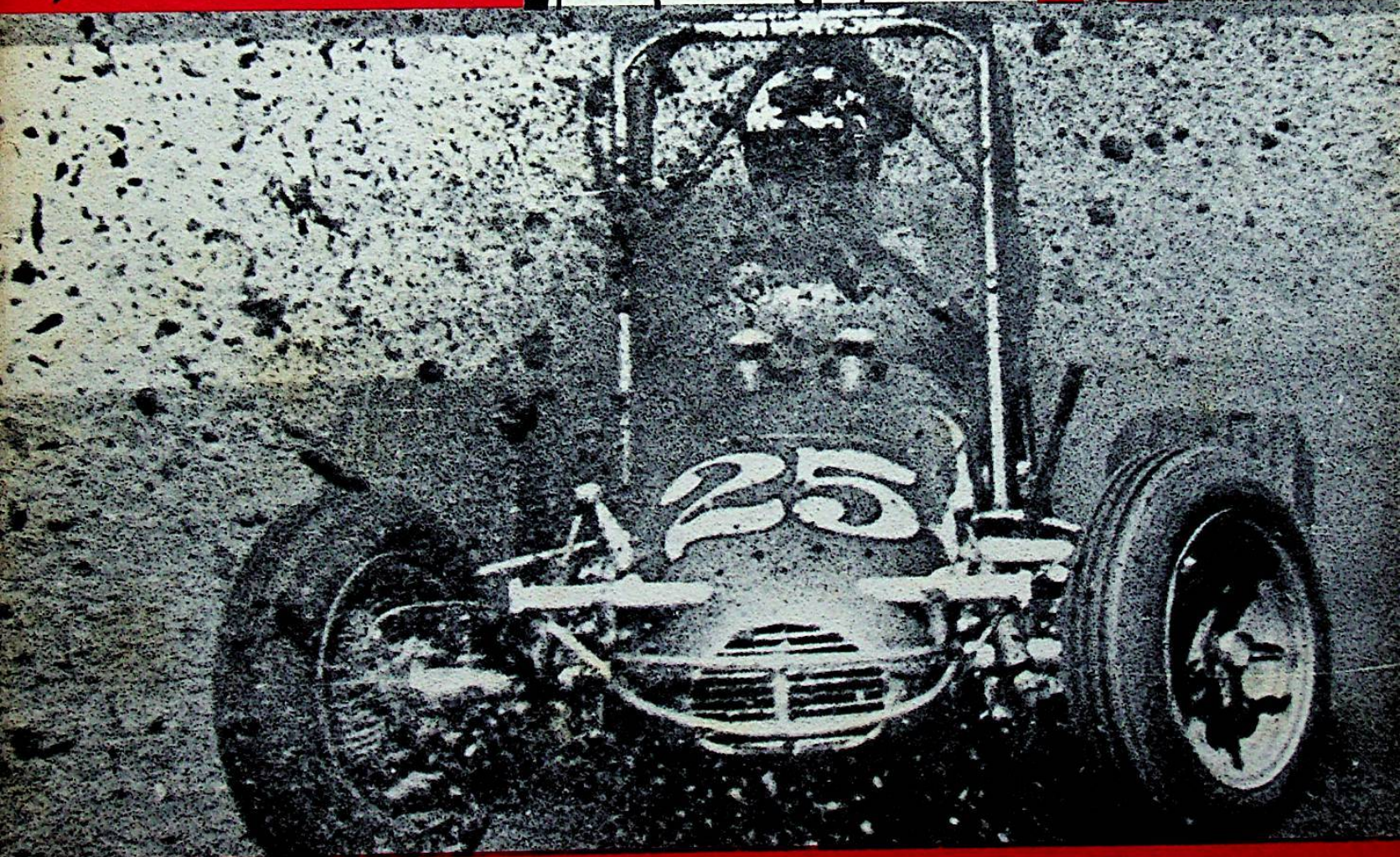
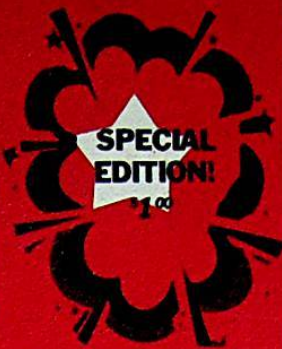


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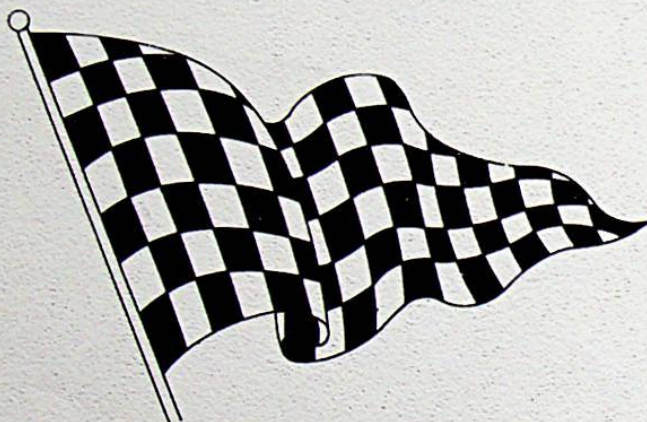


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**RACE REPORT: 4/14/78**

# Gary Gallops To 1st Win Of Season



Tim Kirsch congratulates feature winners rich Isett and Gary Gollub as championship car owner Bill Brian enjoys his moments in the win circle...BOB ZELLERS PHOTO

If you want to know about the thrill of victory ask Gary Gollub, and if you're interested in the agony of defeat ask Walt Breeding. These two drivers locked up in a torrid battle in the final going of last Friday's Championship event and when the checkered flag fell it was Gollub snatching the win away from the Federalsburg, MD driver on the final lap of the 35 ap event.

At the drop of the green flag Dizzy Dean zipped to the lead with fast moving Don Kreitz taking over the pace setting position on the third go round. Kreitz remained on top until lap six when Meme DeSantis went on top. A seventh lap caution for Larry Acker bunched the field and Walt Breeding took aim to battle with DeSantis.

DeSantis withstood the charge and immediately took command once again. Gerald Chamberlain worked his champ car into third with Bobby Braxton fourth. That's when the real battle began to take place.

Chamberlain made repeated attempts to pass Breeding but ran out of race track on several occasions. On lap 25 DeSantis headed for the pits and Breeding inherited the lead and a lot of hope in winning his first ever Reading win.

Chamberlain was looking for a long overdue victory likewise and the duo put on a wheel to wheel bumper to bumper drive like the Reading Fairgrounds is known for. With five laps remaining Chamberlain and Breeding tangled heading into turn one sending the Falcon of Chamberlain spinning into turn one and crashing into the outside wall. Third place runner Bobby Braxton couldn't

avoid the spinning Chamberlain and made contact. Both drivers were knocked out of the event.

Breeding still had his hands full as Gary Gollub charged to the outside groove and began to challenge Breeding. After several attempts Gollub finally managed to take the lead coming out of turn two on the 35th lap. Breeding rallied to an impressive second as Junior Mikosz did some impressing himself by scoring third. Kenny Brightbill took home fourth place money with Bobby Hauer taking fifth.

## QUALIFYING HEATS

1. Dizzy Dean, 2. Jimmy Keppley, 3. Kenny Brightbill  
4. Carl Collis, 5. Meme DeSantis, 6. Don Kreitz Jr. (nt)

1. Gary Gollub, 2. Don Kreitz, 3. Walt Breeding. 4. Dave Kellt, 5. Bobby Hauer, 6. Ronnie Tobias (nt)

1. Billy Pauch, 2. Bobby Braxton, 3. Gerry Chamberlain, 4. Jim Baker, 5. Bob Eppihimer, 6. Dick Quallio  
Time -- 4:09.20

## CONSOLATION

1. Junior Mikosz, 2. Hal Browning, 3. Freddy Adam,  
4. Billy Ellis, 5. Larry Acker, 6. Ron Tobias. Time --  
4:11.90

## FEATURE

1. Gollub, 2. Breeding, 3. Mikosz, 4. Brightbill, 5. Hauer, 6. Ellis, 7. Dean, 8. Collis, 9. Keppley, 10. Kozak  
11. Eppihimer, 12. Chamberlain, 13. Braxton, 14. Baker,  
15. DeSantis, 16. Ronnie Tobias, 17. Adam, 18. Ron Tobias,  
19. Acker, 20. Don Kreitz, 21. Don Kreitz Jr.,  
22. Kelly, 23. Quallio, 24. Pauch (nt)



# CURRENT POINT STANDINGS

## The Top Thirty

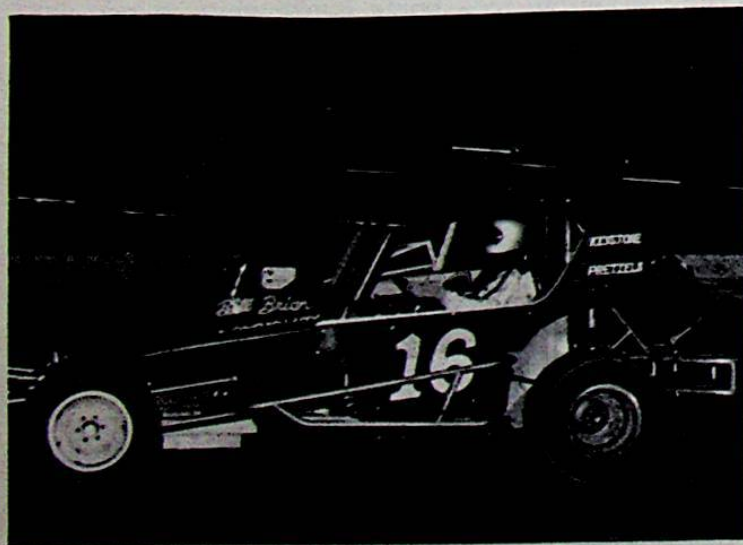
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### Champ Cars

