USAC Silver Crown Dirt Car Championships





Monday, September 2, 1991



Greetings:

As Governor of Illinois, I am proud to welcome you to the 1991 Du Quoin State Fair.

All that surrounds you here at the fair is representative of Illinois and its citizens. We are a state rich in history, rich in agriculture and rich in industry. Upon these grounds, you will have the opportunity to experience the common thread that all Illinoisans share.

The 69th edition of the Du Quoin State Fair will showcase Illinois' finest livestock, agricultural products and equipment, and racing horses. This year's events will include: the Twilight Parade,

Scheer's Lumberjack Show, the Link Carnival, Grand Circuit Harness Races featuring the World Trotting Derby, the ARCA Stock Car Race, USAC Car Race, and ten nights of top name grandstand entertainment.

On behalf of the citizens of Illinois, I invite you to share in the excitement of the Du Quoin State Fair and to take the time to enjoy every minute you spend here.

Best Regards,

Jim Edgar GOVERNOR

Miss Illinois County Fair Queen

Kristen Jahraus, 19, of St. Peter was crowned the 1991 Miss Illinois County Fair Queen at the Illinois Association of Agriculture Fair's 81st annual convention January 18 through 21, at the Holiday Inn East in Springfield

Kristen, the daughter of Dale and Janet Jahraus, was Miss Fayette County Fair Queen 1990. She is currently enrolled at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, and is studying biological sciences.

Along with her many special interests and hobbies, Kristen is involved in various community activities. She has also choreographed and produced a number of song and dance shows with local children for area charity events. Kristen enjoys jazz dancing, aerobics, swimming, arts and crafts, and gymnastics.

Kristen teaches dances and tumbling to children. She is selfemployed as an instructor with over 60 students under her direction.

Kristen will be busy this summer as a representative of Illinois, attending town homecomings, county fairs and parades.

Hosting the Illinois State Fair and the Du Quoin State Fair will certainly be the highlight of Kristen's summer, since she will have the opportunity to meet with the winners of the Fair events and competitions.



1991 Official Pace Car



"The official pace car for the 1991 Du Quoin State Fair is a Pontiac Gran Prix SE-AERO. Capable of speeds in excess of 120 mph, this car will pace the start of the 100 Mile U.S.A.C. Silver Crown Champ Car feature.

Equipped with a hi-output 3.1 V-6 engine, and shod in Goodyear Eagle Race Tires, has the sport appearance package, which in effect gives it a ground effects advantage used in motorsports."

It will be driven by an experienced race car driver."

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BILL OLDANI	Motorsports Director
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7-117.759 purl Official Entries - U.S.A.C. Silver Crown Championship Race DuQuoin State Fairgrounds - DuQuoin, Illinois - September 2, 1991

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9 / Stan Fox/Jamesville,	WI 31.74	Gary Runyon/Jack's Tool Rental/Party Time Rental/Beast
10 / Steve Butler/Kokomo 11 / George Snider/Baker	refield CA 2, 57	Kenneth Jarrett/Kenneth Jarrett Farms
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56 Wally Pankratz/Orang		Gohr Racing/Trench Shoring - Gohr Racing
59 Bob Cicconi/Prospect		Cicconi Racing/Senter Engineering - SEC Racing Wheels
69 / Steve Chassey/Carmo 73 / Larry Dickson/Indiana		Del McClure/Kasle Recycling
74 RODNEY Duncan/Co		Dickson-Britton/Tosex
7 75 / Warren Mockler/Wes		M.R.S. Racing/M.R.S. Racing
77 Fred Tegarden, Jr./Pl		Toe Mitchell/G.W. Pierce/Regal Printing/AMS of Indiana
79 / Eddie Sachs, Jr./East	Detroit MI SU714	Susie Pritchett/Pritchett Metal Products
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USAC Silver Crown Series Track Records at the DuQuoin State Fairgrounds

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Silver Crown Championship Series Drivers

