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ROUND 4 APPI 14

near 2-month hiatus brought an eager and sold out field to the Grande CCW circuit this past Saturday for Round 4 of the 2018 Sprint Series season. The top 10 in points would be sure to shake up with several drivers leaving the arena for the season. This round's winner would mark yet another new driver sitting on the top step after these first few rounds...

With the start of the final qualifying session, series regulars like Samuel Hunt, Ivan Martinez, and Spencer Russell were pulling off blinding paces. The only 2R driver on the roster for the day, Sheng Wu, was also spotted on timing with a couple of purple laps as well. Only Russell, Hunt, and Wu would break the 1:06 second mold. It wasn't until it came down to the wire however that Russell would wrap up a triumphant pole position by just .002s over Hunt- a plethora of congratulatory shouts erupting from the pit area once the results were announced.

Heat 1B would be the start of Hunt's cruise to victory– as the green flagged waved for the start, he never looked back. Infighting amongst the rest of the field led to an 8-second gap on back. Leading the group into the checkered flag would be Tyler Redman after wrestling 5 positions upwards from his start in 7th followed by Edison Noboa who also made inroads forward from a 5th place start.

The ingredients were there for Hunt to replicate his uncontested win from his earlier heat race. He ran off immediately at the A-Main green flag while competitors took arms against each other, enabling Hunt to escape. The race became a fight to get away from a hoard of non-stop infighting from second place on back. One by one, Russell would be successful; and then Sternberg would break out as well. This top 3, each separated by multiple kart lengths, would cruise to the finish for the Sprint Series Round 4 A-Main.



A Main Podium



B-Main Winner Greg Pelaez



C-Main Winner Matthew McCoy



Sprint Overall Points

1 Diego Alvarado	580
2 Spencer Russell	575
3 Samuel Hunt	575
4 Lukas Dziemidok [2R]	575
5 Ivan Martinez	555
6 James Lieser	549
7 Randy McKee	539
8 Tony Chen	515
9 Frank Hsu	506
10 Seth Willits	501





















































ROUND 4 APPI 28

Gloomy skies and cooler temperatures welcomed the Ironman Series for its fourth round in the 2018 championship campaign, taking to the Grande Counter Clockwise circuit for the month of April. The trend of new or different faces in victory lane would continue in this installment, with a last minute entry earning the top step in pro, while a IronMan veteran scored his first win of the year in sport...

For the second round in a row it would be Michael Wojdat leading the charge to the green flag, this time down the hill and into 'Short Beach' for the very first of what would be 59 circuits. He would maintain the top spot for the opening three laps before a hard charging Diego Morales reached the top, having worked up from 6th in those few short laps. Conversely, Riley Dugan elected to pit extremely early, making his first of two stops after just two laps, making his way in clean air much of the rest of the race.

Part of what had Dugan pitting early was that the Pro Class had already began to catch sport class traffic, as the early stoppers in that class began to get caught up by the overall leaders. Still, with Morales leading the charge, he, Wojdat and round three runner-up Charles Eichlin continued to work their way through traffic as quickly as possible. Unfortunately for Wojdat, he would attempt to do perhaps a bit too quickly, locking up the brakes on lap 11, collecting a sport class driver earning some damage in the process. Just prior to that, Eichlin had actually decided to take a trip down pit road, a move that perhaps kept him out of a dire situation.

Unlike his rivals, Morales stayed out of the pit lane for the entirety of the first half, instead methodically, although sometimes cautiously working through traffic lap after although lap. Ironically, with Dugan making his second stop before Morales had even made his first, the two drivers would meet on course as former worked to keep from being lapped. It would only last a lap or two before Morales made his trip down pit lane, and it would be the closest the two would be to each other all race. With all four of the front runners on different strategies, no driver spent much time wheel-to-wheel racing, with it all shaking out after pit stops with healthy margins.

Morales would use that margin to carefully navigate traffic in the waning laps, scoring the Pro Class win in his debut, with Riley Dugan scoring the second spot just .657 seconds astern. Eichlin would be able to leapfrog the damaged Wojdat to score his second podium in a row, with the latter doing strong work with a damaged ride most of the race.



ego Morales **PRO RESULTS** Diego Morales 12 10 **Riley Dugan Charles Eichlin** 16 Michael Wojdat 15 **Matt Steele**









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A pair of Nick's would lead the Sport Class group of thirty drivers through Short Beach for the first time, with Nicolas Bel and Nick Marascio heading the field at the drop of the green. Their time at the front would come under fire immediately however, as perennial front runners Jose da Silva and Alyssa scythed there way to the front, looking to bounce back from uncharacteristic tough rounds last month. Bel did not give up without a fight however, and the time lost saw former Ironman champion Taylor Hays squeeze his way through, inheriting the lead on lap five. Yauney would eventually link up with Hays a couple of laps later, the duo instantly going to work to gap the field.

