

1949 Championship Results

Indianapolis, IN 500 Mile Race - May 30, 1949

Track Type: Paved Oval
Race Distance: 500 miles
Promoter: Indianapolis Motor Speedway

Lap Distance: 2.5 miles
Margin of Victory: 191.000 sec

Ave Qual Speed: 128.057 mph
Sanction Num: AAA # 1R49
Total Purse: \$178,551

FP	#	SP	Driver	Car Name	Chassis	Eng	Laps	Time/Speed	Pts
1	7	4	Bill Holland	Blue Crown Spark Plug	Deidt FD	Offy	200	4:07:15.97 121.327	1,000
2	12	12	Johnnie Parsons	Kurtis Kraft	Kurtis	Offy	200	4:10:26.97 119.785	800
3	22	6	George Connor	Blue Crown Spark Plug	Lesovsky	Offy	200	4:10:50.78 119.595	700
4	2	13	Myron Fohr	Marchese	Marchese	Offy	200	4:12:32.65 118.791	600
5	77	16	Joie Chitwood	Wolfe	Kurtis 2000	Offy	200	4:12:36.97 118.757	500
6	61	7	Jimmy Jackson	Howard Keck	Deidt FD	Offy	200	4:14:31.00 117.870	400
7	98	9	Johnny Mantz	Agajanian	Kurtis 2000	Offy	200	4:16:06.01 117.601	300
8	19	19	Paul Russo	Tuffy's Offy	Kurtis 2000	Offy	200	4:28:11.28 111.862	250
9	9	31	Emil Andres	Tuffy's Offy	Kurtis 2000	Offy	197	Flagged	19
10	51	24	Norm Houser	Troy Oil	Langley	Offy	181	Flagged	150
11	68	21	Jim Rathmann	Pioneer Auto	Wetteroth	Offy	175	Flagged	100
12	64	18	Troy Ruttman	Ray Carter	Wetteroth	Offy	151	Flagged	50
13	3	10	Mauri Rose	Blue Crown Spark Plug	Deidt FD	Offy	192	Brkn magneto strap	
14	17	5	Duane Carter	Belanger	Stevens	Offy	182	Spun out	
15	29	15	Duke Dinsmore	Norm Olson	Olson	Offy	174	Broken radius rod	
16	8	14	Mack Hellings	Don Lee	Kurtis 2000	Offy	172	Valve	
17	4	22	Bill Sheffler	Sheffler	Bromme	Offy	160	Brkn connecting rod	
18	32	27	Johnny McDowell	Iddings	Meyer	Offy	142	Magneto	
19	14	11	Hal Cole	Grancor	Kurtis 2000	Offy	117	Broken rod bearing	
20	38	25	George Fonder	Ray Brady	Adams	SprkSc	116	Broken valve	
21	74	29	Bill Cantrell	Kennedy Tank	Anderson	Offy	95	Broken drive shaft	
22	57	17	Jackie Holmes	Pat Clancy	Kurtis 6Wh	Offy	65	Broken drive shaft	
23		20	Lee Wallard	IRC	Maserati	Mas Sc	55	Gear trouble	
24	69	28	Bayliss Levrett	Wynn's Fricting Proofing	Kurtis 2000	Offy	52	Lost drain plug	
25	5	2	Rex Mays	Novi Mobil	Kurtis FD	NoviSc	48	Magneto	
26	33	3	Jack McGrath	City of Tacoma	Kurtis 2000	Offy	39	Broken oil pump	
27	15	30	Fred Agabashian	IRC	Maserati	Mas Sc	38	Overheated	
28	52	32	Manuel Ayulo	Sheffler	Bromme	Offy	24	Brkn connecting rod	
29	54	1	Duke Nalon	Novi Mobil	Kurtis FD	NoviSc	23	Wrecked NE, on fire	
30	18	23	Sam Hanks	Love Machine & Tool	Kurtis 2000	Offy	20	Oil leak	
31	31	33	Charles VanAcker	Redmer	Stevens	Offy	10	Wrecked NW	
32	26	8	George Lynch	Auto Shippers	Snowberger	Offy	1	Wrecked SE	
33	37	26	Spider Webb	Grancor	Bromme	Offy	0	Transmission, DNS	

