

# **CalSpeed**

## KARTING



**WINTER SUBCHAMPIONSHIPS IN THE BOOKS! TYLER  
REDMAN SCORES TITLE IN SPRINT SERIES, PAULO  
FRANCA GETS THE SUBCHAMP IN IRONMAN**

**MAY - 2019**





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## **ROUND 3 MAY 11**

**T**he threat of rain loomed in the days ahead of Tri-C Karters round #3, but instead it would be (mostly) sunny skies that would welcome the series this past Saturday. The chance of inclement weather kept a few people away on race day, but the CSK Racing group would still see several drivers on the podium when the final checkers flew...

### **100CC TAG MASTERS**

The ultra competitive 100cc Masters class would again be hard fought, with the development of the VLR chassis for the category helmed by Mark Connell. Once again he was a threat for the front all day, narrowly missing out on his second pole position in qualifying. Starting from P2, he would lead the majority of the first heat before finally settling for second after a last lap pass. In the second heat he would slot into second spot, but motor woes would see him slip to third before the checkers fell.

The CSK Racing team would make a few adjustments between the final heat and the Main, a race that would see a pair of red flags before the 16 laps ran out. Although he would get a solid start, the first red flag would negate all, with no green flag laps being completed. The second start would see him come out of the first few curves in 3rd, and it looked likely another podium was in the works before the second red flag came out and bunched up the field. After the restart, Connell would slip one more spot, the team missing the setup a bit this time around. Finishing just off the podium wasn't what Connell wanted, but it still was a solid points day in the championship, where he currently sits 2nd.

### **100CC TAG MASTERS (TOP 5)**

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| 1. Robert Perez   | 795 |
| 2. Mark Connell   | 761 |
| 3. Steve Jasinski | 744 |
| 4. Bryan Williams | 712 |
| 5. Chad Hawkins   | 704 |

### **206 MASTERS**

The CSK Racing trio of Lukas Dziemidok, Jose da Silva, and Sean Bradley would be at the front all day for 206 Masters, with da Silva scoring first via his first pole position of the season. Dziemidok would strike back in heat one however, scoring the win with da Silva and Bradley -who scored fast lap- right on his heels. Heat 2 would be more of the same, the three drivers breaking away from the rest of the field and finishing 1-2-3 in the same order; again with Bradley coming away quickest.

The Main unfortunately would not go as smoothly, as Bradley would befall trouble in lap one, forcing him to fight back from last right away, eventually settling for 4th. Jose da Silva would be right in the thick of the fight however, leading from the start with Dziemidok just behind. Lukas took his turn at the front after a couple of laps, the duo working together to try and pull away from the rest of the field. About halfway through however, they began to swap positions, and with just a couple of laps to go, it was Lukas in front of Jose. A small mistake from Da Silva would see him slip down the charts, however, allowing Lukas to cruise to his 2nd win in a row for the season.

### **206 MASTERS (TOP 5)**

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| 1. Lukas Dziemidok | 800 |
| 2. Jose da Silva   | 767 |
| 3. Steve Jasinski  | 746 |
| 4. Sean Bradley    | 720 |
| 5. Mikey Griffin   | 713 |

### **SENIOR 206**

Green-white-checkered qualifying for the 206 Senior category would be a close one, with CSK Racing's TJ Blackledge just missing out on pole position, followed by stablemates Lukas Dziemidok, Seth Willits and Sean Bradley. Once the green fell for the first heat race however, the driver on point was Blackledge, getting out to a comfortable lead after a turn 1 scuffle behind him, and cruising to the win. Unfortunately the aforementioned trio of Dziemidok, Willits, and Bradley would all get collected, and push to get back towards the front. The second heat would be a tougher task, as TJ held off the charge from karting vet Riley Dugan for the top spot, and his second heat win. Behind him, point leader Willits made good on his continued fight to the front, finishing 3rd and in position to finish with solid points.