Contrast to the group at the front, Series point leader coming in Cameron Jocelyn had to do a lot of work, as he started back in 28th after being absent from round #3. It was not the first time he had been faced with this challenge, actually earning a podium in his IronMan debut from the same starting spot in 2017. At the same time Hays and Yauney finally had control of the front, Jocelyn was up to 12th and seven seconds back, having picked up all but two of those positions on track.

For pit strategy, none of the front runners elected to pit in the first half of the race, instead staying out until the last handful of circuits before making their first trips down pit road. In fact, the entirety of the top five finishers made their stops in final fifteen minutes, with three of the top five in the final six laps. The highest finisher with the earliest stops would actually be sixth place Lukas Dziemidok, doing back to back stops right about halfway...

Back at the front, Jocelyn's trek to the sharp end made it all the way to third, ironically linking up with the aforementioned Dziemidok who was a lap behind at the time via his altered strategy. There was just no catching the teamwork of Hays and Yauney at the front, the duo trading the lead only to share the work load in staying out front, with former eventually leading the most laps. As it does in many IronMan events, in the end it would all come down to their prowess in pit lane for the sport class win, with Yauney the first to blink. First pitting on lap 48, she would make her second trip down on lap 50, while Hays would go back to back on 50 and 51; The verdict? Slightly quicker stops by Yauney, but faster laps by Hays, giving the advantage to the former champ. It would be Hays' 6th career Ironman win -moving him even with Adam Nagao for 2nd all time- and the first podium of the year for Yauney. The incredible run -for the second time- by Jocelyn netted him his second podium in a row, and a solid day in the points after missing last month.







points readers

PRO

1.	Alexander Bermudez	213
2.	Riley Dugan	194
3.	Jetson Lieser	191
4.	Charles Eichlin	188
5.	Michael Wojdat	176





















SPORT

1.	Taylor Hays	205
2.	Cameron Jocelyn	196
3.	Alyssa Yauney	189
4.	Chris Huerta	184
5 .	Anthony Severson	181
6.	Jose da Silva	168
7.	Steve Spring	166
8.	TJ Blackledge	161
9.	Adam Nagao	160
10.	Lukas Dziemidok	155



Winter Series

1.	Taylor Hays	277
2.	Chris Huerta	264
3.	Cameron Jocelyn	259
4.	Alyssa Yauney	258
5	lose da Silva	237



















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ualifying on Grande Counter Clockwise for the fourth installment of the 2018 Super Series season saw Alyssa Yauney clock the fastest time, earning her second career pole, and her first set of qualifying bonus points of the year. Second quick and also with his first allotment of bonus points from the session was Taylor Hays, while the impressive qualifying run from Chris Huerta continued with his third overall.

The heat races would be dominated by familiar faces at the sharp end, with six different drivers bringing home the top spot, but all of which familiar in the position. While Sean Fite picked up his third heat win of the season; Charles Eichlin, Chris Huerta, Alyssa Yauney and Henry Morse each earned their second, with Paulo Franca finally scoring a heat win after four finishes in a row in the top three. The nod for the A-Main front row would go to Huerta and Franca however after they each scored 1-2's in their heats, the pole going to the former after his 3rd overall in qualy. Fellow heat race winners Eichlin and Yauney would fill in row two, sitting 3rd and 4th respectively.

Both preliminary mains would offer up exciting races, with the C-Main kicking things off with an eventual mano-e-mano fight between Joon Maeng and Doug Yauney. Yauney would lead the field away at the green with Maeng in tow, with some serious infighting behind them, were able to make it a one on one battle in the later rounds. In the final laps it was pass after repass, with Maeng leading coming to the final complex. Yauney went for a last-ditch maneuver, unfortunately collecting both drivers into the wall. Thankfully for Maeng, he was able to continue before the chasing pack caught up, salvaging the win.

In the B-Main things seemed to start off calm, but in the end was nothing less than a battle royal for the win, never mind the rest of the field. Ivan Martinez, Jeremy Aldridge, and Tony Chen paced the group for the opening half of the race, but in the second half, nobody was content with their positions. In the end, Martinez would stave off the attacks from the lot of them, scoring the B-Main win and the transfer to the A-Main.

