin-23.540; 8. Sonny Ates, 11, Iddings-23.570; 9. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-23.590; 10. Bill Puterbaugh, 8, Niebel/Mead-23.610; 11. George Snider, 29, Seymour-23.640; 12. Johnny Parsons, 18, Forberg-23.650; 13. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-23.700; 14. Jerry Poland, 15, Smith-23.700; 15. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 82, Earnshaw-23.750; 16. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-23.770; 17. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-23.780; 18. Bruce Walkup, 15, Meskowski-23.790; 19. Merle Bettenhausen, 32, LeFevre-23.900; 20. Jimmy Oskie, 34, Peabody-23.900; 21. Bob Evans, 92, Faas-23.930; 22. Bob Pratt, 26, Doty-23.960; 23. Don Nordhorn, 4, Amerling-23.980; 24. Eldon Rasmussen, 66, Rasmussen-24.200; 25. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-24.220; 26. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-24.220; 27. Bobby Black, 21, Morse-24.300; 28. Joe Saldana, 44, Stapp-24.370; 29. Ed Angle, 52, Merritt-24.390; 30. Dee Jones, 27, Finn-24.420; 31. Pancho Carter, 5, Carter-24.480; 32. Charlie Masters, 16, Hille-24.610; 33. Chuck Booth, 46, Wergland-25.040; 34. Fred Linder, 25, Smith-25.200; 35. Ray Menapace, 53, Smith-25.230; 36. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-NT; 37. Mel Cornett, 76, Winterbotham-NT; 38. Tom York, 77, Null-NT; 39. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-NT; 40. Gordy Lee, 55, Otis-NT; 41. Tony Lavati, 48, Lavati-NT.

DASH: (3 laps) 1. Tom Bigelow, 2. Sammy Sessions, 3. Lee Kunzman, 4. Larry Rice. 1:35.18

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Sammy Sessions, 2. Bob Evans, 3. Larry Dickson, 4. Karl Busson, 5. Rollie Beale, 6. Darl Harrison, 7. Dick Tobias. 3:55.84

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Lee Kunzman, 2. Bruce Walkup, 3. Bob Pratt, 4. Bill Puterbaugh, 5. Lennie Waldo, 6. Cy Fairchild, 7. Jerry Poland. 3:58.16

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tom Bigelow, 2. Don Nordhorn, 3. Merle Bettenhausen, 4. Jim Malloy, 5. Bobby Black, 6. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 7. Gary Bettenhausen. 3:59.78

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Johnny Parsons, 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 3. Larry Cannon, 4. Jimmy Oskie, 5. Larry Rice, 6. Eldon Rasmussen, 7. Sonny Ates. 3:59.13

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Sonny Ates, 2. Rollie Beale, 3. Dick Tobias, 4. Darl Harrison, 5. Eldon Rasmussen, 6. Larry Rice, 7. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 8. Jerry Poland, 9. Pancho Carter, 10. Bobby Black, 11. Ed Angle, 12. Lennie Waldo. 4:44.37

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Sammy Sessions, 2. Lee Kunzman, 3. Tom Bigelow, 4. Sonny Ates, 5. Darl Harrison, 6. Rollie Beale, 7. Johnny Parsons, 8. Bob Evans, 9. Dick Tobias, 10. Larry Dickson, 11. Jimmy Oskie, 12. Don Nordhorn, 13. Merle Bettenhausen, 14. Bob Pratt, 15. Larry Cannon, 16. Karl Busson, 17. Eldon Rasmussen, 18. Gary Bettenhausen, 19. Bill Puterbaugh, 20. Jim Malloy. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: June 5, 1971 – Knoxville Raceway – Knoxville, Iowa

QUALIFYING: 1. Joe Saldana, 29, Seymour-21.770; 2. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-21.770; 3. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-21.780; 4. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-21.820; 5. Sammy Sessions, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-21.850; 6. Ray Lee Goodwin, 24, Swenson-22.040; 7. Tom Bigelow, 84, Gehlhausen-22.140; 8. Johnny Parsons, 18, Forberg-22.170; 9. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-22.220; 10. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-22.370; 11. Jimmy Oskie, 34, Peabody-22.470; 12. Merle Bettenhausen, 32, LeFevre-22.470; 13. Greg Weld, 44, Stapp-22.550; 14. Bill Puterbaugh, 8, Niebel/Mead-22.580; 15. Don Nordhorn, 4, Amerling-22.630; 16. Lee Kunzman, 1, Leyba-22.680; 17. Jim Malloy, 56, Colvin-22.850; 18. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-22.980; 19. Doc Dawson, 98, DePalma-23.170; 20. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-23.340; 21. Gordy Lee, 55, Otis-23.380; 22. Duke Cook, 99, Besecker-23.480; 23. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-23.520; 24. Mel Cornett, 76, Winterbotham-24.450.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Sammy Sessions, 2. Joe Saldana, 3. Jim Malloy, 4. Greg Weld, 5. Larry Cannon, 6. Gordy Lee. 3:46.92

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Dick Tobias, 2. Ray Lee Goodwin, 3. Karl Busson, 4. Bill Puterbaugh, 5. Duke Cook. 3:47.42

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Gary Bettenhausen, 2. Tom Bigelow, 3. Jimmy Oskie, 4. Doc Dawson, 5. Don Nordhorn, 6. Larry Rice. 3:43.08

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Lee Kunzman, 2. Rollie Beale, 3. Johnny Parsons, 4. Darl Harrison, 5. Merle Bettenhausen, 6. Mel Cornett. 3:45.16

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Merle Bettenhausen, 2. Don Nordhorn, 3. Duke Cook, 4. Larry Rice, 5. Mel Cornett, 6. Larry Cannon, 7. Gordy Lee, 8. Lee Brayton. 4:37.70 (New Track Record)

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Dick Tobias, 2. Sammy Sessions, 3. Ray Lee Goodwin, 4. Lee Kunzman, 5. Tom Bigelow, 6. Rollie Beale, 7. Gary Bettenhausen, 8. Johnny Parsons, 9. Karl Busson, 10. Jimmy Oskie, 11. Don Nordhorn, 12. Darl Harrison, 13. Larry Rice, 14. Merle Bettenhausen, 15. Joe Saldana, 16. Jim Malloy, 17. Larry Cannon, 18. Doc Dawson, 19. Greg Weld, 20. Bill Puterbaugh. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: June 11, 1971 – Berlin Raceway – Marne, Michigan

QUALIFYING: 1. Sammy Sessions, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-16.370 (New Track Record); 2. Bentley Warren, 20, Purdy-16.600; 3. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-16.600; 4. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-16.630; 5. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-16.700; 6. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-16.720; 7. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-16.850; 8. Greg Weld, 44, Stapp-16.850; 9. Pancho Carter, 5, Carter-16.860; 10. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-16.880; 11. Johnny Parsons, 18, Forberg-16.880; 12. Lee Kunzman, 42, Ziegler-16.890; 13. Jimmy Oskie, 34, Peabody-16.940; 14. Jim Malloy, 56, Colvin-16.940; 15. Duke Cook, 99, Besecker-16.980; 16. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-17.020; 17. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-17.060; 18. Tom Bigelow, 84, Gehlhausen-17.060; 19. Don Nordhorn, 4, Amerling-17.080; 20. Cy Fairchild, 11, Watson-17.080; 21. Bill Koepfer, 36, Stahl-17.100; 22. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 82, Earnshaw-17.110; 23. Johnny Benson, 46, Wergland-17.110; 24. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-17.240; 25. Bob Evans, 92, Faas-17.260; 26. Merle Bettenhausen, 32, LeFevre-17.400; 27. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-17.430; 28. Bobby Black, 21, Morse-17.460; 29. Doc Dawson, 98, DePalma-17.470; 30. Tom York, 77, Null-17.610; 31. Joe Saldana, 29, Seymour-17.800; 32. Charlie Masters, 81, Moffett-18.160; 33. Jackie Howerton, 97, Howerton-18.470; 34. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Sammy Sessions, 2. Bob Evans, 3. Jimmy Oskie, 4. Bill Koepfer, 5. Larry Rice, 6. Pancho Carter, 7. Dick Tobias. 2:51.68

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tom Bigelow, 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 3. Karl Busson, 4. Bentley Warren, 5. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 6. Merle Bettenhausen, 7. Jim Malloy. 2:52.17

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Don Nordhorn, 2. Darl Harrison, 3. Sonny Ates, 4. Larry Cannon, 5. Johnny Parsons, 6. Johnny Benson, 7. Duke Cook. 2:52.35

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Cy Fairchild, 2. Larry Dickson, 3. Rollie Beale, 4. Lennie Waldo, 5. Greg Weld, 6. Lee Kunzman, 7. Bobby Black. 2:53.36

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Larry Rice, 2. Johnny Parsons, 3. Pancho Carter, 4. Lee Kunzman, 5. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 6. Johnny Benson, 7. Tom York, 8. Joe Saldana, 9. Jackie Howerton, 10. Greg Weld, 11. Doc Dawson, 12. Merle Bettenhausen. 3:25.50