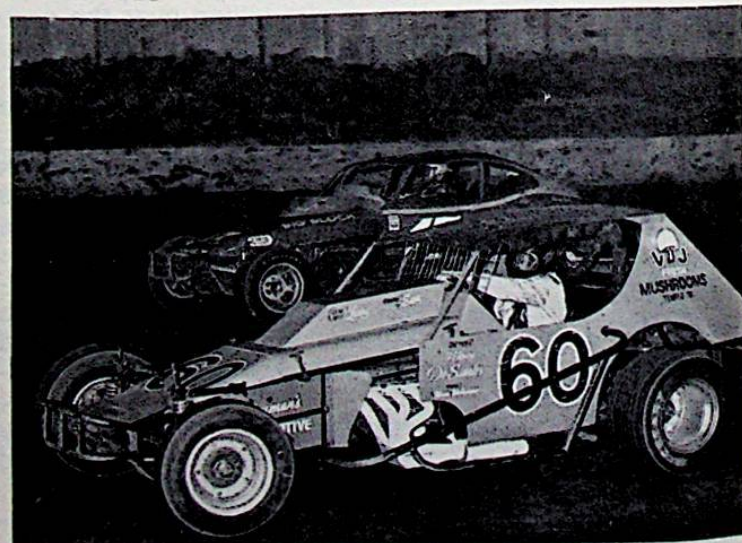
1.	295	Kenny Brightbill	19 (1)
2.	245	John Kozak	31 (1)
3.	230	Gary Gollub	16 (1)
4.	225	Bob Hauer	9
5.	220	Gerry Chamberlain	76
5.	220	Junior Mikosz	21
7.	210	Ronnie Tobias	17
8.	200	Walt Breeding	1
8.	200	Jim Keppley	3
10.	195	Jimmy Horton	3
11.	180	Carl Collis	12
11.	180	Dave Kelly	17
13.	175	Hal Browning	55
14.	165	Jim Baker	007
14.	165	Meme DeSantis	60
14.	165	Billy Ellis	229
17.	155	Dick Quallio	4
17.	155	Dick Tobias	17
19.	140	Dizzy Dean	42
20.	135	Bobby Braxton	74
21.	130	Bob Eppihimer	312
22.	125	Freddy Adam	00
23.	120	Billy Pauch	15
24.	115	Walt Olsen	81
25.	110	Elvin Felty	46
25.	110	Ron Tobias	901
27.	100	Larry Acker	02
27.	100	Tom Hager	43
27.	100	Don Kreitz	69
27.	100	George Watson	5

### Modifieds

1.	305	Meme DeSantis	60 (1)
2.	290	Jimmy Horton	3 (1)
3.	280	Mike Meals	44
4.	265	Elvin Felty	46
5.	255	Kenny Brightbill	19 (1)
6.	245	Tom Capie	53
7.	230	Dan Cox	2
8.	210	Smokey Warren	14
9.	205	Bob Hauer	9
10.	195	Dave Schoffstall	12
11.	190	Russ Smith	11
12.	170	Bernie Griffin	52
13.	165	John Blackley	3
14.	160	Les Katona	K-3
15.	135	Johnny Murphy	1
15.	135	Ray Swinehart	10
17.	130	Henry Sharp	14
18.	120	Gary Hieber	56
18.	120	Larry Kunkle	97
20.	115	Barry VonDohren	1
21.	110	Red Coffin	34
21.	110	Tom Hern	74
21.	110	Don Kreitz	69
21.	110	Frank Snyder	41
25.	100	Wes Cassel	28c
25.	100	Gene Coyle	65
25.	100	Carl Miller	77
28.	95	Billy Pauch	15



Gary Gollub No. 16 breezes down the backstretch and onto victory lane in last Friday's championship car show...DAN GOLDEN PHOTO



Meme DeSantis No. 60 dives to the low side of Dick Tobias No. 17...DON GOLDEN PHOTO





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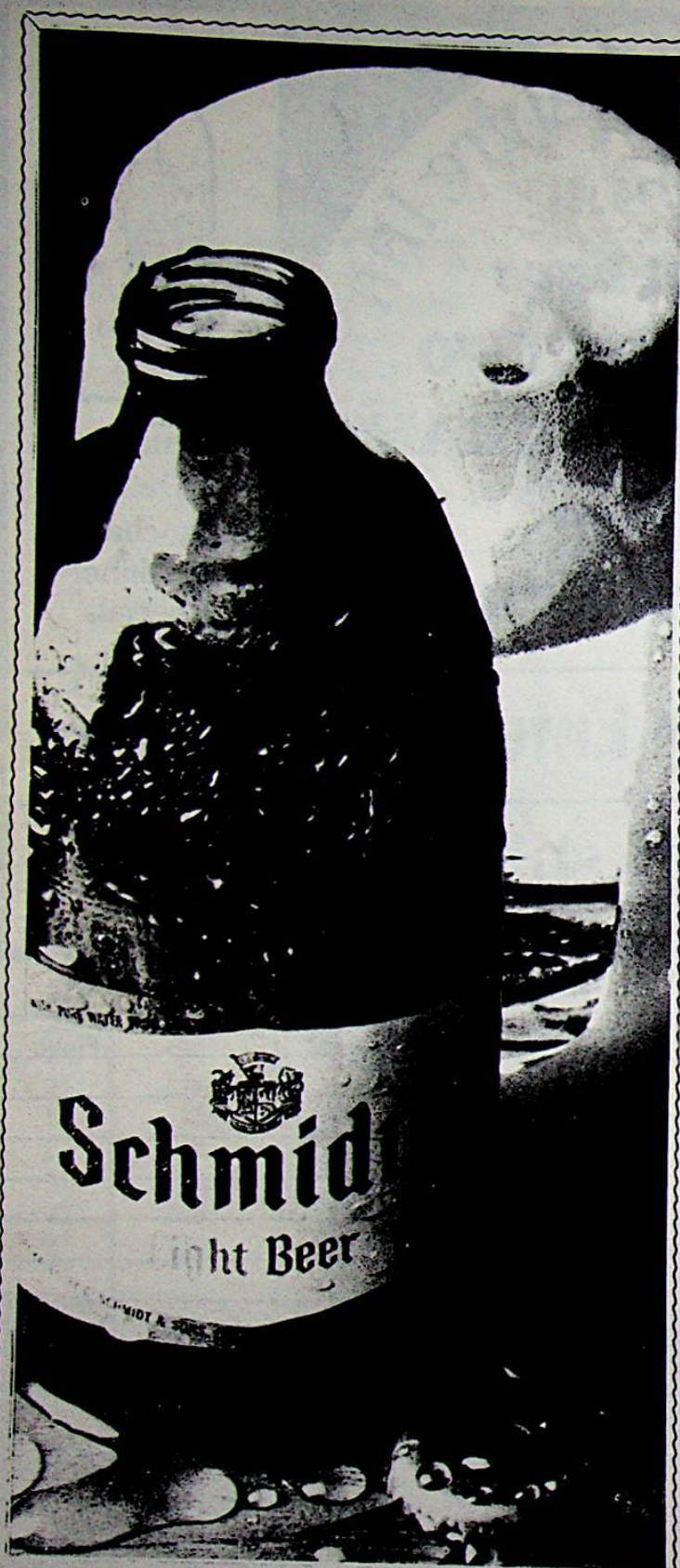
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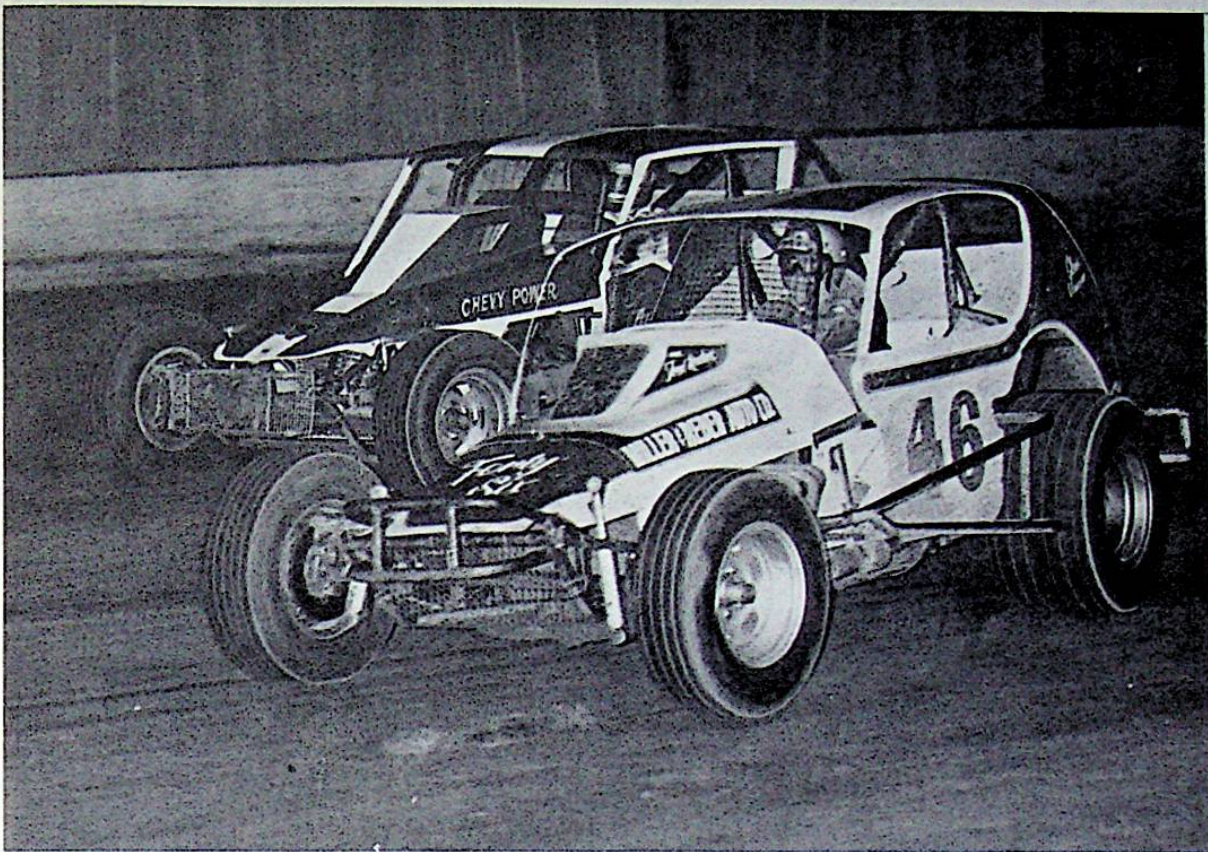
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## DeSantis Assumes Point Lead



The battle for second between Elvin Felty No. 46 and Jimmy Horton No. 3. Felty went on to earn the runner-up position...BOB ZELLERS PHOTO

Meme DeSantis has been running quicker than ever so far in 1978 and last Sunday night he didn't spare the horses to beat Lebanon's Elvin Felty to the checkered flag in the third modified event of the season.

As the green flag fell for the start of the main John Blackley dashed to the early lead. Blackley survived several restarts and managed to stay on top for the first five laps. Meanwhile, deep in the pack, the "Temple Tornado" Meme DeSantis was making short work of a long field and began threading his V&J Gremlin towards the front of the pack. By the completion of lap six DeSantis was showing the way.

The fun didn't end there as all eyes focused on the fast moving modifieds belonging to Elvin Felty, Jimmy Horton, and of course Kenny Brightbill. As the threesome seemed to be in quest of giving DeSantis a battle it appeared as though Felty was beginning to break up and Horton just wasn't running as fast as he was. For Brightbill, a flat tire put him out of contention.

