

Indy 500 Entries

No.	Driver	Sponsor	Chassis/Engine
1	George Snider (17)	Calumet Farms	83 March/Cosworth
2	Rick Mears (5)	Pennzoil Spl.	Penske PC-11/Cosworth
2T	Rick Mears	Pennzoil Spl.	Penske PC-11/Cosworth
3	Mario Andretti (17)	Budweiser	Lola/Cosworth
3T	Mario Andretti	Budweiser	Lola/Cosworth
4	Bobby Rahal (1)	Red Roof Inns	83 March/Cosworth
4T	Bobby Rahal	Red Roof Inns	83 March/Cosworth
5	Tom Sneva (9)	Texaco Star	83 March/Cosworth
5T	Tom Sneva	Texaco Star	Theodore/Cosworth
6	Tom Bigelow (9)	HBK Racing	81 Eagle/Chevy V-8
7	Al Unser (17)	Hertz	Penske PC-11/Cosworth
7T	Al Unser	Hertz	Penske PC-11/Cosworth
8	Rich Vogler (0)	Leader Card	Watson/Cosworth
9	Roger Mears (1)	Machinists Union	Penske PC-10/Cosworth
9T	Roger Mears	Machinists Union	Penske PC-10/Cosworth
10	Tony Bettenhausen (2)	Provimi Veal	83 March/Cosworth
10T	Tony Bettenhausen	Provimi Veal	83 March/Cosworth
11	Bill Alsup (1)	Wm. E. Alsup Jr.	Argo/Cosworth
11T	Bill Alsup	Wm. E. Alsup Jr.	Penske PC-9/Cosworth
12	John Paul Jr. (x)	VDS Associates	Penske PC-10/Cosworth
12T	John Paul Jr.	VDS Associates	Penske PC-10/Cosworth
14	A.J. Foyt (25)	Valvoline-Gilmore	83 March/Cosworth
15	Bill Tempero (0)	Cornelius	Bullet/Chevy V-8
15T	Bill Tempero	Zena Jeans-Marcello	Longhorn/Chevy V-8
16	Kevin Cogan (2)	Bignotti-Cotter	Theodore/Cosworth
17	Mack McClellan (x)	Rolla Vollstedt	Vollstedt/Offy
18	Mike Mosley (14)	Kraco Stereo	83 March/Cosworth
18T	Mike Mosley	Kraco Stereo	83 March/Cosworth
19	Al Unser Jr. (x)	Coors Light	83 Eagle/Cosworth
19T	Al Unser Jr.	Coors Light	83 March/Cosworth
20	Gordon Johncock (18)	STP Oil Treatment	83 Wildcat/Cosworth
20T	Gordon Johncock	STP Oil Treatment	83 Wildcat/Cosworth
21	Pancho Carter (9)	Alex Foods-Pinata	82 March/Cosworth
22	Dick Simon (11)	Vermont American	83 March/Cosworth
24	Bobby Olivero (1)	Leader Card	Watson/Cosworth
25	Danny Ongais (6)	Interscope Racing	83 March/Chevy V-6
25T	Danny Ongais	Interscope Racing	83 March/Chevy V-6
26	Jim Buick (0)	Pride of Allied	Penske PC-7/Chevy V-8
27	No Driver	Rolla Vollstedt	82 Eagle/Chevy V-8
28	Gary Bettenhausen (14)	H & R Racing	Spirit/Chevy V-6
29	Mike Chandler (2)	Rattlesnake Racing	Rattlesnake/Cosworth
30	Howdy Holmes (2)	Domino's Pizza	83 March/Cosworth
32	No Driver	Forsythe Racing	83 March/Cosworth
33	Teo Fabi (x)	Forsythe Racing	83 March/Cosworth
34	Derek Daly (x)	Wysard Motor Co.	83 March/Cosworth
35	Patrick Bedard (0)	Escort Radar	83 March/Cosworth