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Sammy Sessions, 2. Darl Harrison, 3. Larry Dickson, 4. Don Nordhorn, 5. Sonny Ates, 6. Cy Fairchild, 7. Tom Bigelow, 8. Jimmy Oskie, 9. Johnny Parsons, 10. Bill Koepfer, 11. Lennie Waldo, 12. Rollie Beale, 13. Larry Rice, 14. Bentley Warren, 15. Gary Bettenhausen, 16. Pancho Carter, 17. Bob Evans, 18. Larry Cannon, 19. Karl Busson, 20. Lee Kunzman. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: June 12, 1971 – Eldora Speedway – Rossburg, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Johnny Rutherford, 14, Coil-18.210; 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-18.270; 3. Fred Linder, 15, Smith-18.360; 4. Tom Bigelow, 84, Gehlhausen-18.400; 5. Bruce Walkup, 7, Meskowski-18.480; 6. Johnnie Anderson, 46, Wergland-18.480; 7. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-18.490; 8. Duke Cook, 99, Besecker-18.530; 9. Sammy Sessions, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-18.540; 10. Don Nordhorn, 4, Amerling-18.620; 11. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 82, Earnshaw-18.660; 12. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-18.660; 13. Bill Puterbaugh, 8, Niebel/Mead-18.660; 14. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-18.740; 15. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-18.740; 16. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-18.790; 17. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-18.810; 18. Charlie Masters, 81, Moffett-18.810; 19. Bob Pratt, 26, Doty-18.850; 20. Johnny Parsons, 18, Forberg-18.880; 21. Jim McElreath, 23, McElreath-18.930; 22. Pancho Carter, 5, Carter-18.930; 23. Bill Koepfer, 36, Stahl-18.960; 24. Butch Wilkerson, 37, Chariot-19.000; 25. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-19.030; 26. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-19.040; 27. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-19.130; 28. Bobby Black, 21, Morse-19.190; 29. Bob Evans, 92, Faas-19.210; 30. Doc Dawson, 98, DePalma-19.330; 31. Dee Jones, 27, Finn-19.330; 32. Lee Kunzman, 42, Ziegler-19.340; 33. Mel Cornett, 76, Winterbotham-19.450; 34. Jerry Poland, 25, Smith-19.490; 35. Joe Saldana, 29, Seymour-19.500; 36. Greg Weld, 44, Stapp-19.560; 37. Billy Thrasher, 16, Hille-19.560; 38. Jackie Howerton, 97, Howerton-19.710; 39. Cy Fairchild, 11, Watson-20.000; 40. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-NT; 41. Jimmy Oskie, 34, Peabody-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Bruce Walkup, 3. Jim McElreath, 4. Bill Puterbaugh, 5. Johnny Rutherford, 6. Sammy Sessions, 7. Larry Rice. 3:15.30

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Pancho Carter, 2. Don Nordhorn, 3. Rollie Beale, 4. Dick Tobias, 5. Johnnie Anderson, 6. Charlie Master, 7. Gary Bettenhausen. 3:19.47

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Bill Koepfer, 2. Karl Busson, 3. Larry Cannon, 4. Sonny Ates, 5. Bob Pratt, 6. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 7. Fred Linder. 3:07.26

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Johnny Parsons, 2. Bobby Black, 3. Tom Bigelow, 4. Lennie Waldo, 5. Darl Harrison, 6. Duke Cook, 7. Butch Wilkerson. 3:13.88

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Johnny Rutherford, 2. Sammy Sessions, 3. Gary Bettenhausen, 4. Darl Harrison, 5. Johnnie Anderson, 6. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 7. Bob Pratt, 8. Charlie Masters, 9. Larry Rice, 10. Duke Cook, 11. Fred Linder, 12. Bob Evans. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Sammy Sessions, 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 3. Don Nordhorn, 4. Bill Puterbaugh, 5. Jim McElreath, 6. Johnny Parsons, 7. Pancho Carter, 8. Bill Koepfer, 9. Dick Tobias, 10. Lennie Waldo, 11. Bobby Black, 12. Sonny Ates, 13. Rollie Beale, 14. Darl Harrison, 15. Larry Cannon, 16. Johnny Rutherford, 17. Larry Dickson, 18. Bruce Walkup, 19. Karl Busson, 20. Tom Bigelow. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: June 19, 1971 – Williams Grove Speedway – Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania

QUALIFYING: 1. Mitch Smith, 11, Wasson-24.020; 2. Don Nordhorn, 4, Amerling-24.500; 3. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-24.540; 4. Greg Weld, 44, Stapp-24.550; 5. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-24.650; 6. Jimmy Oskie, 34, Peabody-24.710; 7. Tom Bigelow, 84, Gehlhausen-24.720; 8. Lee Kunzman, 42, Ziegler-24.720; 9. Joe Saldana, 29, Seymour-24.740; 10. Jim Sheaffer, 58, Hank-24.740; 11. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-24.790; 12. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-24.820; 13. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-25.020; 14. Johnny Parsons, 18, Forberg-25.060; 15. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-25.030; 16. Sammy Sessions, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-25.060; 17. Bobby Black, 21, Morse-25.340; 18. Johnnie Anderson, 46, Wergland-25.370; 19. Lee Osborne, 7, Meskowski-25.380; 20. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 82, Earnshaw-25.440; 21. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-25.570; 22. Bill Puterbaugh, 8, Niebel/Mead-25.620; 23. Carl Williams, 25, Smith-25.780; 24. Dee Jones, 27, Finn-25.820; 25. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-25.890; 26. Bill Koepfer, 36, Stahl-25.960; 27. Jackie Howerton, 97, Howerton-26.170; 28. Pancho Carter, 5, Carter-26.570; 29. Butch Wilkerson, 37, Chariot-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Mitch Smith, 2. Rollie Beale, 3. Bobby Black, 4. Gary Bettenhausen, 5. Larry Cannon, 6. Joe Saldana, 7. Darl Harrison. 4:06.36

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Johnny Parsons, 2. Johnnie Anderson, 3. Bill Puterbaugh, 4. Don Nordhorn, 5. Bill Koepfer, 6. Jim Sheaffer, 7. Jimmy Oskie. NT

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Lee Osborne, 2. Dick Tobias, 3. Tom Bigelow, 4. Lennie Waldo, 5. Karl Busson, 6. Carl Williams, 7. Jackie Howerton. 4:15.91

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Greg Weld, 2. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 3. Sammy Sessions, 4. Lee Kunzman, 5. Dee Jones, 6. Pancho Carter, 7. Larry Dickson. NT

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Jim Sheaffer, 2. Jimmy Oskie, 3. Larry Dickson, 4. Karl Busson, 5. Larry Cannon, 6. Dee Jones, 7. Jackie Howerton, 8. Darl Harrison, 9. Bill Koepfer, 10. Carl Williams, 11. Pancho Carter. 5:05.27

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Mitch Smith, 2. Dick Tobias, 3. Don Nordhorn, 4. Larry Dickson, 5. Rollie Beale, 6. Lee Kunzman, 7. Gary Bettenhausen, 8. Lennie Waldo, 9. Jim Sheaffer, 10. Johnny Anderson, 11. Bobby Black, 12. Karl Busson, 13. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 14. Lee Osborne, 15. Jimmy Oskie, 16. Sammy Sessions, 17. Tom Bigelow, 18. Johnny Parsons, 19. Bill Puterbaugh, 20. Greg Weld. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: June 26, 1971 – Toledo Speedway – Toledo, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-16.670 (New Track Record); 2. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-16.680; 3. Don Nordhorn, 4, Amerling-16.750; 4. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-16.760; 5. Bob Pratt, 26, Doty-16.840; 6. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-16.900; 7. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-16.920; 8. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-16.920; 9. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-16.970; 10. Johnny Parsons, 18, Forberg-16.970; 11. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-16.990; 12. Duke Cook, 99, Besecker-17.000; 13. Cy Fairchild, 11, Leyba-17.000; 14. Mel Cornett, 65, Varney-17.060; 15. Bill Koepfer, 36, Stahl-17.070; 16. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-17.080; 17. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 82, Earnshaw-17.090; 18. Jimmy Oskie, 34, Peabody-17.160; 19. Joe Saldana, 42, Ziegler-17.280; 20. Johnny Anderson, 46, Wergland-17.380; 21. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-17.440; 22. Charlie Masters, 81, Moffett-17.470; 23. Bob Evans, 92, Faas-17.500; 24. Bruce Walkup, 44, Stapp-17.520; 25. Tom York, 16, Hille-17.540; 26. Dee Jones, 84, Gehlhausen-17.600; 27. Eldon Rasmussen, 66, Rasmussen-17.790; 28. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-17.800; 29. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 3. Karl Busson, 4. Dick Tobias, 5. Bob Pratt, 6. Cy Fairchild, 7. Tom York. 2:54.17

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Rollie Beale, 2. Tom Bigelow, 3. Charlie Masters, 4. Johnny Parsons, 5. Dee Jones, 6. Mel Cornett, 7. Jimmy Oskie. NT

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Rice, 2. Eldon Rasmussen, 3. Bill Koepfer, 4. Joe Saldana, 5. Don Nordhorn, 6. Bob Evans, 7. Darl Harrison. 2:55.47

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Lennie Waldo, 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 3. Bruce Walkup, 4. Larry Cannon, 5. Duke Cook, 6. Sonny Ates, 7. Johnnie Anderson. NT

