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RED



YELLOW



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BLACK

GREEN FLAG — Start; course is clear.

YELLOW FLAG — Caution slow; hold position. Get car under control.

RED FLAG — Stop; race is halted.

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WHITE FLAG — You are entering last lap.

CHECKER FLAG — You are finished.

CROSSED FLAGS — Signify "Half Way" Mark.



# 1975 SPRINT CAR DIVISION CHAMPION

Larry Dickson returned in 1975 after a 'leave of absence' from the USAC Sprint car division to drive a car owned by Ernie Ensign. The return paid off in a record third USAC National Sprint Car Championship for the man labeled as the Buckeye Flyer.

Dickson scored five feature victories enroute to the crown, boosting his career-leading total to 40, and earned nearly \$25,000 during the season. He and the Torsion Bar Sprinter edged Rollie Beale and the Lowell Kilman Sprinter by 88 points.

Larry previously won the Sprint title in 1968 and 1970 and thus becomes the first three-time National Champion in the division's history.

The "Thunder and Lightning" division again lived up to its competitive billing as a total of 15 different drivers scored victories in the 34-race series. Rollie Beale scored six wins, but a broken finger suffered on his job as a railroad boxcar repairman caused him to sit out four of the first five races of the season, hampering his efforts at winning the title.

One of the more important developments of the 1975 Sprint season was the late-season competitive surge of the roadster-type cars driven by rookies Jeff Bloom and Marvin Carman. Carman captured both ends of the twin 50-lap program at Winchester, Ind. in October and finished the season in 13th place in the points. The drive earned Carman the "Rookie of the Year" distinction.

Carman and Bloom were extremely competitive in the closing pavement races of 1975 and the 1976 season could see the advent of more of the roadsters on the paved tracks.

Another interesting development of the 1975 season was the reuniting of the once-feared Gary Bettenhausen-Willie Davis team for the Aug. 3 race at Terre Haute, Ind. Gary and Willie ended up in victory lane after the



40-lapper, their first combined victory in some time and for a while the "Larry and Gary" show (Dickson and Bettenhausen) of the late 60s and early 70s saw a revival.

Defending USAC Sprint Car Champion Pancho Carter finished fourth in the 1975 standings and scored two of the more important victories of the year when he won the Tony Hulman Classic at Terre Haute, Ind. in May and the Pat O'Connor-Joe James Memorial at Salem, Ind. in September.

The most serious injury of the season came in the Oldtimers Week race at Winchester, Ind. when George Snider suffered two broken arms as a result of his crash in the Walter Knepper car. Snider was the Sprint division point leader at the time and became the first USAC Sprinter ever to sail over the wall at Winchester as he left the track in turn two. Snider was forced to sit out the rest of the season in order to prepare for a 1976 return.

In Snider's absence, Tom Bigelow took over the driving chores of the Knepper machine and piloted it to victory in the car's next outing at the Minnesota State Fair in St. Paul and to two other victories including the season finale at Birmingham, Ala., earning fifth place in the final points for himself and third for car owner Knepper.

The Birmingham race was the first for the USAC Sprinters at the Alabama State Fairgrounds since 1959 and the excitement stirred by the good racing there led to speculation that a series of races might be held in the South in 1976.

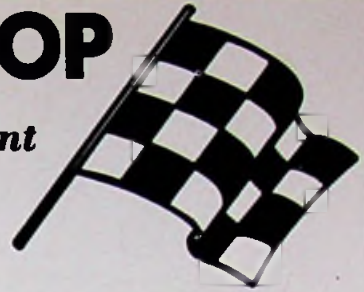
Billy Cassella, whose only victory of the season came at Rossburg, Ohio in July, finished third in the final points and had a mathematical shot at leaders Dickson and Beale going into the final races.

Dickson's joy after winning the 1975 title was apparent and he stated that it was particularly gratifying that he was able to do it after skeptics had claimed that he was 'over the hill,' referring to his performances of the two previous seasons. It was also fitting that the winningest Sprint car driver of all time become champion of the division.



