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ARRIVE AND DRIVE | KART RACING

Round 6 June 9

The Sprint Series has been no stranger to seeing new winners rising to the top with each successive season. With the dust now settling from Round 6, we are now seeing just who exactly are the ones to watch for the 2018 championship. For the first time this year, we see not only a two-time winner, but a back-to-back one as well...

Teaming up for the top 2 in their heat race were Spencer Russell and Samuel Hunt, the pair immediately settling into a draft to gap the remainder of the field. Meanwhile, Rodney Bryant with his first Sprint Series start this year, led the best of the rest from the get go, jumping 2 spots at the green. The P3 battle ran deep at nearly 10 karts large. Once the half way point was reached, the impatience seemed to start showing. Before the white flag, Hunt took the inside at Long Beach for the lead. It would be with one to go where the action would happen once again: Hunt took a tight line through Long Beach to defend but Russell held the outside, managing to score the lead back for the heat 1C win and Bryant staving off the angry field for 3rd.

The A-Main began with a clean start seeing 5 karts break away from the get-go. Racing hard at the front were the faces now familiar to the game: Russell, Hunt, Donnie Clarke, Evan Karp and Randy McKee. Russell had himself a 2 kart length lead and having clinched the Winter Sub-championship with his win last month, was on the verge of replicating his success. Hunt was now in P2 followed by McKee who was inching his way back within grasp of a podium. Behind them, it would be Michael Chen and Karp dueling for 4th. By the checkered flag, Russell would score an uncontested win, adding win #2 on top of his first career W from last round while Hunt and McKee followed to round out the podium, scoring huge points for the 2018 championship. Russell's success begs the question: will he be able to continue carrying this huge momentum through the entirety of the series? Let's see what goes down in Round 7 next month...



A Main Podium



B-Main Winner Robert Hernandez



C-Main Winner Ethan West





Sprint Overall Standings Top 10 After 2 Drops Points Best Drop

After 2 Drops	Points	Best Dro
1 - Spencer Russell	890	(285)
2 - Samuel Hunt	865	(243)
3 - Randy McKee	824	(260)
4 - Evan Karp	817	(211)
5 - Donnie Clarke	816	(193)
6 - Ivan Martinez	806	(244)
7 - Michael Chen	801	(235)
8 - James Lieser	769	(208)
9 - Seth Willits	761	(222)
10 - Mark Sternberg	761	(0)













































ROUND 6 JUNE 16

The first race in the second half of the CalSpeed Karting season would belong to the IronMan Series, once again hosting a sold out entry list of drivers that included both sport and pro classes on track at once. For the second time this season the endurance branch of CalSpeed racing would take to the near flat-out Nuovo circuit, which once again showed why it is called the 'Super Speedway'. The Pro Class would see a usual suspect lead the way once again, while the sport class category would see the first multi-time winner in the 2018 season...

Charles Eichlin would lead the field away for the single-file rolling start that would kick off the second half of the season, entering the Busstop complex with Alexander Bermudez right on his tail. The latter would waste no time taking over the lead, actually bringing series regular Tony Wika along in the process on lap one. Lap two saw Eichlin get back to the runner up spot, this time bringing east coast fly-in driver Ryan Curtin along to drop Wika to fourth. The immediate infighting would see Bermudez jump out to an early two second lead, and while the next three in line would stay together for the next handful of laps, Bermudez would maintain his advantage as they caught traffic for the first time. Curtin would take over second in these first few laps, before Eichlin took it back once in traffic, pushing to a two second gap of his own over Curtin. Putting his head down once through the first salvo of sport class traffic, Curtin proceeded to reel Eichlin back in, regaining the second spot about 10 laps after he had lost it in traffic.

That would be the last time any of the Pro Class drivers would be close enough to battle for position however, as with Eichlin pitting a couple laps after being passed by Curtin, the gaps margins would mount up, and it was just a Driver vs. Traffic battle for each of the entrants in the category. The master of this thus far continued to be Bermudez, who not only carried on to score his fourth win in a row, but did it to the tune of a near 10 second lead to boot...