Once again it was DeSantis pacing himself and showing the way. As the race grew old Felty wheeled with in a car length of DeSantis and Horton was just off their pace. And as you could guess Brightbill was working his way to the front and with five laps to go advanced to fourth.

Brightbill made several attempts to pass the Statewide Gremlin with Horton at the wheel and on the 34th lap went into the third turn too hard and spun his Pinto.

The caution was displayed and Brightbill went to the rear to start his work all over again.

A never give up try hard attitude and Felty was pressing DeSantis for the top spot. He made a bold move in turn four but ran short of horse power to overtake DeSantis for the win. Horton chased DeSantis and Felty to the payoff window with Blackley fourth and Mike Meals fifth.

There were several cautions during the event with the most violent being a three car pile up in turn four which sent Bobby Hauer rolling. Fortunately, no one was injured and Hauer's car sustained very little damage.

### QUALIFYING HEATS

(10 laps)

- 1-Dave Schoffstall, Johnny Blackley, Bobby Hauer, Don Kreitz, Gary Hieber, Harry Sharp, time-4:24.00
- 2-Kenny Brightbill, Meme DeSantis, Red Coffin, Ray Swinehart, Tom Hern, Bernie Griffin, time-4:19.50
- 3-Elvin Felty, Mike Meals, Barry Von Dohren, Tom Capie, Dan Cox, Johnny Murphy, NT

### CONSOLATION

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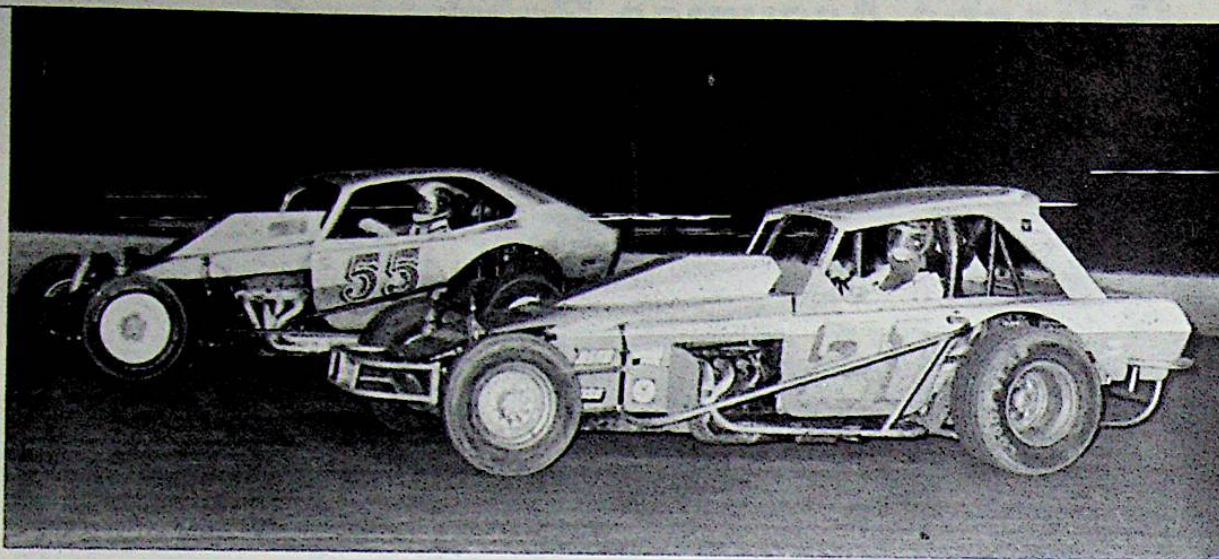
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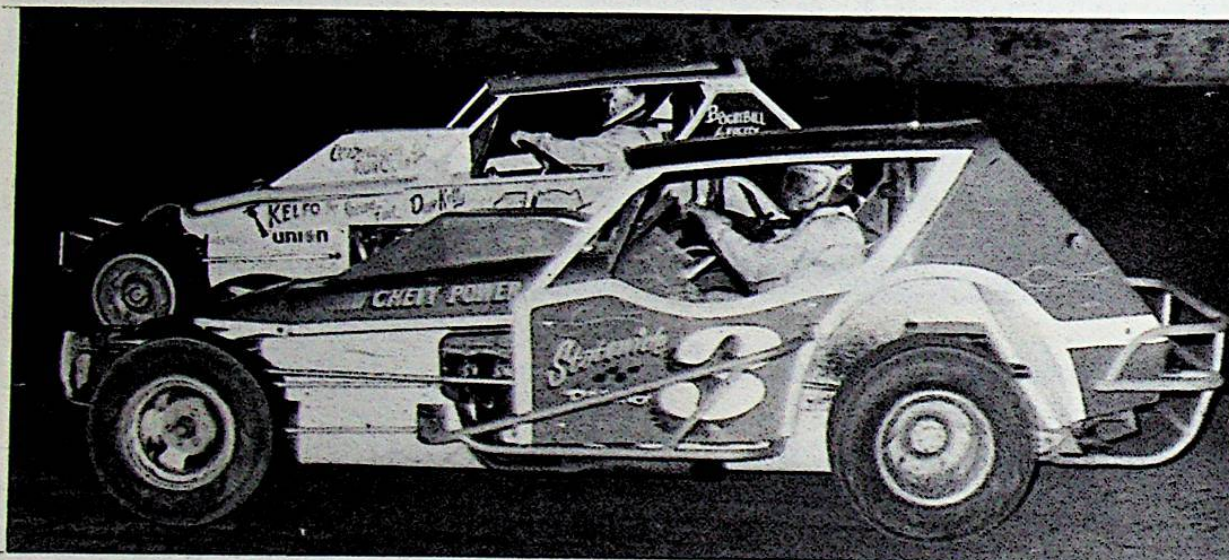
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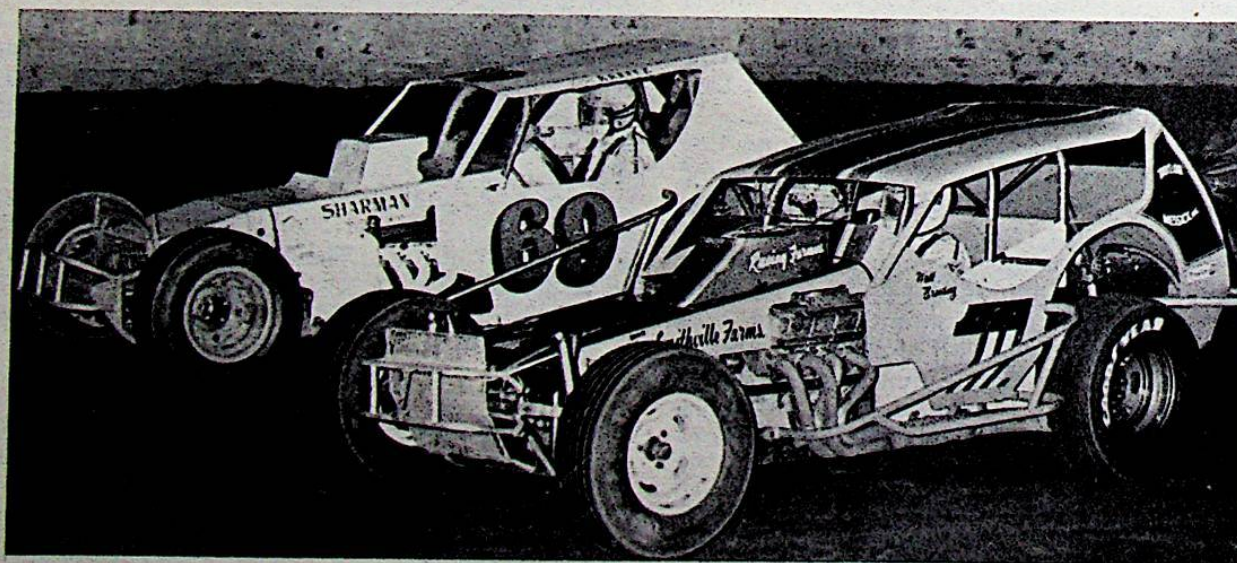
# CHAMP ACTION



Junior Mikosz No. 21 looks for the fast groove to pass Hal Browning No. 55 on the run down the backstretch...BOB HESS PHOTO



Dave Kelly No. 17 inches ahead of the Jerseyite Jimmy Horton No. 3 through the second turn...K&K PHOTO



Walt Breeding No. 1 wheels his Gremlin ahead of No. 69 Don Kreitz...ED WEAVER PHOTO







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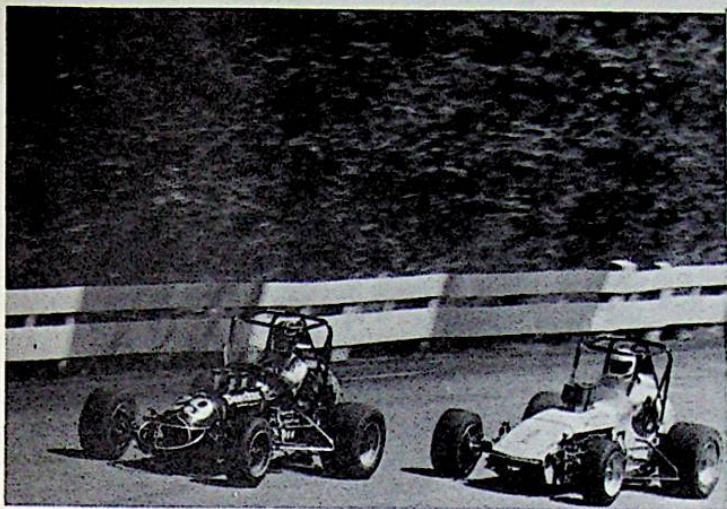
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# USAC Sprints Stepping Stone To Indy

by Doug Allen



**Billy Cassella No. 29 inches ahead of No. 1 Pancho Carter for the drag down the backstretch....JOE SPAZIANO PHOTO**

The United States Auto Club (USAC) sprint cars you're watching here at the Reading Fairgrounds tonight continue to supply the bulk of the driving talent for America's most prestigious auto race - the Indianapolis 500.

In last year's '500' most of the drivers, from winner A.J. Foyt right on down to last place Johnny Rutherford, were graduates of sprint or supermodified racing. The switch to rear engine machinery at Indy has brought many drivers with road racing background to prominence, but the experience gained by chauffeurs with sprint "roots" continues to impress many a car owner when considering newcomers.

Three of the biggest names in auto racing today - A.J. Foyt, Tom Sneva and Mario Andretti - had early contact with sprint car racing. Matter of fact, Foyt is still among the top ten all time winners in USAC sprint racing (al-

though he rarely competes in these cars now). In Sneva's case, he raced extensively with the Canadian-American Modified Racign Assn. (CAMRA) prior to becoming one of USAC's newest "superstars". That grop races a lot of rear-engine sprint cars around Sneva's native Pacific Northwest. It's a long way from cockpit of a sprint car to that of a Lotus Formula I machine, but that's the route that Mario Andretti has traveled. His early days include forays in the USAC sprinters and with other sprint clubs here in the east.