The start of the Main would see Blackledge out front early, slipping to 2nd after a couple of laps, albeit still right on the heels for the win with Lukas in tow as well. This was after trouble befell Willits, who again found himself having to reel back in the front runners. The lead trio would be able to pull away a bit from the infighting behind them, until the late stages of the race where they started to lose a little ground to the lead. Suddenly, Blackledge would go out after losing a chain, leaving Dziemidok on his own, and out of the draft of the lead. By this time Willits had closed the gap however, and would find his way by to finish second, with teammate Dziemidok in third.

#### **206 SENIOR (TOP 5)**

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| 1. Seth Willits    | 790 |
| 2. Riley Dugan     | 775 |
| 3. Dakota Tate     | 757 |
| 4. Lukas Dziemidok | 714 |
| 5. Adam Nagao      | 708 |

CSK Racing would like to again thank all of their customers for coming out last weekend, as well as congratulate all of our drivers for their success in Round #3. We're looking forward to Round #4 on the Grande CCW configuration in a little over a month on June 15th! Want to get in on the fun? Hit us up to get on track in one of our rental packages, or inquire about how you can get coaching from some of the best in the 206 business. And remember, CSK Racing offers VLR kart and part sales trackside at CalSpeed Karting, so feel free to hit us up for all your VLR needs!



















# **SPRINT SERIES**

ARRIVE AND DRIVE | KART RACING

ROUND 5 - MAY 4

## **A-Main**

**A-Main WINNER**

***Chase Nickells***

### **A MAIN RESULTS**

- 1) Chase Nickells
- 2) Tyler Redman
- 3) Seth Willits
- 4) Evan Lawrence
- 5) Ayrton Demoss



# B-Main

**B-Main WINNER**

***Jacob Abrams***

## B MAIN RESULTS

- 1) Jacob Abrams
- 2) James Lieser
- 3) Randy McKee
- 4) Zachary Francavilla
- 5) Juan Ricart

# C-Main

**C-Main WINNER**

***Mike Carlson***

## C MAIN RESULTS

- 1) Mike Carlson
- 2) Ferdie Ang
- 3) John Barry
- 4) Pedro de la Hoya
- 5) Scott Head



# SPRINT SERIES

ARRIVE AND DRIVE | KART RACING

## ROUND 5 - MAY 4

The Winter Subchampionship set the tone for Sprint Series R5 with several hopefuls looking to take home the title. With beautiful Socal weather on the drivers' sides, the race would prove to be a boon for one driver in particular, as he scored not only his first podium, but would also make that appearance on the highest step...

Tecnico earns its name as one of the most technical configurations here at CalSpeed, thus providing a playing ground for drivers to have to figure things out fast. The man who would make it happen in qualifying was none other than overall points leader Tyler Redman.

The start of heat 1C saw Chase Nickells immediately taking possession of the top seat but he would have Seth Willits to contend with. Both teamed up and kept in line for the whole of the race as the battle behind raged on. Nickells and Willits would cross the checkered in respective order and Tony Wika would score third post-race after penalties were delved out to other drivers.

The A-Main proved to be a fun one to watch. Eyes were on Redman, overall points leader and nearly-in-the-bag Winter Subchamp, and there was podium hopeful Nickells just a hair's length behind. After only a lap, both Nickells and Willits had inched ever closer to Redman's bumper, the group of three separating from the pack. After another lap, Nickells now had the lead—Redman was right behind though, leaving absolutely zero breathing room for his rival. Each lap had to be perfect and with the pressure on high, the top two began moving away from Willits who was comfortably in third. At the white flag, it would seem there was no chance for Redman—the checkered finally came and it would be Nickells with his first career win in the Sprint Series.