Lap Leaders

Duke Nalon	23	1-23
Rex Mays	12	24-35
Lee Wallard	19	36-54
Bill Holland	146	55-200

Relief Drivers

9	Walt Brown	Tuffy's Offy	Kurtis 2000	Offy	179	Rel Andres, 19-197	181
38	Mel Hansen	Ray Brady	Adams	SprkSc	49	Rel Fonder, 68-116	

Non-Qualifiers

34	Ralph Pratt	Belanger		Offy		DNS, too slow	
46	Tony Bettenhausen	Flavell		SprkSc		DNS, too slow	
65	Doc Williams	Sarafoff	Kurtis 2000	Offy		DNS, too slow	
16	Tony Bettenhausen	Alfa Romeo	Alfa Romeo	A-R Sc		DNS, too slow	
36	Bill Cantrell	Fageol Twin Coach	Stevens	Fageol		DNS, too slow	
21	Henry Banks	Federal Engineering		Offy		DNS, too slow	
42	Louis Tomei	Worline		Offy		DNS, too slow	
73	Manuel Ayulo	Karl Hall		Offy		DNS, too slow	
35	Henry Banks	Federal Engineering		Mas Sc		DNS, too slow	
16	Johnny Mauro	Alfa Romeo	Alfa Romeo	A-R Sc		Did not qualify	
23	Hal Robson	Miller		Miller		Did not qualify	
24	Frank Burany	Schoof		Offy		Wrecked practice	
35	Sam Hanks	Federal Engineering		Mas Sc		Did not qualify	
39	Byron Horne	Grancor V8		Mercry		Did not qualify	
42	Randall Bienke	Worline		Offy		Did not qualify	
43	Pat Flaherty	Grancor V8		Mercry		Did not qualify	
44	Mel Hansen	Bowes Seal Fast		OffySc		Did not qualify	
47	Ed Haddad	Page	Kurtis	DurySc		Did not qualify	
48	Frank Brisko	Frank Lynch		BrisSc		Did not qualify	
49	Mike Saley	Szalai		Offy		Did not qualify	
51	Bill Taylor	Rounds Rocket	Rounds RE	Offy		Did not qualify	
55	Kenny Eaton	Bowes Seal Fast		Offy		Did not qualify	
56	Jimmy Daywalt	Bill & Bud Motor Sales		Offy		Did not qualify	
59	Danny Kladis	Speedway Cocktail		Lencki		Did not qualify	
59	Dick Frazier	Grancor		Offy		Did not qualify	
63	Jim Rathmann	Grancor		Offy		Did not qualify	
66	Lindley Bothwell	Peugeot	Peugeot	Peug		Did not qualify	
67	George Metzler	Glessner	Shaw	Offy		Wrecked pract-fatal	
72	Ted Duncan	Lutes		Offy		Did not qualify	
73	Milt Fankhouser	Karl Hall		Offy		Did not qualify	
75	Wally Stokes	Kupiec		Offy		Did not qualify	
79	Jim Brubaker	Brubaker		Maser		Did not qualify	
81	Joel Thorne	Thorne Engineering		Sparks		Did not qualify	

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Pole Position: Duke Nalon

Pole Speed: 132.939 mph

Data Source: AAA Sanction Report

- Race Notes**
- 1) Minimum qualifying speed 115 mph.
 - 2) Yellow flags total 8:30.
 - 3) WFBM-TV televised race for first time.
 - 4) Tom Milton named Chief Steward.
 - 5) Engine specs: 274.59 ci unsupercharged, 183.06 ci supercharged.