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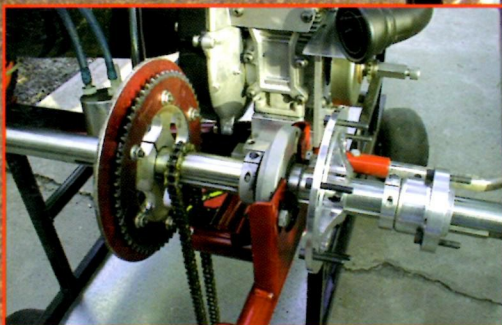
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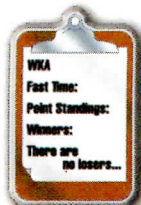
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Front-row action from the Raptor 200!



Race Report

Story & Photos by
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Marshalltown - The third race of the WKA Constructors' Championship Series was held in the heart of the Midwest, Iowa International Raceway in



Photos:

1. Formula Y Sr.; #28 Matt Farber, #22 Todd Bolton
2. Formula Y Jr.; #27 Robbie Pecorari with James Giacomelli (Former CCS Racer) starting engine
3. Sr. North American; #23 Eric Jobe, #22 Todd Bolton, #97 Kevin Christenson
4. Jr. North American; #43 Chris Siegle, #28 Adam Pecorari

CCS from Marshalltown, Iowa



Marshalltown, IA on June 11-13 1999. The track is .6 mile sprint asphalt with 2 400-foot straits and nine turns.

Going into this race as Junior North American points leader is Colin Fleming of North Hills, CA with three previous first place finishes. Second in points is Matt Jaskol of Las Vegas, NV, and third Chris Siegle of Weatherby Lake, MO. The Junior North American class was the first out to qualify after Saturday morning's practice sessions. Siegle captured the pole with a fast time of 36.615 followed by Adam Pecorari at 36.782. There was only .767 seconds between the Siegle and the last place qualifier making for an intensely competitive JNA field. The first heat saw Siegle initially lead with Fleming and Pecorari in hot pursuit. Pecorari passed Fleming on the third lap and moved up to hug Siegle's bumper for the next four laps. At lap eight Pecorari took over the lead for the rest of the heat. Siegle kept up the pace with Pecorari but wasn't able to regain the lead leaving Pecorari first, Siegle second and Fleming third. Heat three once again saw Siegle come out on top in the dash to the first turn. Siegle led the first for laps with Pecorari one tenth of a second off his bumper and Irving at times less than a tenth off Pecorari. Irving and Siegle teamed up and drafted by Pecorari on lap ten and remained in that formation to the finish. Irving finished first with a lap time of 37.020, Siegle second at .090 seconds behind Irving and Pecorari third just .129 seconds behind Siegle. The intensity of Saturday's competition was carried over to Final 1 of the JNA class. At times there were only .110 seconds between the top four karts, and some had faster lap times than the leader in their pursuit of the podium. Fleming immediately grabbed the lead hotly pressed by Irving, Siegle, Pecorari, Mason, Michael McDowell, and Irving in that order. On lap five Siegle and Irving traded a little paint



Photos:

1. Formula A; #1 Kyle Herder
2. Formula Y Sr.; #16 Ryan Thompson, #34 Cory Turner
3. Jr. North American; #28 Adam Pecorari
4. Formula A; #82 Tophie Stewart, #26 Brandon Whitt

just after the turn in to the back straight. Both kissed the tire barrier. Siegle was able to extract himself from the tire trap and continue, but Irving wasn't so lucky and remained

there the rest of the race. While Irving and Siegle were involved in their little off-road excursion, Fleming and Jessie Mason took up positions two and three respectively. Fleming maintained his second position the rest of the race. Siegle caught back up to Mason and retrieved third place from Mason on lap twelve to finish third. Final 2 was run on rain tires in sometimes-steady rain. Siegle didn't even get one lap in as his engine died on the start. Pecorari led on the wet asphalt from laps two to the end followed by Mason second, and Irving third.