In going over last season's top ten in the USAC-Citricorp Indy car final point standings, we find that nearly every driver listed came from either a sprint car or supermodified background. By the same token, four of the top five drivers in the sprint car final points pulled "double duty" by also racing in at least one Citicorp Cup Indy car event in 1977.

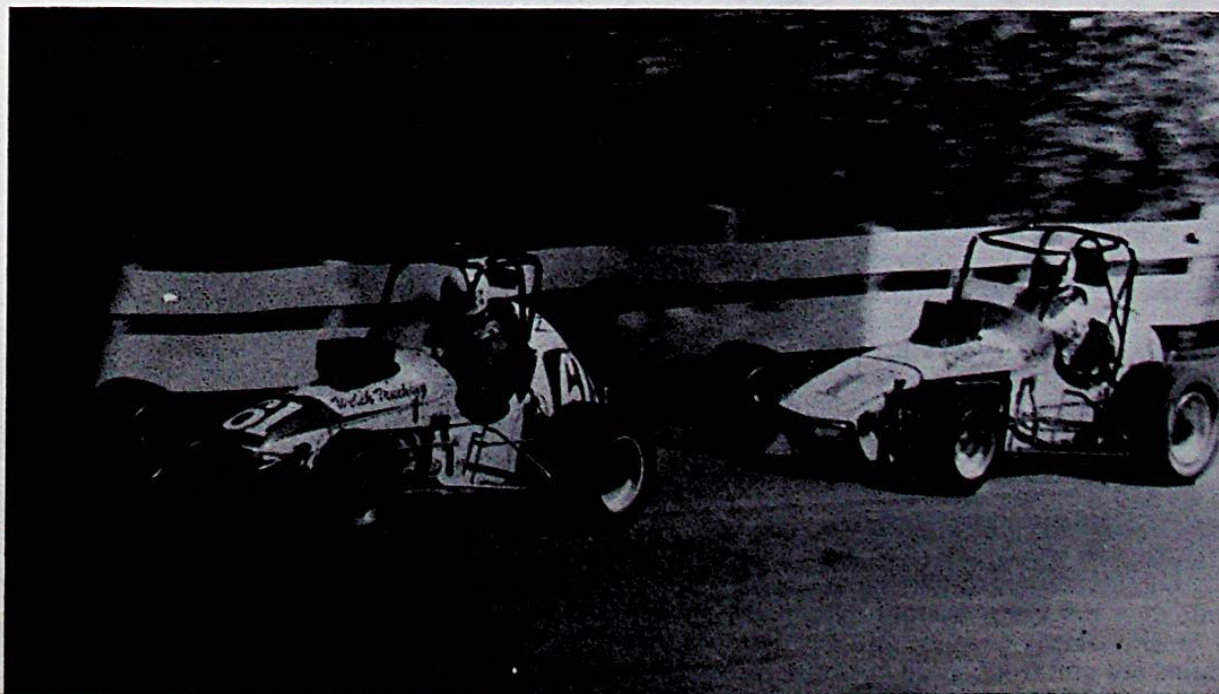
Five of the ten drivers who've been crowned USAC's sprint champion, since 1960 have gone on to truly illustrious careers in the Indy car ranks. Do the names of Parnelli Jones, Roger McCluskey, Johnny Rutherford, Gary Bettenhausen and Panco Carter ring a bell?

There's a lot of fresh talent in the USAC Sprint division just waiting in the wings to make the big jump to the Indy machines. 1977 USAC Sprint champ Sheldon Kinser, along with Tom Bigelow, Bubby Jones, Bobby Olivero and Roger Rager have already made many starts on the "senior circuit". Clark Templeman, Steve Chassey, Billy Cassella and Dana Carter are likely candidates for any rides which open up soon. All have the potential to excell and only need a chance to showcase their driving skills on the big tracks.

Many of the drivers competing here tonight will be giving the Unsers, Foyts, Andrettis and Snevas a run for the money in the days to come.

USAC Sprints. A stepping stone to the Indy 500? You betcha!

**Closing the gap is Pancho Carter No. 1 and Dana Carter No. 61....JOE SPAZIANO PHOTO**





# MINI-PROFILES: USAC Sprint Stars

## SHELDON KINSER

When the 1974 USAC Sprint season wound down, the record book showed only a single career win for this highly-talented chauffeur from Bloomington, Indiana. Now, just three campaigns later, Sheldon Kinser is the reigning USAC Sprint champion and has collected a total of eleven victories in the 'Thunder and Lightning' cars.

Kinser comes from quite a racing family with his father and brothers all very active in sprint and super-modified dirt action all over the midwest. It was on this tough circuit that the now 36-year-old sprint star enjoyed much early success.

He joined USAC on a full-time basis in 1974 and the following year landed his first Indy ride, finishing a creditable 12th in the 500. That was the beginning of a long-lasting relationship with master car builder Grant King. Kinser has been victorious in the big Dirt Cars (Syracuse, 1975) and also recorded some good finishes in the paved track races for the Indy-type cars.

Kinser won the 1977 point honors in a down to the wire battle with Tom Bigelow. In doing so, he recorded seven wins (five on blacktop and two on dirt). For 1978 he'll be defending his title in the sprints and driving for the famed Leader Card team from Milwaukee in the Indy cars.



## TOM BIGELOW

This 38-year-old veteran from Whitewater, Wisconsin enjoyed a super season in 1977. Bigelow won fourteen USAC Sprint features (a new USAC single-season record) and finished a close second to Kinser in the final points. Full-time participation in the Citicorp-Cup Indy cars caused Bigelow to miss quite a few sprint outings.

Driving the Armstrong Moulding #43, owned by Salem (Ind.) Speedway owner Sherman Armstrong, Bigelow blazed a winning trail from March until July and then was shut out of victory lane during the last four months of competition. The battle for the championship went right down to the last race of the season on November 12th at the famed Ascot Park in Los Angeles. Bigelow tried in vain to qualify for the feature but failed; Kinser won both the race and the title.

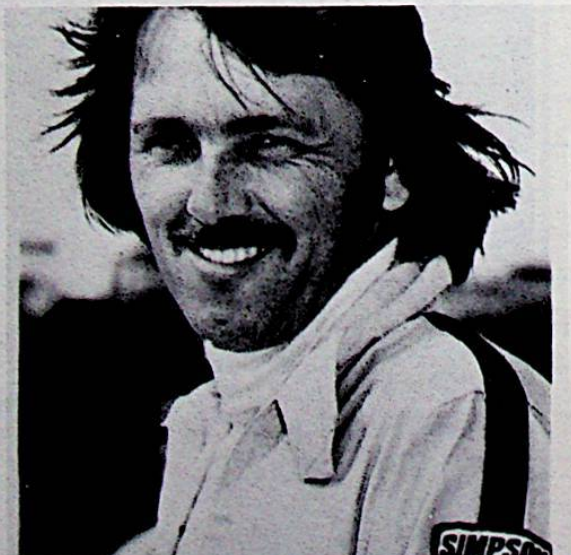
Bigelow has also chalked up wins in the Dirt Champ cars and midgets in addition to being a regular in the sprints and Indy cars. He has started in four straight Indianapolis 500 races with his best finish being a ninth-place showing last year.