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Jimmy Sills

Eric Gordon

Birthdate: Nov. 17, 1967

Eric came within 12 points of winning the 1990 Silver Crown Cham-

pionship, winning the "Miller

Genuine Draft 100" at the Wiscon

sin State Fair Speedway in

Milwauke He also appeared

headed for victories in the "Hulman

Mile" in Indianapolis and the

'Pepsi-Cola 100' at Indianapolis

Jeff Gordon

Birthdate: Aug. 4, 1971

Jeff's first five Silver Crown Cham-

pionship Series starts all produced "top-6" finishes and he finished

the year in fifth place in the final

series standings. He was third in

the "Golden State 100" at Cal Expo

in Sacramento, CA and fifth in his

first Silver Crown start at Phoenix,

Gary Hieber

Birthdate: March 4, 1960

Gary stunned many with his

Indiana State Fairgrounds in Indian-

finishes helped him nail down sixth in the linal Silver Crown Champion-

ship Series points. A Silver Crown participant since 1980, he had com-

peted in 44 previous Silver Crown

Steve Butler

Birthdate: Sept. 26, 1956

Steve ended a disastrous 1990

season in unbelievable (ashion -winning the "4-Crown Nationals" at Rossburg, OH - to score his lirst

ever victory in the Silver Crown Champion cars! Prior to the series

finale he had competed in seven of the eight previous races and his best finish so far had been 18th! In

'Hoosier Hundred' triumph at the

Langhorne, Penn.

Pittsboro, Indiana

Greenfield, Indiana

Birthdate: May 26, 1953 Jimmy won the 1990 USAC Silve Crown Championship in the closest point race in series history, edging out runnerup Eric Gordon by only 11 points! Jimmy won the "Golden State 100" at the CalExpo State Fairgrounds in Sacramento, CA and was second to Gary Hieber in the 'Hoosier Hundred' in Indianapolis

in August. He also won poles at Sacramento and Milwaukee and was one of only five drivers to start all nine series features. In 1989 he was named Silver Crown "Rookle of the Year" after winning the pole at Du Quoin, IL and finishing 11th in series points. Jimmy is also an accomplished Sprint Car veteran

Raceway Park before mechanical problems interceded. He was also

second to Chuck Gurney in the "Tony Bettenhausen 100" at Spring-

field, IL Eric was the runnerup for the USAC Sprint Car championship

in both 1989 and 1990 and was named USAC Sprint Car "Rookie of the

Year" in 1989. He has three career USAC Sprint triumphs to his credit

endeavors Jeff won the USAC National Midget Championship and scored several victories in "Saturday Night Thunder" ESPN-televised

USAC Sprint and Midget races. He racked up 16 total USAC feature triumphs in three different series to become the winningest USAC driver

races until finally cracking the "top-5" with his Indianapolis victory!

The red-headed Hieber was running second to Andy Hillenburg when,

1988 he won the series championship without the benefit of a triumph!
He also became the first 4-time USAC Sprint Car champion in history in

1990, raising his USAC Sprint Car victory total to 20. He won back-to-back Sprint Car littles in 1986-87-88. In 1985 he was voted USAC Silver

Crown "Rooke of the Year." Among his career highlights are back-to-back "Tony Hulman Classic" Sprint Car victories, and an attempt to crack the field for the 1989 Indianapolis 500. An accident there hindered his chances for a fourth straight USAC Sprint title that year.

after leading the first 96 laps, Hillenburg shredded a tire.



Jack Hewitt

Troy, Ohio Birthdate: July 8, 1951 The 1990 campaign was not par-ticularly productive for the winningest driver in USAC Silver Crown Championship Series history. Although he did win the "Hulman Mila" in Indianapolis and was second in the "4-Crown Nationals" finale at Rossburg, OH, he wound up 11 in the final point standings.