The two by two rolling start would see the advantage go to the outside line, and before the field reached the braking zone, off-pole man and round #3 winner Paulo Franca had slid in front of pole sitter Chris Huerta. This would be the end for Huerta's lap one troubles, and he would cross the line fifth after the first circuit. The lead



Pole - Alyssa Yauney



A Main Podium



B-Main Winner Ivan Martinez



C-Main Winner Joon Maeng





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Overall Points

1.	Paulo Franca	771	6.	Taylor Hays	735
2.	Alyssa Yauney	770	7.	Diego Morales	732
3.	Cameron Jocelyn	751	8.	TJ Blackledge	730
4.	Chris Huerta	738	9.	Jetson Lieser	719
5.	Henry Morse	738	0.	Bill Kreig	716





group to make it out of the first lap with the advantage would be Franca, Alyssa Yauney, Diego Morales and Henry Morse, with Morse pushing to link back up to the lead trio.

While the battle for fifth raged on behind them, out front Yauney made the move on Franca, looking to seal the deal on a win that escaped her in the final corner of this track last fall. In the last handful of laps Franca made his move back to the front, but it would only last one lap before the counter attack came. Yauney would move back to the point, with Franca down to 4th as Morse now took up the second spot ahead of Morales. Coming to the white, Franca surged forward to make a move on Morales, but the contact was too great, and he let him back by in a show of sportsmanship. This allowed both Morse and Yauney to eek out an advantage, making it a one on one fight for the win. This time however, Yauney was not to be denied, scoring her first career Super Series victory, with Henry Morse coming in second, and Morales holding on for the final podium spot.



Masters Points

1.	Diego Morales	732
2.	Ariel Rubio	674
3.	Alexander Bermudez	661
4.	Jose da Silva	658
5.	Steve Spring	606

Grand Masters Points

1.	Jeff Latimer	442
2.	Tony Wika	434
3.	Tom Zevin	432
4.	Brian Starr	369
5.	Vladimir Orlov	365





Sportsman Points

1.	Dmitry Korotkov	606
2.	Rodney Bryant	597
3.	Scott Milne	594
4.	Sam Hunt	582
5 .	Tony Chen	558

























































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Brackett and Smith earn double podiums for CSK in round Two!

unny skies and somewhat humid temps would welcome the second round of the Tri-C Karters 2018 racing season, with CSK Racing hosting 17 drivers under the team tent. Every one of them save one were returning from the first round, and each were more than happy to ditch the wet weather gear and get to tackle CalSpeed's fast Grande Counter Clockwise configuration in dry conditions...

VLR Spec 206

In the VLR Spec 206 class it was the usual suspects again showing pace in qualy, with Jake Hood and Rob Brackett again locking out the front row, duplicating their effort from the season opener. Jake Hood would back up his pole with a pair of 2nd place runs in the heat races, but handling woes would take over as the day went on, and he was unable to match his early pace in the main, settling for an 8th place finish in the end.

Rob Brackett stayed strong throughout the day however, and never straying to far from the front, scoring a 3rd in the first heat, followed by a 5th in the second. In the main he would battle with 206 debutant Adam Nagao for a podium finish, coming up with his first podium in the spec class with a third place finish.

And speaking of Adam Nagao, his Tri-C Karter's debut was a stout one; qualifying 4th, he then backed it up with a heat win right away. While the second heat did not go his way, getting shuffled back to 6th, he surged forward to be in a podium spot for the main. While battling for third at the end with Brackett, he would end up snagging 2nd at the end after a surprising turn of events.

Which brings us to one of the most impressive drivers thus far, rookie 206 racer TJ Blackledge. He showed impressive pace in round #1 in tough conditions, and again backed that up this past Saturday. Qualifying 5th, he never strayed from the front pack, and then went even better in the second heat race with a third, and fastest lap. In the Main he checked out with the leader, and after dutifully pushing until the end, finally made his move for the lead. He would battle the entire last lap until contact saw his chain come off rounding the final complex, sending him down the order. After the pace he has shown, it is a matter of when -not if- we see this kid on the top step of the podium.

