

# CalSpeed

## KARTING



## YAUNEY DOES THE DOUBLE

ALYSSA YAUNEY SWEEPS JULY WITH A SOLO-WIN IN THE IRONMAN  
2-HOUR AND SUPER SERIES OVERALL VICTORY IN THE SAME DAY

JULY, 2018





## ROUND 7 JULY 21

**R**ound #7 of the CalSpeed IronMan Series would look a little bit different, as the championship saw its first 2-hour test of the year, taking to the Sportivo layout for the second time in 2018. Some drivers would elect to go at it alone, those solo entries making up twelve of the total 28 teams in attendance. The other two-driver squads would be in both the Pro and Sport divisions, and while a bit of a hiccup and curve ball was thrown this event, the action on track was no less exciting...

Each of the Pro Class teams would share driving duties in this two-hour contest, with season-long competitor Tony Wika bringing the field to the green to start things off. He would be joined in the first half of the race by fellow class regulars Charles Eichlin and Alexander Bermudez, with the latter two putting on an excellent show during the opening hour. While the pair would start 2nd and 3rd respectively, it would be Bermudez getting out to the lead on the opening circuit, with Eichlin following through for second by the end of lap two. Having seen that view before, Charles wasn't about to let Alex lead things without a challenge, and stole away the lead as they caught traffic for the first time. Bermudez had no plans of playing follow the leader through traffic however, and the duo not only fought each other lap after lap, but also made things exciting as they scythed their way through traffic. Over the next 45 minutes or so they would trade the lead six more times, with pit stops playing a large role in the swapping of positions. Charles proved to be the quicker of the two in the pit lane, coming out on top on both occasions the duo came down for their stops, but Bermudez would fight back each time. At the end of the first half of the contest, it was Bermudez leading over Eichlin again, but it was clear that the first half of this bout was a draw.

The second half of the event would see recent Super Series winner Jetson Lieser take over for Bermudez, Pro Class winner from earlier this year Diego Morales jump in for Eichlin, and SRF car racer Bryan Schubert take over for Tony Wika. Eyes would again be keen to watch the continuation of the battle for supremacy in the Pro Class, with Morales finding the lead on the first lap. Lieser was anything but content in the runner-up position, and after a few attempts, was able to steal away the top spot on the ninth lap in the second half of the event. The lead was short lived however, as karting veteran showed he had plenty of speed and tracks in his repertoire, taking over at the top after just a pair of laps. Lieser would be the first to blink for the pit stops, heading down pit lane on lap 19, but unlike the first half of the race, his rival was not quick to follow suite. Instead, Morales would continue to clock laps for about ten more minutes, maintaining the lead as he came out of the pits. Jetson was right there however, coincidentally cutting his fastest lap the same time Morales made his stop, and the two were again in a dead heat for the top spot. On the second stop however, it would Diego coming down pit lane first, and this time the advantage was clear as Jet exited a couple laps later. While the on track action had been fierce and exciting, this contest would unfortunately end at the scales. While Morales would cross the line first, he had lost more weight than anticipated -he had also run an hour in the Sport class prior to his Pro duties- and came up light at the post race weigh in. This turn of events awarded the win to Alexander Bermudez and Jetson Lieser, with Tony Wika and Bryan Schubert given second after the winners were relegated to third. While it wasn't a win for Charles Eichlin or Diego Morales, they certainly put on one helluva show.

# PRO Winner *Alexander Bermudez*

## PRO RESULTS

- 1) Alexander Bermudez / Jetson Lieser
- 2) Tony Wika / Bryan Schubert
- 3) Charles Eichlin / Diego Morales

# PRO Winner *Jetson Lieser*





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# Sport Winner

## *Alyssa Yauney*

### SPORT RESULTS

- 1) Alyssa Yauney
- 2) Taylor Hays / Adam Nagao
- 3) Jose da Silva / Mark Connell
- 4) Lukas Dziemidok
- 5) Anthony Severson







