

RACE REPORT OF THE 1976 NATIONAL'S

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The 1976 HO nationals were held on July 31st at the Pagoda Motor Inn in Lake Bluff, Illinois. The race was attended by thirtyone of the best racers from across the country. The track was 47 feet of A/FX and had eighteen volts of battery power. It was quite a race and will be remembered for a long time by those who attended.

Practice began on Monday the 26th and lasted until race day. Surprizingly the bulk of the racers showed up on friday, rather late in the week. Early on in the practice week the local teams were much faster, but as the out of area racers got sorted it looked as if it was going to be quite a race. The local Chicago racers were paced by Joel Pennington, Norm and Bruce Gardner and Mark Rosenwinkel. The faster out of area racers included Kim Bartholomew from Montreal and Steve Brown of Flint, Michigan.

The night before the race it seemed there was an unbelievable amount of thrashing going on. Most of the quick boys were re-setting magnets, shims and armatures. Once again it seemed as if Steve Brown had that little extra handling that put him above the others. This came through in qualifying as he broke the track record.

Things got off the ground a little slow on race day. Tech went very smooth with the exception of a protest of a car by another racer which delayed things a bit. Eight states were represented by thirty one entrants when tech closed. Thanks go to Joel Pennington for running a good, tight, efficient tech.

The next order of business was concours 'd elegance. The cars entered were not even comperable to those of last year. There were easily four that could have won last year. Dave Pratt of Houston won by a slim margin over Mark Rosenwinkel with Jaye Saarinen third and Ken VanAtta fourth. Dave, the man behind Pizza bodies, molded a John Greenwood Corvette especially for This race. Among other goodies Dave had a fully detailed, hand crafted engine in his car.

Qualifying began upon conclusion of concours. When the dust settled Steve Brown left the track record at 18-10 to take a new lap record. This race was a classic example of one side of the grid being super difficult while the other side being substantially easier. On the "AB" side it was Steve Brown, Kim Bartholomew, Russ Beall, Norm Gardner, Pat McGee and Bruce Gardner. On the other side Joel Pennington and Mark Rosenwinkel were the fastest. A classic example.

In a four grid system there are four semi's, two super-semi's and one main. I will cover each of these seven races in this report. I will not go into all the detail of the back heat races.

The first semi was the 'A' side. The race consisted of Steve Brown, Russ Beall, Pat McGee and Rick DeRosa. Brown and Beall had the sit outs while McGee and DeRosa had moved up through the field. DeRosa had marched all the way up from the last heat race! McGee surprized everyone by jumping out to a six lap lead over Brown by the end of the first segment. DeRosa was eight behind Brown and Beall had trouble early on, slipping a crown gear, to end his day. This was most unfortunate as Russ, very nearly the 1976 Michigan champ, had qualified fifth and was quite quick. In the second segment Brown pulled to within a lap of McGee with DeRosa trailing by thirty two. At this point it was obvious McGee and Brown had the move ups and they were both just stroking thier cars home, saving them for the more critical races to come. In the third segment Brown pulled a three lap lead out over McGee. Beall got going again for the last segment to no avail. McGee really got on it and Beat Brown by one lap.

The "B" semi was unbelievable and definatly one of the best races of the day. Kim Bartholomew and Tom Coyne had the sit outs with the two Gardner brothers, Norm and Bruce moving up. Coyne was a big surprize this year and was putting in some really quick times. He proved it was no fluke as he was only two laps behind first place Bartholomew after the first segment. Norm was two laps behind Coyne and Bruce was two down on Norm. Any two of these four drivers were capable of winning the race. This made for extremely difficult marshalling and it was evident that staying clear of traffic would be critical. In the second segment Norm broke down. This also was unfortunate as Gardners' bad luck streak this summer continues. The rest of the field tightened up though as the other three drivers were within three laps of each other. In these days where a common victory margin is from twenty to thirty laps, this heat was providing some really good dicing. After three segments Bartholomew managed to pull out a lead of sixteen laps. Bruce was second only five up on Coyne. In the end Bartholomew stroked out a twenty lap win but Bruce and Coyne went down to the wire with Gardner eeking it out by a lap and a half! Some real close racing for the fans.