ROUND 6 JUNE 16

ust a couple of seconds astern at the start of the one hour contest, the sport class would be led at the green by Tyler Redman and Mark Sternberg, with the latter taking over the top spot to lead lap one. The pair of sportsman class standouts were joined by veteran sport karter Ariel Rubio via his third place starting position, and the trio immediately settled into cutting fast laps. Their discipline allowed them to grow their advantage to a three second lead by the second lap, the infighting behind doing much to build that gap. Things would calm down a bit behind them after lap four or so however, and with Anthony Severson and Alyssa Yauney now linked up and giving chase, the lead trio became the hunted. Perhaps realizing that a good thing may be coming to an end, Rubio took this chance to move to the lead just before the Pro Class moved through the lead pack for the first time. At this point, Severson and Yauney had dispatched the aforementioned Sternberg and Redman, moving into second and third while the top five still held almost a two second lead over the chasing pack headed up by point leader Taylor Hays...

Linked up with Machismo teammate and reigning IronMan Series champion Adam Nagao, plus T4 teammate Steve Spring and last month's winner Sean Fite, the quartet was making steady progress to join the front group of five. By lap twelve they were on them, the train of drivers now led by Yauney, with the once harmonious driving about to be traded out for a battle to get to the lead of the pack, or to stay there. It would take several laps and a few bouts with traffic along the way, but eventually the final protagonists for the victory would reach the front, with Fite leading over Yauney, Hays, and Rubio, with Sternberg still impressively holding on to the group. It would be Sternberg too that would be the first to blink in the pit stop game, and unfortunately that would be the last time he would be inside the top five. With the rest of the front runners leaving their stops to the very end, it became a whirlwind of pit stops and quick laps to see who would come out on top.

In the end it would come down to Taylor Hays And Alyssa Yauney battling out in the final lap, with Yauney right on the back bumper of Hays heading into the final corner. Yauney would be forced to settle for second this time around however, as Hays claimed his 7th career win, tying the record set for most wins with Sergio Bravo. Sean Fite would finish off the podium after pitting on the final lap, moving up to 4th position in the points in the process...







points readers

PRO

1 - Alexander Bermudez 423 (95)

2 - Riley Dugan 382 (0)

3 - Charles Eichlin 371 (0)





















SPORT

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1 - Taylor Hays	401 (72)
2 - Chris Huerta	362 (80)
3 - Alyssa Yauney	358 (60)
4 - Sean Fite	348 (72)
5 - Jose da Silva	333 (69)
6 - Steve Spring	313 (57)
7 - Lukas Dziemidok	301 (54)
8 - Chris Carter	295 (33)
9 - Ariel Rubio	292 (57)
10 - Adam Nagao	292 (45)





























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Round 6 June 16

half of it's season on the same track it started on back in January, as the drivers would be hosted by the 'Super Speedway' itself, Nuovo. While warm temps had been the norm of late, everyone would be welcomed to a perfect day of racing with a good breeze while not going above 80 degrees all day. With all save two drivers in the top twenty in attendance, it was sure to be a big day in the points, even though anything and everything has happened before on the fastest of the CalSpeed layouts...

2018 has seen a single driver really step out as the driver to beat in qualifying, regularly clocking top times, averaging a 7.3 starting position so far this season. That driver is Chris Huerta, and he amazingly put up his third pole of the year this past Saturday, topping the charts by .017 over Alyssa Yauney. It was Yauney's second time scoring qualifying bonus points in 2018, and the top two were joined by Sportsman standout Sam Hunt in the top three for the first time.

Perhaps it is just something about Nuovo, but for just the second time this season a driver was able to sweep their heat races, this time the honor going to Adam Nagao. The rest of the wins would be spread out amongst four drivers that are showing an affinity for heat race wins, including TJ Blackledge, Alyssa Yauney, Alexander Bermudez, and the series leader in heat race wins, Sean Fite with his fifth. The front row nod for the A-Main would go to the #2 qualifier -Yauney- however, coupling her win with a second in the first heat, while the reigning Super Series champ Patrick Britain and the aforementioned Sean Fite rounded out row two.