Chris Carmody of Valencia, CA leads the Formula Yamaha Jr. class in points with Clark Figueras of Los Angeles, CA second, and Mike Mason of Bakersfield, CA third. In Formula Yamaha Jr qualifying Mike Mason posted the fastest time of 38.035 followed by Robbie Pecorari with 38.318 and David Thompson at 38.335. Sixteen competitors started the first Heat. Pecorari initially led the first two laps when Mason took over and finished the heat out front. Pecorari was on Mason's bumper the whole way looking for an opportunity to take back lead position. David Thompson ran a consistent third until he passed Pecorari on lap Fourteen. Unfortunately Thompson was DQ'ed in tech leaving Mason first, Pecorari second and Carmody third. Final 1 of the Formula Yamaha Jr class saw Mason initially leading with Carmody second and Justin Carmody a close third. On lap three Justin Carmody passed both his brother Chris and Mason to lead until Chris Carmody and Mason both passed back into first and second positions respectively on lap eight. Mason grabbed the lead for three laps and Chris Carmody took back the lead on the last lap to finish first with Mason second. While first, second and third positions were being hotly contested; David Thompson who was in eleventh position on the first lap worked his way up one position a lap throughout the race. By lap nine Thompson was pressing for Justin Carmody's position and made the pass for third with just three laps to go. Final 2 of the Formula Yamaha Jr class was the only one of the second set of finals to not run in the rain. Chris Carmody led

only lap one and the lap that counts to take his second first place finish of the day. Mason lead all the in-between laps and finished second. The trio of Justin Carmody, Thompson, and Charlie Kimball ran bumper to bumper for third place. They rounded the track in unison lap after lap. Thompson managed to pass Carmody on lap nine and held off Justin and Kimball for the rest of the race.

With three first place finishes, Kevin cross of Lakeside CA leads the point chase in the Senior North American class. Andy Swanson of Rancho Santa Fe CA is second and George Buhr Jr of Neosho MO is third. Cory Turner captured the pole position with a qualifying time of 36.238 followed by Troy Hottmann with 36.472. In the Saturday Heat Troy Hottmann lead from start to finish with Philip Carlson running second. In the first lap third place runner Cory Turner lost a wheel just before turn nine. The wheel rolled through the grass and across the track right in-between Hottmann and Carlson who had just rounded turn ten then continued on well into the corn field. Andy Swanson moved up three positions from his start to finish third. Final 1 was a repeat of Saturdays' Heat with Hottmann leading all the way. Swanson was close behind leaning in on the straits trying hard to gain enough momentum to pass. Carlson followed in third position and Scott Evans fourth. All defended their positions leaving Hottman first. Swanson finished second, but was docked three positions for pushing on the start, leaving second place to Carlson, and third to Evans. The second Final of the Senior North American class was the first to be blessed with rain and on slicks no less. Lap times became progressively slower and rounding corners more cautious as the amount of rain slowly increased. Carlson led the first six laps until second place runner Mark Beard took over the lead for three laps until the race was called for rain ending on lap ten. Beard finished first and Hottmann managed to pass second runner Carlson for one lap, but Carlson regained second just before the race was called leaving Hottmann in third.



Photos:

1. Formula Y A; #4 Jonathan Urlin
2. Formula 125c; #82 Tophie Stewart
3. Sr. North American; #12 Scott Evans
4. Formula Y Jr.; #91 Charlie Kimball

Darren Elliott of Canyon County, CA dominates the Formula 125c class, with an impressive four top finishes. Second in points is George Barks Jr of Redondo Beach, Ca, and third is Anthony Simone of Aurora Ontario, CN. Fastest qualifier was Curtis Ruth with 35.963 followed by Matt Hottmann with 36.147. Ruth dominated the Heat pole to pole followed by Hottmann in second and Barks in third. Ruth again led the first Final this time with Barks second and

Hottmann third. Final 2 Tophie Stewert over-came his engine problems in previous races and dominated the last Final to take his first win in Formula 125c, with Hottmann second and Barks third.

The Formula Yamaha Senior points leader going into this third round is Kevin Christensen of Castiac, CA with Matt Farber of Oklahoma City, OK second and Shane Thomas of Bakersfield CA third. Fastest qualifying time was set at 38.571 by Cory Turner with Eric Jobe second at 38.779. Jobe, who has just moved up to the senior classes this year, lead the first five laps of the Heat followed by Turner and Todd Bolton. On lap six Turner took over for the rest of the race only to be DQ'ed in tech leaving Jobe first, Bolton second and Christensen third. Sunday Jobe was uncatchable in both Finals. The only lap he did not lead was lap three of Final 1. In Final 1 Bolton ran second and Christensen third each hunting for a chance to up their positions respectively, but to no avail. Final 2 'runaway' Jobe was as good on rain as on dry and led Ryan Thompson to second place and Bolton to third.