Officially, the first half of the Sprint Series is now behind us, and with that, Tyler Redman crowned winner of the Sprint Series Winter Subchampionship. Despite being points leader, he still has yet to actually get the big W but has stood on the second step for 3 consecutive races up until this point. Nickells, having now risen up the rankings to be 2nd overall, is scheduled to miss exactly 2 rounds in the last half of the season, so perfection weighs heavily on his mind. He has only 10 points over Ronnie Swaim Jr in 3rd and that's a gap that can be easily closed. We begin anew with the Summer Subchampionship in June and we're left with a big question mark on what will become of the Overall championship...



**A Main Podium**



**B-Main Winner Jacob Abrams**



**C-Main Winner Mike Carlson**



# SPRINT SERIES

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## Current Standings

| Name               | Points w/drop |
|--------------------|---------------|
| 1) Tyler Redman    | 885 (253)     |
| 2) Chase Nickells  | 865 (252)     |
| 3) Ronnie Swaim Jr | 855 (230)     |
| 4) Seth Willits    | 835 (250)     |
| 5) Pietro Moro     | 833 (205)     |

## Winter Sub Championship Final Standings

| Name               | Points w/drop |
|--------------------|---------------|
| 1) Tyler Redman    | 1138 (195)    |
| 2) Chase Nickells  | 1117 (249)    |
| 3) Seth Willits    | 1085 (242)    |
| 4) Ronnie Swaim Jr | 1085 (189)    |
| 5) Pietro Moro     | 1038 (194)    |









# IronMan Winner

*Jose da Silva*

## IRONMAN RESULTS

- 1) Jose da Silva
- 2) Paulo Franca
- 3) Diego Morales
- 4) Sean Fite
- 5) Tyler Redman
- 6) Bill Kreig
- 7) Max Demoss Sr
- 8) Randy McKee
- 9) Alexander Bermudez
- 10) Ariel Rubio







## IRONMAN

ONE HOUR ENDURANCE RACE

### ROUND 5 - MAY 18

The fifth round in the 2019 IronMan series would see Jose da Silva lead the field away for the second time this year, the field of thirty drivers taking to the Tecnico layout for the hour long contest. It was not only the fifth of ten rounds in the overall championship, it was also the deciding round for the Winter Sub-Championship, a best 4 out of 5 contest with four drivers still in the hunt.

Da Silva would maintain command of the race for the opening quarter of the event, tailed by Diego Morales -who started in second- and then by Chris Huerta. Huerta would take over the top spot on lap, but shortly thereafter felt something was amiss, and checked his ballast tube for weight, which came up disappointingly empty. That would spell the end of his hopes for a possible win, and knowing he would essentially finish last no matter what, parked it for the event.

Huerta's misfortune however would see Paulo Franca inherit the lead, the point leader having worked his way up from the 14th position to top spot in twenty laps. The race would be in control of Franca over the next 20 or so laps, with the aforementioned Morales and da Silva working to together to stay in touch.

Pit stops would be what would remove Franca from the top spot, making his way down pit road for the first time on lap 40 with just a little under twenty minutes to play. His rivals to the top spot would both have pit already, and when he exited he would still be clear of their advances. Electing to pit again just two laps later, an error in the pits would yet again see the leader forced through the penalty box.

With the top three taking to pit lane, this gave title hopeful Sean Fite a chance to lead, snagging the valuable bonus points for his single lap out front before heading down pit lane himself. This would hand the lead over to Adam Nagao, who would stay there until about three to go. Although he may have been the leader on course, the proper fight for the win would be from the original trio, fighting further back in the field via their alternate strategies. But before there was a fight for the lead, there was the need for a rebound; Franca bounced back from his penalty to first catch and pass Morales, and then set his sights on da Silva.

Catching him with just a couple of laps to go, Franca made the move into bypass as they came to the white, the duo exiting on to the main straight side by side. Da Silva would win the drag race into the first corner, and then proceed to hold off his fellow Brazilian to score his second win of the season. For Franca, the frustration at the podium was clear of having another win slip through his fingers, but he could take solace in knowing he did enough to secure the Winter Series Sub-championship. Making it an all-South American podium, native Colombian Diego Morales would join them on the box with his second podium of the season.