The first main of the day would start out as a battle royal, but eventually wind down to a mano-e-mano fight at the end that would come down right to the final corner, and then some. Frank Hsu would lead the field away, but it would be Sicheng Li coming across the line first at the end of lap one. Unfortunately for Li, his time at the front would be short via a drive-through penalty, with Ayrton Demoss inheriting the top spot in the process. He would have Hsu and Edison Noboa in tow at the time, but the two more experienced drivers would make their way by with three to go and create a gap to make it a one-on-one fight at the end. Hsu would cross the line first, but would go back behind Noboa because of too much contact in the Long Beach corner.

Like the C-Main before it, the B-Main would also see a two driver fight for the win, but this time well out in front of the battling main pack behind them. Relegated to the 2nd Main after contact in his second heat race, Jose da Silva was determined to get back into the A-Main to salvage as many points as possible, but he would have to fend off advances from IronMan front runners from that morning, Ariel Rubio and Mark Sternberg. Unfortunately for Rubio, a mechanical issue would take him out of the running, but Sternberg would keep the pressure on all the way to the end. Again, experience would play the advantage



Pole - Chris Huerta



A Main Podium



B-Main Winner Jose da Silva



C-Main Winner Edison Noboa





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for da Silva, holding off Sternberg to score the B-Main win and the transfer to the A-main.

For the second round in a row it was the outside line with the run into turn #1, and this time Alyssa Yauney leading the field at the stripe with Sean Fite, and Charles Eichlin in tow for lap one. That lead trio would stay unchanged for the first third of the race, allowing them to pull away from all save former podium finishers Alexander Bermudez and

Overall Points

1 - Alyssa Yauney	1521 (335)	6 - Jetson Lieser	1416 (274)
2 - Diego Morales [M]	1452 (342)	7 - TJ Blackledge	1411 (263)
3 - Paulo Franca	1450 (300)	8 - Henry Morse	1402 (0)
4 - Sean Fite	1442 (321)	9 - Alexander Bermudez [M]	1400 (255)
5 - Chris Huerta	1431 (342)	10 - Patrick Britain	1395 (326)





Jetson Lieser. While fourth and fifth pushed to bridge the small gap to the front three, the top two looked to eek out a small advantage on Eichlin in third. On lap six Lieser made the move for fourth, now just about to reach Eichlin for third, but still about a second back from the leaders. Lieser wasted little time going to the lead for the trailing three, towing both fourth and fifth along as they started to reel in the top two. With five to go it was once again a five driver train, while still with Yauney at the helm, the pressure was mounting as Lieser went purple and Fite with his best lap each on lap 11. She would hold off the imminent attack for at least one lap before Lieser would take over on lap 13, with Sean Fite going through as well to drop her to third. The counter was inevitable, with Alyssa moving back up to second, before making her move for the lead on the final lap. That move would come heading into Nuovo, but with Jetson holding the outside, he would have preferred line heading through Silk, and with a push from Fite and Yauney was back to third. The final chance was into the Long Beach corner, with Lieser going slightly defensive, and Fite lining up for an over-under and run coming off. A slight tap from Yauney at the Apex after a mis-timed move would negate the attempt however, and Jetson Lieser became the sixth different winner in as many races, his career first Super Series victory.



Masters Points

1 - Diego Morales	1452 (342)
2 - Alexander Bermudez	1400 (255)
3 - Jose da Silva	1330 (263)
4 - Ariel Rubio	1232 (260)
5 - Steve Spring	1201 (280)



Grand Masters Points

1 - Tom Zevin	842 (151)
2 - Jeff Latimer	841 (177)
3 - Tony Wika	767 (150)
4 - Brian Starr	737 (0)
5 - Gilbert Perez	512 (75)



Sportsman Points

1 - Samuel Hunt	1165 (216)
2 - Rodney Bryant	1160 (211)
3 - Dmitry Korotkov	1132 (200)
4 - Tony Chen	1105 (244)
5 - Scott Milne	1100 (203)

























































Photos by Heather Perrin

Round 4 June 30

CSK RACING OWNS THE TOP STEP IN TRI-C KARTERS ROUND #4!

Like they did to start off the new year, CSK Racing would bring home another hat-trick of victories to close out the first half of the Tri-C Karters season this past Saturday. Like the aforementioned season opener, it was again on the Sportivo layout, but this time with warm temperatures and no sign of rain...