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Sonny Ates, 2. Don Nordhorn, 3. Bob Pratt, 4. Darl Harrison, 5. Bob Evans, 6. Cy Fairchild, 7. Duke Cook, 8. Dee Jones, 9. Tom York, 10. Johnnie Anderson, 11. Jimmy Oskie, 12. Mel Cornett. 3:24.74

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Rollie Beale, 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 3. Larry Dickson, 4. Darl Harrison, 5. Bill Koepfer, 6. Lennie Waldo, 7. Bob Pratt, 8. Johnny Parsons, 9. Larry Rice, 10. Bruce Walkup, 11. Joe Saldana, 12. Larry Cannon, 13. Charlie Masters, 14. Tom Bigelow, 15. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 16. Dick Tobias, 17. Don Nordhorn, 18. Sonny Ates, 19. Karl Busson, 20. Eldon Rasmussen. NT

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#### USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: June 27, 1971 – Winchester Speedway – Winchester, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-16.990; 2. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-17.060; 3. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-17.210; 4. Charlie Masters, 81, Moffett-17.260; 5. Cy Fairchild, 11, Leyba-17.380; 6. Karl Busson, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-17.410; 7. Bob Pratt, 26, Doty-17.450; 8. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-17.490; 9. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-17.530; 10. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-17.550; 11. Duke Cook, 99, Besecker-17.550; 12. Johnny Parsons, 18, Forberg-17.610; 13. Butch Wilkerson, 43, Welch-17.620; 14. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-17.650; 15. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 82, Earnshaw-17.760; 16. Bill Koepfer, 36, Stahl-17.850; 17. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-17.870; 18. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-17.900; 19. Bob Evans, 92, Faas-17.940; 20. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-18.000; 21. Bruce Walkup, 44, Stapp-18.040; 22. Dee Jones, 84, Gehlhausen-18.070; 23. Don Nordhorn, 4, Amerling-18.080; 24. Johnny Anderson, 8, Niebel/Mead-18.110; 25. Bentley Warren, 20, Purdy-18.280; 26. Joe Saldana, 42, Ziegler-18.380; 27. Eldon Rasmussen, 66, Rasmussen-18.400; 28. Fred Linder, 15, Smith-18.530; 29. Tom York, 98, DePalma-18.780.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Tom Bigelow, 3. Cy Fairchild, 4. Dee Jones, 5. Larry Cannon, 6. Darl Harrison, 7. Joe Saldana. 2:54.08 (New Track Record)

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Rollie Beale, 2. Bob Evans, 3. Duke Cook, 4. Karl Busson, 5. Don Nordhorn, 6. Eldon Rasmussen, 7. Leigh Earnshaw Jr. NT

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Gary Bettenhausen, 2. Bob Pratt, 3. Bill Koepfer, 4. Johnny Parsons, 5. Johnny Anderson, 6. Dick Tobias, 7. Fred Linder. 2:56.19

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Sonny Ates, 2. Butch Wilkerson, 3. Bruce Walkup, 4. Charlie Masters, 5. Bentley Warren, 6. Lennie Waldo, 7. Tom York. 3:01.60

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Darl Harrison, 2. Lennie Waldo, 3. Larry Cannon, 4. Don Nordhorn, 5. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 6. Dick Tobias, 7. Bentley Warren, 8. Joe Saldana, 9. Eldon Rasmussen, 10. Fred Linder. 3:30.53

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Bob Pratt, 3. Darl Harrison, 4. Sonny Ates, 5. Johnny Parsons, 6. Charlie Masters, 7. Gary Bettenhausen, 8. Bentley Warren, 9. Bill Koepfer, 10. Lennie Waldo, 11. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 12. Larry Cannon, 13. Dee Jones, 14. Butch Wilkerson, 15. Duke Cook, 16. Tom Bigelow, 17. Cy Fairchild, 18. Rollie Beale, 19. Don Nordhorn, 20. Bruce Walkup. 11:48.36 (New Track Record)

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: July 4, 1971 – Reading Fairgrounds – Reading, Pennsylvania

QUALIFYING: 1. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-23.780; 2. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-24.100; 3. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-24.120; 4. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-24.150; 5. Lee Kunzman, 42, Ziegler-24.240; 6. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-24.360; 7. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-24.360; 8. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-24.650; 9. Sammy Sessions, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-24.650; 10. Jerry Poland, 98, DePalma-24.680; 11. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-24.700; 12. Johnny Parsons, 18, Forberg-24.710; 13. Bruce Walkup, 29, Seymour-24.750; 14. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-24.830; 15. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-24.900; 16. Mel Cornett, 76, Winterbotham-24.910; 17. Greg Weld, 44, Stapp-24.990; 18. Duke Cook, 99, Besecker-25.050; 19. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 82, Earnshaw-25.050; 20. Don Nordhorn, 46, Wergland-25.140; 21. Jimmy Oskie, 34, Peabody-25.170; 22. Joe Saldana, 37, Chariot-25.340; 23. Bill Puterbaugh, 8, Niebel/Mead-25.280; 24. Dan Shelbo, 43, Hopping-25.510; 25. Fred Linder, 15, Smith-25.620; 26. Jackie Howerton, 97, Howerton-26.260; 27. Carl Williams, 53, Smith-NT; 28. Bob Evans, 92, Faas-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Greg Weld, 2. Larry Dickson, 3. Lee Kunzman, 4. Jimmy Oskie, 5. Sammy Sessions, 6. Bruce Walkup, 7. Fred Linder. 4:10.37

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tom Bigelow, 2. Darl Harrison, 3. Larry Cannon, 4. Duke Cook, 5. Jackie Howerton, 6. Joe Saldana, 7. Jerry Poland. 4:14.61

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Bill Puterbaugh, 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 3. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 4. Dick Tobias, 5. Lennie Waldo, 6. Lee Brayton. 4:12.90

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Don Nordhorn, 2. Karl Busson, 3. Rollie Beale, 4. Johnny Parsons, 5. Dan Shelbo, 6. Mel Cornett. 4:17.02

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Sammy Sessions, 2. Lee Brayton, 3. Bruce Walkup, 4. Jackie Howerton, 5. Lennie Waldo, 6. Mel Cornett, 7. Joe Saldana, 8. Jerry Poland, 9. Dan Shelbo, 10. Fred Linder, 11. Carl Williams, 12. Bob Evans. 5:07.98

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Lee Kunzman, 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 3. Larry Dickson, 4. Greg Weld, 5. Dick Tobias, 6. Rollie Beale, 7. Sammy Sessions, 8. Bruce Walkup, 9. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 10. Larry Cannon, 11. Karl Busson, 12. Tom Bigelow, 13. Jimmy Oskie, 14. Duke Cook, 15. Don Nordhorn, 16. Jackie Howerton, 17. Darl Harrison, 18. Johnny Parsons, 19. Lee Brayton, 20. Bill Puterbaugh. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: July 11, 1971 – Salem Speedway – Salem, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-17.610; 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-17.910; 3. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-17.910; 4. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-17.930; 5. Charlie Masters, 81, Moffett-17.950; 6. Sammy Sessions, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-17.950;

7. Bob Pratt, 26, Doty-17.980; 8. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-18.060; 9. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-18.080; 10. Greg Weld, 44, Stapp-18.130; 11. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-18.160; 12. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-18.210; 13. Lee Kunzman, 4, Amerling-18.220; 14. Johnny Parsons, 18, Forberg-18.240; 15. Dee Jones, 16, Hille-18.320; 16. Jerry Poland, 98, DePalma-18.390; 17. Joe Saldana, 21, Morse-18.460; 18. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-18.470; 19. Fred Linder, 15, Smith-18.520; 20. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-18.550; 21. Duke Cook, 99, Besecker-18.580; 22. Eldon Rasmussen, 66, Rasmussen-18.590; 23. Bruce Walkup, 29, Seymour-18.620; 24. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 82, Earnshaw-18.710; 25. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-18.720; 26. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-18.950; 27. Bentley Warren, 20, Purdy-18.980; 28. Jackie Howerton, 97, Howerton-19.060; 29. Bill Puterbaugh, 8, Niebel/Mead-19.410; 30. Jimmy Oskie, 34, Peabody-19.550; 31. Mel Cornett, 76, Winterbotham-19.660; 32. Bill Compton, 28, Compton-NT; 33. Bill Koepfer, 36, Stahl-NT; 34. Don Nordhorn, 84, Gehlhausen-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Lee Kunzman, 2. Charlie Masters, 3. Larry Dickson, 4. Joe Saldana, 5. Darl Harrison, 6. Larry Cannon, 7. Duke Cook. 2:59.74

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Sammy Sessions, 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 3. Greg Weld, 4. Johnny Parsons, 5. Dick Tobias, 6. Larry Rice, 7. Eldon Rasmussen. 3:04.84

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Rollie Beale, 2. Bob Pratt, 3. Fred Linder, 4. Lennie Waldo, 5. Bentley Warren, 6. Bruce Walkup, 7. Dee Jones. 3:03.70

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Jerry Poland, 2. Tom Bigelow, 3. Sonny Ates, 4. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 5. Lee Brayton, 6. Jackie Howerton, 7. Karl Busson. NT

