



FINAL OFFICIAL RESULTS - 1979 INDIANAPOLIS 500-MILE RACE

POS.	CAR NO.	DRIVER	CAR NAME	LAPS	TIME/SPEED	
1	9	RICK MEARS	Gould Charge	200	3:08:47.97	158.899
2	14	A. J. FOYT	Gilmore Racing Team	200	3:09:33.66	158.260
3	36	MIKE MOSLEY	Theodore Racing	200	3:09:36.00	158.228
4	25	DANNY ONGAIS	Interscope/Panasonic	199	3:08:49.25	158.086
5	12	BOBBY UNSER	Norton Spirit	199	3:08:53.80	158.023
6	3	GORDON JOHNCOCK	No. Amer. Van Lines	197	3:08:52.75	156.449
7	46	HOWDY HOLMES (R)	Armstrong Mould/Jiffy Mix	195	3:09:10.49	154.619
8	22	BILLY VUKOVICH	Hubler/WNDE/Thermo K.	193	3:08:54.20	153.253
9	11	TOM BAGLEY	Dairy Queen/Kent Oil	193	3:08:55.85	153.231
10	19	SPIKE GEHLHAUSEN	Ste-On Glaze/Guar. Auto	192	3:08:54.65	152.453
11	7	STEVE KRISILOFF	Frosty Acres/Winton S.	192	3:08:56.75	152.425
12	77	SALT WALTHER	Dayton-Walther	191	3:08:56.09	151.640
13	72	ROGER McCLUSKEY	National Engineering	191	3:08:57.86	151.616
14	44	TOM BIGELOW	Armstrong Mould Inc.	190	3:08:58.57	150.813
15	1	TOM SNEVA	Sugaripe Prune	188	2:57:04.58	159.253
16	69	JOE SALDANA	KBHL-FM/Spirit of Neb.	186	3:09:12.03	147.463
17	97	PHIL THRESHIE	Guiffre Bros. Crane	172	3:09:15.68	136.319
18	4	JOHNNY RUTHERFORD	Budweiser McLaren/GY	168	3:08:53.39	133.411
19	31	LARRY RICE	S & M Electric	142	2:21:56.98	150.053
20	10	PANCHO CARTER	Alex-XLNT Foods	129	2:04:23.45	155.558
21	34	VERN SCHUPPAN	Wysard MotorCo.	111	1:49:23.80	152.198
22	2	AL UNSER	Pennzoil Chaparral	104	1:37:39.96	159.728
23	50	ELDON RASMUSSEN	Van by Bivouac/WFMS	89	1:48:00.46	123.602
24	80	LARRY DICKSON	Polak Construction	80	1:22:38.39	156.099
25	92	JOHN MAHLER	Sporb Magazine	63	1:43:28.41	95.677
26	17	DICK SIMON	SANYO	57	1:23:24.62	102.505
27	6	WALLY DALLENBACH	Foreman Industries	43	41:04.13	157.053
28	24	SHELDON KINSER	Genesee Beer Wagon	40	37:00.38	162.134
29	29	CLIFF HUCUL	Hucul	22	19:17.92	170.996
30	89	LEE KUNZMAN	Vetter/Windjammer	18	42:04.64	64.168
31	73	JERRY SNEVA	National Engineering	16	14:14.62	168.496
32	15	JOHNNY PARSONS	Hopkins/Goodyear	16	14:22.80	166.898
33	59	GEORGE SNIDER	KBHL-FM/Spirit of Neb	7	6:22.95	164.512
34	45	JANET GUTHRIE	Texaco Star	3	2:58.39	151.354
35	23	JIM McELREATH	Amox Coal	0	.00	.000

FASTEST LAP OF RACE: 193.216 mph by #36 MIKE MOSLEY ON LAP #184

FASTEST LEADING LAP OF RACE: 192.143 mph by #2 AL UNSER ON LAP #3

preliminary Lap Figures: 1 Lap - 181.781 by #2 AL UNSER  
 2 Laps - 185.970 by " " "  
 4 Laps - 188.413 by " " "



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FINAL OFFICIAL PRIZE LIST, TIMES AND AVERAGES FOR THE 1979 "500" MILE RACE