The 'C' semi saw sit outs of Joel Pennington and Mike Caudle and move ups of Charles Fields and Adrian Saarinen. This race was not nearly as exciting as the previous two. Pennington jumped out to an early lead and went on to win by over twenty laps. What could have been a good race for the other move up failed to develop. Fields broke early, and Saarinen, in his first race with pro's could not keep up with the faster more powerfull cars. I might add Saarinen put in a good drive though, and impressed many people, finally ending up eleventh overall. Joel Pennington and Mike Caudle were the Move ups from this race.

The 'D' semi was the last of the sit out races. It featured Mark Rosenwinkel and Herb Henson as the sitters and Dave Pratt and Bruce Schmitt as move ups. Henson put on a show and pulled out a lap lead over Rosenwinkel after the first segment. Schmitt was hot on the trail only three behind Rosenwinkel. Rosenwinkel got hot and pulled out a seven lap lead over Henson at the half way point. Pratt and Schmitt were far back at this time and were having quite a dice. In the end it was Rosenwinkel by fifteen with

Henson as the other move up. Pratt had trouble in the last segment and finished fourth with Schmitt taking third.

The 'AB' super semi looked like quite a matchup. Kim Bartholomew and Steve Brown were paired up for the first time in over ten months and Steve Brown and Kim Bartholomew knew it. An inspired Bruce Gardner and Pat McGee filled out the field. The top three drivers, with the highest totals for lane choice, were within two laps of each other. In the first segment Bartholomew jumped out to a four lap lead over Brown. McGee was twelve down and Gardner was two laps behind him. Bartholomew wrapped up one move up spot as Brown blew his K+K 38/40. Unfortunately Brown had epoxied his gear plate in so there just wasn't enough time for a quick change, although he did get going again. With Brown out McGee and Gardner were having an unbelievable dice for the main move up spot. After two segments it was McGee by two. But in the third segment Gardner came back to gain a seemingly insurmountable ten lap lead. At this point Bartholomew was thirty laps up. In the last segment Gardner's crown gear slipped. Instead of jamming the axle over and going on to an almost guaranteed move up, he tried to reset the gear. The lost time cost him the move up to the main as McGee slipped by.

The 'CD' super semi pitted Joel Pennington, Mark Rosenwinkel, Mike Caudle and Herb Henson. This side, surprizingly enough, turned out to be the fast one. On the other side the highest lap total was turned in by Kim Bartholomew with 154 laps in his semi. The low man, Henson, on the 'CD' side had 161 and high man, Peminton had 186. Rosenwinkel walked off to an early lead. The sensation of the day, Mike Caudle, in his first HOPRA ever, was only one lap down. Pennington was third three laps off the pace and Henson was six out. In the next segment Pennington took the lead for good. Rosenwinkel was ten up on Caudle, who in turn had six on Henson. The only change at the end of the race was that Henson caught Caudle.

The main. One year condensed into twenty short minutes. The biggest race of the year in HO scale slot car racing, the national!

First lane choice went to Joel Pennington of Oak Park, Illinois. Joel won the 1975-76 Illinois HOPRA championship, winning five of the races in a row. Joel has not missed a main since last years nationals. He is generally accepted as the best builder in the nation. Joels' diving has lacked some what in the past but recently he has really come into his own.

Second for lane choice was Kim Bartholomew of Montreal, Canada. Kim won the 1975 Michigan HOPRA championship and at one point held nearly every track record in Michigan. By making this years main Kim became the only racer to make the main both years, as he copped the second place honors last year. Kim is considered, along with Steve Brown as the best driver in HOPRA, although he hadn't attended a HOPRA race in over nine months.

Third qualifier was Mark Rosenwinkel of Oak Park, Illinois. Mark, hot of his 1976 Michigan HOPRA championship victory, has not missed a main in a year and a half. He has won both driving and concours championships in Illinois and has 17 concours wins.

Fourth in line was Pat McGee of Cheraw, Colorado. Pat is your basic hard luck racer. He had the 1973 Michigan championship all but won until his car broke at the last race of the season. It had been a while since Pat won a race so this race was quite an achievement for him. Especially when you consider that he built his car the week of the race.