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## 1<sup>ST</sup> HEAT SCORING

TIME.....		NO. LAPS.....	
Car No.	Driver	Start	Finish
50	LEE	1	2
16	GURNEY	2	1
15	RICHARDS	3	6
10	SNYDER	4	5
19	D. CARTER	5	7
6	OPPERMAN	6	4
4	P. CARTER	7	3

## 2<sup>ND</sup> HEAT SCORING

TIME.....		NO. LAPS.....	
Car No.	Driver	Start	Finish
20	WEEKS	1	1
53	HATTINGER	2	3
34	WALKUP	3	2
49	HARKEY	4	5
1	DICKSON	5	7
29	CASSELLA	6	4
8	BETTEN HAUSEN	7	6

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Car No.	Driver	1st lap	2nd lap
BALTES POINTS			
1.	DICKSON		174
2.	OPPERMAN		138
3.	SANDANA		138
4.	P. CARTER		137
5.	BIGELOW		130
6.	BETTENHAUSEN		123
7.	CASSELLA		116
8.	MCLEATH, JR		108
9.	GURNEY		106
10.	KINSER.		106
11.	WALKUP		99
12.	RAGER		98
13.	ENGLEHART		92
14.	BEALS		81
15.	JONES		75
16.	RICE		73
17.	HOWERTON		67
18.	LEAVELL.		66
19.	BUSSON		62
20.	TEMPERMAN		53



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40 Laps - Earl Baltes - \$7,475

1	Bruce Walkup	Longhorn	48
2	Billy Cassella	Seymour	29
3	Lee Osborne	Stauffer	81
4	Larry Dickson	Ensign	80
5	Gary Bettenhausen	Leyba	4
6	Sheldon Kinser	King	20
7	Sonny Ates	Easton	25
8	Ken Nichols	Koehler	51
9	Sam Sessions	Leffler	9
10	Tommy Astone	Weaver	2
11	Jeff Bloom	Roberts	47
12	Larry Rice	Kershner	18

\*Rained out after qualifying on 7/13/75

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40 Laps - Earl Baltes - \$7,225

1	Larry Dickson	Ensign	80
2	Lee Osborne	Stauffer	81
3	Larry Rice	Kershner	18
4	Marvin Carman	Dowker	71
5	Bruce Walkup	Longhorn	48
6	Billy Cassella	Seymour	6
7	Jeff Bloom	Roberts	47
8	Karl Busson	Cedoz	11
9	Sam Sessions	Leffler	9
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12	Sheldon Kinser	Gohr	56

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TIME..... NO. LAPS.....

Car No. Driver Start Finish

29	<del>BIGLOW</del> CASSELLA		3
6	<del>OPPERMAN</del>		2
76	<del>OPPERMAN</del>		17
69	LEFFLER		16
8	BETTENHAUSEN		65
4	P. CARTER		1
55	56 <del>KINSE</del>		870
17	D. CARTER	SPIN LAPS LAPS HIT WALL	19
18	ENGLEHART		07
34	WALKUP		18
45	SCHISSELL		06
98	RICE		01
16	CURNEY		4
53	HETTINCER		08
192	FREY		20
50	LEE		03
20	WEEKS		014
61	LEAVELL		16
121	DICKSON		012

# SEMI-FEATURE

TIME..... NO. LAPS.....

Car No. Driver Start Finish

8	BETTENHAUSEN	1	1
69	LEFFLER	2	2
19	D. CARTER	3	3
1	DICKSON	4	DNS
18	ENGLEHART	5	4
35	CHASSEY	6	12
10	SNIDER	7	5
49	HARKEY	8	10
2	BEALE	9	6
23	MCELREATH, JR	10	LAP 2 HIT WALL
15	RICHARDS	11	LAP 1 SPIN
60	ST JOHN	12	9
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