36	Chuck Ciprich (x)	Pace Electronics	Finley/Chevy V-8
37	Scott Brayton (1)	SME Cement Spl.	83 March/Cosworth
38	Chet Fillip (1)	Circle Bar Truck	83 Eagle/Cosworth
38T	Chet Fillip	Circle Bar Truck	81 Wildcat/Cosworth
40	Johnny Rutherford (19)	Sea Ray Boats	83 Wildcat/Cosworth
41	Doug Heveron (x)	Andre Wildcat Spl.	81 Wildcat/Cosworth
42	Teddy Pliette (0)	Megard's Enterprises	82 March/Chevy V-8
43	Harold McDonald (0)	Armstrong Mould	Lola/Cosworth
44	No Driver	SEA Car	SEA/Cosworth
46	Phil Kreuger (0)	McCray Racing	Penske PC-9/Cosworth
47	Spike Gehlhausen (4)	Arizona Int. Travel	82 Eagle/Cosworth
48	Bill Puterbaugh (3)	Vermont American	83 Eagle/Cosworth
51	No Driver	Alex Foods	82 March/Cosworth
54	Desire Wilson (0)	Wysard Motor Co.	82 March/Cosworth
55	Josele Garza (2)	National Health Spa	Penske PC-11/Cosworth
56	Steve Chassey (0)	Genesee Beer	82 Eagle/Chevy V-8
57	No Driver	Penske Cars Ltd.	Penske PC-10/Cosworth
58	Sheldon Kinser (6)	Genesee Beer	82 Eagle/Chevy V-8
60	Chip Ganassi (1)	Patrick Racing	83 Wildcat/Cosworth
61	Dennis Firestone (3)	Hoosier Transport	81 Wildcat/Cosworth
64	Greg Leffler (1)	Jet Engineering	83 Eagle/Chevy V-6
65	Pete Halsmer (2)	Colonial Bread	Penske PC-10/Cosworth
66T	Pete Halsmer	Frank Arciero	82 Eagle/Chevy V-8
69	Jerry Sneva (5)	Hoffman Brothers	82 March/Cosworth
70	No Driver	Provimi Veal	83 March/Cosworth
71	No Driver	Roman Wheels	82 Eagle/Cosworth
72	Chris Kneifel (x)	Primus Racing	Primus/Cosworth
73	No Driver	Primus Racing	Primus/Cosworth
79	Bob Harkey (6)	Spirit of Noblesville	Coyote/Cosworth
80	Chip Mead (0)	Domino's Pizza	83 March/Cosworth
81	Herr Johnson	Hubier Chevy-WFBQ	Rattlesnake/Cosworth
82	Larry Rice (2)	American Spirit	Spirit/Chevy V-6
83	Bob Frey (0)	Jet Engineering	83 Eagle/Chevy V-6
84	No Driver	Valvoline-Gilmore	83 March/Cosworth
86	Al Loquasto (2)	George T. Smith	Penske PC-9/Cosworth
88	Roger Rager (1)	Frito Lay	Lightning/Chevy V-8
89	No Driver	Indy Auto Racing	81 March/Cosworth
91	Don Whittington (3)	The Simoniz Finish	82 March/Cosworth
92	John Mahler (4)	Intercomp	Lion/Chevy V-8
93	Jerry Karl (6)	Intercomp	Lion/Chevy V-8
94	Bill Whittington (3)	Whittington Brothers	82 March/Cosworth
95	Dale Whittington (1)	Whittington Brothers	82 March/Cosworth
97	Phil Caliva (0)	Aggie-Giuffre-King	King/Chevy V-8
98	Ken Schrader (x)	The Friendship Spl.	82 March/Cosworth
99	No Driver	Kraco Car Stereo	83 March/Cosworth