# 2-HR IRONMAN

ONE HOUR ENDURANCE RACE

## ROUND 7 JULY 21

The Sport Class of the 2-Hour IronMan contest would lead off with Diego Morales at the helm, following right on the back bumper of the Pro Class as they went through the Bus Stop corner for the first time. Morales would be teamed up with none other than 2016 Super Series champ- Miles Calvin, trading his driving duties in the Sport class for the Pro Class in the second half. His lead off was a solid one too, maintaining the top spot for a handful of laps before linking up with regular 2018 front runner Chris Huerta. The pair would also have company in the form of Lukas Dziemidok and Jose da Silva, while former podium finisher Anthony Severson and Evan Karp hung on just off the back of the lead group. A bit of infighting on the tenth circuit would see da Silva come out on top, allowing him to squirt away to just over a second lead when all was said and done. While things would quiet down a bit at the front, Jose would be able to maintain his lead, while drivers from further back in the field methodically reeled in front pack. By lap 15, Sean Fite, Alyssa Yauney, and Taylor Hays had infiltrated the top ten, the podium finishers from the previous round looking to continue their winning ways. On lap twenty it was still da Silva out front, with Huerta and Karp linked up and managing the distance, but they all were now chased by a pack that ran eight deep.

Led by Yauney, the chasing pack worked to reel in the top three, but things weren't as tidy as they could be, and the group of eight began to whittle down as the laps clicked off. In fact in just a few laps, it was down to a trio of challengers; Yauney, Fite, and Morales. Of the group, Morales was the first to blink, coming down pit lane on lap 30, the rest of the group holding to the trend of late-run pit stops. Unfortunately for Morales, that would be the last time he would be in the top five in class, as the front group continued to work without him. Instead those first pit stops from the lead group would not come until inside the final ten minutes of the first half, but by that time traffic had really shook things up at the front. While there was no change at the lead, 2nd on back had a face lift; Yauney now led the charge, followed by Huerta, Fite, and Karp, albeit now almost five seconds astern of the lead. Pit stops would do nothing else to shake up the order, and when things resumed after the red flag stoppage for a scoring issue, the race took on a different complexion.

The start of the second half of the event saw the second drivers of the two-driver squads already in the seat, making for some new faces -but same teams- in the fight for the win. As one of the solo entries, Yauney took over the lead from da Silva's teammate and 206 Masters champ Mark Connell from the get go, while Huerta, Fite, and company slotted in line. By lap ten a lead group had formed consisting of Yauney, Connell, Dziemidok and Adam Nagao, who had taken over driving duties for the aforementioned Taylor Hays. Unlike the jockeying for position in the first half of the event, the second half was more about clicking off laps, and being in the right position in the end for a strong finish. The near processional run saw virtually no fight at the front, with the lead group staying unchallenged, with the only change being it shrinking down to three as Dziemidok slipped off the back of the group. Not even pit stops threw much of a wrench in things, and it was Alyssa Yauney coming up with her first IronMan win of the season, with Adam Nagao and Taylo Hays rebounding with the luck of the red flag to snag second, while Mark Connell's steady drive to third earned a podium for him and Jose da Silva.





## points Leaders PRO

1	Alexander Bermudez	523
2	Charles Eichlin	461
3	Tony Wika	431





## SPORT

1	Taylor Hays	496	(69)
2	Alyssa Yaune	463	(54)
3	Chris Huerta	445	(48)
4	Jose da Silva	426	(45)
5	Sean Fite	420	(63)
6	Adam Nagao	390	(0)
7	Steve Spring	388	(48)
8	Lukas Dziemidok	386	(54)
9	Anthony Severson	369	(21)
10	TJ Blackledge	362	(0)



## Summer Series

1)	Alyssa Yaune	110
2)	Taylor Hays	103
3)	Adam Nagao	98
4)	Jose da Silva	93
5)	Sean Fite	93





# **S** **SUPER** **SERIES**

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# A-Main

A-Main WINNER

*Alyssa Yaune*y

## A MAIN RESULTS

1	33	Alyssa Yaune
2	54	Miles Calvin
3	41	Charles Eichlin
4	25	Chris Huerta
5	37	Bill Kreig





# B-Main

**B-Main WINNER**  
*Patrick Britain*

## B MAIN RESULTS

1	50	Patrick Britain
2	59	Jetson Lieser
3	42	Jason Collins [M][S]
4	34	Tom Zevin [GM][S]
5	45	Jeremy Aldridge [M]

# C-Main

**C-Main WINNER**  
*Ian Enz*

## C MAIN RESULTS

1	33	Ian Enz
2	54	James Lieser[M][S]
3	48	Eric Monteith [S]
4	25	Frank Hsu [M][S]
5	58	Edison Noboa [M][S]



# **SUPER SERIES**

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## ROUND 7 JULY 21

For the second time in 2018 the Sportivo layout would play host to the CalSpeed Super Series, with round #7 bringing a lot of talent to the table to make things even more exciting. Not only were all of the title contenders in attendance, but several big names in the sport returned to do battle to make for a star studded lineup and challenging A-Main to make. In the end there was more excitement a plenty, and as it was in the IronMan Series last month, the streak of new faces on the top step was snapped...