## Points After 2 Drops - Best Drop

|    |               |     |      |     |               |     |      |
|----|---------------|-----|------|-----|---------------|-----|------|
| 1) | Paulo Franca  | 291 | (85) | 6)  | Sam Hunt      | 252 | (18) |
| 2) | Sean Fite     | 279 | (80) | 7)  | Luis Calderon | 240 | (60) |
| 3) | Jose da Silva | 273 | (48) | 8)  | Steve Spring  | 227 | (54) |
| 4) | Diego Morales | 261 | (42) | 9)  | Chris Huerta  | 220 | (48) |
| 5) | Alyssa Yauney | 253 | (57) | 10) | Max Demoss Sr | 216 | (51) |














A kart driver wearing a black and white racing suit with red accents, a helmet with 'ARTINI' and 'Rethmans' logos, and a kart with the number '23' and 'Mobil 1 RACING' branding, is celebrating a victory with arms raised. The background is a blurred racetrack.

# **SUPER** **SERIES**

ARRIVE AND DRIVE | KART RACING

ROUND 5 - MAY 18

## **A-Main**

**A-Main WINNER**

***Diego Morales***

### **A MAIN RESULTS**

- 1) Diego Morales [M]
- 2) Sam Hunt
- 3) Paulo Franca
- 4) Taylor Hays
- 5) Jose da Silva [M]
- 6) Adam Nagao
- 7) Alyssa Yaunev
- 8) Chris Huerta
- 9) Spencer Russell [S]
- 10) Sean Fite



# B-Main

B-Main WINNER

***TJ Blackledge***

## B MAIN RESULTS

|   |    |                   |
|---|----|-------------------|
| 1 | 51 | TJ Blackledge     |
| 2 | 43 | Scott Milne [S]   |
| 3 | 42 | Pietro Moro [S]   |
| 4 | 45 | John Rice [GM][S] |
| 5 | 33 | Evan Lawrence [S] |

# C-Main

C-Main WINNER

***Bryan Schubert***

## C MAIN RESULTS

|   |    |                      |
|---|----|----------------------|
| 1 | 33 | Bryan Schubert [S]   |
| 2 | 31 | Brad Harvey [M][S]   |
| 3 | 43 | Chaofan Hou [S]      |
| 4 | 45 | Victor Castro [S]    |
| 5 | 28 | Jeff Latimer [GM][S] |



# **SUPER SERIES**

ARRIVE AND DRIVE | KART RACING

**ROUND 5 - MAY 18**

**T**ecnico would play host to the fifth round in the 2019 Super Series championship, the first of two times the marquee series would see the challenging layout this year. Typically a place where the more experienced drivers thrive, this round would again see a new face split a pair of veterans once the final checkers fell...

Leaving right where he left off a month ago, round #4 winner Bill Kreig secured his 5th career pole position in green/white/checkered qualifying, with 2019 standout qualifier Adam Nagao in 2nd, and title contender Paulo Franca in third. The trio would lead their respective heat races away at the end of them; instead that honor would go to Sam Hunt, Diego Morales, and Jose da Silva. The second heat would of course see the top ten inverted, this time with a different trio of drivers coming out on top. Although a big name in sport karting, it had been an almost 2-year hiatus for Aaron Downs— his heat win showed he hadn't lost a step. 2018 champ Alyssa Yauney and series veteran Taylor Hays would secure the final two heat victories, the latter running one of his last events of the season ahead of a move back east.

The main events would kick off with the C-Main, with Chaofan Hou leading the field at the start, but not through the first few corners. Brad Harvey would have that honor instead, however that wouldn't last to the end of the lap, as Chaofan countered to take the lead back. It wasn't just a mano-e-mano affair however, as Bryan Schubert made his presence known early, moving from third to second on lap 3, before taking over the lead on lap 4. From there it was all Schubert, assisted slightly by the infighting going on behind him, he cruised to a C-Main win at the end, and with it the B-Main transfer.