CAR POS. NO.	DRIVER		TIME	LAPS	AVERAGE	SPEEDWAY PRIZES	TOTAL PRIZES
1	Rick Mears	The Gould Charge	3:08:47.97	200x	158.899	\$161,607.27	\$270,401.38
2	A. J. Foyt, Jr.	Gilmore Racing Team	3:09:33.66	200x	158.260	77,747.28	107,291.39
3	Mike Mosley	Theodore Racing	3:09:36.00	200x	158.228	51,487.28	65,031.39
4	Danny Ongais	Interscope Panasonico P6B	3:08:49.25	199x	158.086	35,347.28	41,197.28
5	Bobby Unser	Norton Spirit	3:08:53.80	199x	158.023	33,275.28	62,319.39
6	Gordon Johncock	North American Van Lines Pacesetter	3:08:52.75	197x	156.449	31,371.28	34,815.39
7	Howdy Holmes	Armstrong Mould/Jiffy Mix	3:09:10.49	195x	154.619	28,909.28	38,503.39
8	Bill Yukovich	Hubler, VMEB; Thermo King of Indiana	3:08:54.20	193x	153.253	28,261.28	31,305.39
9	Tom Bagley	Dairy Queen/Kent Oil Special	3:08:55.85	193x	153.231	26,183.28	26,927.39
10	Spike Gehlhausen	Sta-On Car Glaze/Guarantee Auto/WIRE	3:08:54.65	192x	152.453	25,672.28	26,366.40
11	Steve Krisloff	Frosty Acres-Winton Sales	3:08:56.75	192x	152.425	25,419.27	25,713.39
12	Salt Walther	Dayton-Walther Special	3:08:56.09	191x	151.640	24,195.27	24,739.39
13	Roger McCluskey	National Engineering	3:08:57.86	191x	151.616	23,598.27	26,392.39
14	Tom Bigelow	Armstrong Mould	3:08:58.57	190x	150.813	23,273.27	25,817.39
15	Tom Sneva	Sugarripe Prune Special	2:57:04.58	188	159.253	24,134.27	30,578.39
16	Joe Saldana	KBHL-FW/Spirit of Nebraska	3:09:12.03	186x	147.463	23,523.27	24,467.39
17	Phil Threshie	Ciuffire Brothers Crane Special	3:09:15.68	172x	136.319	21,840.27	24,634.39
18	Johnny Rutherford	Budweiser McLaren/Goodyear	3:08:53.39	168x	133.411	21,185.27	30,729.39
19	Larry Rice	S & W Electric Company	2:21:56.98	142	150.053	20,759.27	21,053.39
20	Pancho Carter	Alex-XINN Foods Special	2:04:23.45	129	155.558	21,362.27	21,656.39
21	Vern Schuppan	Wysard Motor Company Special	1:49:23.80	111	152.198	20,093.27	20,537.39
22	Al Unser	Pennzoil Chaparral	1:37:39.96	104	159.728	20,852.27	39,646.39
23	Eldon Rasmussen	Vans by Bivouac/WFWS Mantia	1:48:00.46	89	123.602	19,139.27	19,433.39
24	Larry Dickson	Russ Polak Special	1:22:38.39	86	156.099	18,855.27	19,149.39
25	John Mahler	Sport Magazine	1:43:28.41	66	95.677	18,600.27	18,894.39
26	Dick Simon	SANTO	1:23:24.62	57	102.505	18,973.27	19,267.39
27	Wally Dallenbach	Foreman Industries Special	4:1:04.13	43	157.053	18,474.27	19,768.39
28	Sheldon Kinser	Genesee Beer Wagon	37:00.38	40	162.134	18,003.27	18,297.39
29	Cliff Hucul	Vetter/Windjammer	19:17.92	22	170.996	19,061.27	21,605.35
30	Lee Kunzman	National Engineering AMC	42:04.64	18	64.168	17,718.27	18,042.39
31	Jerry Sneva	Hopkins	14:14.62	16	168.496	18,063.27	18,357.39
32	Johnny Parsons	KBHL-FW/Spirit of Nebraska	6:22.95	7	164.512	17,977.27	18,900.39
33	George Snider	Texaco Star/AMT Racing	2:58.39	3	151.354	18,377.27	18,921.35
34	Janet Guthrie	AMAX Coal	- 0 -	0	000	18,377.27	18,671.39
35	Jim McElreath	Other Prize Money Earned By Others Not In Starting Lineup:				600.00	4,400.00
		x-Cars Running At Finish					