The positively tense atmosphere was released a little when Pennington deslotted on his parade lap. As the power went on to begin the race which would determine the new national champion it was Rosenwinkel who shot into the early lead. This situation prevailed until halfway through the segment when Bartholomew took over. At the end of the first segment Bartholomew owned a three lap lead over Pennington, who was a lap ahead of Rosenwinkel. McGee was eleven laps out. The second segment saw Pennington do what he had done in every one of his heat races, take the lead and never look back. At the end of the second segment he was four laps up on the field. Rosenwinkel and Bartholomew were really going at it and at the close of the second segment Rosenwinkel lead by about ten feet! Unbelievably close racing for 150 laps. McGee just didn't have the handling or speed to keep up although he was pushing all out. After two segments he was twenty five out. In the third segment Pennington moved onto the fastest lane on the track and really started to fly. He did high segment total for the main and pulled the field by eight laps. Bartholomew caught fire and lapped Rosenwinkel five times. McGee was fifty seven down. There were no changes in the final segment, just a little stringing out. Joel Pennington crossed the line of his 315th lap as the power went off, rendering him the 1976 HO national champion.

Joel drove a most intelligent race to win. While he is not the best of drivers he has that built in ability to stop in front of accidents on the track, and in general stay clear of traffic. Kim must have been pleased to get second after his absence. Mark was a strong third and was quite relieved to see the week end as he had been the race director also. Pat McGee turned out to be the surprise of the race. The odds at the start of the race that Brown, Beall, Coyne and both Gardners would blow would have been phenomenal.

For the top eight drivers, the fast qualifier and the concours winner there were beautiful trophies. For Pennington there was \$50 and a great deal of merchandise, as there was for all paid entrants. Bartholomew got \$25 and Merchandise for second. Rosenwinkel received \$15 for the race and \$10 for concours plus having the honor of winning the prestigious national cream of the crap award. McGee not only got \$10 for the race but the \$10 Pizza body contingency award. Dave Pratt was awarded \$25 for his concours efforts. Finally Brown won the \$10 for qualifying fastest.

All in all the race went very smooth. The organizers thank all those who participated, helped and contributed to the race. A special thanks must go to the Pagoda Motor Inn for tolerating fifty half crazed, addicted, hard core slot car racers.

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CONCOURS 'D ELEGANCE

JUDGES;A=Steve Medanic,B=Joel Pennington,C=Bruce Schmitt,D=Keith VanAtta

| | JUDGE A | JUDGE B | JUDGE C | JUDGE D | TOTAL |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| <u>Interior Detail</u> | | | | | |
| Dave Pratt | 10 | 9.5 | 9.8 | 10 | 39.3 |
| Mark Rosenwinkel | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 40 |
| Jaye Saarinen | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 36 |
| Keith VanAtta | 7 | 8.5 | 6 | - | 21.5 |
| Ken Pepe | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 25 |
| Mike Caudle | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Fritz Zimmerman | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bruce Schmitt | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Dave Kovach | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Charles Fields | 0 | 0 | 0. | 0 | 0 |
| <u>Exterior Detail</u> | | | | | |
| Dave Pratt | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 40 |
| Mark Rosenwinkel | 10 | 10 | 10 | 9.8 | 39.8 |
| Jaye Saarinen | 7 | 8.5 | 8.8 | 7 | 31.3 |
| Keith VanAtta | 8 | 9.3 | 8 | - | 25.3 |
| Ken Pepe | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 24 |
| Mike Caudle | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 19 |
| Fritz Zimmerman | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 20 |
| Bruce Schmitt | 4 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 18 |
| Dave Kovach | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 14 |
| Charles Fields | 3 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 14 |
| <u>Paint and Finish</u> | | | | | |
| Dave Pratt | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 40 |
| Mark Rosenwinkel | 9.2 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 38.2 |
| Jaye Saarinen | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 36 |
| Keith VanAtta | 10 | 10 | 10 | - | 30 |
| Ken Pepe | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 20 |
| Mike Caudle | 6 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 24 |
| Fritz Zimmerman | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 23 |
| Bruce Schmitt | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 19 |
| Dave Kovach | 4 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 16 |
| Charles Fields | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 16 |
| <u>Chassis</u> | | | | | |
| Dave Pratt | 8 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 35 |
| Mark Rosenwinkel | 9.3 | 9.3 | 9.5 | 9.2 | 37.3 |
| Jaye Saarinen | 6 | 8 | 8.5 | 8 | 30.5 |
| Keith VanAtta | 4 | 6 | 6.5 | - | 16.5 |
| Ken Pepe | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 13 |
| Mike Caudle | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 9 |
| Fritz Zimmerman | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 7 |
| Bruce Schmitt | 2 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 16 |
| Dave Kovach | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 7 |
| Charles Fields | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| <u>Overall Impression</u> | | | | | |
| Dave Pratt | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 40 |
| Mark Rosenwinkel | 10 | 9.5 | 10 | 9.8 | 39.5 |
| Jaye Sarrinen | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 36 |
| Keith VanAtta | 9 | 9.3 | 9 | - | 27.3 |
| Ken Pepe | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 23 |
| Mike Caudle | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 23 |
| Fritz Zimmerman | 6 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 22 |
| Bruce Schmitt | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 17 |
| Dave Kovach | 4 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 17 |
| Charles Fields | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 16 |