Jack has 13 career series victories, including 1988 and 1989 wins in the prestigious "Hoosier Hundred" in Indianapolis and in 1986 and 1987 he won back-to-back Silver Crown series titles. He scored more USAC Sprint wins than any other driver in 1990 - 8 - and owns 37 total career USAC wins in three different series



George Snider

Birthdate: Dec. 8, 1940 Ageless George "Ziggy" Snider finished fourth in the 1990 Silver Crown Championship Series points. scoring an impressive late-race victory in the nationally-televised 'Pepsi-Cola 100" at Indianapolis Raceway Park. He added a third at Springlield, IL and two fourths and started all nine series features. A

22-time starter in the Indianapolis 500, George won USAC's first Silver Crown title in 1971 and was the 1981/82 USAC Gold Crown titlist. He has seven career Silver Crown victories and has won six USAC Sprint races and lour USAC Midgel mains.



Jim Mahoney

Peru, Illinois Birthdate: Aug. 16, 1961 A fourth-place finish in the "Golden State 100" at the CalExpo State Fairgrounds in Sacramento, CA in June helped Jim finish 21st in the final Silver Crown Championship Series standings. He also started races at the Indiana State Fairgrounds and the Illinois State Fairgrounds. Jim is also an

accomplished USAC Sprint and Midget driver and had two second-place inishes in USAC National Midget competition in both 1988 and 1989



Birthdate: July 7, 1952 Stan linished second to Eric Gordon in the "Miller Genuine Draft 100" at the Wisconsin State Fair Park Speedway in Milwaukee in September and ended up 10th in the final Silver Crown Championship Series points. He only missed the Phoenix opener and scored

Fairgrounds and Rossburg, OH in his initial season of Silver Crown competition. Stan is one of America's premter open-wheel pitots, winning numerous major Midget events and in 1990 added several more. He no only won the largest Midget prize in racing history — \$10,000 at Rossburg, OH in September — he also took 50th "Turkey Night Grand Prix" at Ascot Park in Gardéna, CA in November.



Brent Kaeding

Campbell. California Birthdate: Sept. 5, 1957 Brent ran the first five races in the 1990 Silver Crown Championship Series, then missed the linal four but still ended up 12th in the final points. He was third in the "Hulman Mile" in Indianapolis and fifth in the "Pepsi-Cola 100" there one month later. A standout Sprint and Midget veteran, Brent won the USAC Midget race at Gardena, CA

Mark Alderson

Timber Lake, S. Dakota Birthdate: April 18, 1945 Possibly the most talented USAC veteran driver without a feature victory to his credit. Mark has been a Stellar performer in the Silver Crown cars for years. He won the pole for the Du Quoin, IL 100-miler in 1990 and led the opening lap but wound up seventh. He was also sixth in the

"Hoosier Hundred" and finished 13th in the series point standings. In 1982 Mark finished second to Ken Schrader in the Silver Crown points and earned the STP Corporation's 'Most Improved Driver'' award. His finest Silver Crown finish to date was a third in the 1983 "Hulman Hundred" in Indianapolis.



Tom Bigelow

Winchester, Indiana Birthdate: Oct. 31, 1939 Only five drivers have won more USAC Silver Crown Championship races than Tom since the series started in 1971. He ranks second to Crown starts (86) and fifth on the all-time series lap leader list. His six wins include the 1975 Hoosier Hundred. The winningest driver in

the USAC Sprint Car history (52 career triumphs). Tom won the USAC Sprint Car title in 1978 and the USAC Midget crown in 1984. He's also a 9-time veteran of the Indianapolis 500-Mile Race. In 1990 he attended four Silver Crown races, finished 10th at Du Quoin, IL and qualified Danny Milburn's car fourth fastest for the "4-Crown Nationals" at Rossburg, OH before relinquishing the car to Milburn for the race.