\*Includes Lap Prize Money and Accessory Awards

\$1,009,154.54

\$1,271,954.54\*

COMPLETE PRIZE FUND FOR THE 1979 INDIANAPOLIS 500-MILE RACE

Indianapolis Motor Speedway (original 33-car field)	\$ 973,200.00*
Indianapolis Motor Speedway (34th and 35th positions)	35,954.54
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Indianapolis Motor Speedway (Total)	\$1,009,154.54*
Citizens Speedway Committee (Parade)	10,000.00
Citizens Speedway Committee (Lap Prizes)	40,000.00
Accessory Prizes	212,800.00
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	\$1,271,954.54*

\*New records. Former records, \$873,250. and \$1,145,225., respectively.  
(1979 Total is \$126,729.54 more than previous record last year)

ACCESSORY PRIZES

AFNB	\$ 5,000.00	Loctite	\$ 3,000.00
American Dairy Association	3,000.00	Machinists Union	8,000.00
Anheuser-Busch, Inc.	5,000.00	Mallory Electric	2,000.00
Arno Adhesive Tapes	1,800.00	Miller Brewing	21,400.00
Bell Helmets	1,800.00	Monroe Auto Equipment	24,750.00
Borg-Warner	5,000.00	Motorola	1,000.00
Canon USA	1,000.00	Cecil C. Peck	1,000.00
Bruce Cartage Co.	250.00	Premier	3,400.00
Gen. Ind. Stand. Oil Dealers	2,500.00	Premier D/A	2,500.00
Champion Spark Plug Co.	36,000.00	Raybestos	3,050.00
Chicago Pneumatic	1,750.00	Renner's Express	1,000.00
Claypool Dress Shops	250.00	Rockwell	10,000.00
Corvettes Unlimited	500.00	A. C. Rupp	250.00
Cotter & Co. - True Value	5,000.00	S-K Tools	1,500.00
George K. Dallas	200.00	STP-Mueller	500.00
Ditzler-PPG	3,000.00	STP Corporation	3,750.00
John Doerflinger	250.00	Sears, Roebuck & Co.	10,000.00
Earl's Supply	1,100.00	Simpson	1,250.00
Fox Photo	1,000.00	Stant Manufacturing	1,200.00
Gabriel	3,250.00	Stewart-Warner	200.00
Gould	6,000.00	Stewart-Warner Trophy	500.00
Hillman-Seiko	800.00	Sunmark Industries	7,000.00
Hoosier Coal and Oil	2,000.00	Sunnen Products	1,500.00
Hurst	250.00	Thermo King	500.00
Ideal	1,000.00	Valvoline Oil Company	3,000.00
Indiana Oxygen	500.00	Von Duprin	200.00
Indiana Section SAE	1,000.00	Wagner Electric	6,000.00
Ingersoll-Rand	3,000.00	WRTV	500.00
Knights of Columbus	1,000.00	Ben Ziegler Company	400.00
L & H Threaded Rods	250.00		

TOTAL ACCESSORY PRIZES \$212,800.00

Merchandise won by race participants included:

- The Ford Mustang Pace Car
- The Thornton Bardach Checkered Flag Ring
- Eight Seiko Digital Chronographs From Hillman Jewelers
- A Rolex Wrist Watch
- Tool Sets From The Ingersoll-Rand and S-K Companies

Trophies were presented to race participants by the following companies:

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| Borg-Warner              | St. Pius X Knights of Columbus |
| W R T V                  | Raybestos-Manhattan            |
| A F N B                  | American Dairy Association     |
| Indiana Oxygen           | Stewart-Warner                 |
| S T P                    | Machinists Union               |
| Thermo King              | Renner's Express               |
| Cecil C. Peck            | Hoosier Coal and Oil Company   |
| Miller Beer              | Budweiser                      |
| Premier/DA Lubricant Co. |                                |