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Dick Tobias, 2. Darl Harrison, 3. Bruce Walkup, 4. Eldon Rasmussen, 5. Lee Brayton, 6. Larry Rice, 7. Jackie Howerton, 8. Duke Cook, 9. Bentley Warren, 10. Larry Cannon, 11. Don Nordhorn. 3:44.87

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Gary Bettenhausen, 2. Larry Dickson, 3. Rollie Beale, 4. Charlie Masters, 5. Tom Bigelow, 6. Greg Weld, 7. Darl Harrison, 8. Bob Pratt, 9. Lennie Waldo, 10. Joe Saldana, 11. Johnny Parsons, 12. Eldon Rasmussen, 13. Sonny Ates, 14. Fred Linder, 15. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 16. Lee Kunzman, 17. Bruce Walkup, 18. Dick Tobias, 19. Sammy Sessions, 20. Jerry Poland. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: July 17, 1971 – Selinsgrove Speedway – Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania

QUALIFYING: 1. Mitch Smith, 11, Wasson-23.420; 2. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-23.450; 3. Lee Osborne, 7, Meskowski-23.490; 4. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-23.570; 5. Bruce Walkup, 29, Seymour-23.580; 6. Lee Kunzman, 4, Amerling-23.580; 7. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-23.590; 8. Bobby Adamson, 42, Ziegler-23.660; 9. Jim Sheaffer, 50, Hawk-23.830; 10. Greg Weld, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-23.850; 11. Joe Saldana, 21, Morse-23.950; 12. Pancho Carter, 18, Forberg-24.010; 13. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-24.140; 14. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 82, Earnshaw-24.210; 15. Jimmy Kirk, 53, Smith-24.290; 16. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-24.380; 17. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-24.390; 18. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-24.420; 19. Jimmy Oskie, 34, Peabody-24.530; 20. Bill Koepfer, 36, Stahl-24.560; 21. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-24.680; 22. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-24.710; 23. Fred Linder, 15, Smith-24.780; 24. Jerry Poland, 76, Winterbotham-24.840; 25. Carl Williams, 46, Wergland-24.860; 26. Don Nordhorn, 84, Gehlhausen-25.020; 27. Dan Shelbo, 48, Hopping-25.600; 28. Jackie Howerton, 97, Howerton-25.840; 29. John Hubbard, 37, Chariot-26.200.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Mitch Smith, 2. Jim Shaeffer, 3. Tom Bigelow, 4. Bruce Walkup, 5. Lennie Waldo, 6. Darl Harrison, 7. Carl Williams. 4:01.56

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Lee Kunzman, 2. Larry Cannon, 3. Gary Bettenhausen, 4. Greg Weld, 5. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 6. Lee Brayton, 7. Don Nordhorn. 4:02.99

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Dick Tobias, 2. Jimmy Kirk, 3. Lee Osborne, 4. Joe Saldana, 5. Fred Linder, 6. Jimmy Oskie, 7. Dan Shelbo. 4:04.55

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Bobby Adamson, 3. Rollie Beale, 4. Bill Koepfer, 5. Pancho Carter, 6. Jerry Poland, 7. Jackie Howerton. 4:05.68

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Pancho Carter, 2. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 3. Lennie Waldo, 4. Darl Harrison, 5. Jimmy Oskie, 6. Fred Linder, 7. Carl Williams, 8. Lee Brayton, 9. Dan Shelbo, 10. Jerry Poland, 11. John Hubbard, 12. Jackie Howerton. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Mitch Smith, 2. Lee Osborne, 3. Bobby Adamson, 4. Dick Tobias, 5. Lee Kunzman, 6. Joe Saldana, 7. Bruce Walkup, 8. Tom Bigelow, 9. Pancho Carter, 10. Larry Cannon, 11. Greg Weld, 12. Darl Harrison, 13. Rollie Beale, 14. Bill Koepfer, 15. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 16. Larry Dickson, 17. Gary Bettenhausen, 18. Jimmy Kirk, 19. Jimmy Sheaffer, 20. Lennie Waldo. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: July 24, 1971 – Eldora Speedway – Rossburg, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-18.380; 2. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-18.530; 3. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-18.660; 4. Greg Weld, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-18.670; 5. Bruce Walkup, 29, Seymour-18.690; 6. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-18.720; 7. Johnny Parsons, 7, Meskowski-18.790; 8. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-18.990; 9. Jimmy Oskie, 34, Peabody-18.990; 10. Jim Malloy, 84, Gehlhausen-18.990; 11. Joe Saldana, 21, Morse-19.080; 12. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-19.110; 13. George Snider, 44, Stapp-19.130; 14. Sammy Sessions, 32, LeFevre-19.180; 15. Lee Kunzman, 4, Amerling-19.190; 16. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-19.230; 17. Lee Kunzman, 46, Wergland-19.250; 18. Dee Jones, 16, Hille-19.260; 19. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-19.270; 20. Bill Puterbaugh, 8, Niebel/Mead-19.280; 21. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-19.310; 22. Bob Pratt, 76, Winterbotham-19.350; 23. Fred Linder, 15, Smith-19.410; 24. Carl Williams, 42, Ziegler-19.430; 25. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-19.440; 26. Jim McElreath, 23, McElreath-19.460; 27. Bill Koepfer, 36, Stahl-19.470; 28. Charlie Masters, 81, Moffett-19.500; 29. Duke Cook, 37, Chariot-19.560; 30. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-19.740; 31. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 27, Finn-19.760; 32. Jackie Howerton, 97, Howerton-19.820; 33. Eldon Rasmussen, 66, Rasmussen-20.020; 34. Don Nordhorn, 71, Van Winkle-20.060; 35. Jerry Karl, 35, Thacker-20.160; 36. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-20.720; 37. Gordy Lee, 55, Otis-NT; 38. Jerry Poland, 98, DePalma-NT; 39. #11 Leyba-NT; 40. #99 Besecker-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Karl Busson, 2. Jimmy Oskie, 3. George Snider, 4. Bob Pratt, 5. Dee Jones, 6. Bruce Walkup, 7. Jim McElreath. NT

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Fred Linder, 2. Bill Koepfer, 3. Jim Malloy, 4. Rollie Beale, 5. Lennie Waldo, 6. Sammy Sessions, 7. Darl Harrison. 3:15.71

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Cannon, 2. Joe Saldana, 3. Gary Bettenhausen, 4. Carl Williams, 5. Johnny Parsons, 6. Bill Puterbaugh, 7. Charlie Masters. 3:10.00

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Dick Tobias, 3. Tom Bigelow, 4. Greg Weld, 5. Lee Kunzman, 6. Sonny Ates, 7. Duke Cook. 3:16.81

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Lennie Waldo, 2. Jim McElreath, 3. Bruce Walkup, 4. Lee Kunzman, 5. Sonny Ates, 6. Darl Harrison, 7. Bill Puterbaugh, 8. Sammy Sessions, 9. Dee Jones, 10. Charlie Masters, 11. Don Nordhorn (#37), 12. Johnny Parsons. 4:01.01

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Bruce Walkup, 3. Rollie Beale, 4. Gary Bettenhausen, 5. Karl Busson, 6. Lennie Waldo, 7. Jimmy Oskie, 8. George Snider, 9. Dick Tobias, 10. Fred Linder, 11. Carl Williams, 12. Larry Cannon, 13. Greg Weld, 14. Joe Saldana, 15. Lee Kunzman, 16. Bill Koepfer, 17. Bob Pratt, 18. Jim Malloy, 19. Tom Bigelow, 20. Jim McElreath. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: July 25, 1971 – New Bremen Speedway – New Bremen, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-17.700; 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-17.840; 3. Bob Pratt, 76, Winterbotham-17.860; 4. Greg Weld, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-17.930; 5. Johnny Parsons, 99, Besecker-17.980; 6. Lee Kunzman, 4, Amerling-18.030; 7. Sammy Sessions, 44, Stapp-18.040; 8. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-18.090; 9. Carl Williams, 42, Ziegler-18.150; 10. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-18.210; 11. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 27, Finn-18.280; 12. Bruce Walkup, 29, Seymour-18.290; 13. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-18.300; 14. Duke Cook, 37, Chariot-18.300; 15. Don Nordhorn, 71, Van Winkle-18.320; 16. Tom York, 11, Leyba-18.370; 17. Jimmy Oskie, 34, Peabody-18.370; 18. Bill Compton, 28, Compton-18.380; 19. Jim McElreath, 32, LeFevre-18.400; 20. Bill Puterbaugh, 8, Niebel/Mead-18.410; 21. Charlie Masters, 81, Moffett-18.430; 22. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-18.460; 23. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-18.470; 24. Fred Linder, 15, Smith-18.50; 25. Dee Jones, 16, Hille-18.520; 26. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-18.530; 27. Bentley Warren, 20, Purdy-18.570; 28. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-18.580; 29. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-18.590; 30. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-18.750; 31. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-18.760; 32. Jackie Howerton, 97, Howerton-18.810; 33. Joe Saldana, 21, Morse-NT; 34. Jim McElreath, 23, McElreath-NT; 35. Bill Koepfer, 36, Stahl-NT; 36. Gordy Lee, 55, Otis-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Dee Jones, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Charlie Masters, 4. Jimmy Oskie, 5. Carl Williams, 6. Johnny Parsons, 7. Dick Tobias. 3:04.88