Jeff Swindell Memphis, Tennesse

Birthdate: January 6, 1961 Jeff cracked the Silver Crown Championship Series winner's circle with his sensational victory at the Du Quoin, IL State Fairgrounds on Labor Day and he ended up seventh in the final 1990 series points. He also won the pole for the "Hoosier Hundred" in Indianapolis and finished fourth in the "Tony

Bettenhausen 100" at Springfield, IL. A veteran of USAC Sprint and Silver Crown competition, Jeff was named the 1987 Silver Crown 'Rookie of the Year,' finishing third in points after winning the 'Hulman Mile' In Indianapolis. He also has one USAC Sprint Car feature victory to his credit and in 1990 finished second to brother Sammy in a USAC "winged" Sprint race at Granite City, IL.



Wally Pankratz

Birthdate: Aug. 30, 1945 Wally started all nine Silver Crown rewarded with eighth in the final 1990 standings. He was third in the State Fairgrounds in Indianapolis and scored three other "top-10" finishes. In 1985 and 1986 he was the runnerup for the USAC Super

leature victories. He also appeared to have won the \$10,000 "4-Crown Nationals" USAC Midget race at Rossburg, OH in 1990 only to find that a post-race inspection ended in disqualification of the car he drive. Does of the most versatile drivers in USAC. Wally has competed in everything



modified driving championship and scored three USAC Supermodified from TO Midgets to the Silver Crown cars.



Larry Rice

Brownsburg, Indiana Birthdate: March 24, 1946 Darricate: March 24, 1946
Larry suffered through an off-year
in 1990, starting only five Silver
Crown races but ending the season
on a high note with a fourth-place
finish in the "4-Crown Nationals"
at Rossburg, OH, With more Silver
Crown starts than any driver in
history 192 ceing into 1983. history (97 going into 1991), Larry won the series championship in 1977 and 1981, and in 1973 was the USAC National Midget Champion.

In 1978 he shared Indianapolis 500 "Rookie of the Year" honors will Rick Mears, and in 1981 he won the tradition-rich "Hoosier Hundred" in Indianapolis. He has 23 career USAC feature triumphs in three dil lerent racino series to his credit.



Bob Frey
Wickenburg, Arizona
Birthdate: Oct. 25, 1950
A five-year veteran of the Silver
Crown Championship Series, Bob
wound up 14th in the 1990 standings after only two starts! He finished second in the Skoal Bandil
Racing "Copper World Classic"
opener at Phoenix, AZ and was
fourth in the "Peosi-Cola 100" at

Indianapolis Raceway Park, In 1988 he won a 50-lap Silver Crown feature at the Salem, IN Speedway. An accomplished Sprint Car veteran, Bob owns a pair of USAC Sprint Car feature victories and is particularly a threat on the pavement.



Darryl Haugh

Birthdate: July 2, 1962
Darryl is a graduate of the tough
USAC Western States Midget Series
and finished fifth in the "Golden
State 100" at CalExpo in
Sacramento, CA in June. He finsished 22nd in the final Silver Crown
Series standings, also recording an
11th-place finish in the Skoal Bandit Racino "Cooner World Classis".

dit Racing "Copper World Classic" at Phoenix, AZ. In 1989 he received the "Rookie of the Race" award for his performance in the "Tony Bettenhausen 100" Silver Crown race at the Illinois State Fairgrounds in Springfield. In Midget competition he won a race at Ventura, CA in 1988 and in 1989 he won a feature at Ascot Park in Gardena, CA.



Chip Thomas

Belleville, Illinois
Birthdate: Aug. 14, 1970
Debuting in the USAC Sprint Car
series in 1989, Chip made his Silver
Crown debut in 1990 with a 10thplace finlsh in the "Hulman
Hundred" in Indianapolis. He then
scored a great sixth-place finish at
Sacramento. CA and added three
more starts by season's end to rank
23rd in the final series standings.