As was mentioned, a lot of one-off talent came out to try and spoil things for the season regulars, and they started off in a big way, snagging the top two spots in qualifying. Earning his first pole position in the Super Series, East Coast fly-in Andrew Wood took home the top spot over returning hot shoe Aaron Scott, making his first event in almost a year. Snagging the last bonus point and pole position for his first heat race was regular front runner Paulo Franca, it being his best showing in qualifying so far this year.

Carrying his momentum from last month where he was able to lead laps in the heats and fight for the win in both, Charles Eichlin turned it up even further to not only win both of his heat races, but almost score the maximum on bonus points. This put him on pole for the coveted A-Main, a main event that was arguably one of the toughest ones to get into in 2018 given the entry list. He was joined on the front row by IronMan point leader Taylor Hays, who scored a heat win in his first heat before following it up with a third in heat 2. Also coming across the line first in heat races were Miles Calvin (3rd) and pole sitter Andrew Wood (4th), the duo able to snag a third and fourth respectively in their other heat race. Masters title contender Alexander Bermudez was also able to snag a heat race win, coming out on top after a spirited battle with fellow Masters driver -and reigning class champ- Jose da Silva.

As we sometimes see in the Super Series, a driver will end up in the C-Main after some bad luck or a penalty; a driver that perhaps does not 'belong' in that main. Enter Ian Enz. Returning to the seat after over a year off, Enz showed off solid speed to start the day, and he proved why the C-Main was not where he wanted to stay once the green fell. Starting 9th, Enz made quick work to get to the front -avoiding some trouble along the way- and by lap three was at the helm. Once out front it was all but over, as the former A-Main regular fast lap after fast lap to score a convincing victory. Ironically it was the first piece of hardware for Ian, and it was certainly a long time coming.

Unlike the main before it, the B-Main was anything but cut and dried, instead hosting a battle royal for the win, and the transfer into the A-Main. Up and coming talent Ivan Martinez would start from the pole position, but all around him was a lot of experience ready to pounce. Returning to the Super Series after a bit of a hiatus, current Tri-C Karters World Formula points leader Jason Collins would lead the field at the end of lap one, but even he would lose the lead to none other than the reigning



**Pole - Andrew Wood**



**A Main Podium**



**B-Main Winner Patrick Britain**



**C-Main Winner Ian Enz**





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champ, Patrick Britain. As was mentioned though, this was not a blow out, and it was the challenge from Jetson Lieser against Britain that was the catalyst for the show. Coming up from the 7th spot, Lieser was the fastest of the group, but just couldn't find a way by the more experienced Britain, and was forced to settle for second. It would be a much needed win for Britain, he was hoping to keep his title hopes alive in what is a very close points chase.

## Overall Points

1 - Alyssa Yauney	1892 (310)	6 - Paulo Franca	1750 (272)
2 - Diego Morales	1794 (263)	7 - Taylor Hays	1744 (215)
3 - Chris Huerta	1786 (304)	8 - TJ Blackledge	1736 (0)
4 - Charles Eichlin	1778 (278)	9 - Patrick Britain	1721 (286)
5 - Sean Fite	1763 (268)	10 - Alexander Bermudez	1715 (0)





This time around the field of two by two was brought to the green a little slower, and by all accounts it was arguably the best start of the season. The entire field was able to make it through not only the opening corners, but through the entire lap with minimal issue, and crossing the line to lead that lap was Charles Eichlin. Slotting in behind him from the get go was Miles Calvin, with Chris Huerta, Alyssa Yauney, and Taylor Hays filling out the rest of the top five. By lap four it was now just a quartet, with Hays dropping off the back of the group to fend off a new group of four that had formed, while Yauney made the move on Huerta to advance up to third. There things would stay calm for a few laps, the lead trio slowly edging away from Chris, making it just a three horse race in the end. On lap 10 the 2016 champ made his move, taking over the lead with Yauney following suit, dropping Eichlin back to third, but not out of it. There again they would stay in line, right up to the final corner as they came to the white flag. Alyssa would make her move out of Long Beach, and with a little help from Charles, was able to clear Miles into turn number one, her rivals now side by side for second. This was essentially the end of the fight for the win, as both Calvin and Eichlin negotiated for the runner-up spot, Yauney continued to pull away on the final lap, scoring her second win of the year and her Super Series career. Miles would claim best of the rest over Charles, the latter putting in a stellar point day to become just the second driver this season to eclipse the 400-point mark.