## BUBBY JONES

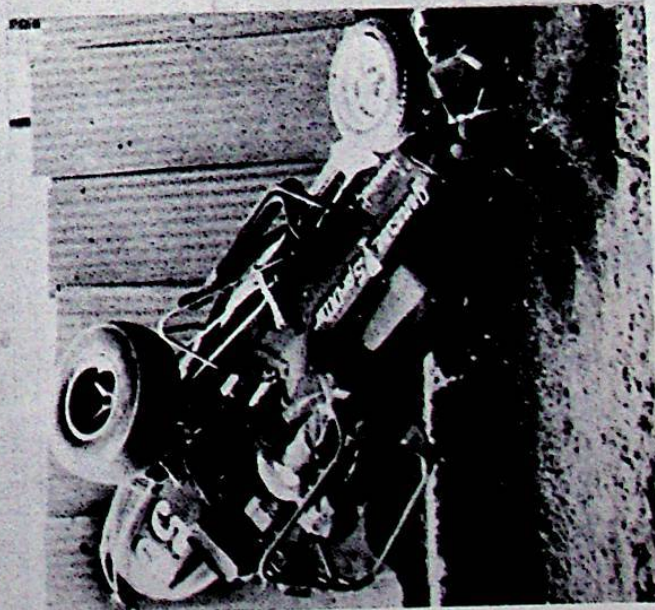
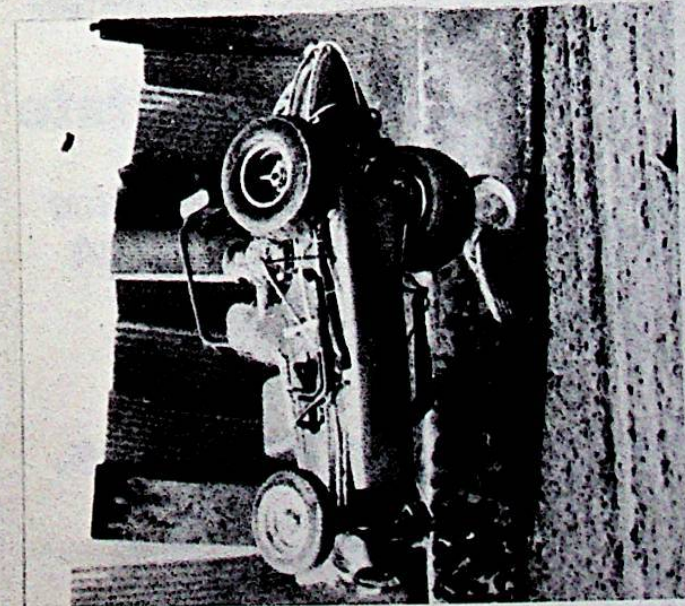
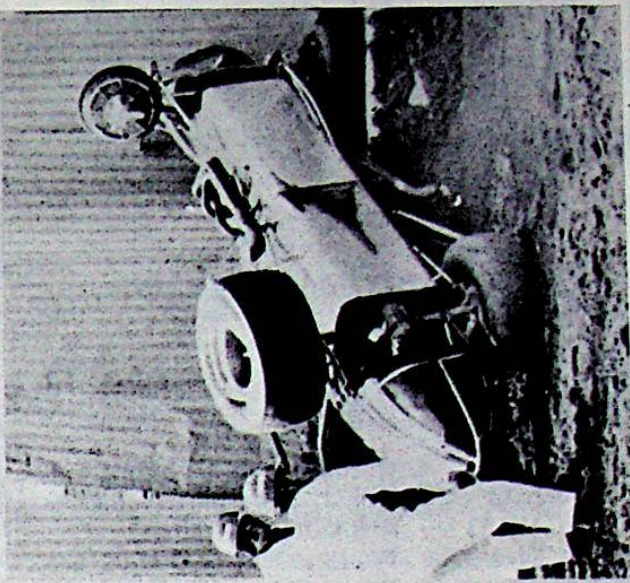
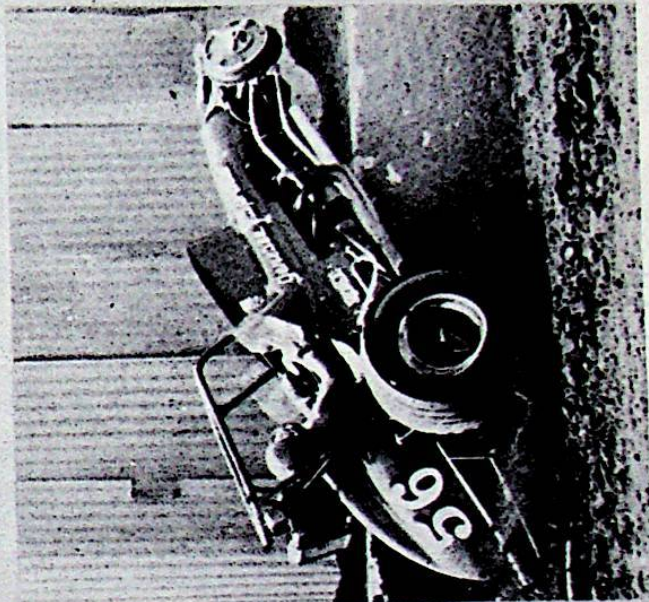
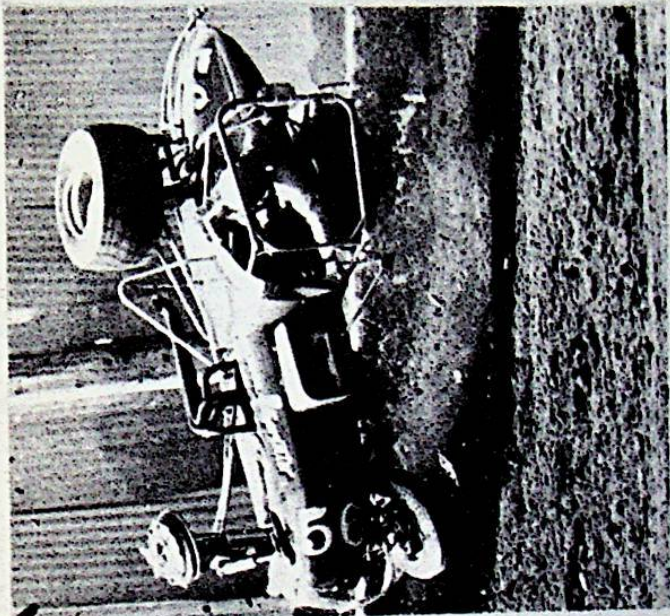
This 36-year-old speedster from Danville, Illinois blasted onto the USAC scene in 1976 by winning two of the most prestigious dirt track races annually staged by the club—the Ted Horn Memorial 100 for Champ Dirt Cars on the mile at DuQuoin, Ill. and the Turkey Day Classic for the midgets at Ascot Park in L.A. This veteran of the midwest sprint car dirt circuits also found the time to win one of the most sought-after plums in "outlaw" sprint racing the 1976 Western World Championship at the Manzanita Speedway in Phoenix, Arizona.

Last year Jones really proved himself to be a driver to watch in the USAC Sprints by winning his first-ever feature in the division on April 17 at the Eldora Speedway in Ohio. He followed that one with six more triumphs and a solid fifth-place showing in the final points.

The 1977 Indianapolis 500 found Jones in the field for the first time ever but valve trouble relegated him to a 21st place finish. Races for the "outlaw" sprints and USAC Midgets are still frequented by Jones on occasion and he gives it his all in any type of race car.







Bill Goad No. 56 is shown dumping his USAC sprinter through the trick wheel turn at the Reading Fairgrounds...WALTER CHERNOKAL PHOTO.





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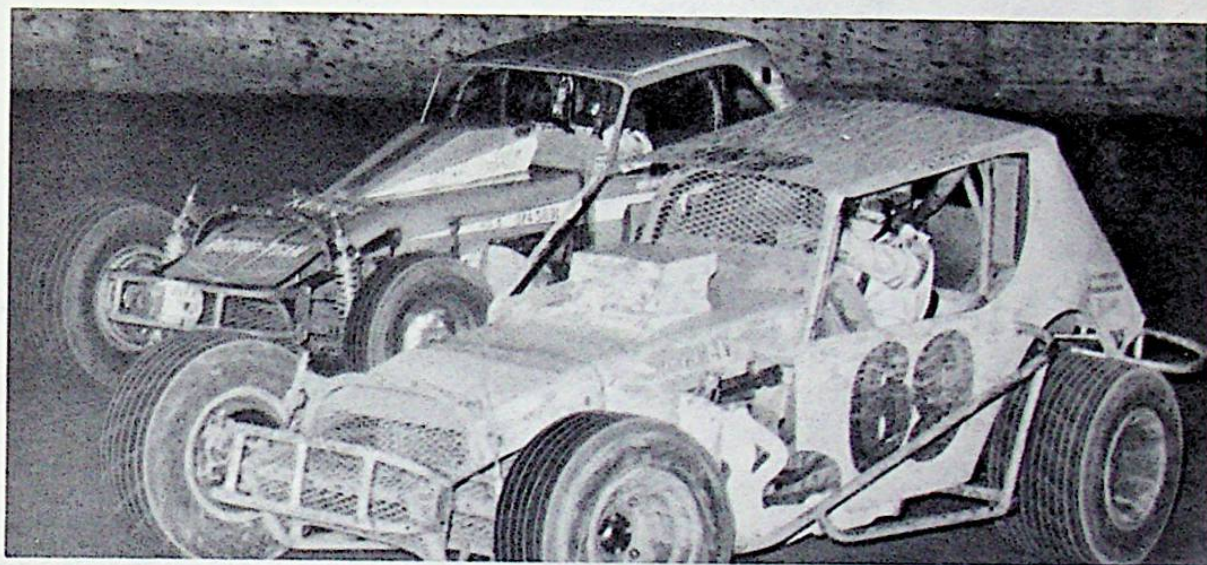
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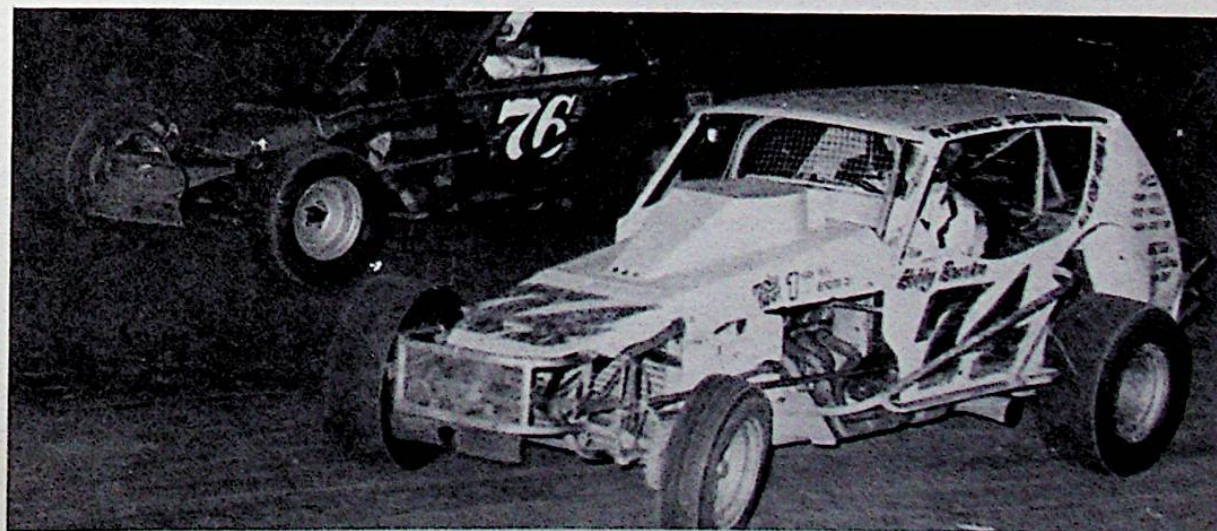
## FRIDAY'S ACTION



Gary Gollub No. 16 circles around the outside of Walt Breeding No. 1 on lap 34 to take the lead and the victory. For Gollub it was his first win of 1978...MIKE FELTENBERGER PHOTO



Outside charger Junior Mikosz No. 21 circles around Don Kreitz No. 69 enroute to an impressive third place finish in the feature...MIKE CHLEBOWSKI PHOTO



Bobby Braxton No. 74 begins a hot and torrid duel with former champion Gerald Chamberlain No. 76. Both drivers tangled and dropped out of Friday's feature...MIKE FELTENBERGER PHOTO