Jonathan Strohm is the point leader going into this race with three third place finishes. Second in points is Bakersfield CA native, Joey Collins and third Dan Schmalshof of Adair IL. Canadian, Kyle Herder posted the fastest qualifying time of 35.705 and made a clean sweep in Saturday's three heats. Strohm was a consistent second in qualifying and the first two heats, but had engine problems and was out on the first lap of the third heat. Heat 1, Herder distanced himself from the pack and maintained a comfortable lead. Brandon Whitt and Collins fought lap by lap for third place. Whitt commanded third then Collins, then Whitt. Meanwhile Steve Welk had moved up on the pair and managed to get between them on the last lap. The finish was Herder first, Strohm second, Whitt third, and Welk fourth. Heat 2 started out Herder leading Strohm and Whitt round and round. A close knit trio of karts consisting of Schmalshof, Jonathan Urlin, and Tophie Stewert all vied for fourth. Unfortunately Welk stuck his engine and was out of the chase on lap one.

About mid-race Whitt began to lose ground and Schmalshof lead his trio up one position. The finish was Herder, Strohm, Schmalshof, Urlin, and Stewart. FA Heat 3 once again saw the yellow number one out front lap after lap. This time Strohm had problems and was out before lap one completed. Schmalshof took up the chase followed by Stewart and Whitt. Catching Herder was not to happen on Saturday.

In Sunday's finals Herder's only lead was the first lap of the first Final with mechanical problems causing him to fall back. Schmalshof took up the lead for the rest of Final 1 followed alternately by Herder, Strohm, and then successfully by Whitt. Meanwhile Stewart had worked his

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Round 3 - Iowa

International Raceway,

Marshalltown, IA

June 11 - 13, 1999

FORMULA A - FINAL 1

1. Dan Schmalshof
2. Brandon Whitt
3. Jonathan Urlin
4. Tophie Stewart
5. Steve Welk
6. Tommy Mayr
7. Mark Vielgut
8. Kyle Herder
9. Scott Kennedy
10. Joey Collins

FORMULA A - FINAL 2

1. Brandon Whitt
2. Steve Welk
3. Jonathan Strohm
4. Mark Vielgut
5. Tommy Mayr
6. Jonathan Urlin
7. Kyle Herder
8. Greg Gleisner
9. Scott Kennedy
10. Tophie Stewart

JR NA - FINAL 1

1. Adam Pecorari
2. Colin Fleming
3. Chris Siegle
4. Jesse Mason
5. Michael McDowell
6. Travis Irving

JR NA - FINAL 2

1. Adam Pecorari
2. Jesse Mason
3. Travis Irving
4. Colin Fleming
5. Chris Siegle
6. Michael McDowell

FORM. YAM. JR - FINAL 1

1. Chris Carmody
2. Mike Mason
3. David Thompson

4. Justin Carmody
5. John Johnson
6. Lawson Aschenbach
7. Adam Johnson
8. Carl Scott
9. Stephen Spurlock
10. Frannie Humphrey

FORM. YAM. JR - FINAL 2

1. Chris Carmody
2. Mike Mason
3. David Thompson
4. Charlie Kimball
5. Justin Carmody
6. John Johnson
7. Carl Scott
8. Adam Johnson
9. Lawson Aschenbach
10. Allen Knott

FORM. YAM. SR - FINAL 1

1. Eric Jobe
2. Todd Bolton
3. Kevin Christensen
4. Cory Turner
5. Matt Farber
6. Ryan Thompson
7. Blake Clements
8. George Buhr, Jr
9. Paul Montopoli

FORM. YAM. SR - FINAL 2

1. Eric Jobe
2. Ryan Thompson
3. Todd Bolton
4. Kevin Christensen
5. Blake Clements
6. Matt Farber
7. Cory Turner

SR NA - FINAL 1

1. Troy Hottman
2. Phillip Carlson
3. Scott Evans
4. Mark Beard
5. Andy Swanson
6. George Buhr, Jr
7. James Willis
8. Jason Mullen
9. Kevin Cross
10. Justin Stefani

way up to third position by lap fourteen and held it until three laps from the end when Jonathan Urlin passed. Third place Strohm had to work for his trophy. Strohm was in seventh position on the first lap. It took him eight laps to put himself in third, but for only three laps, as Greg Gleisner who had followed Strohm up to the front took over third for the next three laps. Strohm regained his position on lap fifteen and kept it for the rest of the way. Mother Nature seemed determined to test the driving skills of the FA class as Final 2 was run in intermittent showers. Whitt ran smoothly and consistently in the rain to lead the entire race to a first place finish. Steve Welk of Franklin WI followed in second and Strohm was third.