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Rollie Beale, 2. Lee Kunzman, 3. Karl Busson, 4. Gary Bettenhausen, 5. Tom Bigelow, 6. Bill Compton, 7. Duke Cook. 3:04.23

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Sonny Ates, 2. Jim McElreath, 3. Sammy Sessions, 4. Don Nordhorn, 5. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 6. Bentley Warren, 7. Bob Pratt. 3:03.42

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Bruce Walkup, 3. Darl Harrison, 4. Tom York, 5. Greg Weld, 6. Fred Linder, 7. Bill Puterbaugh. 3:00.41

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Greg Weld, 2. Bob Pratt, 3. Dick Tobias, 4. Carl Williams, 5. Bill Puterbaugh, 6. Fred Linder, 7. Lennie Waldo, 8. Larry Cannon, 9. Bill Compton, 10. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 11. Johnny Parsons, 12. Tom Bigelow. 3:38.52

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Gary Bettenhausen, 2. Lee Kunzman, 3. Greg Weld, 4. Rollie Beale, 5. Karl Busson, 6. Don Nordhorn, 7. Dick Tobias, 8. Jimmy Oskie, 9. Sonny Ates, 10. Charlie Masters, 11. Larry Dickson, 12. Bill Puterbaugh, 13. Jim McElreath, 14. Dee Jones, 15. Tom York, 16. Carl Williams, 17. Darl Harrison, 18. Bob Pratt, 19. Bruce Walkup, 20. Sammy Sessions. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: July 31, 1971 – Reading Fairgrounds – Reading, Pennsylvania

QUALIFYING: 1. Joe Saldana, 21, Morse-23.050; 2. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-23.340; 3. Jim Shaeffer, 50, Hank-23.460; 4. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-23.460; 5. George Snider, 44, Stapp-23.610; 6. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-23.610; 7. Greg Weld, 6,

Leffler/Hulsman-23.690; 8. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-23.690; 9. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-23,800; 10. Bruce Walkup, 29, Seymour-23.810; 11. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-23.890; 12. Jimmy Kirk, 53, Smith-24.320; 13. Sammy Sessions, 8, Niebel/Mead-24.320; 14. Jimmy Oskie, 34, Peabody-24.360; 15. Johnny Parsons, 99, Besecker-24.570; 16. Bill Puterbaugh, 27, Finn-24.650; 17. Carl Williams, 42, Ziegler-24.650; 18. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 82, Earnshaw-24.680; 19. Fred Linder, 15, Smith-24.750; 20. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-24.850; 21. Jim Bob Luebbert, 46, Wergland-24.850; 22. Dan Shelbo, 59, Hopping-24.860; 23. Jackie Howerton, 97, Howerton-24.930; 24. Bob Pratt, 76, Winterbotham-NT; 25. Lee Kunzman, 4, Amerling-NT; 26. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Joe Saldana, 2. Rollie Beale, 3. Carl Williams, 4. George Snider, 5. Sammy Sessions, 6. Jim Bob Luebbert. 4:05.76

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Bruce Walkup, 3. Larry Cannon, 4. Jimmy Oskie, 5. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 6. Dan Shelbo. 4:01.20

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Dick Tobias, 2. Fred Linder, 3. Jim Shaeffer, 4. Johnny Parsons, 5. Jackie Howerton, 6. Greg Weld. 4:05.57

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Gary Bettenhausen, 2. Karl Busson, 3. Jimmy Kirk, 4. Darl Harrison, 5. Bill Puterbaugh, 6. Bob Pratt. 4:04.41

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Greg Weld, 2. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 3. Jackie Howerton, 4. Dan Shelbo, 5. Bill Puterbaugh, 6. Sammy Sessions, 7. Jim Bob Luebbert, 8. Bob Pratt. 4:51.41

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Larry Cannon, 2. Larry Dickson, 3. Joe Saldana, 4. Gary Bettenhausen, 5. Rollie Beale, 6. Karl Busson, 7. George Snider, 8. Greg Weld, 9. Jackie Howerton, 10. Jim Sheaffer, 11. Carl Williams, 12. Johnny Parsons, 13. Darl Harrison, 14. Jimmy Kirk, 15. Bruce Walkup, 16. Dan Shelbo, 17. Dick Tobias, 18. Jimmy Oskie, 19. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 20. Fred Linder. 16:22.31

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: August 1, 1971 – Tri-County Speedway – Cincinnati, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. George Snider, 44, Stapp-20.610; 2. Joe Saldana, 21, Morse-20.620; 3. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-20.650; 4. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-20.660; 5. Bob Pratt, 76, Winterbotham-20.680; 6. Jim Malloy, 84, Gehlhausen-20.680; 7. Don Nordhorn, 7, Van Winkle-20.680; 8. Lee Kunzman, 4, Amerling-20.770; 9. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-20.860; 10. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-20.860; 11. Bill Puterbaugh, 8, Niebel/Mead-20.860; 12. Jackie Howerton, 97, Howerton-20.870; 13. Billy Thrasher, 32, LeFevre-20.980; 14. Bill Koepfer, 36, Stahl-20.920; 15. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-20.930; 16. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-20.930; 17. Bruce Walkup, 29, Seymour-20.930; 18. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-20.970; 19. Sammy Sessions, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-20.970; 20. Jerry Poland, 98, DePalma-20.970; 21. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-20.970; 22. Charlie Masters, 81, Moffett-21.170; 23. Dee Jones, 16, Hille-21.200; 24. Dick Pole, 99, Besecker-21.220; 25. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-21.240; 26. Eldon Rasmussen, 66, Rasmussen-21.260; 27. Johnny Parsons, 7, Meskowski-21.280; 28. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-21.370; 29. Jimmy Oskie, 34, Peabody-21.370; 30. Bill Compton, 28, Compton-21.400; 31. Jim Bob Luebbert, 27, Finn-21.590; 32. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-21.650; 33. Dan Shelbo, 59, Hopping-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Billy Thrasher, 2. George Snider, 3. Larry Cannon, 4. Larry Dickson, 5. Larry Rice, 6. Bob Pratt, 7. Bruce Walkup. NT

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Darl Harrison, 2. Jim Malloy, 3. Eldon Rasmussen, 4. Bill Koepfer, 5. Joe Saldana, 6. Charlie Masters, 7. Lennie Waldo. NT

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Don Nordhorn, 2. Johnny Parsons, 3. Sammy Sessions, 4. Sonny Ates, 5. Dee Jones, 6. Tom Bigelow, 7. Bill Puterbaugh. 3:28.74

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Lee Kunzman, 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 3. Jackie Howerton, 4. Karl Busson, 5. Dick Pole, 6. Dick Tobias, 7. Jerry Poland. 3:29.13

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Joe Saldana, 2. Tom Bigelow, 3. Bruce Walkup, 4. Lennie Waldo, 5. Bob Pratt, 6. Larry Rice, 7. Charlie Masters, 8. Dick Pole, 9. Jimmy Oskie, 10. Dee Jones, 11. Dick Tobias, 12. Jerry Poland. 4:12.11

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. George Snider, 2. Don Nordhorn, 3. Gary Bettenhausen, 4. Billy Thrasher, 5. Larry Dickson, 6. Darl Harrison, 7. Sonny Ates, 8. Lee Kunzman, 9. Bruce Walkup, 10. Jim Malloy, 11. Larry Cannon, 12. Johnny Parsons, 13. Tom Bigelow, 14. Sammy Sessions, 15. Lennie Waldo, 16. Bill Koepfer, 17. Joe Saldana, 18. Karl Busson, 19. Jackie Howerton, 20. Eldon Rasmussen. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: August 8, 1971 – Terre Haute Action Track – Terre Haute, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Joe Saldana, 21, Morse-23.770; 2. Johnny Parsons, 5, Meskowski-23.780; 3. Jerry McClung, 34, Peabody-24.010; 4. Don Nordhorn, 7, Van Winkle-24.190; 5. Danny Caruthers, 46, Wergland-24.220; 6. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-24.240; 7. George Snider, 44, Stapp-24.300; 8. Jimmy Caruthers, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-24.330; 9. Lee Kunzman, 4, Amerling-24.420; 10. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-24.500; 11. Bruce Walkup, 29, Seymour-24.580; 12. Jim McElreath, 23, McElreath-24.610; 13. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-24.680; 14. Billy Thrasher, 32, LeFevre-24.840; 15. Jackie Howerton, 97, Howerton-24.860; 16. Dan Shelbo, 59, Hopping-24.940; 17. Jimmy Oskie, 18, Forberg-24.960; 18. Bob Pratt, 76, Winterbotham-24.990; 19. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-25.010; 20. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 27, Finn-25.020; 21. Bill Puterbaugh, 8, Niebel/Mead-25.050; 22. Carl Williams, 42, Ziegler-25.180; 23. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-25.200; 24. Charlie Masters, 81, Moffett-25.260; 25. Jim Malloy, 84, Gehlhausen-25.270; 26. Bill Compton, 28, Compton-25.390; 27. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-25.450; 28. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-25.480; 29. Gary Ponzini, 85, Gary Ponzini-25.480; 30. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-25.550; 31. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-25.610; 32. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-25.670; 33. Fred Linder, 15, Smith-25.930; 34. Jerry Poland, 98, DePalma-25.960; 35. Dick Pole, 99, Besecker-26.010; 36. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-26.260; 37. Eldon Rasmussen, 66, Rasmussen-26.710; 38. Sammy Sessions, 92, Faas-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Bill Puterbaugh, 2. Lee Kunzman, 3. Jim Malloy, 4. Joe Saldana, 5. Jimmy Oskie, 6. Danny Caruthers, 7. Larry Dickson. 4:17.33