In 1989 he had two "top-10" finishes in USAC Sprint Car competition and finished 16th in the final Sprint points



Bob Cicconi

Prospect Park, Penn.
Birthdate: Dec. 23, 1952
Entering his 15th season of USAC
competition in 1991, Bob had a successful 1990 campaign, ending up
23rd in the Salver Crown Championship Series points after finishing
third in the series opener at
Phoenix, AZ in February. He also
scored his first-ever USAC Sprint
Car victory at Lebanon, MO In 1990

and in 1989 finally cracked the winner's circle in Silver Crown competition, winning the first 75-lapper in the ''Pepsi-Cola 150'' at Indianapolis Raceway Park. A tremendous star in the Midgets, Bob Is always a fast qualifier and owns four career USAC Midget victories and several track records.



Gary Irvin Noblesville, Indiana Birthdate: Nov. 3, 1943

Gary started driving Süver Crowncars in 1976 and Inally cracked the "top-5" with a fine titth-place finish in the "Miller Genuine Draft 100" at the Milwaukee, WI Mile 1990. He ended up tied for 23rd in the final series standings. He started four other Silver Crown races during the season. Gary also

has extensive experience in the USAC Midgets and once made an effort to quality for the Indianapolis 500. It was Gary who graciously loaned defending Silver Crown Champ Chuck Gurney his ride at the 1990 series opener at Phoenix, AZ.



Jerry Russell

Springfield, Illinois
Birthdate: March 4, 1956
Jerry started four Silver Crown
Championship races in 1990 and
ended up 26th in the final points but
grabbed a fifth-place finish in the
100-miler at the Du Quoin, IL State
Fairgrounds on Labor Day. A Silver
Crown veteran since 1984, Jerry is
also active in the USAC Midgets and
Sprint Cars and in 1984 was voted

USAC Sprint Car "Rooke of the Year.



Andy Hillenburg

Indianapolis, IN
Birthdate: April 30, 1963
Hearthreaking is the only adjective to describe Andy's misfortune at the Indiana State Fairgrounds in August of 1990. After leading 96 laps of the "Hoosier Hundred" a tire shredded and cost him victory there. The USAC Midget and Sprint Car veteran did, however, start all nine Silver Crown Championship

Series races and scored a fine fourth in the DuQuoin, IL 100-miler to rank ninth in the final points. He was also seventh at Phoenix, AZ and Sacramento, CA. In 1989 Andy received the STP Corporation's "Most Improved Driver" award for his sixth-place Silver Crown ranking.



Tray House

Anderson, Indiana
Birthdare: April 8, 1964
Tray finished 17th in the 1990
Silver Crown Championship Series
points, slarting five races and scoring an impressive third-place in the
"Miller Genulne Draft 100" at
Milwaukee, WI. A 4-year Silver
Crown veleran, Tray won the pole
for the Silver Crown race at Phoenix
International Raceway in Arizona in

1987. A nine-year USAC Sprint Car veteran, he was fast qualifier for three races in that series in 1988 and in 1989 had two second place



Walt Kennedy

Upland, California
Birthdate: July 26, 1937

At age 53, Walt remained competitive in the Silver Crown Championship Series, starting seven of the nine races during 1990 and finIshing 19th in the final series standings. He had a great fourth-place finIsh in the "Hulman Hundred" in Indianapolis in May and added a pinth in the "Hossier"

Hundred" there later in the season. He made his Silver Crown debut in 1982, competing in six races, but didn't return to the series until 1989. A veteran of the California Sprint Car wars, Walt is still a threat to run



Dave Feese

Saybrook, Illinois
Birthdate: Oct. 9, 1955
Filteenth in the linal 1990 Silver
Crown Championship Series points,
Dave had three "top-10" linishes
In six starts. He was sixth in the
Phoenix, AZ opener, then added a
7th at Milwaukee, WI and an 8th at
DuQuoin, IL, proving his versatility
on both pavement and dirt. He was
also 12th in the 1989 "Hoosier

Hundred" in Indianapolis. Davis is a seven-year USAC Sprint Car Veteran and finished 15th in the 1989 USAC Sprint Car standings.