CONCOURS 'D ELEGANCE CTD.

| Total | JUDGE A | JUDGE B | JUDGE C | JUDGE D | TOTAL |
|------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| Dave Pratt | 48 | 48.5 | 48.8 | 49 | 194.3 |
| Mark Rosenwinkel | 48.2 | 48.5 | 49.5 | 47.8 | 194.0 |
| Jaye Saarinen | 40 | 43.5 | 44.5 | 42 | 170.0 |
| Keith VanAtta | 38 | 34.1 | 39.5 | - | 111.6 |
| Ken Pepe | 27 | 27 | 26 | 25 | 105.0 |
| Mike Caudle | 18 | 21 | 19 | 17 | 75.0 |
| Fritz Zimmerman | 18 | 19 | 18 | 17 | 72.0 |
| Bruce Schmitt | 15 | 20 | 18 | 18 | 71.0 |
| Dave Kovach | 16 | 17 | 15 | 21 | 69.0 |
| Charles Fields | 12 | 14 | 14 | 15 | 55.0 |

Final Concours Order

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|------|------|
| 1 Dave Pratt | Houston, Texas | 97.3 | Pts. |
| 2 Mark Rosenwinkel | Tempe, Arizona | 97.3 | |
| 3 Jaye Saarinen | Chelsea, Michigan | 85.3 | |
| 4 Keith VanAtta | Southfield, Michigan | 72.1 | |
| 5 Ken Pepe | Lake Villa, Illinois | 53.0 | |
| 6 Mike Caudle | Flora, Illinois | 37.0 | |
| 7 Fritz Zimmerman | Flora, Illinois | 36.0 | |
| 8 Bruce Schmitt | Park Forest, Illinois | 36.0 | |
| 9 Dave Kovach | Cleveland, Ohio | 32.0 | |
| 10 Charles Fields | Laval, Quebec | 28.0 | |

AWARDS

- Main 1st- Trophy, \$50 cash, merchandice
- 2nd- Trophy, \$25 cash, merchandice
- 3rd- Trophy, \$15 cash, merchandice
- 4th- Trophy, \$10 cash, merchandice
- 5th- Trophy, merchandice
- 6th- Trophy, merchandice
- 7th- Trophy, merchandice
- 8th- Trophy, merchandice
- 9th to 31st- merchandice

Concours'd elegance

- 1st- Trophy, \$25 cash, merchandice
- 2nd- \$10 cash, merchandice

Qualifying

- 1st- Steve Brown, \$10

Miscelaneous

- Cream of the Crap Award
- Steve Brown Hairdrier AWard
- World Famous Pugsly Award

STATES REPRESENTED

| | |
|----------|----|
| ARIZONA | 1 |
| COLORADO | 1 |
| CANADA | 2 |
| ILLINOIS | 16 |
| INDIANA | 1 |
| MICHIGAN | 7 |
| OHIO | 2 |
| TEXAS | 1 |

ARMATURES

| | |
|------------------|---|
| Pennington 36 | 5 |
| Pennington 38/40 | 2 |
| Pennington 37 | 1 |
| Kemp 36 | 3 |
| Kemp 38/40 | 1 |
| Kemp unknown | 5 |
| Gardner 36 | 3 |
| Gardner 37 | 1 |
| TCP | 1 |
| Super II | 6 |
| A/FX Speedwind | 2 |

BODIES

| | | |
|-------|-----------------|---|
| BSRT | Chaparel 2F | 2 |
| Pizza | Ligiere | 2 |
| K+K | Porsche 908 | 9 |
| Parma | Porsche 917 | 3 |
| Pizza | Alfa T332 | 8 |
| Pizza | Monza | 2 |
| Pizza | Alpine | 1 |
| Pizza | Corvette | 3 |
| Pizza | Porsche Carrera | 1 |