# READING FAIRGROUNDS SCHEDULE

Friday	March 31	Championship Cars	8:15 P.M.
Sunday	April 2	Modifieds	8:15 P.M.
Friday	April 7	Championship Cars	8:15 P.M.
Sunday	April 9	Modifieds	8:15 P.M.
Friday	April 14	Championship Cars	8:15 P.M.
Sunday	April 16	Modifieds	8:15 P.M.
Friday	April 21	Championship Cars	8:15 P.M.
Saturday	April 22	USAC Sprints	7:30 P.M.
Sunday	April 23	Modifieds	8:15 P.M.
Friday	April 28	Championship Cars	8:15 P.M.
Sunday	April 30	Motorcycle-Huber Memorial	2:15 P.M.
Sunday	April 30	Modifieds	8:15 P.M.
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Sunday	May 7	Modifieds	8:15 P.M.
Friday	May 12	Championship Cars	8:15 P.M.
Sunday	May 14	Modifieds	8:15 P.M.
Friday	May 19	Championship Cars	8:15 P.M.
Sunday	May 21	Modifieds	8:15 P.M.
Friday	May 26	Championship Cars (50 laps)	8:00 P.M.
Sunday	May 28	Motorcycle-Holiday Classic	2:15 P.M.
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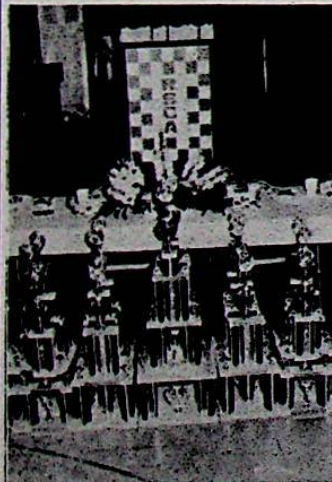
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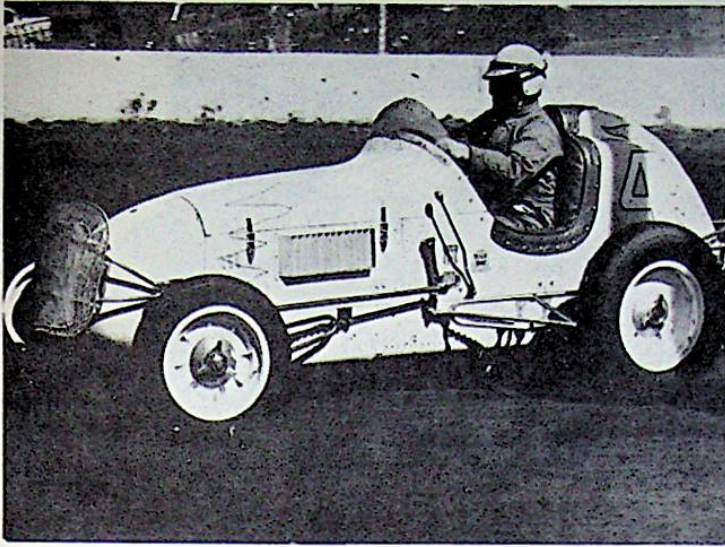
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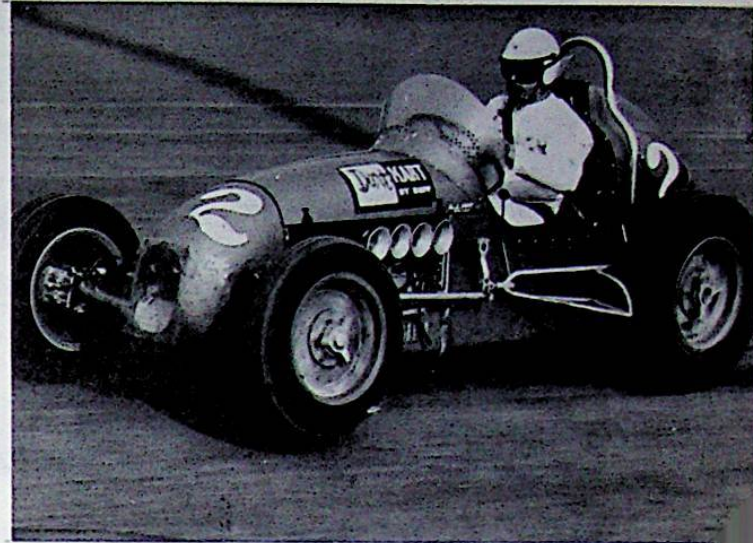
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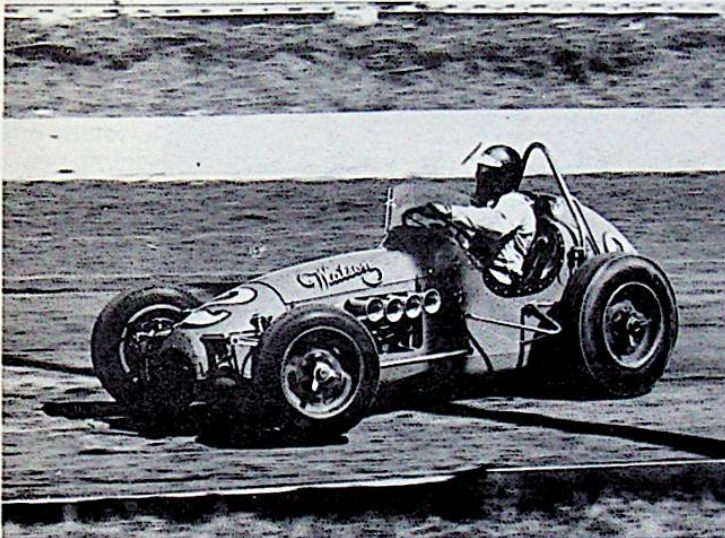
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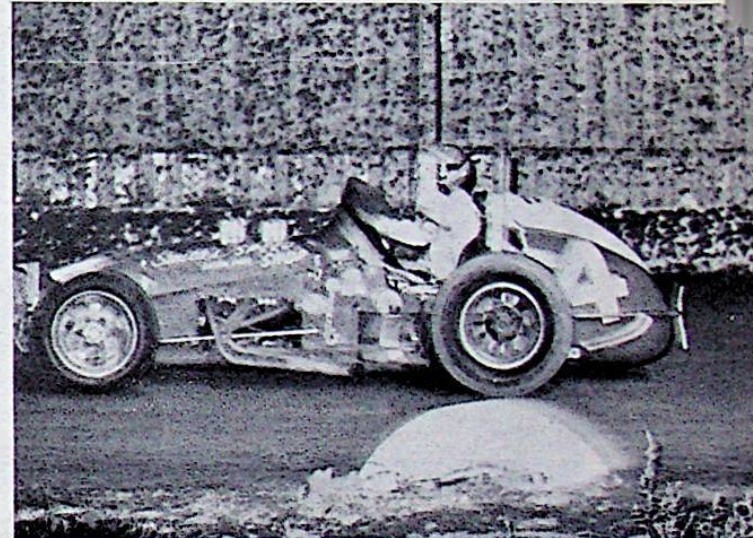
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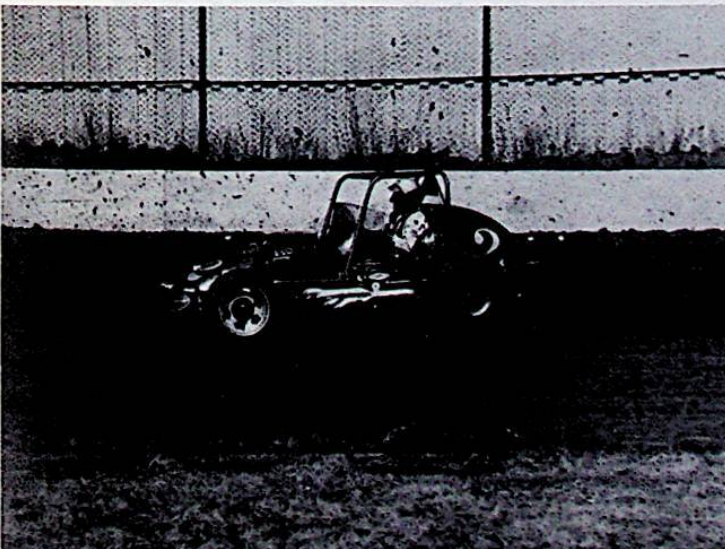
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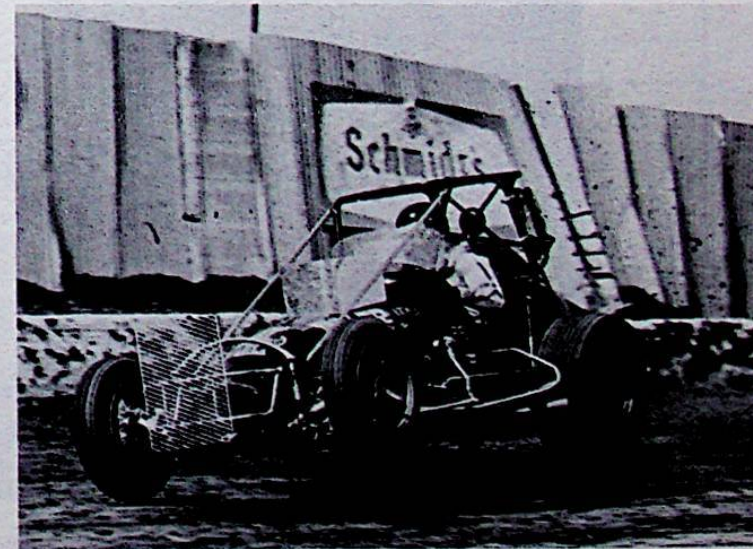
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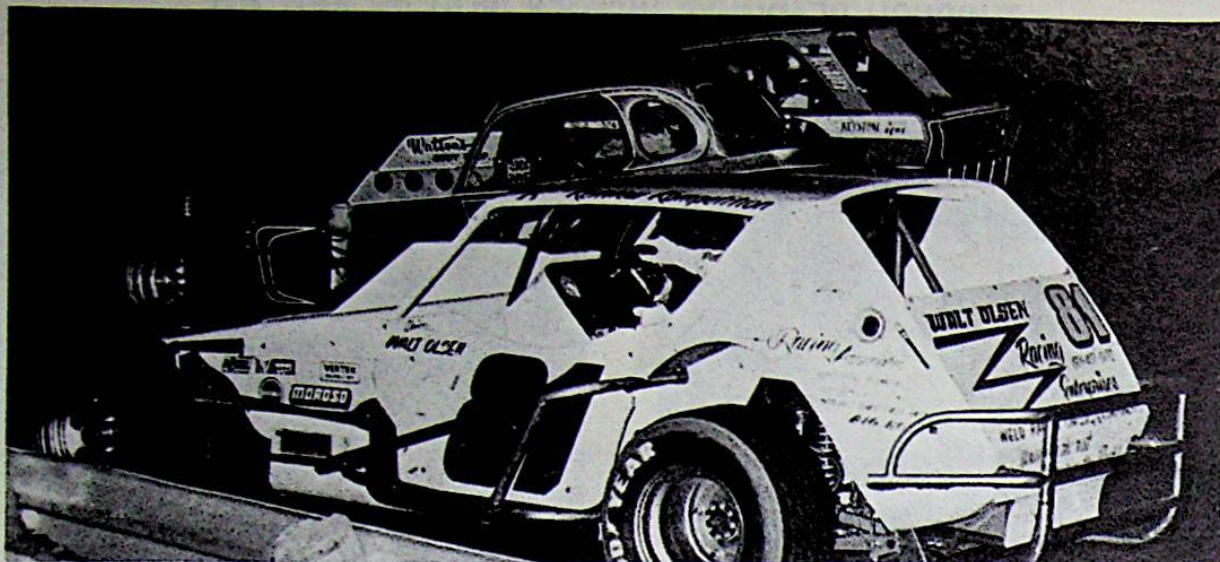