The penultimate main of the day would see newcomer Mike Carlson in position number one at the start, commanding a field of thirty that all wanted that final transfer spot out of the B-Main, and into the big show. Unfortunately for the new guy, he had a lot of experience right on his doorstep, as former Sprint Series champ and Super Series rookie of the year TJ Blackledge made short work to get into the lead. To his credit, Carlson would hang tough for the next few circuits, until up and coming talent Scott Milne took over the runner up spot with about seven laps to go. Milne would take the fight to Blackledge all the way to the flag, keeping the pressure on, coming up just .084 seconds short at the line.

As we have seen ever since the start of the 10-driver invert, consistency pays better than just scoring a single heat win, and Paulo Franca proved this point with the A-Main pole position via a pair of 2nds. Sam Hunt would line up along side with a heat win and a third, while Adam Nagao slotted into third with a pair of top threes, with heat race winner Diego Morales completing the second row. The driver to



**Pole - Bill Kreig**



**A Main Podium**



**B-Main Winner TJ Blackledge**



**C-Main Winner Bryan Schubert**





Super Series Points Leader Sean Fite

## Super Series Points - Best Drop

|    |                   |            |     |              |            |
|----|-------------------|------------|-----|--------------|------------|
| 1) | Sean Fite         | 1154 (360) | 6)  | Bill Kreig   | 1087 (340) |
| 2) | Patrick Britain   | 1139 (0)   | 7)  | Adam Nagao   | 1077 (304) |
| 3) | Paulo Franca      | 1128 (333) | 8)  | Sam Hunt     | 1075 (307) |
| 4) | Diego Morales [M] | 1125 (0)   | 9)  | Chris Huerta | 1050 (330) |
| 5) | Jose da Silva [M] | 1108 (338) | 10) | Taylor Hays  | 1048 (302) |



2nd in Points  
Patrick Britain



3rd in Points  
Paulo Franca



watch would be Morales, the veteran slotting into third early, biding his time while both Franca and Hunt traded the top spot throughout the opening laps. By the halfway point Morales saw a chance to move forward, taking the fight to the younger driver, with Hunt dutifully taking up the position of pusher. Morales would waste no time going for the lead however, and would find his way past Franca just a lap later, slotting into second. The trio would stay nose to tail for the next few laps until Hunt found his way past Franca, once again throwing out the tow hooks to solidify his spot in P2. With Morales leading and Hunt pushing, the duo would be able to gap Franca, cruising to a 1-2 finish, while Franca secured his second podium of the year. It would be career podium number one for Hunt, and the 6th career win for the veteran Diego Morales...



## Masters Points

|                    |      |       |
|--------------------|------|-------|
| Diego Morales      | 1125 | (0)   |
| Jose da Silva      | 1108 | (338) |
| Sheng Wu           | 898  | (222) |
| Alexander Bermudez | 865  | (228) |
| Ariel Rubio        | 863  | (197) |