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| Pizza | 17 |
| BSRT | 2 |
| K+K | 9 |
| Parma | 3 |

TIRE DRESSING

| | |
|------------|----|
| MCD | 3 |
| Dart | 14 |
| Champion | 1 |
| Stuck | 1 |
| Stick-It | 1 |
| G.R.I. Pro | 1 |
| REHCO | 1 |
| TCP | 2 |

MEDIA COVERAGE

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WAUKEGAN NEWS-SUN

TIRES

| | |
|--------|----|
| BMP | 6 |
| TCP | 20 |
| K&S | 1 |
| AJ's | 3 |
| Aurora | 1 |

CHASSIS

| | |
|--------|----|
| Aurora | 33 |
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CONTROLLERS

| | |
|----------------|----|
| Parma 10 | 3 |
| Parma 15 | 13 |
| Parma 20 | 3 |
| Parma 25 | 7 |
| Parma DBL. 25 | 2 |
| Parma 35 | 2 |
| Parma 40 | 1 |
| Parma 25-20-15 | 1 |

INTERIORS

| | |
|-------------|---|
| Rosenwinkel | 4 |
| Parma | 5 |
| Pizza | 2 |
| M.A.C. | 2 |

PAINT

| | |
|---------|----|
| Polly S | 19 |
| Floquil | 2 |
| Testors | 4 |
| Pactra | 2 |
| Palmer | 3 |
| Humbrol | 1 |
| TCL | 2 |
| Gardner | 1 |

GREASE

| | | | |
|------|---|----------|---|
| BMP | 5 | LaBelle | 1 |
| TCP | 4 | Bel-Ray | 1 |
| K+K | 9 | Big Al's | 2 |
| Mura | 2 | Aurora | 1 |

QUALIFYING ORDER

| NAME | BLUE | YELLOW | BEST |
|---------------------|-------|--------|-------|
| 1 Steve Brown | 18-10 | 15-35 | 18-10 |
| 2 Kim Bartholomew | 17-27 | 16-04 | 17-27 |
| 3 Joel Pennington | 16-15 | 16-22 | 16-22 |
| 4 Mark Rosenwinkel | 15-29 | 06-24 | 15-29 |
| 5 Russ Beall | 15-16 | 12-08 | 15-16 |
| 6 Tom Coyne | 14-39 | 12-03 | 14-39 |
| 7 Mike Caudle | 14-28 | 14-14 | 14-28 |
| 8 Herb Henson | 14-22 | 13-20 | 14-22 |
| 9 Brian Boehm | 14-22 | 12-40 | 14-22 |
| 10 Bruce Gardner | 14-02 | 13-09 | 14-02 |
| 11 Charles Fields | 12-44 | 10-37 | 12-44 |
| 12 Bruce Schmitt | 12-36 | 02-45 | 12-36 |
| 13 Pat McGee | 12-22 | 11-19 | 12-22 |
| 14 Norm Gardner | 12-20 | 12-03 | 12-20 |
| 15 Greg Gardner | 12-09 | 06-26 | 12-09 |
| 16 Ken Pepe | 12-08 | 06-37 | 12-08 |
| 17 Rick DeRosa | 12-06 | 08-13 | 12-06 |
| 18 Tony Doty | 03-23 | 12-03 | 12-03 |
| 19 Adrian Saarinen | 11-40 | 10-18 | 11-40 |
| 20 Dave Pratt | 11-39 | 10-44 | 11-39 |
| 21 Keith VanAtta | 11-11 | 02-25 | 11-11 |
| 22 Jaye Saarinen | 10-44 | 09-13 | 10-44 |
| 23 Paul Rosenwinkel | 10-32 | 09-14 | 10-32 |
| 24 Andy Fisher | 10-17 | 06-25 | 10-17 |
| 25 Dave Kovach | 09-42 | 08-32 | 09-42 |
| 26 Fritz Zimmerman | 09-11 | 03-28 | 09-11 |
| 27 David Cabambam | 09-10 | 08-20 | 09-10 |
| 28 John Schmidt | 07-30 | 04-19 | 07-30 |
| 29 Randy Ferguson | 00-08 | 07-06 | 07-06 |
| 30 Ken VanAtta | 05-12 | 04-19 | 05-12 |
| 31 Al Thurman | 04-34 | 04-32 | 04-34 |