Rick Mears ride

By LEAL BEATTIE
Staff Sports Writer

INDIANAPOLIS — It should come as no surprise to anyone that Rick Mears posted the fastest speed on the opening day of practice for this year's Indianapolis 500.

Mears, who dominated prerace activities in 1982, was clocked at 196.377 miles per hour Saturday on a cloudy, windy day.

"The car seems to be working awfully well so far," the 31-year-old driver said. "We ran 196-197 with this wind condition. That's pretty good, but we've got a ways to go."

Mears also had the second-fastest car of the day, topping 194 mph in his backup car. Rookies Al Unser Jr. and John Paul Jr. turned in laps of 192.225 and 190.355, respectively, followed by Tony Bettenhausen (189.473), Pete Halsmer (186.800), Al Unser Sr. (185.605), Roger Mears (184.880), Mario An-

dretti (184.237) and Derek Daly (183.598).

"The wind was shaking me pretty bad on my entry into the No. 2 turn," Mears said. "It jerked me back and forth. I had to get on the pedal a little."

"IT WOULD CARRY me into (turn) three and head me toward the fence. Then it would pin me down off (turn) four. So, it was really different on every corner."

The Roger Penske team, for which Mears drives, is always well-prepared when it arrives at the race track.

Mears, however, totaled one of the new, bright yellow PC-11 cars in test run 10 days ago, but escaped the crash with only a bruised right leg.

"The tub was totaled, but it held together pretty well. I came out of it all right," he said.

"There are little sore spots on my hip, shin and calf, but they're just sensitive to the touch."

1983 Indy 500: Sat 5-7-83 Practice

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Speedway Top 10

Pos.	Driver, Car	Speed
1.	Rick Mears Pennzoil Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 2	202.565
2.	Howdy Holmes Domino's Pizza March 83C/Cosworth No. 30	198.281
3.	Al Unser Sr. Hertz Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 7	198.063
4.	Al Unser Jr. Coors Light '83 Eagle/Cosworth No. 19	197.411
5.	Roger Mears Machinists Union Penske PC-10/Cosworth No. 5	197.281
6.	Pancho Carter Alex Foods Pinata March/Cosworth No. 21	195.000
7.	Pete Halsmer Colonial-Arciero Penske PC-10/Coswrth No. 66	195.524
8.	Mario Andretti Budweiser Lola/Cosworth No. 3	195.439
9.	Kevin Cogan Bignotti-Cotter March 83C-11/Cosworth No. 16	195.058
10.	Bobby Rahal Red Roof Inns March 83C/Cosworth No. 4	194.889

1983 Indy 500: Sun 5-8-83 Top Practice
Speeds

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Speedway Top 10

Pos.	Driver, Car	Speed
1.	Rick Mears Pennzoil Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 2	203.850
2.	Kevin Cogan Bignotti-Cotter March 83C/Cosworth No. 16	201.929
3.	Mike Mosley Kraco Car Stereo March 83C/Cosworth No. 18	201.838
4.	Bobby Rahal Red Roof Inns March 83C/Cosworth No. 4	201.207
5.	Howdy Holmes Domino's Pizza March 83C/Cosworth No. 30	200.088
6.	Al Unser Jr. Coors Light '83 Eagle/Cosworth No. 18	199.866
7.	Pete Halsmer Colonial-Arc. Penske PC-10/Cosworth No. 66	199.645
8.	John Paul Jr. VDS Assoc. Penske PC-10/Cosworth No. 12	198.456
9.	Rick Mears Pennzoil Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 2T	198.150
10.	Al Unser Sr. Hertz Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 7	198.063

Times are the best recorded this season; all but Al Unser Sr.'s were recorded Monday.

1983 Indy 500: Mon 5-9-83 Top Practice Speeds

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Speedway Top 10

Pos.	Driver, Car	Speed
1.	Rick Mears Pennzoil Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 2	204.498
2.	Don Whittington Simoniz March 83C/Cosworth No. 91	203.297
3.	Teo Fabi Skoal Bandit March 83C/Cosworth No. 33	202.839
4.	Bobby Rahal Red Roof Inns March 83C/Cosworth No. 4	202.611
5.	Kevin Cogan Bignotti-Cotter March 83C/Cosworth No. 16	201.929
6.	Mike Mosley Kraco Car Stereo '83 March/Cosworth No. 18	201.838
7.	Al Unser Sr. Hertz Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 7	201.477
8.	Al Unser Jr. Coors Light '83 Eagle/Cosworth No. 19	200.848
9.	Tony Bettenhausen Provimi Veal '83 March/Cosworth No. 10	200.490
10.	Howdy Holmes Domino's Pizza March/Cosworth No. 30	200.088

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1983 Indy 500: Tue 5-10-83 Top Practice
Speeds