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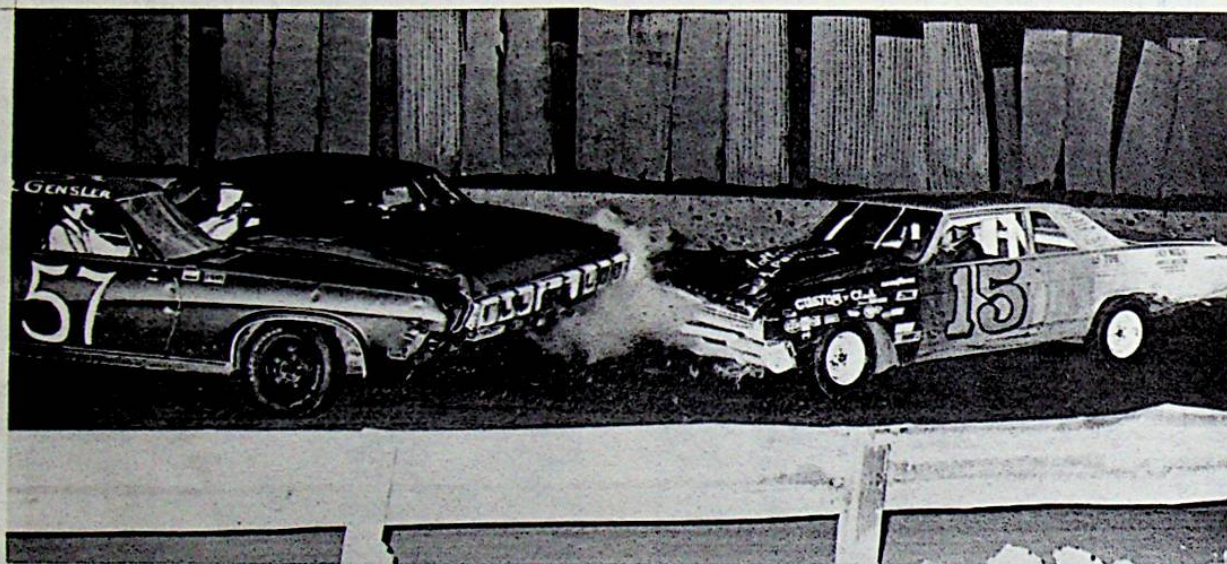


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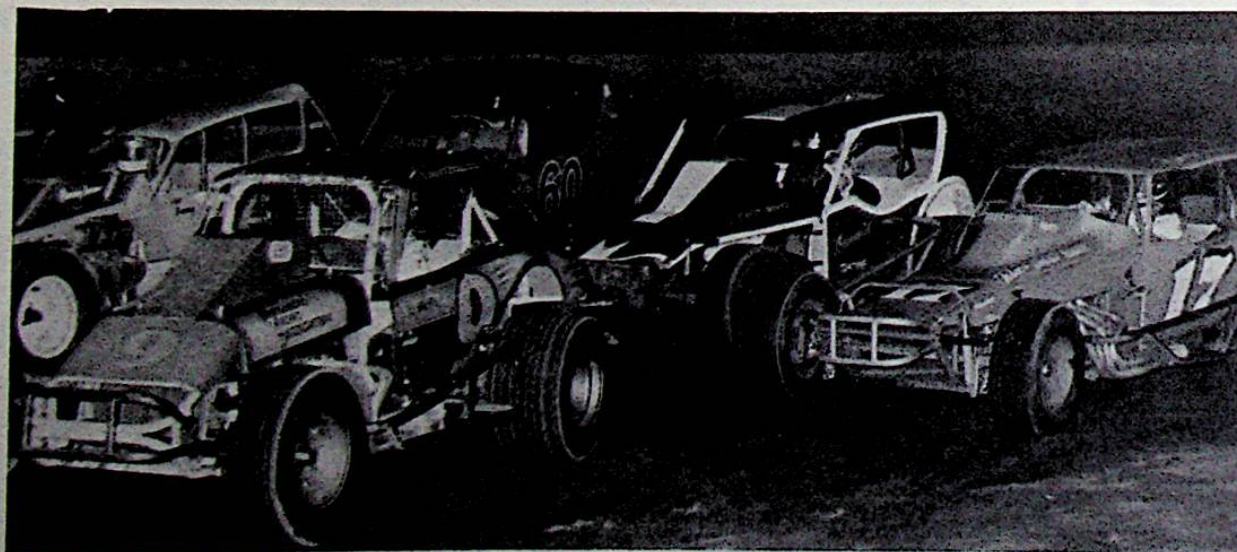




Walt Olsen No. 81, George Watson No. 5 and Junior Mikosz No. 21 race three high through the corner...GEORGE GORDON PHOTO



Bill Gensler No. 57 spins his olympic stock and has some unwelcome company joining him in the third turn...SID UNSER PHOTO



A pack of championship cars race out of turn two with bobby Hauer No. 9 on top, Walt Breeding No. 1, Ronnie Tobias No. 17, Jimmy Horton No. 3 and Meme DeSantis No. 60 make up the chase...MIKE CHLEBOWSKI PHOTO



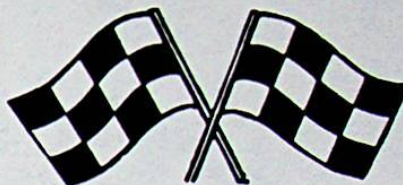
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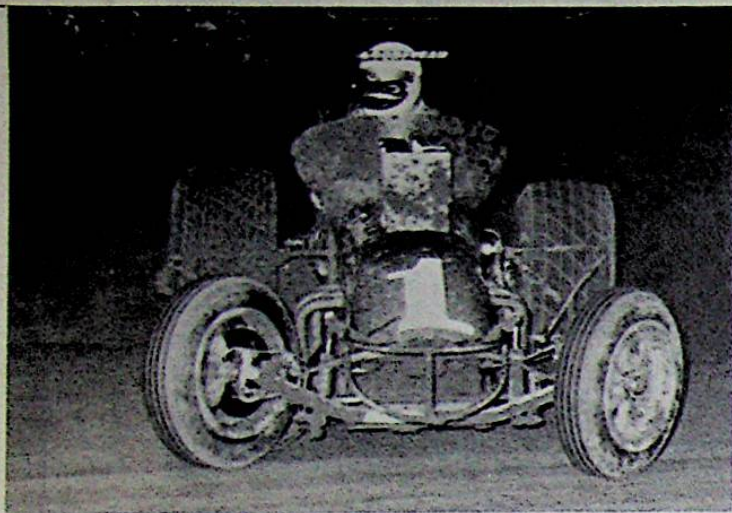


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# Osborn Victor Before 15,000 Fans



**Pancho Carter No. 1 really throws his sprinter into a famous slide in a fashion which is not unfamiliar to Reading fans...JACK QUINTER PHOTO**

15,000 fans jammed the Reading Fairgrounds grandstand to see Lebanon's Lee Osborne take home the winners share of the purse in the 40 lap sprint car main.

It was far from an easy victory for the likeable sprint ace as George Snyder and Joe Saldana pressured him to the fall of the checkered flag. For the first 23 laps it was Saldana setting a blistering pace and literally eating up the Reading half mile. Saldana lost the lead to Osborne one lap later but never gave up. Saldana continued to pressure Osborne for the win and then George Snider moved into the picture.

On lap 34 Saldana went high and brushed the outside wall. This incident knocked the front end out of his sprinter and by the 36th lap was out of the race all together.

Chasing Osborne to the checkered flag was George Snider, Bruce Walkup, Tom Bigelow, and Billy Casella. Qualifyign events were won by Snider, and Saldana with Bigelow taking the checkered in the consolation.

## SPRINT HEATS (8 laps)

1. George Snider, 2. Lee Osborne, 3. Rollie Beale, 4. Larry Dickson, 5. Jim Caruthers.

1. Joe Saldana, 2. Greg Leffler, 3. Chuck Gurney, 4. Bill Cassella, 5. Bruce Walkup

## SPRINT CONSOLATION (8 laps)

1. Tom Bigelow, 2. Billy Englehart, 3. Duane (Pancho) Carter, 4. Sam Sessions, 5. Rich Leavell

## SPRINT FEATURE (40 laps)

1. Osborne, 2. Snider, 3. Walkup, 4. Bigelow, 5. Cassella, 6. Caruthers, 7. Sessions, 8. Leavell, 9. Dickson, 10. Leffler, 11. Gable, 12. Saldana, 13. Beale, 14. Astone, 15. Howerton, 16. Englehart, 17. Kinser, 18. Gurney, 19. Carter.

## MODIFIED HEATS (10 laps)

1. Hal Browning, 2. Bill Steif, 3. Ken Brightbill, 4. John Kozak, 5. Jim Keppley, 6. Don Kreitz

1. Dick Tobias, 2. Red Coffin, 3. John Botz, 4. John Kozak, 5. Dick Quallio, 6. Tony Matta

1. Keny Weld, 2. Bob Braxton, 3. Earl Derr, 4. Dave Kelly, 5. Fred Adam, 6. Gerry Chamberlain

## MODIFIED CONSOLATION (10 laps)

1. Don Varner, 2. Bruce Young, 3. Jim Baker, 4. Vince Pantuso, 5. Kim Trout, 6. Lauden Potts, 7. Bob Eppihimer, 8. Russ Hoek

## MODIFIED FEATURE (35 laps)

1. Brightbill, 2. Tobias, 3. Braxton, 4. Kelly, 5. Adam, 6. Weld, 7. Botz, 8. Quallio, 9. Chamberlain, 10. Kreitz, 11. Keppley, 12. Kozak, 13. Potts, 14. Pantuso, 15. Trout, 16. Young, 17. Eppihimer, 18. Hoek, 19. Stief, 20. Baker, 21. Varner, 22. Derr, 23. Matta, 24. Browning, 25. Higgins, 26. Coffin