Chuck Gurney

Birthdate: April 20, 1949
Chuck scored his fourth "Tony
Bettenhausen 100" triumph at the
Illinois Stale Fäirgrounds in Springfield enroute to third in the 1990
Silver Crown Championship Series
final standings. Only 43 points
behind champion Jimmy Sills at
season's end, Chuck also has
seconds in the races at Sacramento,

CA and DuQuoin, It and a third in the "4-Crown Nationals" finale at Rossburg, DH. The 1989 Silver Crown driving champion, he was also USAC's 1985 Supermodified Champion and was second in the 1978 USAC Sprint Car points. He has nine career Silver Crown victories, including two in the "Hoosier Hundred" in Indianapolis, and has won five USAC Sprint leatures, six USAC Midget races and six USAC Supermodified mains.



Johnny Parsons

Speedway, Indiana
Birthdate: Aug. 26, 1944
Johnny scored lifth-place finishes
at Springfield, IL and Rossburg, OH
on his way to 18th in the 1990
Silver Crown Championship standings On Labor Day he appeared
headed for his lirst series victory
ever at the DuQuoin, IL State
Fairgrounds but after leading 69
miles his drive line broke eight

miles from the checkered flag! Son of 1950 Indianapolis 500 winner Johnnie Parsons, J.P., has driven in 13 500's himself and owns 38 USAC Midget and 5 USAC Sprint career wins. In 1976 and 1989 he finished as runnerup in the Silver Crown standings and in 1977 he was second in the USAC National Midget Series.



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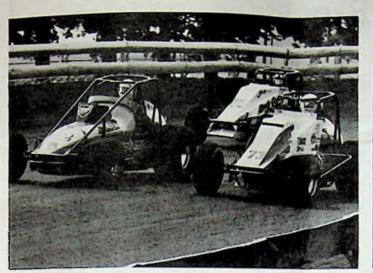


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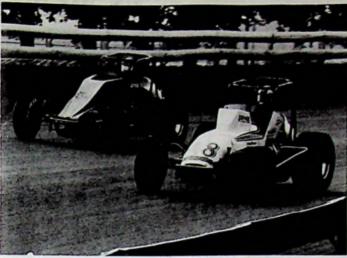


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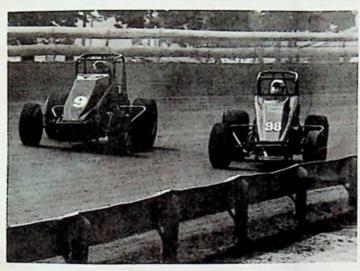


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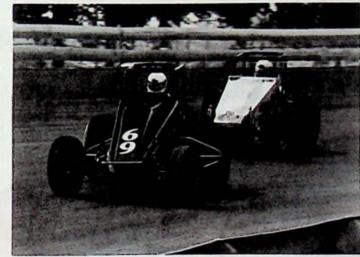


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Previous Du Quoin Winners

1948 Lee Wallard
1949 Tony Bettenhausen
1951 Tony Bettenhausen
1952 Chuck Stevenson
1953 Sam Hanks
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1955 Jimmy Bryan
1956 Jimmy Bryan
1957 Jud Larson
1958 Johnny Thompson
1959 Rodger Ward
1960 A. J. Foyt
1961 A. J. Foyt
1963 A. J. Foyt

1964 A. J. Foyt 1965 Don Branson 1966 Bud Tingelstad 1967 A. J. Foyt 1968 Mario Andretti 1969 Al Unser 1970 Al Unser 1971 George Snider 1972 A. J. Foyt 1973 Mario Andretti 1974 Mario Andretti 1975 Tom Bigelow 1976 Buddy Jones 1977 Tom Bigelow
1978 Pancho Carter
1979 Bill Vukovich
1980 Gary Bettenhausen
1981 Rich Vogler
1982 Gary Bettenhausen
1983 Gary Bettenhausen
1984 Joe Saldana
1985 Rick Hood
1986 Jack Hewitt
1987 Jack Hewitt
1988 Gary Bettenhausen
1989 Chuck Gurney
1990 Jeff Swindell

IN MEMORIAM.