RACE GRID

17 Rick DeRosa
21 Keith VanAtta
25 Dave Kovach
29 Randy Ferguson

18 Tony Doty
22 Jaye Saarinen
26 Fritz Zimmerman
30 Ken VanAtta

19 Adrian Saarinen
23 Paul Rosenwinkel
27 David Cabambam
31 Al Thurman

20 Dave Pratt
24 Andy Fisher
28 John Schmidt

9 Brian Boehm
13 Pat McGee

10 Bruce Gardner
14 Norm Gardner

11 Charles Fields
15 Greg Gardner

12 Bruce Schmitt
16 Ken Pepe

1 Steve Brown
5 Russ Beall

2 Kim Bartholomew
6 Tom Coyne

3b Joel Pennington
7 Mike Caudle

4 Mark Rosenwinkel
8 Herb Henson

THE RACES

A BRACKET C CONSI

| | LAPS PER SEGMENT | | | | TOTAL |
|----------------|------------------|------|------|------|-------|
| | 1ST | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | |
| Rick Derosa | B-19 | R-20 | Y-17 | G-17 | 73* |
| Keith VanAtta | R-21 | Y-21 | G-21 | B-19 | 82* |
| Dave Kovach | Y-17 | G-13 | B-14 | R-0 | 44-37 |
| Randy Ferguson | G-0 | B-0 | R-0 | Y-0 | 0 |

B BRACKET C CONSI

| | LAPS PER SEGMENT | | | | TOTAL |
|-----------------|------------------|------|------|------|-------|
| | 1ST | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | |
| Tony Doty | B-24** | R-21 | Y-23 | G-23 | 91* |
| Jaye Saarinen | R-16 | Y-6 | G-21 | B-8 | 51-35 |
| Fritz Zimmerman | Y-20 | G-21 | B-21 | R-13 | 75* |
| Ken VanAtta | G-10 | B-10 | R-12 | Y-1 | 33-46 |

C BRACKET C CONSI

| | LAPS PER SEGMENT | | | | TOTAL |
|------------------|------------------|------|------|------|-------|
| | 1ST | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | |
| Adrian Saarinen | R-20 | Y-20 | G-22 | B-22 | 83* |
| Paul Rosenwinkel | Y-16 | G-16 | B-20 | R-17 | 69-40 |
| David Cabambam | G-16 | B-19 | R-15 | Y-15 | 65-09 |
| Al Thurman | B-19 | R-20 | Y-19 | G-19 | 77* |

D BRACKET C CONSI

| | LAPS PER SEGMENT | | | | TOTAL |
|--------------|------------------|------|------|------|-------|
| | 1ST | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | |
| Dave Pratt | R-21 | Y-22 | G-18 | B-22 | 83* |
| Dave Pratt | R-21 | Y-22 | G-18 | B-22 | 83* |
| Andy Fisher | B-19 | R-17 | Y-18 | G-14 | 68-29 |
| John Schmidt | G-23 | B-23 | R-21 | Y-17 | 84* |

**Fastest segment for C Consi

* Move up to B Consi

THE RACES CTD.

| A BRACKET B CONSI | LAPS PER SEGMENT | | | | |
|-------------------|------------------|------|------|------|-------|
| | 1ST | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | TOTAL |
| Brian Boehm | Y-21 | G-21 | B-0 | R-27 | 69-35 |
| Pat McGee | B-25 | R-22 | Y-22 | G-25 | 94* |
| Keith VanAtta | R-14 | Y-0 | G-0 | B-0 | 14-0 |
| Rick DeRosa | G-18 | B-19 | Y-22 | R-19 | 78* |

| B BRACKET B CONSI | LAPS PER SEGMENT | | | | |
|-------------------|------------------|--------|------|------|-------|
| | 1ST | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | TOTAL |
| Bruce Gardner | G-27 | B-28** | R-25 | Y-20 | 100* |
| Norm Gardner | R-28 | Y-25 | G-24 | B-20 | 97* |
| Tony Doty | B-26 | R-24 | Y-22 | G-23 | 95-37 |
| Fritz Zimmerman | Y-18 | G-17 | B-2 | R-0 | 37-23 |