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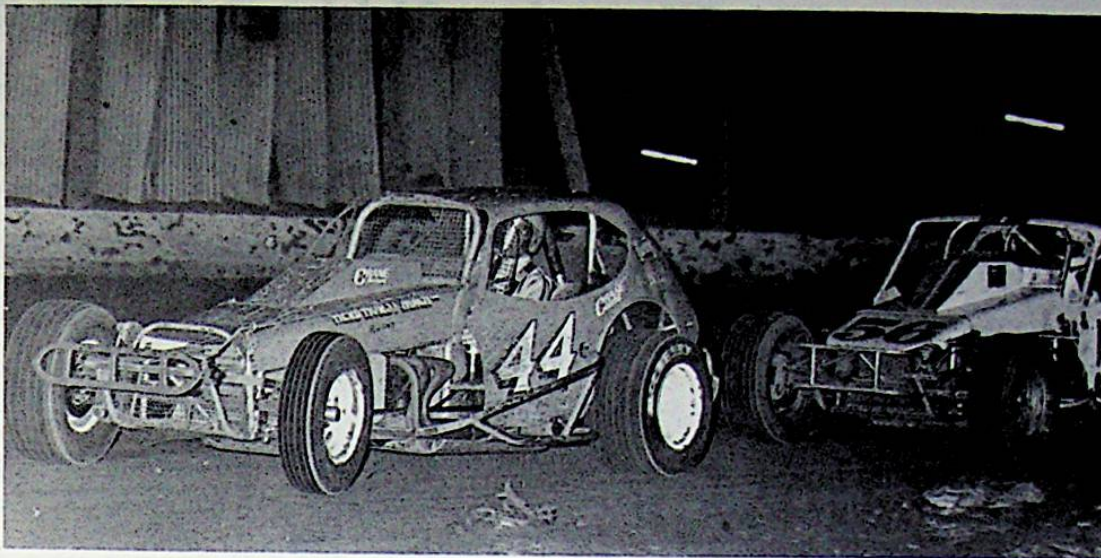
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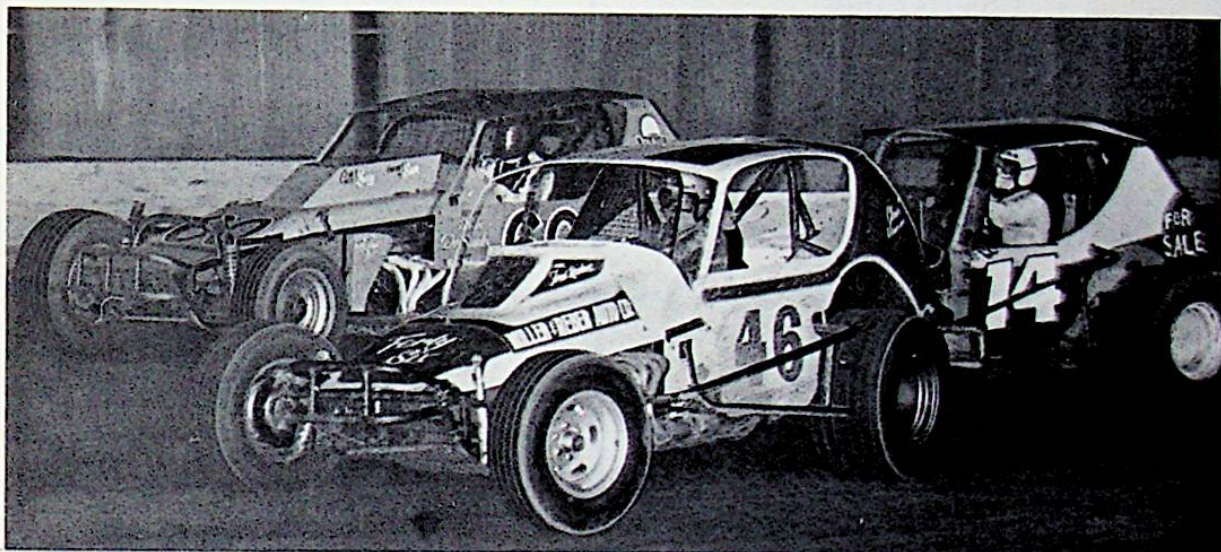




## MOVIN' MODIFIEDS



Mike Meals No. 44 sets his modified in the groove and races ahead of Gary Hieber...BILL HOLLINGER PHOTO



Elvin Felty No. 46 slides along the inside of Meme DeSantis No. 60 and Henry Sharp No. 14...BOB ZELLERS PHOTO



Third turn action between Tom Capie No. 53 and the "Reading Rocket" Russ Smith No. 11...BILL HOLLINGER PHOTO

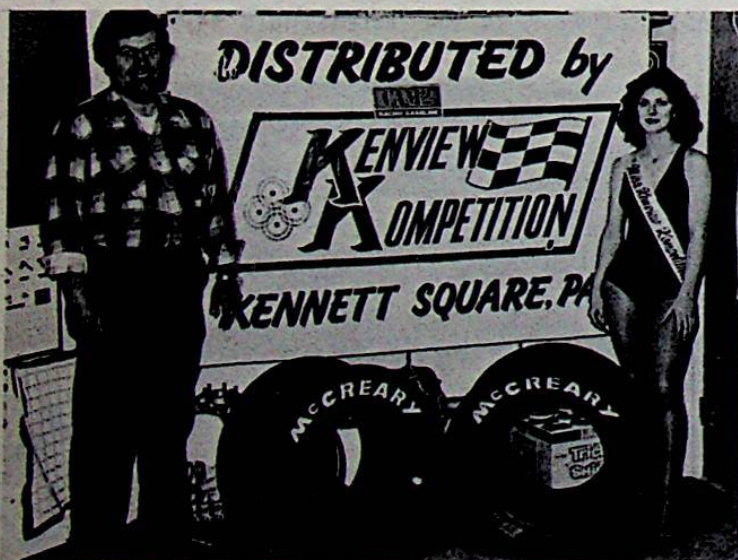


# USAC Sprint Car Division Feature Winners (1956-77)

Pos.	Driver	Features Won	Pos.	Driver	Features Won
1	Larry Dickson	43		Jiggs Peters	2
2	Gary Bettenhausen	38		Bud Tingelstad	2
3	Tom Bigelow	36		Arnie Knepper	2
	Duane Carter Jr.	36		Bill Vukovich	2
5	Rollie Beale	32		Mickey Shaw	2
6	Don Branson	28		Carl Williams	2
	A. J. Foyt	28		Cy Fairchild	2
8	Parnelli Jones	25		Jerry Poland	2
9	Roger McCluskey	23		Marvin Carman	2
10	Sam Sessions	22		Chuck Gurney	2
11	Greg Weld	21		James McElreath	2
12	Jim Hurtubise	18	63	Bob Sweeney	1
13	Jud Larson	16		Pat Flaherty	1
14	Lee Kunzman	14		Charlie Musselman	1
15	Bruce Walkup	13		Jim Packard	1
16	Tommy Hinnershitz	11		Don Davis	1
	Elmer George	11		Jim Hemmings	1
	Sheldon Kinser	11		Stan Bowman	1
19	Johnny Thomson	10		Cotton Farmer	1
	Eddie Sachs	10		Allen Crowe	1
21	Mario Andretti	9		Bobby Marshman	1
22	Pat O'Connor	8		Chuck Hulse	1
	Johnny Rutherford	8		Johnny White	1
	Billy Cassella	8		Gordon Johncock	1
25	Bobby Unser	7		Bud Randall	1
	Bubby Jones	7		Dick Atkins	1
27	Tom Sneva	6		Bob Wente	1
	Jan Opperman	6		Bob McCoy	1
	George Snider	6		Wib Spalding	1
30	Billi Puterbaugh	5		Johnny Capels	1
	Larry Cannon	5		Bob Hogle	1
32	Andy Linden	4		Lennie Waldo	1
	Van Johnson	4		Todd Gibson	1
	Red Riegel	4		Jim McElreath	1
	Al Smith	4		Karl Busson	1
	Ralph Liguori	4		Billy Shuman	1
	Dick Tobias	4		Mel Cornett	1
	Don Nordhorn	4		Dave Rushrig	1
	Lee Osborne	4		Jerry Hansen	1
	Joe Saldana	4		Kenny Weld	1
41	Joe Barzda	3		Fred Linder	1
	Sonny Ates	3		Jeff Bloom	1
	Mike Mosley	3		Jackie Howerton	1
	Jerry Daniels	3		Clark Templeman	1
	Mitch Smith	3		Tommy Astone	1
	Charlie Masters	3		Bob East	1
	Johnny Parsons	3		Gary Patterson	1
	Greg Leffler	3		Bill Engelhart	1
	Dana Carter	3		Eddie Leavitt	1
50	Ed Ellisian	2		Bobby Olivero	1
	Jim McWithey	2			

# 1977 USAC Sprint Car Division Driver Standings

POS.	DRIVER
1	Sheldon Kinser, Bloomington, Indiana
2	Tom Bigelow, Whitewater, Wisconsin
3	Duane Carter Jr., Brownsburg, Indiana
4	Billy Cassella, Wierton, West Virginia
5	Bubby Jones, Danville, Illinois
6	Chuck Gurney, Livermore, California
7	Bill Engelhart, Madison, Wisconsin
8	Bruce Walkup, Sullivan, Indiana
9	Greg Leffler, St. Paul, Indiana
10	Steve Chassey, Sunland, California
11	James McElreath, Deceased
12	Bob Frey, Elyria, Ohio
13	Dana Carter, Huntington Beach, Cal.
14	Larry Rice, Linden, Indiana
15	Joe Saldana, Lincoln, Nebraska
16	Eddie Leavitt, Kearney, Missouri
17	Rollie Beale, Toledo, Ohio
18	Roger Rager, Mound, Minnesota
19	Jerry Weeks, Anaheim, California
20	George Snider, Bakersfield, California
21	Gary Bettenhausen, Monrovia, Indiana
22	Clark Templeman, Reseda, California
23	Mack McClellan, Dayton, Ohio
24	Johnny Parsons, Speedway, Indiana
25	Gary Irvin, West Lafayette, Indiana
26	Mark Alderson, Timber Lake, So. Dakota
27	Larry Moore, Dayton, Ohio
28	Duke Cook, Sidney, Ohio
29	Roy Hicks, Memphis, Tennessee
30	Rich Vogler, Winchester, Indiana
31	Rich Leavell, Elwood, Indiana
	Marvin Carman, Union City, Michigan
33	Karl Busson, Northwood, Ohio
34	Jim Hettinger, Ypsilanti, Michigan
35	Lee Osborne, Lebanon, Pennsylvania
36	Mike Schiesel, Oak Creek, Wisconsin
37	Ron Shuman, Mesa, Arizona
38	Junior Parkinson, Kansas City, Missouri
39	Jackie Howerton, Tulsa, Oklahoma
40	Bob East, Bellflower, California
41	Bobby Olivero, Lakewood, Colorado
42	John Anderson, Warren, Michigan
43	Steve Cannon, Danville, Illinois
44	Dave Beverly, Huron, Ohio
45	Jim McElreath, Arlington, Texas
46	Sleepy Tripp, Costa Mesa, California
47	Malcolm Lovelace, Springfield, Ohio
48	Dave Peperak, Clinton, Indiana
49	Ken Nichols, San Carlos, California
	Larry Cannon, Oakwood, Illinois
51	Junior Smalley, Waverly, Ohio
	Tommy Astone, Fresno, California
53	Rick Montgomery, Denver, Colorado
54	Dick St. John, Cudahy, Wisconsin
55	Gary Allbritain, Canton, Ohio
	Red Bledsoe, Plainfield, Indiana
57	Ron Rea, Sepulveda, California
58	Ralph Liguori, Tampa, Florida
59	Jeff Bloom, Kalamazoo, Michigan
	Ed Lute, Columbus, Ohio
	Gary Gray, Indianapolis, Indiana
62	Gary Howard, Whittier, California
	Tom Hunt, Downey, California
64	Gary Dunkle, Lincoln, Nebraska
65	Johnny Anderson, Sacramento, California
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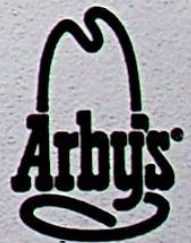
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