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Billy Thrasher, 2. Carl Williams, 3. Johnny Parsons, 4. Gary Bettenhausen, 5. Bob Pratt, 6. Bill Compton, 7. Larry Cannon. NT

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. George Snider, 2. Larry Rice, 3. Jackie Howerton, 4. Tom Bigelow, 5. Bruce Walkup, 6. Jerry McClung, 7. Rollie Beale. 4:18.61

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Sonny Ates, 2. Don Nordhorn, 3. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 4. Charlie Masters, 5. Dan Shelbo, 6. Jim McElreath, 7. Jimmy Caruthers. NT

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Jerry McClung, 2. Dick Tobias, 3. Jimmy Oskie, 4. Gary Ponzini, 5. Lennie Waldo, 6. Dan Shelbo, 7. Bill Compton, 8. Danny Caruthers, 9. Bruce Walkup, 10. Larry Dickson, 11. Rollie Beale, 12. Bob Pratt. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Gary Bettenhausen, 2. George Snider, 3. Bill Puterbaugh, 4. Larry Dickson (#42), 5. Lee Kunzman, 6. Jackie Howerton, 7. Johnny Parsons, 8. Joe Saldana, 9. Sonny Ates, 10. Jerry McClung, 11. Dick Tobias, 12. Jimmy Oskie, 13. Tom Bigelow, 14. Larry Rice, 15. Billy Thrasher, 16. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 17. Jim Malloy, 18. Gary Ponzini, 19. Charlie Masters, 20. Don Nordhorn. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: August 14, 1971 – Toledo Speedway – Toledo, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Jerry Poland, 98, DePalma-16.210; 2. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-16.660; 3. Lee Kunzman, 4, Amerling-16.680; 4. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-16.770; 5. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-16.770; 6. Don Nordhorn, 7, Van Winkle-16.810; 7. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-16.820; 8. Charlie Masters, 81, Moffett-16.820; 9. Larry Dickson, 1, Leyba-16.870; 10. Bob Pratt, 76, Winterbotham-16.900; 11. Johnny Parsons, 99, Besecker-16.920; 12. George Snider, 44, Stapp-16.930; 13. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-16.960; 14. Dee Jones, 16, Hille-17.010; 15. Fred Linder, 15, Smith-17.050; 16. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 27, Finn-17.060; 17. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-17.080; 18. Tom York, 11, Ben Leyba-17.110; 19. Bruce Walkup, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-17.200; 20. Jackie Howerton, 97, Howerton-17.260; 21. Jerry McClung, 18, Forberg-17.280; 22. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-17.280; 23. Bentley Warren, 20, Purdy-17.300; 24. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-17.330; 25. Carl Williams, 42, Ziegler-17.350; 26. Bill Compton, 28, Compton-17.360; 27. Joe Saldana, 21, Morse-17.370; 28. Bill Puterbaugh, 8, Niebel/Mead-17.440; 29. Billy Thrasher, 32, LeFevre-17.520; 30. Bill Koepfer, 36, Stahl-17.530; 31. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-17.610; 32. Eldon Rasmussen, 66, Rasmussen-17.640; 33. Jim Malloy, 84, Gehlhausen-17.650; 34. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-17.800; 35. Sammy Sessions, 92, Faas-17.800; 36. Dan Shelbo, 59, Hopping-18.940.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Darl Harrison, 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 3. Jerry McClung, 4. Carl Williams, 5. Larry Rice, 6. Jerry Poland, 7. Larry Dickson. 2:54.97

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Karl Busson, 2. Bill Compton, 3. Tom York, 4. Don Nordhorn, 5. Tom Bigelow, 6. Bob Pratt, 7. Dee Jones. NT

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Rollie Beale, 2. Fred Linder, 3. Lee Kunzman, 4. Joe Saldana, 5. Bruce Walkup, 6. Johnny Parsons, 7. Bentley Warren. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Cannon, 2. Bill Puterbaugh, 3. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 4. Sonny Ates, 5. Jackie Howerton, 6. George Snider, 7. Charlie Masters. 2:57.07

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Tom Bigelow, 3. Bob Pratt, 4. Jerry Poland, 5. George Snider, 6. Charlie Masters, 7. Bruce Walkup, 8. Larry Rice, 9. Jackie Howerton, 10. Billy Thrasher, 11. Bill Koepfer, 12. Dee Jones. 3:27.88

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Rollie Beale, 2. Don Nordhorn, 3. Darl Harrison, 4. Tom Bigelow, 5. Karl Busson, 6. Bob Pratt, 7. Lee Kunzman, 8. Gary Bettenhausen, 9. Bill Puterbaugh, 10. Jerry McClung, 11. Jerry Poland, 12. Carl Williams, 13. Larry Cannon, 14. Joe Saldana, 15. George Snider, 16. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 17. Larry Dickson, 18. Fred Linder, 19. Tom York, 20. Bill Compton. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: September 12, 1971 – Winchester Speedway – Winchester, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-16.420 (New Track Record); 2. Larry Dickson, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-16.440; 3. Lee Kunzman, 4, Amerling-16.830; 4. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-16.940; 5. Dee Jones, 16, Hille-17.020; 6. Bob Pratt, 76, Winterbotham-17.150; 7. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-17.150; 8. Don Nordhorn, 7, Van Winkle-17.170; 9. Charlie Masters, 81, Moffett-17.180; 10. Al Smith, 18, Forberg-17.330; 11. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-17.350; 12. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-17.350; 13. Joe Saldana, 21, Morse-17.380; 14. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-17.440; 15. Jerry Poland, 98, DePalma-17.610; 16. Tom York, 11, Leyba-17.830; 17. Ralph Liguori, 10, Wachholz-17.970; 18. Bill Puterbaugh, 8, Niebel/Mead-18.010; 19. Billy Thrasher, 32, LeFevre-18.070; 20. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-18.160; 21. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 27, Finn-18.190; 22. Bruce Walkup, 43, Welch-18.330; 23. Jackie Howerton, 97, Howerton-18.610; 24. Eldon Rasmussen, 66, Rasmussen-18.870; 25. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-19.590; 26. Bill Koepfer, 99, Besecker-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Rollie Beale, 2. Charlie Masters, 3. Dee Jones, 4. Larry Cannon, 5. Ralph Liguori, 6. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 7. Joe Saldana. 2:53.17

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Sonny Ates, 3. Bob Pratt, 4. Al Smith, 5. Bruce Walkup, 6. Bill Puterbaugh. 2:51.16 (New Track Record)

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Karl Busson, 2. Tom Bigelow, 3. Lee Kunzman, 4. Jerry Poland, 5. Jackie Howerton, 6. Billy Thrasher. 2:55.10

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Don Nordhorn, 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 3. Darl Harrison, 4. Tom York, 5. Lee Brayton, 6. Eldon Rasmussen. NT

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Ralph Liguori, 2. Bill Puterbaugh, 3. Lee Brayton, 4. Billy Thrasher, 5. Bruce Walkup, 6. Jackie Howerton, 7. Leigh Earnshaw Jr. 3:35.37

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Rollie Beale, 3. Gary Bettenhausen, 4. Lee Kunzman, 5. Don Nordhorn, 6. Karl Busson, 7. Darl Harrison, 8. Sonny Ates, 9. Dee Jones, 10. Ralph Liguori, 11. Tom York, 12. Jerry Poland, 13. Al Smith, 14. Billy Thrasher, 15. Lee Brayton, 16. Charlie Masters, 17. Tom Bigelow, 18. Larry Cannon, 19. Bob Pratt, 20. Bill Puterbaugh. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: September 19, 1971 – Eldora Speedway – Rossburg, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Larry Dickson, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-18.290; 2. Jim Malloy, 84, Gehlhausen-18.320; 3. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-18.360; 4. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-18.500; 5. Bill Puterbaugh, 8, Niebel/Mead-18.530; 6. George Snider, 44, Stapp-18.610; 7. Carl Williams, 42, Ziegler-18.710; 8. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-18.760; 9. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-18.830; 10. Billy Thrasher, 32, LeFevre-18.830; 11. Don Nordhorn, 7, Van Winkle-18.860; 12. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-18.900; 13. Bruce Walkup, 29, Seymour-18.900; 14. Dick Pole, 46, Wergland-18.940; 15. Bob Pratt, 76, Winterbotham-18.990; 16. Merle Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-19.010; 17. Jerry Poland, 98, DePalma-19.060; 18. Danny Caruthers, 5, Meskowski-19.060; 19. Bill Compton, 28, Compton-19.070; 20. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-19.070; 21. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-19.160; 22. Charlie Masters, 81, Moffett-19.200; 23. Bill Koepfer, 99, Besecker-19.220; 24. Lee Kunzman, 4, Amerling-19.230; 25. Jackie Howerton, 97, Howerton-19.240; 26. Pancho Carter, 18, Forberg-19.260; 27. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 27, Finn-19.330; 28. Dee Jones, 16, Hille-19.390; 29. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-19.40; 30. Sammy Sessions, 92, Faas-19.400; 31. Fred Linder, 37, Chariot-19.620; 32. Joe Saldana, 21, Morse-NT; 33. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Rollie Beale, 2. Jackie Howerton, 3. Bruce Walkup, 4. Bill Puterbaugh, 5. Larry Dickson, 6. Lennie Waldo, 7. Jerry Poland. NT