| C BRACKET B CONSI | LAPS PER SEGMENT | | | | |
|-------------------|------------------|------|------|------|-------|
| | 1ST | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | TOTAL |
| Charles Fields | R-26 | Y-26 | G-20 | B-27 | 99* |
| Greg Gardner | B-23 | R-22 | Y-23 | G-24 | 92-19 |
| Adrian Saarinen | Y-19 | G-23 | B-26 | R-25 | 93* |
| Al Thurman | G-7 | B-0 | R-0 | Y-0 | 7-20 |

| D BRACKET B CONSI | LAPS PER SEGMENT | | | | |
|-------------------|------------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| | 1ST | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | TOTAL |
| Bruce Schmitt | Y-8 | G-27 | B-28** | R-28** | 91* |
| Ken Pepe | R-20 | Y-20 | G-13 | B-19 | 72-41 |
| John Schmidt | B-26 | R-20 | Y-20 | G-22 | 88-13 |
| Dave Pratt | G-21 | B-24 | R-23 | Y-23 | 91* |

** Fastest segment foe B Consi

* Move up to A Consi

THE RACES CTD.

| A BRACKET SEMI-MAIN | LAPS PER SEGMENT | | | | | TOTAL |
|---------------------|------------------|------|------|------|--|-------|
| | 1ST | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | | |
| Steve Brown | G-34 | B-44 | R-38 | Y-36 | | 152* |
| Russ Beall | Y-16 | G-1 | B-0 | R-36 | | 53-01 |
| Pat McGee | B-40 | R-39 | Y-34 | G-40 | | 153* |
| Rick DeRosa | R-26 | Y-18 | G-23 | B-28 | | 95-46 |

| B BRACKET SEMI-MAIN | LAPS PER SEGMENT | | | | | TOTAL |
|---------------------|------------------|------|------|------|--|--------|
| | 1ST | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | | |
| Kim Bartholomew | R-40 | Y-37 | G-42 | B-35 | | 154* |
| Tom Coyne | G-38 | B-37 | R-23 | Y-36 | | 134-20 |
| Bruce Gardner | Y-34 | G-40 | B-29 | R-32 | | 135* |
| Norm Gardner | B-36 | R-18 | Y-34 | G-36 | | 124-01 |

| C BRACKET SEMI-MAIN | LAPS PER SEGMENT | | | | | TOTAL |
|---------------------|------------------|--------|--------|------|--|--------|
| | 1ST | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | | |
| Joel Pennington | Y-43 | G-48** | B-48** | R-47 | | 186* |
| Mike Caudle | R-39 | Y-40 | G-42 | B-44 | | 165* |
| Charles Fields | B-38 | R-18 | Y-0 | G-0 | | 56-17 |
| Adrian Saarinen | G-35 | B-35 | R-33 | Y-28 | | 131-35 |

| D BRACKET SEMI-MAIN | LAPS PER SEGMENT | | | | | TOTAL |
|---------------------|------------------|------|------|------|--|--------|
| | 1ST | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | | |
| Mark Rosenwinkel | G-40 | B-46 | R-46 | Y-44 | | 176* |
| Herb Henson | B-41 | R-42 | Y-42 | G-36 | | 161* |
| Dave Pratt | Y-30 | G-34 | B-36 | R-27 | | 127-17 |
| Bruce Schmitt | R-37 | Y-36 | G-38 | B-41 | | 152-17 |

** Fastest segment for semi-mains

* Move up to super semi-main

THE RACES CTD.

| AB BRACKET SUPER SEMI | LAPS PER SEGMENT | | | | TOTAL |
|-----------------------|------------------|------|------|------|--------|
| | 1ST | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | |
| Steve Brown | Y-56 | G-16 | B-30 | R-58 | 160-12 |
| Kim Bartholomew | R-60 | Y-57 | G-62 | B-57 | 236* |
| Pat McGee | B-48 | R-49 | Y-40 | G-47 | 184* |
| Bruce Gardner | G-46 | B-49 | R-52 | Y-33 | 180-36 |

| CD BRACKET SUPER SEMI | LAPS PER SEGMENT | | | | TOTAL |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------|------|------|--------|
| | 1ST | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | |
| Joel Pennington | Y-55 | G-67** | B-66 | R-62 | 250* |
| Mark Rosenwinkel | G-58 | B-61 | R-57 | Y-54 | 230* |
| Mike Caudle | R-57 | Y-52 | G-49 | B-25 | 183-28 |
| Herb Henson | B-52 | R-51 | Y-53 | G-52 | 208-15 |