SR NA - FINAL 2

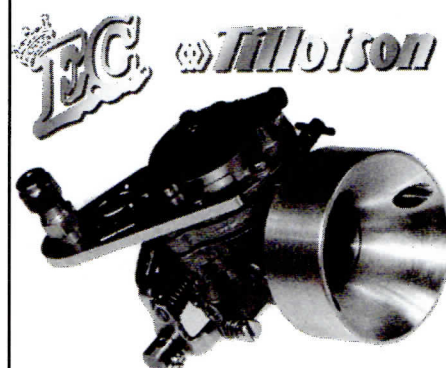
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4. George Buhr, Jr
5. Andy Swanson
6. James Willis
7. Scott Evans
8. Kevin Cross
9. Jason Mullen
10. Cory Turner

FORM. 125C - FINAL 1

1. Curtis Ruth
2. George Barks
3. Matt Hottman
4. Tophie Stewart

FORM. 125C - FINAL 2

1. Tophie Stewart
2. Matt Hottman
3. George Barks
4. Curtis Ruth



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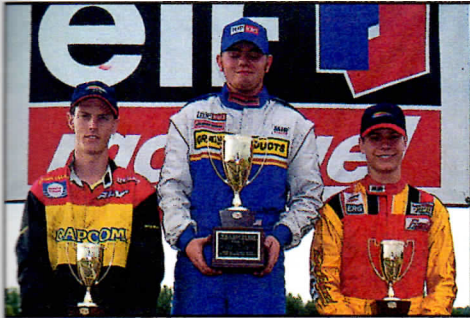
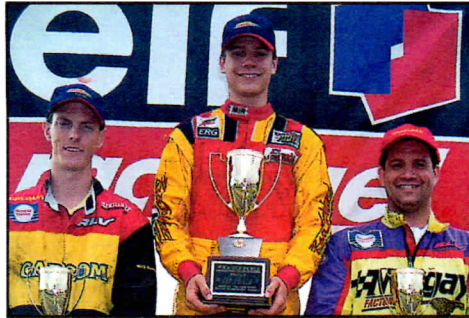
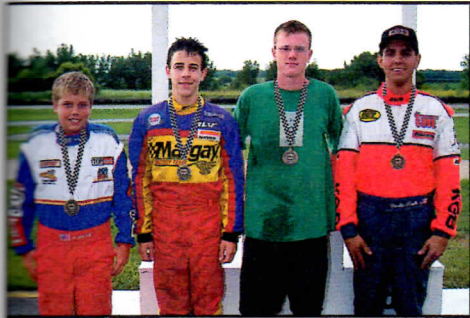
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Photo Gallery

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1. Fast Time Qualifiers: (L to R) Formula Y Jr. Mike Mason, Jr. NA Chris Siegle, Formula A Kyle Herder, Formula 125c Curtis Ruth
2. JNA Final #1; (L to R) 1st Adam Pecorari, 3rd Chris Siegle, 2nd Colin Fleming (not shown)
3. Sr NA; (L to R) Final #2; 2nd Phillip Carlson, 1st Mark Beard, 3rd Troy Hottmann
4. Formula Yamaha Sr; (L to R) Final #1; 2nd Todd Bolton, 1st Eric Jobe, 3rd Kevin Christenson

Photos:

1. Formula A Final #1; (L to R) 2nd Brandon Whitt, 1st Dan Schmalsof, 3rd Jonathan Urlin
2. Sr NA; (L to R) Final #1; 2nd Phillip Carlson, 1st Troy Hottmann, 3rd Scott Evans
3. Formula 125c; Final #1; (L to R) 2nd George Barks, Jr., 1st Curtis Ruth, 3rd Matt Hottmann
4. Formula 125c; Final #1; (L to R) 2nd Matt Hottmann, 1st Tophie Stewart, 3rd George Barks, Jr.

Photos:

1. JNA; Final #2; (L to R) 2nd Jesse Mason, 1st Adam Pecorari, 3rd Travis Irving
2. Formula Yamaha Sr; (L to R) Final #2; 2nd Ryan Thompson, 1st Eric Jobe, 3rd Todd Bolton
3. Formula A; Final #2; (L to R) 2nd Steve Welk, 1st Brandon Whitt, 3rd Jonathan Strohm
4. Formula Yamaha, Jr; (L to R) Final #1 & Final #1; 2nd Mike Mason, 1st Chris Carmody, 3rd David Thompson