## Masters Points

1 - Diego Morales	1794 (263)
2 - Alexander Bermudez	1715 (0)
3 - Jose da Silva	1631 (202)
4 - Ariel Rubio	1492 (174)
5 - Steve Spring	1481 (194)

## Grand Masters Points

1 - Tom Zevin	1073 (130)
2 - Jeff Latimer	1018 (159)
3 - Tony Wika	946 (129)
4 - Brian Starr	933 (0)
5 - Gilbert Perez	583 (0)

## Sportsman Points

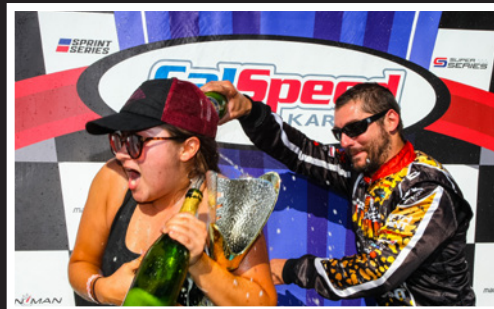
1 - Rodney Bryant	1450 (115)
2 - Scott Milne	1396 (0)
3 - Sam Hunt	1381 (0)
4 - Tony Chen	1349 (188)
5 - Dmitry Korotkov	1332 (169)















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## **ROUND 5 JULY 28**

**CSK RACING KICKS OFF SECOND HALF OF TRI-C  
SEASON ON THE TOP STEP**

The start to the second half of the 2018 Tri-C Karters season was this past Saturday, with the CSK Racing team looking to find success on the Grande Counter Clockwise layout at CalSpeed for the second time this year. With four rounds down and four to go, the points standings are starting to become a talking point, and with CSK Racing owning the point lead in all three categories, round #5 was a chance to add to that margin...

### **VLR SPEC 206**

In just his third 206 race, CSK Racing newcomer Adam Nagao was the first to make some noise in the VLR Spec class, earning his first pole position in convincing fashion over a very close field of drivers. In the heat races however it would be the veteran and current class point leader Mark Connell sweeping the top spot, leading almost the whole way in heat 1, while biding his time for a late race move to snag heat two. His primary title rival TJ Blackledge would also be his closest competition, with the young driver earning runner-up honors in both 8 lap contests.

In the Main event, it would be Connell leading the way from the start, with Blackledge and the aforementioned Nagao again right on his heels. This time it was TJ waiting to make the move, doing so just before halfway, with Connell slotting into the hunter role. He stayed there patiently until the penultimate lap, stealing away the lead, and holding off the counter-attack. On the final lap, Connell kept things tight, but TJ was able to find just enough room for the move in hairpin, the two going wide in the process. Things got interesting at this point, as Lukas Dziemidok was able to close the gap and actually overtake Mark for second, with the latter priming up for his own offensive in the last complex of the track. While the move was made, Lukas and he tried to occupy the same space, smoke coming off the tires from contact. In the end, it was TJ Blackledge scoring his second win in a row, with Lukas Dziemidok earning his best finish of second, and Mark Connell settling for third.

### **VLR SPEC 206 TOP 5 POINTS (AFTER DROP):**

1) Mark Connell	1868 (1560)
2) TJ Blackledge	1825 (1501)
3) Lukas Dziemidok	1712 (1392)
4) Sean Bradley	1683 (1367)
5) David Carlisle	1204 (1204)

### **SENIOR 206**

With the Lo-Pro Money Race later that day, the Senior class got a little bump in entries, and talent level for the 5th round in the championship, but CSK Racing was still able to fight at the sharp end all day. They would kick things off with Team Manager Mike Smith earning his 3rd pole of the year, while point leader Derek Esquibel clocked the 3rd best time, split by their VLR factory teammate David Vasquez. In the first heat, Smith and Vasquez would lead the way after their own little tussle, before Smith fell to third in the later stages after some hard racing. In the second heat race, it was more of the same, the tone being set for a very exciting finish to the heat races. Having slipped to fourth, the last lap of heat two saw Smith make a slide job move for third in the hairpin, before capitalizing on the battling duo in front. Making it three wide up the hill, he narrowly was able to clear the group to go from 4th to 1st in two corners, stealing away the heat race win. Unfortunately, Esquibel's heats didn't go as planned, and after a hard fought 5th in heat 1, contact resulting in a flat tire took him out of heat two.