** Fastest Super Semi-main segment

* Move up to main event

| MAIN EVENT | LAPS PER SEGMENT | | | | TOTAL |
|------------------|------------------|------|--------|------|-------|
| | 1ST | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | |
| Joel Pennington | Y-75 | G-79 | B-84** | R-77 | 315 |
| Mark Rosenwinkel | G-74 | B-76 | R-71 | Y-66 | 287 |
| Kim Bartholomew | R-78 | Y-72 | G-76 | B-78 | 304 |
| Pat McGee | B-67 | R-58 | Y-56 | G-55 | 236 |

** Fastest segment for main event

MAIN SHEET FOR 1976 HO NATIONALS

| | CHASSIS | ARMATURE | TIRES | BODY | CONTROLLER | GOOP | OIL | AGE | |
|---|------------------|-------------|------------------|------|---|----------|----------|---------|----|
| 1 | JOEL PENNINGTON | PENNINGTON | PENNINGTON 38-40 | TCP | BSP ^T PARREL 2F | PARMA 15 | DART | K+K | 20 |
| 2 | KIM BARTHOLOMEW | BARTHOLOMEW | PENNINGTON 36 | TCP | K ^H K ^H ORSCHHE 908 | PARMA 10 | DART | K+K | 24 |
| 3 | MARK ROSENWINKEL | PENNINGTON | PENNINGTON 36 | BMP | BSP ^T PARREL 2F | PARMA 10 | MCD | BMP | 18 |
| 4 | PAT MCGEE | B. GARDNER | KEMP | TCP | RTZ ^A T332 | PARMA 15 | STICK-IT | BEL-RAY | 25 |
| 5 | HERB HENSON | PENNINGTON | PENNINGTON 36 | TCP | K ^H ORSCHHE 908 | PARMA 15 | CHAMPION | TCP | 34 |
| 6 | MIKE CAUDLE | DEROSA | SUPER II | TCP | PARMA ^{MA} 917 | PARMA 40 | NONE | K+K | 16 |
| 7 | BRUCE GARDNER | B. GARDNER | PENNINGTON 36 | BMP | K ^H ORSCHHE 908 | PARMA 15 | STUCK | MURA | 18 |
| 8 | STEVE BROWN | BROWNE | KEMP 38-40 | TCP | K ^H ORSCHHE 908 | PARMA 15 | DART | K+K | 22 |

FINAL RACE ORDER

| | RACE | CONCOURS | QUALIFYING |
|------------------|------|----------|------------|
| Joel Pennington | 1 | X | 3 |
| Kim Bartholomew | 2 | X | 2 |
| Mark Rosenwinkel | 3 | 2 | 4 |
| Pat McGee | 4 | X | 13 |
| Herb Henson | 5 | X | 8 |
| Mike Caudle | 6 | 6 | 7 |
| Bruce Gardner | 7 | X | 10 |
| Steve Brown | 8 | X | 1 |
| Bruce Schmitt | 9 | 8 | 12 |
| Tom Coyne | 10 | X | 6 |
| Adrian Saarinen | 11 | X | 19 |
| Dave Pratt | 12 | 1 | 20 |
| Norm Gardner | 13 | X | 14 |
| Rick DeRosa | 14 | X | 17 |
| Charles Fields | 15 | 10 | 11 |
| Russ Beall | 16 | X | 5 |
| Tony Doty | 17 | X | 18 |
| Greg Gardner | 18 | X | 15 |
| John Schmidt | 19 | X | 28 |
| Ken Pepe | 20 | 5 | 16 |
| Brian Boehm | 21 | X | 9 |
| Fritz Zimmerman | 22 | 7 | 26 |
| Keith VanAtta | 23 | 4 | 21 |
| Al Thurman | 24 | X | 31 |
| Paul Rosenwinkel | 25 | X | 23 |
| Andy Fisher | 26 | X | 24 |
| David Cabambam | 27 | X | 27 |
| Jaye Saarinen | 28 | 3 | 22 |
| Dave Kovach | 29 | 9 | 25 |
| Ken VanAtta | 30 | X | 30 |
| Randy Ferguson | 31 | X | 29 |