VLR SPEC 206

Once again it was point leader Mark Connell showing the way after the green-white-checkered qualifying, earning his second pole in a row and of the season. In the first heat race it would be #2 qualifier Adam Nagao picking up where he left off in his debut round in April, finding his way by to score the win. Connell was not to be denied a heat win however, and claimed the second 8 lap heat race for his own. Throughout both heat races, the lap times were closer than ever for the Spec class, with fastest lap times clocked by Lukas Dziemidok and TJ Blackledge. It was all to play for in the final...

The pole side would not get a very good start in the 16 lap main, dropping Connell back to fourth, with TJ Blackledge snagging the lead from the off-pole position via his heat two finish. From then on it was round #3 winner Blackledge at the helm, leading a train of karts that included Nagao, Connell, Dziemidok and Sean Bradley. There was plenty of jostling for position as Connell worked his way back up to P2, with Dziemidok following him through during his pass on Nagao. In the waning laps however, it was Blackledge holding on for his second win in a row, with Connell bringing home the most points on the day, and Dziemidok earning his first class podium. Nagao would settle for 4th, while Bradley rounded out the top five, bringing home the 5 bonus points for fastest lap.

VLR SPEC 206 TOP 5 POINTS (AFTER DROP):

1. Mark Connell	1483	(1175)
2. TJ Blackledge	1435	(11111)
3. Lukas Dziemidok	1358	(1038)
4. Sean Bradley	133 <i>7</i>	(1021
5. Rob Brackett	994	(994)

SENIOR 206

While the eventual track conditions would prove to be fairly warm, the morning warm up and qualifying sessions took place under overcast skies and cooler temps, throwing a wrench at many of the Senior 206 competitors. CSK Racing Team Manager Mike Smith was able to steal away the pole position in those conditions, going 1-2 with teammate Derek Esquibel. In the first heat race it was Smith leading straight away, the field would immediately have to deal with traffic on lap one. Running with the faster World Formula group for their heat races, the 206 senior leaders had to contest with a non-class driver during the whole race, who eventually broke up the leaders in the fight for the win. Esquibel would come out on top however, with Smith settling for 3rd. The second heat would be a smoother affair for the CSK Racing teammates, as both of them got linked up early and were able to pull away to a comfortable lead over stablemates Jetson Lieser and Jake Hood in third and fourth respectively.

In the Main Esquibel would again have things go his way, squirting out to an early lead, one that would be bolstered by the infighting that happened behind him. The group of Smith, Lieser, Hood and Zeller would fight for most of the first half of the race, each looking to be the leader of the pack. In the end it was Smith and Hood linking up to help gap themselves from the rest, completing a 1-2-3 for CSK Racing. It was Esquibel's second win on Sportivo this year, enough to put him back into the point lead heading into the second half of the season.

206 SENIOR TOP 5 POINTS (AFTER DROP):

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1. Derek Esquibel	1526	(1185)
2. KC Cook	1470	(1129)
3. Mike Smith	1463	(1115)
4. Riley Dugan	1423	(1081)
5. Drew Zeller	1321	(1026)

206 MASTERS

Masters 206 would see the usual suspects at the sharp end, kicking things off with CSK Racing sweeping the top five spots in qualifying. Point leader Mike Smith would lead the field away at the green after earning the pole position, but would immediately get pressure from 2017 champ Mark Connell, and up and coming talent Lukas Dziemidok. The trio would stay that way for the duration, maintaining even gaps from start to finish. In heat race two it would again be Smith leading through the opening corners, but this time Dziemidok would follow through for second in turn four. The up-

tick in position was over as soon as it started however, with Connell doing the over-under to steal second right back. That short bit of infighting was enough for Smith to snag a small advantage, and the lead trio mirrored their race from before.

In the Main things looked to go the same way as before, with Smith jumping out to a small advantage, with Mark and Lukas giving chase only a few kart lengths astern. While Connell would again pull out an advantage on 3rd on back, this time they would reel him in, with Dziemidok taking over second, and round #3 podium finisher Sean Bradley joining the fight. This all but sealed the deal for leader Smith, who would go on to take the win, and earn his second perfect day in the class. Behind him however was where the real action was, with all three drivers drag racing to the finish. Connell would steal back second over Dziemidok and Bradley, the three across the line at the same time and separated by just .070 seconds...