VLR Spec Top 5 in Points

1.	Jake Hood	<i>7</i> 18
2.	Mark Connell	703
3.	Rob Brackett	674
4.	Myan Spaccarelli	668
5.	Ion Kimbrell	665

Senior 206

Round #1 winner Derek Esquibel looked like one of the guys to beat again for round #2, qualifying 2nd, then backing it up with a win in heat #1 with one of the fastest laps of the race. Unfortunately in heat two he would have contact while trying to pass for the lead, seeing him relegated to 13th, and with a lot of work in the Main. Still, he would charge back and get a 6th place finish after the 16 lap final, salvaging some solid points for the championship, where he currently sits second.

For team manager Mike Smith, the second round of the championship would be a tough one, starting with a blown motor in Friday practice. Power plant gremlins would continue through the first heat race before the team could sort out the issue, and a 9th place qualifying effort and a 10th place in the first heat were the result. Going to work in the second heat, he would get up to 4th and into a solid position for the final race of the day. In the Main he would find himself among the chasing pack that included 2nd-5th, and although was able to come out on top of that group, could not catch the leader, securing a second place and a solid day in the points.

206 Senior Top 5 in Points

1.	KC Cook	759
2.	Derek Esquibel	736
3.	Mike Smith	735
4.	Riley Dugan	705
5.	Jake Hood	674

206 Masters

Reigning class champion Mark Connell again lead the charge in qualifying with a 2nd overall, backing it up with a 2nd and a 3rd in the heat races. It was a tough day for Connell however, having to get his kart repaired after 'bicycling' and crashing into a wall in the first Spec heat race. Battling an ill-handling kart after that incident, he was still able to race at the front of the Masters field in the Main, just getting nipped at the line by Rob Brackett for a podium.

Bracketts's prowess in qualy continued in the Master's class, earning the 3rd fastest time in the green-white-checkered session. While he did have a tougher time in the heat races with a 5th and a 7th place finishes, he bounced back strong to be a part of the podium fight in the main. Battling with the

aforementioned Connell and impressive CSK newcomer Lukas Dziemidok, Brackett earn his second podium of the day with a 3rd at the line buy just .087 seconds.

Smith's tough start to the day in Senior was mirrored in Masters, having to dig out of an 11th place starting spot for the first heat race. He was able to fight up to 4th, and after falling back to 5th at the start of heat 2, finished in 2nd with a shot at the win. Linked up with John Crow at the start, the pair settled in and after a couple of lead changes, they waited until the final few laps to duke it out. After pass and repass that saw the lead change hands the last three laps, Smith was able to come out on top for the Masters win.

Also, spare a thought for CSK Racing driver Jose da Silva; he fought in the top three in both Masters heat races, but a flip in the Spec main event ended his day and he was not able to fight for a podium spot in the masters main -although had pace to do it. Thankfully he is ok, and will be back racing with us soon!

CSK Racing would like to again thank all of their customers for coming out to round #2 for the 2018 Tri-C Karters season, and we're looking forward to round #3 on the Grande configuration on May 5th. 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!

206 Masters Top 5 in Points

1.	Mike Smith	783
2.	John Crow	717
3.	Bryan Williams	688
4.	Mark Connell	685
5.	Lukas Dziemidok	670



































schedule 2018



R1 Jan 6 RESULTS

R2 Feb 3 RESULTS

R3 Mar 3 POSTPONED

R4 Apr 14 RESULTS

R5 May 12 Grande

Sprint Series Point Standings

R6 Jun 9 Nuovo

R7 Jul 7 Sportivo

R8 Aug 11 Classico

R9 Sep 8 Classico CCW

R10 Oct 13 Tecnico

SUPER SERIES

R1 Jan 20 RESULTS

R2 Feb 10 RESULTS

R3 Mar 31 RESULTS

R4 Apr 28 RESULTS

R5 May 26 Grande

Super Series Point Standings

R6 Jun 16 Nuovo

R7 July 21 Sportivo

R8 Aug 18 Classico

R9 Sep 22 Classico CCW

R10 Nov 10 Tecnico

IRONMAN

R1 Jan 20 RESULTS

R2 Feb 10 RESULTS

R3 Mar 31 RESULTS

R4 Apr 28 RESULTS

R5 May 26 Grande

IronMan Point Standings

R6 Jun 16 Nuovo

R7 July 21 Sportivo

R8 Aug 18 Classico

R9 Sep 22 Classico CCW

R10 Nov 10 Tecnico

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R1 March 10 RESULTS

R2 April 7 RESULTS

R3 May 5 RESULTS

R4 June 30 RESULTS

Tri-C Point Standings

R5 July 28 RESULTS

R6 September 1 RESULTS

R7 October 6 RESULTS

R8 October 27 RESULTS