

1950 Championship Results

Indianapolis, IN 500 Mile Race - May 30, 1950

Track Type: Paved Oval Lap Distance: 2.5 miles Ave Qual Speed: 131.045 mph Total Purse: \$200,271
 Race Distance: 345 miles Margin of Victory: 38.000 sec Sanction Num: AAA # 1R50
 Promoter: Indianapolis Motor Speedway

| FP | # | SP | Driver | Car Name | Chassis | Eng | Laps | Time/Speed | Pts |
|----|----|----|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------|--------|------|----------------------|-------|
| 1 | 1 | 5 | Johnnie Parsons | Wynn's Friction Proofing | Kurtis | Offy | 138 | 2:46:55.97 124.002 | 690 |
| 2 | 3 | 10 | Bill Holland | Blue Crown Spark Plug | Deidt FD | Offy | 137 | 2:47:33.97 122.638 | 552 |
| 3 | 31 | 3 | Mauri Rose | Keck\Offenhauser | Deidt FD | Offy | 137 | 2:48:44.96 121.778 | 483 |
| 4 | 54 | 12 | Cecil Green | John Zink | Kurtis 3000 | Offy | 137 | 2:48:45.97 121.766 | 414 |
| 5 | 17 | 9 | Joie Chitwood | Wolfe | Kurtis 2000 | Offy | 136 | 2:47:32.99 121.755 | 217.5 |
| 6 | 8 | 23 | Lee Wallard | Blue Crown Spark Plug | Moore | Offy | 136 | 2:48:34.97 121.009 | 276 |
| 7 | 98 | 1 | Walt Faulkner | Grant Piston Ring | Kurtis 2000 | Offy | 135 | 2:47:13.55 121.094 | 207 |
| 8 | 5 | 4 | George Connor | Blue Crown Spark Plug | Lesovsky | Offy | 135 | 2:47:14.19 121.086 | 172.5 |
| 9 | 7 | 19 | Paul Russo | Russo-Nichels | Russo\Nich | Offy | 135 | 2:48:48.32 119.961 | 138 |
| 10 | 59 | 11 | Pat Flaherty | Granatelli-Sabourin | Kurtis 3000 | Offy | 135 | 2:48:49.02 119.952 | 103.5 |
| 11 | 2 | 16 | Myron Fohr | Bardahl\Marchese | Marchese | Offy | 133 | Flagged - rain | 69 |
| 12 | 18 | 13 | Duane Carter | Belanger | Stevens | Offy | 133 | Flagged - rain | 34.5 |
| 13 | 15 | 26 | Mack Helligs | Tuffy's Offy | Kurtis 2000 | Offy | 132 | Flagged - rain | |
| 14 | 49 | 6 | Jack McGrath | Hinkle | Kurtis 3000 | Offy | 131 | Flagged, hit NE wall | |
| 15 | 55 | 24 | Troy Ruttman | Bowes Seal Fast | Lesovsky | Offy | 130 | Flagged - rain | |
| 16 | 75 | 31 | Gene Hartley | Troy Oil | Langley | Offy | 128 | Flagged - rain | |
| 17 | 22 | 27 | Jimmy Davies | Pat Clancy | Ewing | Offy | 128 | Flagged - rain | |
| 18 | 62 | 33 | Johnny McDowell | Peter Wales Trucking | Kurtis 2000 | Offy | 128 | Flagged - rain | |
| 19 | 4 | 20 | Walt Brown | Tuffy's Offy | Kurtis 2000 | Offy | 127 | Flagged - rain | |
| 20 | 21 | 14 | Spider Webb | Fadley-Anderson | Maserati | Offy | 126 | Flagged - rain | |
| 21 | 81 | 15 | Jerry Hoyt | Dr. Morris | Kurtis 2000 | Offy | 125 | Flagged - rain | |
| 22 | 27 | 29 | Walt Ader | Sampson | Rae | OffySc | 123 | Flagged - rain | |
| 23 | 77 | 30 | Jackie Holmes | Norm Olson | Olson | Offy | 123 | Wrecked NW turn | |
| 24 | 76 | 28 | Jim Rathmann | Pioneer Auto | Wetteroth | Offy | 122 | Flagged - rain | |
| 25 | 12 | 21 | Henry Banks | IRC | Maserati | OffySc | 112 | Brkn SC oil line | |
| 26 | 36 | 22 | Bill Schindler | Auto Shippers | Snowberger | Offy | 111 | Brkn universal joint | |
| 27 | 24 | 17 | Bayliss Levrett | Palmer | Adams | Offy | 108 | Lost oil pressure | |
| 28 | 28 | 2 | Fred Agabashian | Wynn's Friction Proofing | Kurtis 3000 | OffySc | 64 | Broken oil line | |
| 29 | 61 | 32 | Jimmy Jackson | Cummins Diesel | Kurtis 3000 | CummSc | 52 | Brkn SC vibr damper | |
| 30 | 37 | 25 | Sam Hanks | Merz Engineering | Kurtis 2000 | Offy | 42 | Lost oil pressure | |
| 31 | 14 | 8 | Tony Bettenhausen | Blue Crown Spark Plug | Deidt FD | Offy | 30 | Broken wheel bearing | |
| 32 | 45 | 18 | Dick Rathmann | City of Glendale | Watson | Offy | 25 | Broken oil line | |
| 33 | 69 | 7 | Duke Dinsmore | Brown Motor | Kurtis 2000 | Offy | 10 | Oil leak | |