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Charlie Masters, 2. Pancho Carter, 3. Danny Caruthers, 4. George Snider, 5. Billy Thrasher, 6. Dick Pole, 7. Jim Malloy. 3:13.96

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tom Bigelow, 2. Don Nordhorn, 3. Bob Pratt, 4. Bill Koepfer, 5. Carl Williams, 6. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 7. Bill Compton. 3:17.16

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Dee Jones, 2. Larry Cannon, 3. Merle Bettenhausen, 4. Darl Harrison, 5. Karl Busson, 6. Larry Rice, 7. Lee Kunzman. NT

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Jim Malloy, 2. Lennie Waldo, 3. Karl Busson, 4. Larry Dickson, 5. Lee Kunzman, 6. Dick Pole, 7. Carl Williams, 8. Larry Rice, 9. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 10. Bill Compton, 11. Billy Thrasher, 12. Jerry Poland. NT

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Bill Puterbaugh, 2. Tom Bigelow, 3. George Snider, 4. Larry Dickson, 5. Jim Malloy, 6. Don Nordhorn, 7. Karl Busson, 8. Lennie Waldo, 9. Larry Cannon, 10. Rollie Beale, 11. Darl Harrison, 12. Bruce Walkup, 13. Merle Bettenhausen, 14. Bob Pratt, 15. Danny Caruthers, 16. Dee Jones, 17. Jackie Howerton, 18. Pancho Carter, 19. Bill Koepfer, 20. Joe Saldana (#81). 13:00.66

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: September 25, 1971 – Williams Grove Speedway – Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania

QUALIFYING: 1. George Snider, 44, Stapp-24.560; 2. Mitch Smith, 5, Wasson-24.640; 3. Billy Thrasher, 32, LeFevre-24.850; 4. Johnny Parsons, 46, Wergland-24.980; 5. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-25.040; 6. Larry Dickson, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-25.070; 7. Dick Tobias, 17, Ruppert-25.100; 8. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-25.140; 9. Pancho Carter, 18, Forberg-25.180; 10. Lee Kunzman, 4, Amerling-25.260; 11. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-25.290; 12. Don Nordhorn, 7, Van Winkle-25.400; 13. Bob Pratt, 76, Winterbotham-25.420; 14. Joe Saldana, 21, Morse-25.520; 15. Jackie Howerton, 97, Howerton-25.580; 16. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 82, Earnshaw-25.660; 17. Lennie Waldo, 10, Wachholz-25.880; 18. Sammy Sessions, 42, Ziegler-25.890; 19. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-25.910; 20. Ronnie Rough, 50, Hank-26.680; 21. Bill Compton, 28, Compton-26.710; 22. Dan Shelbo, 59, Hopping-27.020; 23. Chuck Booth, 37, Chariot-NT; 24. Lee Osborne, 95, Cedoz-NT; 25. Bruce Walkup, 29, Seymour-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Gary Bettenhausen, 2. Lennie Waldo, 3. George Snider, 4. Bob Pratt, 5. Pancho Carter, 6. Bill Compton. 4:12.84

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Mitch Smith, 2. Lee Kunzman, 3. Larry Dickson, 4. Sammy Sessions, 5. Dan Shelbo, 6. Joe Saldana. 4:10.48

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Cannon, 2. Rollie Beale, 3. Dick Tobias, 4. Billy Thrasher, 5. Jackie Howerton. 4:20.15

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 2. Johnny Parsons, 3. Ronnie Rough, 4. Don Nordhorn, 5. Lee Brayton. 4:10.41

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Pancho Carter, 2. Lee Brayton, 3. Joe Saldana, 4. Jackie Howerton, 5. Bill Compton, 6. Dan Shelbo. 5:01.50 (New Track Record)

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Mitch Smith, 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 3. Dick Tobias, 4. George Snider, 5. Larry Dickson, 6. Larry Cannon, 7. Ronnie Rough, 8. Jackie Howerton, 9. Pancho Carter, 10. Sammy Sessions, 11. Lennie Waldo, 12. Joe Saldana, 13. Johnny Parsons, 14. Lee Brayton, 15. Bob Pratt, 16. Leigh Earnshaw Jr., 17. Rollie Beale, 18. Billy Thrasher, 19. Lee Kunzman, 20. Don Nordhorn. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: October 3, 1971 – Salem Speedway – Salem, Indiana

QUALIFYING: 1. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-17.770; 2. Lee Kunzman, 4, Amerling-17.820; 3. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-17.840; 4. Larry Dickson, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-17.940; 5. Al Smith, 95, Cedoz-17.980; 6. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-18.010; 7. Dee Jones, 16, Hille-18.050; 8. Sammy Sessions, 8, Niebel/Mead-18.130; 9. Don Nordhorn, 7, Van Winkle-18.130; 10. Bob Pratt, 76, Winterbotham-18.180; 11. Charlie Masters, 81, Moffett-18.210; 12. Jim Malloy, 84, Gehlhausen-18.260; 13. Duke Cook, 15, Smith-18.280; 14. Johnny Parsons, 33, Jones-18.330; 15. Jerry Poland, 98, DePalma-18.330; 16. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-18.350; 17. Ralph Liguori, 10, Wachholz-18.370; 18. Bruce Walkup, 2, Davis-18.620; 19. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-18.670; 20. Bill Koepfer, 99, Besecker-18.820; 21. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-18.960; 22. Billy Thrasher, 32, LeFevre-19.190; 23. Bill Compton, 28, Compton-19.660; 24. Joe Saldana, 21, Morse-NT; 25. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-NT; 26. Sammy Sessions, 92, Faas.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Ralph Liguori, 2. Don Nordhorn, 3. Larry Cannon, 4. Duke Cook, 5. Al Smith, 6. Tom Bigelow. 3:02.75

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Lee Kunzman, 2. Bruce Walkup, 3. Bob Pratt, 4. Billy Thrasher, 5. Johnny Parsons, 6. Darl Harrison. 3:03.10

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Rollie Beale, 2. Charlie Masters, 3. Jerry Poland, 4. Larry Rice, 5. Bill Compton, 6. Dee Jones. NT

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Sammy Sessions, 3. Sonny Ates, 4. Jim Malloy, 5. Bill Koepfer. 3:04.67

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Johnny Parsons, 2. Al Smith, 3. Darl Harrison, 4. Bill Koepfer, 5. Tom Bigelow, 6. Bill Compton. NT

FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Rollie Beale, 2. Don Nordhorn, 3. Darl Harrison, 4. Charlie Masters, 5. Sonny Ates, 6. Ralph Liguori, 7. Jim Malloy, 8. Al Smith, 9. Tom Bigelow (#15), 10. Sammy Sessions, 11. Bill Koepfer, 12. Billy Thrasher, 13. Larry Dickson, 14. Joe Saldana (#43), 15. Bob Pratt, 16. Bruce Walkup, 17. Jerry Poland, 18. Larry Cannon, 19. Lee Kunzman, 20. Johnny Parsons. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: October 17, 1971 – Winchester Speedway – Winchester, Indiana – Twin 50s

QUALIFYING: 1. Larry Dickson, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-16.600; 2. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-16.760; 3. Lee Kunzman, 4, Amerling-16.820; 4. Bob Pratt, 76, Winterbotham-16.850; 5. Sammy Sessions, 5, Meskowski-16.950; 6. Johnny Parsons, 33, Jones-16.980; 7. Greg Weld, 1, Leyba-17.030; 8. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-17.100; 9. Jerry Poland, 98, DePalma-17.160; 10. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-17.170; 11. Cy Fairchild, 11, Leyba-17.230; 12. Tom Bigelow, 15, Smith-17.320; 13. Bill Koepfer, 99, Besecker-17.330; 14. Joe Saldana, 21, Morse-17.360; 15. Charlie Masters, 81, Moffett-17.420; 16. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-17.480; 17. Bill Puterbaugh, 8, Niebel/Mead-17.560; 18. Al Smith, 84, Gehlhausen-17.630; 19. Don Nordhorn, 7, Van Winkle-17.650; 20. Bruce Walkup, 29, Seymour-17.710; 21. Gary Ponzini, 42, Ziegler-17.740; 22. Ralph Liguori, 10, Wachholz-17.760; 23. Dee Jones, 27, Finn-17.770; 24. Larry Cannon, 71, Hoffman-17.840; 25. Billy Thrasher, 23, LeFevre-17.890; 26. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-18.400; 24. Pancho Carter, 18, Forberg-18.600; 28. Jackie Howerton, 44, Stapp-18.720; 29. Lee Brayton, 66, Brayton-19.200; 30. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-NT; 31. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Darl Harrison, 2. Gary Bettenhausen, 3. Bill Koepfer, 4. Greg Weld, 5. Billy Thrasher, 6. Don Nordhorn, 7. Ralph Liguori. 2:55.30 (New Track Record)

