

1957 Championship Results

Indianapolis, IN 500 Mile Race - May 30, 1957

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

Lap Distance: 2.5 miles
Margin of Victory: 21.500 sec

Ave Qual Speed: 141.478 mph Total Purse: \$299,252
Sanction Num: USAC # 57CH1

FP	#	SP	Driver	Car Name	Chassis	Eng	Laps	Time/Speed	Pts
1	9	13	Sam Hanks	Belond Exhaust	Salih	Offy	200	3:41:14.25 135.601	1,000
2	26	32	Jim Rathmann	Chiropractic	Epperly	Offy	200	3:41:35.75 135.382	800
3	1	15	Jimmy Bryan	Dean Van Lines	Kuzma R	Offy	200	3:43:28.25 134.246	700
4	54	10	Paul Russo	Novi Air Conditioning	Kurtis 500F	NoviSc	200	3:44:11.10 133.818	600
5	73	12	Andy Linden	McNamara	Kurtis 500G	Offy	200	3:44:28.55 133.645	500
6	6	5	Johnny Boyd	Bowes Seal Fast	Kurtis 500G	Offy	200	3:45:49.55 132.846	400
7	48	28	Marshall Teague	Sumar	Kurtis 500C	Offy	200	3:45:59.85 132.745	300
8	12	1	Pat O'Connor	Sumar	Kurtis 500G	Offy	200	3:46:47.35 132.281	250
9	7	16	Bob Veith	Bob Estes	Phillips	Offy	200	3:47:31.35 131.855	200
10	22	14	Gene Hartley	Massaglia Hotel	Lesovsky	Offy	200	3:48:24.40 131.345	150
11	19	19	Jack Turner	Bardahl	Kurtis 500G	Offy	200	3:49:10.30 130.906	100
12	10	11	Johnny Thomson	D-A Lubricants	Kuzma	Offy	199	Flagged 129.871	50
13	95	33	Bob Christie	Jones & Maley	Kurtis 500C	Offy	197	Flagged 129.167	
14	82	25	Chuck Weyant	Central Excavating	Kurtis 500C	Offy	196	Flagged 128.078	
15	27	22	Tony Bettenhausen	Novi Air Conditioning	Kurtis 500F	NoviSc	195	Flagged 126.735	
16	18	17	Johnnie Parsons	Sumar	Kurtis 500G	Offy	195	Flagged 126.274	
17	3	21	Don Freeland	Ansted Rotary	Kurtis 500D	Offy	192	Flagged 125.763	
18	5	6	Jimmy Reece	Hoyt Machine	Kurtis 500C	Offy	182	Broken throttle	
19	92	27	Don Edmunds	McKay	Kurtis 500G	Offy	170	Spun out SE	
20	28	31	Johnny Tolan	Greenman-Casale	Kuzma	Offy	138	Clutch	
21	89	30	Al Herman	Dunn Engineering	Dunn	Offy	111	Wrecked MS	
22	14	4	Fred Agabashian	Bowes Seal Fast	Kurtis 500G	Offy	107	Oil leak	
23	88	2	Eddie Sachs	Peter Schmidt	Kuzma	Offy	105	Broken piston	
24	77	18	Mike Magill	Dayton Steel	Kurtis 500G	Offy	101	Wrecked MS	
25	43	20	Eddie Johnson	Chapman	Kurtis 500G	Offy	93	Front wheel bearing	
26	31	23	Bill Cheesbourg	Seal Line	Kurtis 500G	Offy	81	Fuel leak	
27	16	8	Al Keller	BardahlClancy	Kurtis 500G	Offy	75	Wrecked SW	
28	57	29	Jimmy Daywalt	Helse	Kurtis 500C	Offy	53	Wrecked NE	
29	83	7	Ed Elisian	McNamara	Kurtis 500C	Offy	51	Broken timing gear	
30	8	24	Rodger Ward	Wolcott Fuel Injection	Lesovsky	OffySc	27	Broken supercharger	
31	52	3	Troy Ruttman	John Zink	Watson	Offy	13	Oil leak	
32	55	26	Eddie Russo	Sclavi & Amos	Kurtis 500C	Offy	0	Wrecked pacelap, BS	
33	23	9	Elmer George	Travelon Trailer	Kurtis 500B	Offy	0	Wrecked pacelap, BS	

Lap Leaders

Sam Hanks	136	36-48,54-110,135-200
Pat O'Connor	7	1-4,7-9
Jim Rathmann	24	111-134
Paul Russo	24	12-35
Troy Ruttman	4	5-6,10-11
Johnny Thomson	5	49-53

Non-Qualifiers

18	17	Dick Rathmann	Sumar	Kurtis 500G	Offy	Driven by Parsons
33		Billy Garrett	Federal Engineering	Kurtis 500E	Offy	DNS, too slow
4		George Amick	Federal Engineering	Snowberger	Offy	DNS, too slow
42		Dempsey Wilson	Martin Brothers	Curtis	Offy	DNS, too slow
35		Chuck Weyant	Jim Robbins	Kurtis 500G	Offy	DNS, too slow
49		Ray Crawford	Meguiar Mirror Glaze	Kurtis 500G	Offy	DNS, too slow
25		Jud Larson	John Zink	Watson	Offy	DNS, too slow
98		Johnnie Parsons	Agajanian	Kuzma	Offy	DNS, too slow
45		Bill Cheesbourg	Las Vegas Club	Kurtis 500G	Offy	DNS, too slow
32		Jimmy Davies	Trio Brdeact wind allass	Kurtis 500D	Offy	DNS, too slow
67		Don Edmunds	Braund Plywood	Kurtis 500C	Offy	DNS, too slow
72		Danny Kladis	Morgan Engineering	Maserati	Mas Sc	DNS, too slow
15		Tony Bonadies	Ray Brady	Kurtis 500C	Offy	Wrecked practice, NW
31		Cliff Griffith	Seal Line	Kurtis 500G	Offy	Did not qualify
34		Jim McWithey	Federal Engineering	Kurtis 500D	Offy	Wrecked qual, NE
58		Andy Furci	Ray Brady	Schroeder D	Offy	Did not qualify
59		Bud Clemons	Chiropractic	Shilala	Offy	Did not qualify
62		Keith Andrews	Farina	Kurtis 500G	Offy	Wrecked, fatal, NW
64		Gene Force	Shannon Brothers	Watts	Offy	Did not qualify
71		Johnny Fedricks	Gdula	Kurtis 500C	Offy	Did not qualify
81		Tony Bonadies	Central Excavating	Kuzma D	Offy	Did not qualify
84		Danny Kladis	Safety Auto Glass	Merecedes	Jaguar	Did not qualify

Pole Position: Pat O'Connor **Pole Speed:** 143.948 mph

Data Source: Clymer Yearbook, USAC Yearbook

Race Notes

- 1) Parsons replaced Dick Rathmann, who'd been hit in head by rock thrown by hoodlum night before race.
- 2) Don Edmunds named Rookie Of The Year.
- 3) Yellow flag time totalled 31:41.
- 4) Lap Prizes: Hanks \$20,400, Thomson \$750, Jim Rathmann \$3,600, Russo \$3,600, O'Connor \$1,050 and Ruttman \$600.
- 5) Hanks set new record for 500 miles, breaking Bill Vukovich's record of 130.840 set in 1954.