## Grand Masters Points

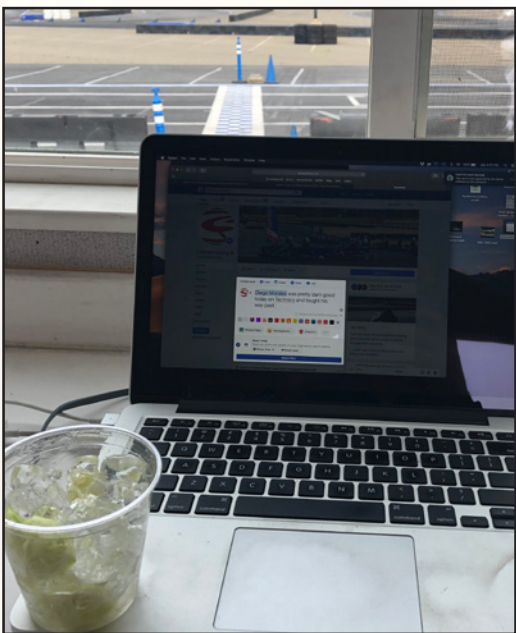
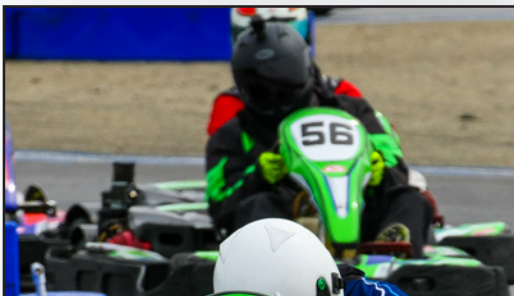
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| Tony Wika      | 784 | (214) |
| Vladimir Orlov | 680 | (110) |
| John Rice      | 657 | (207) |
| Tom Zevin      | 558 | (180) |
| Jeff Latimer   | 543 | (134) |

## Sportsman Points

|                 |      |       |
|-----------------|------|-------|
| Spencer Russell | 1040 | (285) |
| Evan Karp       | 1000 | (301) |
| Seth Willits    | 914  | (235) |
| Tyler Redman    | 902  | (263) |
| Max Demoss Sr.  | 853  | (248) |













# CalSpeed

## KARTING

# schedule 2019

### **SPRINT SERIES**

ARRIVE AND DRIVE | KART RACING

|    |        |                         |
|----|--------|-------------------------|
| R1 | Jan 5  | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |
| R2 | Jan 26 | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |
| R3 | Mar 9  | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |
| R4 | Apr 6  | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |
| R5 | May 4  | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |

### *Sprint Series Point Standings*

|     |        |              |
|-----|--------|--------------|
| R6  | Jun 1  | Temp Course  |
| R7  | Jul 13 | Nuotivo      |
| R8  | Aug 10 | Classico     |
| R9  | Sep 7  | Classico CCW |
| R10 | Oct 5  | Tecnico      |

### **SUPER SERIES**

ARRIVE AND DRIVE | KART RACING

|    |        |                         |
|----|--------|-------------------------|
| R1 | Jan 20 | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |
| R2 | Feb 16 | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |
| R3 | Mar 30 | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |
| R4 | Apr 27 | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |
| R5 | May 18 | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |

### *Super Series Point Standings*

|     |         |                   |
|-----|---------|-------------------|
| R6  | Jun 22  | Temp Course       |
| R7  | July 27 | Nuotivo           |
| R8  | Aug 11  | Classico GP (Sun) |
| R9  | Sep 28  | Classico CCW      |
| R10 | Nov 2   | Tecnico           |

### **IRONMAN**

ONE HOUR ENDURANCE RACE

|    |        |                         |
|----|--------|-------------------------|
| R1 | Jan 20 | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |
| R2 | Feb 16 | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |
| R3 | Mar 30 | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |
| R4 | Apr 27 | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |
| R5 | May 18 | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |

### *IronMan Point Standings*

|     |         |                |
|-----|---------|----------------|
| R6  | Jun 22  | Temp Course    |
| R7  | July 27 | Nuotivo 2 Hour |
| R8  | Aug 11  | Classico (Sun) |
| R9  | Sep 28  | Classico CCW   |
| R10 | Nov 2   | Tecnico        |



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|    |          |                         |
|----|----------|-------------------------|
| R1 | Feb 2    | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |
| R2 | April 20 | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |
| R3 | May 11   | <a href="#">RESULTS</a> |
| R4 | June 15  | RESULTS                 |
| R5 | July 6   | RESULTS                 |

### *Tri-C Point Standings*

|    |         |         |
|----|---------|---------|
| R6 | Aug 17  | RESULTS |
| R7 | Sept 21 | RESULTS |
| R8 | Oct 19  | RESULTS |