SHANNON FINLEY Born: April 25, 1947 Died: April 27, 1991 Granite City, Illinois Midget Series Race



Born: June 1, 1949 Died: February 3, 1991 Phoenix, Arizona Silver Crown Race

IN DEDICATION . . .

Ray "Bones" Fletcher

Ray "Bones" Fletcher was in racing before 1950 as a builder and racing Micro Midgets. He won the Canadian-American Championship in 1958. In 1961 he switched to building and designing full Midgets and continued until his passing five years ago. "Bones", a nickname given him by his friends, had a reputation for helping the new guys, the "rookies". Some of these "rookies" were: Parnelli Jones, Merle Bettenhausen, Jan Opperman and Larry Rice.

A good friend of "Bones", Howard Lehman, of Springfield, another dedicated friend of racing, developed outstanding Sprint and Midget Racers. Carol, "Bones" wife, will present the trophy and cash in a joint effort of their friends and merchants of Gridley, IL, where "Bones" lived all his life.

Harley Graves

Harley Graves, a Life Member in the United States Auto Club, passed away six years ago. Harley was an avid and sincere race fan, and for many years an attendant here at the Illinois State Fair. Friends of Harley from his hometown of Macomb, IL, have donated a cash sum, and a beautiful trophy in his memory. This memorial was instituted at the Champ Car race in 1983, and will be presented to the BEST SPORTSMAN following todays race.

Dale Mueller Memorial Award

They called him the No. 1 auto racing fan in the country . . . traveling to auto races for over 32 years of his life, promoting the sport, taking auto racing movies, and he died doing it.

His movies are now housed in the Museum of Speed in Indianapolis, Indiana. On August 20, 1966, Dale climbed up on the roof of the grandstand at the Illinois State Fair, all the better to get racing movies of scenes below. He and a friend were preparing to take pictures of hot laps and qualifications, during an exhibition by the Army Green Berets. The Berets had tied a rope to the platform on top of the grandstand on which the photographers were setting up. The other end of the rope was fastened to a wrecker across the track. The rope was pulled too tight, and the platform came down with Dale on it. Dale and the stage hand below were killed instantly. To these men the Dale Mueller Photo Award is dedicated.

Pat Vidan

Pat Vidan passed away on April 1, 1983, after a short illness. A brief resume of his contribution to auto racing is here presented. In memory of Pat, a plaque is presented to the driver who displays the "Best Performance".

Pat Vidan retired from his job as chief starter for the Indianapolis 500 in 1979 after 18 years. He had an intense interest in race drivers, particularly those in the early part of their careers. Pat was a rugged man, a fitness advocate who operated a health studio for 14 of his years at Indianapolis. Vidan was a multi-talented person, as Rolla Vollstedt recalls, "If we had a delay to repair a fence or something, Pat might borrow a motorcycle and then come down the homestretch doing a handstand on the seat. He was a terrific athlete." As a youth he did tumbling and acrobatics, raced motorcycles, and was a member of the nationally known Multnomah Sheriff Stunt and Drill Team. He won the Tri-state 3 Meter Board Diving Championship four consecutive years.

Pat was often seen walking along with his arm over the shoulder of both novice and proven race drivers, giving advice and a "pat" on the back when it was called for, and a little criticism when it became necessary. Hence, it is appropriate to name this award, "The Pat Vidan Memorial."

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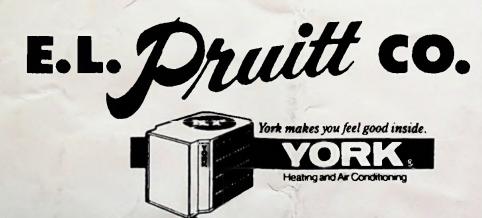
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