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Karl Busson, 2. Dee Jones, 3. Joe Saldana, 4. Cy Fairchild, 5. Bruce Walkup, 6. Larry Rice, 7. Bill Puterbaugh. 2:56.89

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tom Bigelow, 2. Jerry Poland, 3. Al Smith, 4. Pancho Carter, 5. Gary Ponzini, 6. Larry Cannon, 7. Charlie Masters. NT

SEMI: (12 Laps) 1. Cy Fairchild, 2. Don Nordhorn, 3. Greg Weld, 4. Bill Puterbaugh, 5. Billy Thrasher, 6. Pancho Carter, 7. Jackie Howerton, 8. Bruce Walkup, 9. Larry Rice, 10. Ralph Liguori, 11. Lee Brayton, 12. Gary Ponzini. NT

FIRST FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Rollie Beale, 2. Johnny Parsons, 3. Lee Kunzman, 4. Sammy Sessions, 5. Bob Pratt, 6. Karl Busson, 7. Bill Puterbaugh, 8. Bill Koepfer, 9. Al Smith, 10. Darl Harrison, 11. Jerry Poland, 12. Dee Jones, 13. Billy Thrasher, 14. Tom Bigelow, 15. Cy Fairchild, 16. Larry Dickson, 17. Don Nordhorn, 18. Joe Saldana, 19. Gary Bettenhausen, 20. Greg Weld. NT

SECOND FEATURE: (50 laps) 1. Gary Bettenhausen (#1), 2. Sammy Sessions, 3. Lee Kunzman, 4. Karl Busson, 5. Al Smith, 6. Tom Bigelow, 7. Joe Saldana, 8. Cy Fairchild, 9. Bill Koepfer, 10. Larry Dickson (#33), 11. Bob Pratt, 12. Jackie Howerton, 13. Bruce Walkup, 14. Jerry Poland, 15. Billy Thrasher, 16. Dee Jones, 17. Pancho Carter, 18. Bill Puterbaugh, 19. Rollie Beale, 20. Darl Harrison. NT

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: October 10 & 24, 1971 – New Bremen Speedway – New Bremen, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Dee Jones, 27, Finn-17.770; 2. Larry Dickson, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-17.830; 3. Lee Kunzman, 4, Amerling-17.830; 4. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-17.860; 5. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-17.870; 6. Cy Fairchild, 11, Leyba-17.910; 7. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-17.910; 8. Jerry Poland, 98, DePalma-17.920; 9. Bob Pratt, 76, Winterbotham-17.940; 10. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-17.960; 11. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-17.990; 12. Johnny Parsons, 33, Jones-17.990; 13. Duke Cook, 15, Smith-17.990; 14. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-18.070; 15. Ralph Liguori, 10, Wachholz-18.080; 16. Sammy Sessions, 5, Meskowski-18.080; 17. Don Nordhorn, 7, Van Winkle-18.110; 18. Bruce Walkup, 29, Seymour-18.210; 19. Tom York, 71, Hoffman-18.260; 20. Jim Malloy, 84, Gehlhausen-18.310; 21. Jackie Howerton, 44, Stapp-18.310; 22. Charlie Masters, 81, Moffett-18.410; 23. Bill Compton, 28, Compton-18.510; 24. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-18.510; 25. Billy Thrasher, 32, LeFevre-18.610; 26. Bill Puterbaugh, 8, Niebel/Mead-18.640; 27. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-19.220; 28. Pancho Carter, 18, Forberg-NT; 29. Bill Koepfer, 99, Besecker-NT.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Jackie Howerton, 2. Dee Jones, 3. Bob Pratt, 4. Duke Cook, 5. Sonny Ates, 6. Billy Thrasher, 7. Don Nordhorn. 3:05.42

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Karl Busson, 3. Bill Puterbaugh, 4. Gary Bettenhausen, 5. Bruce Walkup, 6. Cy Fairchild, 7. Charlie Masters. 3:02.63

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tom Bigelow, 2. Ralph Liguori, 3. Lee Kunzman, 4. Rollie Beale, 5. Tom York, 6. Bill Compton, 7. Lee Brayton. 2:57.61 (New Track Record)

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Darl Harrison, 2. Jim Malloy, 3. Johnny Parsons, 4. Jerry Poland, 5. Sammy Sessions, 6. Larry Rice. 3:00.18

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Sonny Ates, 2. Cy Fairchild, 3. Sammy Sessions, 4. Don Nordhorn, 5. Tom York, 6. Charlie Masters, 7. Billy Thrasher, 8. Lee Brayton, 9. Bill Compton, 10. Bruce Walkup, 11. Larry Rice. 3:36.64

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Cy Fairchild, 2. Lee Kunzman, 3. Darl Harrison, 4. Karl Busson, 5. Gary Bettenhausen, 6. Johnny Parsons, 7. Larry Dickson, 8. Rollie Beale, 9. Dee Jones, 10. Ralph Liguori, 11. Don Nordhorn, 12. Sammy Sessions, 13. Bob Pratt, 14. Jerry Poland, 15. Bill Puterbaugh, 16. Al Smith, 17. Jackie Howerton, 18. Tom Bigelow, 19. Sonny Ates, 20. Duke Cook.

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USAC NATIONAL SPRINT CAR RACE RESULTS: October 24 & 31, 1971 – New Bremen Speedway – New Bremen, Ohio

QUALIFYING: 1. Tom Bigelow, 25, Smith-17.690; 2. Darl Harrison, 45, Maloy-17.710; 3. Cy Fairchild, 11, Leyba-17.830; 4. Johnny Parsons, 33, Jones-17.850; 5. Don Nordhorn, 7, Van Winkle-17.870; 6. Lee Kunzman, 4, Amerling-17.870; 7. Sonny Ates, 93, Iddings-17.910; 8. Gary Bettenhausen, 2, Davis-17.940; 9. Rollie Beale, 3, Kilman-17.960; 10. Bill Koepfer, 1, Leyba-17.970; 11. Jerry Poland, 98, DePalma-18.010; 12. Bob Pratt, 76, Winterbotham-18.050; 13. Tom York, 15, Smith-18.130; 14. Sammy Sessions, 5, Meskowski-18.130; 15. Pancho Carter, 18, Forberg-18.150; 16. Ralph Liguori, 10, Wachholz-18.210; 17. Charlie Masters, 81, Moffett-18.270; 18. Bill Puterbaugh, 8, Niebel/Mead-18.290; 19. Larry Dickson, 6, Leffler/Hulsman-18.300; 20. Jackie Howerton, 29, Seymour-18.300; 21. Dee Jones, 27, Finn-18.360; 22. Karl Busson, 95, Cedoz-18.540; 23. Duke Cook, 44, Stapp-18.580; 24. Larry Rice, 43, Welch-18.610; 25. Bill Koepfer, 99, Besecker-18.620; 26. Joe Saldana, 21, Morse-18.640; 27. Lee Brayton, 61, Brayton-18.710; 28. Billy Thrasher, 32, LeFevre-18.810; 29. Al Smith, 84, Gehlhausen-18.900; 30. Gary Ponzini, 71, Hoffman-19.460.

FIRST HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Tom Bigelow, 2. Rollie Beale, 3. Don Nordhorn, 4. Joe Saldana, 5. Tom York, 6. Dee Jones, 7. Charlie Masters. 3:00.77

SECOND HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Karl Busson, 2. Lee Kunzman, 3. Darl Harrison, 4. Sammy Sessions, 5. Bill Koepfer, 6. Bill Puterbaugh, 7. Lee Brayton. NT

THIRD HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Larry Dickson, 2. Sonny Ates, 3. Cy Fairchild, 4. Pancho Carter, 5. Jerry Poland. 2:58.71

FOURTH HEAT: (10 laps) 1. Al Smith, 2. Ralph Liguori, 3. Gary Bettenhausen, 4. Jackie Howerton, 5. Bob Pratt, 6. Johnny Parsons. 3:02.50

SEMI: (12 laps) 1. Bill Koepfer, 2. Johnny Parsons, 3. Tom York, 4. Jerry Poland, 5. Lee Brayton, 6. Bill Puterbaugh, 7. Bob Pratt. 3:37.74

FEATURE: (40 laps) 1. Johnny Parsons, 2. Tom Bigelow, 3. Larry Dickson, 4. Lee Kunzman, 5. Gary Bettenhausen, 6. Bill Koepfer, 7. Don Nordhorn, 8. Sammy Sessions, 9. Karl Busson, 10. Al Smith, 11. Jerry Poland, 12. Cy Fairchild, 13. Sonny Ates, 14. Ralph Liguori, 15. Joe Saldana, 16. Jackie Howerton, 17. Pancho Carter, 18. Tom York, 19. Darl Harrison, 20. Rollie Beale. NT