206 MASTERS TOP 5 POINTS (AFTER DROP):

1.	Mike Smith	1593	(1210)
2.	Mark Connell	1445	(1121)
3.	Lukas Dziemidok	1361	(1031)
4.	Steve Jasinski	1359	(1053)
5.	Sean Bradley	1340	(1041)

CSK Racing would like to again thank all of their customers for coming out to round #4 for the 2018 Tri-C Karters season, and we're looking forward to round #5 on the Grande CCW configuration on July 28th. 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!



































Steve Frame 1951-2018

Steve and I worked together for 30 years. Steve was always the quiet type and never shared anything about his life outside work. One day, in 2008, our company had an outing at Go Kart World. We all went and Steve proceeded to dominate the day. Upon speaking with him after the outing he informed me that he had been going to Go Kart World for years, driving the slick and Euro tracks in weekly competition. So I invited myself, you had to do that with Steve since he would never ask you to go, and thus began our rivalry.

For the first few years we spent just about every weekend at Dromo 1, sometimes both days racing each other with him normally winning. This continued until Dromo 1 closed in May of 2010. During 2009 and 2010 we ventured into kart ownership together. We owned and raced 2 stroke karts at Jim Hall. Due to some bent up equipment Steve decided to stick with the rental kart side.

Then CalSpeed came along with a racing program. Steve and I made this our regular event, which has earned Steve the honor of most consecutive starts (260) at Cal speed events. We had lots of great battles on the track and always great conversation on the way to and from the track.

Some of our greatest successes together were the Cal speed 4-hour Team Endurance and Machismo races. Over the years we had teamed up with other drivers and together earning 10 podium finishes.

Besides karting, Steve was also an accomplished pilot. He was rated for twin engine aircraft, IFR (Instrument Flight Rules) and acrobatic flight. He would rent planes and flew monthly. He continued to fly until a few years ago. I would sometimes go with him just to soar above the clouds.

Steve had a passion for motors sports. I am honored to have shared his passion for Karting, which brought us many happy times together.

Steve will be remembered for his quiet demeanor. He would rarely start a conversation. But if you engaged him, you would find he was a very intelligent and witty man with a dry sense of humor.

Steve will always be in our thoughts and hearts.

.....Steve Jasinski S² Motorsports

The CalSpeed Super Series was started in Summer of 2010 after the Dromo 1 Grand Prix Series was discontinued with the operation closing its doors. The first event was actually run in July on Nuovo, with 34 drivers, with Jon Kimbrell bringing home the win. Several veterans of the sport were there that day, including a driver that would start an incredible run of starts in the series without missing a single event. For 87 consecutive events -spanning nearly 8 years- Steve Frame would be on the Super Series entry list, amassing a total of 260 race starts when tallying up every heat race and main event he participated in.

In those 260 starts Steve was able to score four fast laps -all coming in Main events- as well as bringing home the win in the C-Main on Grande CCW in round 8 of the 2014 season. He had also found success in the former 4-hour endurance races at CalSpeed, competing with the S-Cubed contingent that included Steve Jasinski, Steve Hansen and Dave Messimer.

In the process of giving Steve an award to commemorate his phenomenal record, CalSpeed learned that the reason he missed his very first event was because he had become ill. Respecting his request for privacy on the matter, we were still able to share a few phone calls and have his award delivered leading up to the Super Series event in June. Unfortunately news of his passing reached us the very next week. While perhaps small in stature and quiet by nature, his absence was instantly felt when he missed his first event in April, however his memory will continue on for years to come.













schedule 2018



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R2 Feb 3 RESULTS

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R4 Apr 14 RESULTS

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Sprint Series Point Standings

R6 Jun 9 RESULTS

R7 Jul 7 Sportivo

R8 Aug 11 Classico

R9 Sep 8 Classico CCW

R10 Oct 13 Tecnico

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R5 May 26 RESULTS

Super Series Point Standings

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IRONMAN

R1 Jan 20 RESULTS

R2 Feb 10 RESULTS

R3 Mar 31 RESULTS

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IronMan Point Standings

R6 Jun 16 RESULTS

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R2 April 7 RESULTS

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Tri-C Point Standings

R5 July 28 RESULTS

R6 September 1 RESULTS

R7 October 6 RESULTS

R8 October 27 RESULTS