Lap Leaders

| | | |
|-----------------|-----|----------------------|
| Johnnie Parsons | 115 | 10-32,34-104,118-138 |
| Mauri Rose | 15 | 1-9,33,105-109 |
| Bill Holland | 8 | 110-117 |

Relief Drivers

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|----|-------------------|--------|-------------|--------|----|---------------------|-------|
| 12 | Fred Agabashian | IRC | Maserati | OffySc | 41 | Rel Banks 72-112 | |
| 17 | Tony Bettenhausen | Wolfe | Kurtis 2000 | Offy | 51 | Rel Chitwood 86-136 | 127.5 |
| 24 | Bill Cantrell | Palmer | Adams | Offy | 3 | Rel Levrett 106-108 | |

Non-Qualifiers

| | | | | | | | |
|----|------------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------|--|--------------------|--|
| 66 | Cliff Griffith | Sarafoff | Miller | Offy | | DNS, too slow | |
| 26 | George Fonder | Ray Brady | Deidt | SprkSc | | DNS, too slow | |
| 63 | Joe James | Esmeralda | Kurtis 2000 | Offy | | DNS, too slow | |
| 82 | Joe James | Bob Estes | Weidel | Mercry | | DNS, too slow | |
| 79 | Chuck Leighton | Cantarano | | Wayne | | DNS, too slow | |
| 85 | Manuel Ayulo | Coast Grain | Maserati | Offy | | DNS, too slow | |
| 9 | Andy Linden | Bromme | Bromme | Offy | | Did not qualify | |
| 9 | Bud Rose | Bromme | Bromme | Offy | | Did not qualify | |
| 10 | Bill Vukovich | I R C | Maserati | Mas Sc | | Did not qualify | |
| 16 | Ted Duncan | Tuffy's Offy | Kurtis 2000 | Offy | | Did not qualify | |
| 16 | Hal Cole | Tuffy's Offy | Kurtis 2000 | Offy | | Wrecked qualifying | |
| 19 | Ralph Pratt | Lutes Truck Parts | Bardazon | Offy | | Did not qualify | |
| 19 | Kenny Eaton | Lutes Truck Parts | Bardazon | Offy | | Did not qualify | |
| 25 | Johnny Mauro | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo | A-R Sc | | Did not qualify | |
| 29 | Charles VanAcker | Redmer | Stevens | Offy | | Did not qualify | |
| 33 | Joel Thorne | Thorne Engineering | Kurtis | Sparks | | Did not qualify | |
| 34 | Johnny Fedricks | Kupiec | | Offy | | Did not qualify | |
| 36 | George Lynch | Auto Shippers | Snowberger | Offy | | Did not qualify | |
| 38 | Duke Nalon | Novi Mobil | Kurtis FD | NoviSc | | Did not qualify | |
| 39 | Danny Kladis | Federal Engineering | Maserati | Mas Sc | | Did not qualify | |
| 41 | Milt Fankhouser | Karl Hall | Stevens | Offy | | Did not qualify | |
| 43 | Chet Miller | Novi Mobil | Kurtis FD | NoviSc | | Did not qualify | |
| 44 | Bill Cantrell | Bowes Seal Fast | Kurtis | OffySc | | Did not qualify | |
| 47 | Ralph Pratt | Gdula | Gdula | Offy | | Did not qualify | |
| 51 | Mark Light | Glessner | Stevens | Offy | | Did not qualify | |
| 52 | Dick Frazier | Iddings | Meyer | Offy | | Did not qualify | |
| 52 | Mark Light | Iddings | Meyer | Offy | | Did not qualify | |
| 58 | Billy DeVore | Scopa | Scopa | Offy | | Did not qualify | |
| 63 | Bob Gregg | Esmeralda | Kurtis 2000 | Offy | | Did not qualify | |
| 64 | Bob Sweikert | Carter | Wetteroth | Offy | | Did not qualify | |
| 65 | Marvin Burke | Offenhauser\Ross Page | Kurtis | DurySc | | Did not qualify | |
| 65 | Norm Houser | Offenhauser\Ross Page | Kurtis | DurySc | | Did not qualify | |
| 74 | Carl Forberg | Jewell | Miller | Offy | | Did not qualify | |

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|----|---------------|--------------------|------------|--------|-----------------|
| 78 | Cy Marshall | Vulcan Tool | R Miller | R Mill | Did not qualify |
| 83 | Al Miller | Trainor Auto Parts | MillerRE4D | MillSc | Did not qualify |
| 84 | Mike Burch | George Hoster, Inc | Maserati | Maser | Did not qualify |
| 85 | Jim Rigsby | Coast Grain | Maserati | Offy | Did not qualify |
| 87 | Bill Vukovich | R E C | Rounds RE | Offy | Did not qualify |
| 99 | Kenny Eaton | Belanger | Kurtis | OffySc | Did not qualify |
| 99 | Emil Andres | Belanger | Kurtis | OffySc | Did not qualify |

Pole Position: Walt Faulkner **Pole Speed:** 134.343 mph

Data Source: AAA Yearbook, Clymer Indpls Yearbook

- Race Notes**
- 1) 274.59 ci piston displacement limit
 - 2) 183.06 ci supercharged piston displacement limit
 - 3) 115 mph minimum qualifying speed
 - 4) 21 rookies took driver's test
 - 5) Walt Faulkner set new track record, breaking Ralph Hepburn's 1946 record of 133.944 mph