In the main the real charge came from Esquibel, as the championship leader looked to salvage points after his bad luck, surging all the way up to finish 5th at the line. That would be the best finish for CSK Racing in the Senior category, as Smith slipped back from the lead after a bad decision on air pressures.

### **206 SENIOR TOP 5 POINTS (AFTER DROP):**

1) Derek Esquibel	1858 (1526)
2) KC Cook	1842 (1501)
3) Mike Smith	1826 (1478)
4) Riley Dugan	1749 (1423)
5) Drew Zeller	1643 (1348)

### **206 MASTERS**

While the pace amongst the front-runners has been close all season in the Masters 206 class, round #5 saw things get even tighter. Mike Smith would earn the pole position to start the day, with his season-long rival Mark Connell clocking the second best time to line up P2. The start of that first heat race would go to Connell however, with Smith having to fight back from 4th after



the outside row got the jump. While Smith did get back to the lead, Connell kept the pressure on, coming just .07s seconds short of the win at the line. Heat two saw Smith cross the line with a little more advantage, but this was only after Connell 'bicycled' coming out of Long Beach, forcing him to lose touch with a few laps to go.

In the Main it was again Smith and Connell leading the way, then Connell keeping the pressure on well past the halfway mark. Shortly after clocking the fastest lap of the race, a small bobble in the Silk corner allowed a tiny advantage for Smith, one he was able to hold on to until the end. Connell settled for second but showed that the gap to the point leader was now all but gone.

Elsewhere in the class, the fight for third in the championship grew even closer with Lukas Dziemidok scoring his second podium in a row in the class, while Jose da Silva bounced back to claim fourth, with Sean Bradley coming across 5th. After the results, there are just 4 points separating three drivers in the battle for third, with just three events remaining...

#### 206 MASTERS TOP 5 POINTS (AFTER DROP):

1) Mike Smith	1998	(1615)
2) Mark Connell	1830	(1506)
3) Lukas Dziemidok	1721	(1391)
4) Steve Jasinski	1697	(1391)
5) Sean Bradley	1686	(1387)

CSK Racing would like to again thank all of their customers for coming out to round #5 for the 2018 Tri-C Karters season, and we're looking forward to round #6 on the Classico configuration on September 1st. 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 contact us for all your VLR needs!

## VLR Spec 206

**TJ Blackledge**

## 206 Masters

**Mike Smith**

## 206 Senior

**Derek Esquibel**











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# schedule 2018

### **SPRINT SERIES**

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R1	Jan 6	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R2	Feb 3	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R3	Mar 3	POSTPONED
R4	Apr 14	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R5	May 12	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>

### *Sprint Series Point Standings*

R6	Jun 9	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R7	Jul 7	POSTPONED
R8	Aug 11	Classico
R9	Sep 8	Classico CCW
R10	Oct 13	Tecnico

### **SUPER SERIES**

ARRIVE AND DRIVE | KART RACING

R1	Jan 20	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R2	Feb 10	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R3	Mar 31	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R4	Apr 28	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R5	May 26	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>

### *Super Series Point Standings*

R6	Jun 16	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R7	July 21	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R8	Aug 18	Classico
R9	Sep 22	Classico CCW
R10	Nov 10	Tecnico

### **IRONMAN**

ONE HOUR ENDURANCE RACE

R1	Jan 20	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R2	Feb 10	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R3	Mar 31	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R4	Apr 28	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R5	May 26	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>

### *IronMan Point Standings*

R6	Jun 16	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R7	July 21	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R8	Aug 18	Classico
R9	Sep 22	Classico CCW
R10	Nov 10	Tecnico



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R1	March 10	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R2	April 7	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R3	May 5	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R4	June 30	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>

### *Tri-C Point Standings*

R5	July 28	<a href="#">RESULTS</a>
R6	September 1	RESULTS
R7	October 6	RESULTS
R8	October 27	RESULTS