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Speedway's Top Ten

Pos.	Driver, Car	Speed
1.	Don Whittington Simoniz March/Cosworth No. 91	205.198
2.	Rick Mears Pennzoil Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 2	204.498
3.	Teo Fabi Skoal Bandit March 83C/Cosworth No. 33	202.839
4.	Bobby Rahal Red Roof Inns March 83C/Cosworth No. 4	202.611
5.	Mike Mosley Kraco Car Stereo March 83C/Cosworth No. 18	202.020
6.	Kevin Cogan Bignotti-Cotter March 83C/Cosworth No. 16	202.020
7.	Al Unser Jr. Coor's Light '83 Eagle/Cosworth No. 19	201.612
8.	Al Unser Sr. Hertz Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 7	201.477
9.	Tony Bettenhausen Provimi Veal March-83C/Cosworth No. 10	200.490
10.	A.J. Foyt Valvoline-Gilmore March 83C/Coswrth No. 14	200.133

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1983 Indy 500: Wed 5-11-83 Top Practice
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Speedway's Top Ten

Pos.	Driver, Car	Speed
1.	Don Whittington Simoniz March/Cosworth No. 91	205.198
2.	Rick Mears Pennzoil Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 2	204.498
3.	Mike Mosley Kraco Car Stereo March 83C/Cosworth No. 18	202.976
4.	Teo Fabi Skoal Bandit March 83C/Cosworth No. 33	202.839
5.	Bobby Rahal Red Roof Inns March 83C/Cosworth No. 4	202.611
6.	Kevin Cogan Bignotti-Cotter March 83C/Cosworth No. 16	202.020
7.	Al Unser Jr. Coo's Light '83 Eagle/Cosworth No. 19	201.612
8.	Al Unser Sr. Hertz Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 7	201.477
9.	Tony Bettenhausen Provimi Veal March-83C/Cosworth No. 10	200.490
10.	John Paul Jr. VDS Associates Penske PC-10/Cosworth No. 12	200.177

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1983 Indy 500: Thu 5-12-83 Top Practice
Speeds

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Speedway's Top Ten

Pos.	Driver, Car	Speed
1.	Don Whittington Simoniz March/Cosworth No. 91	205.198
2.	Rick Mears Pennzoil Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 2	205.1
3.	Mike Mosley Kraco Car Stereo March 83C/Cosworth No. 18T	204.1
4.	Bobby Rahal Red Roof Inns March 83C/Cosworth No. 4	203.5
5.	Teo Fabi Skoal Bandit March 83C/Cosworth No. 33 Tom Sneva	203.0
	Texaco Star March 83C/Cosworth No. 5T	203.0
7.	Mike Mosley Kraco Car Stereo March 83C/Cosworth No. 18	202.976
8.	Kevin Cogan Bignotti-Cotter March 83C/Cosworth No. 16	202.020
9.	Al Unser Jr. Coor's Light '83 Eagle/Cosworth No. 19	201.612
10.	Al Unser Sr. Hertz Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 7	201.477

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NOTE: Due to a problem with the electric eye, speeds were available only to the 10th of a mile an hour Friday.

Order of qualifying

Pos.	Car No.	Driver	Best Speed
1.	28.	Gary Bettenhausen ...	192.143
2.	35.	Patrick Bedard	197.000
3.	7.	Al Unser Sr.	201.477
4.	40.	Johnny Rutherford ...	195.694
5.	18.	Mike Mosley	202.976
6.	73.	Chris Kneifel	N.A.
7.	3T	Mario Andretti	198.400
8.	54.	Derek Daly	N.A.
9.	69.	Jerry Sneva	189.993
10.	22.	Dick Simon	184.312
11.	43.	Harold McDonald	182.704
12.	19.	Al Unser Jr.	201.612
13.	2.	Rick Mears	205.100
14.	2T	Rick Mears	197.368
15.	47.	Spike Gehlhausen	190.839
16.	92.	John Mahler	178.606
17.	5T	Tom Sneva	203.000
18.	46.	Phil Krueger	188.700
19.	18T	Mike Mosley	204.100
20.	91.	Don Whittington	205.198
21.	33.	Teo Fabi	203.000
22.	14.	A.J. Foyt	201.400
23.	72.	Chris Kneifel	196.206
24.	37.	Scott Brayton	195.652
25.	9.	Roger Mears	199.800
26.	34.	Derek Daley	198.800
27.	10T.	Tony Bettenhausen	N.A.
28.	1.	George Snider	195.016
29.	8.	Rich Vogler	192.678
30.	10.	Tony Bettenhausen ...	200.490
31.	5.	Tom Sneva	197.900
32.	6.	Tom Bigelow	187.617
33.	48.	Dick Simon	N.A.
34.	16.	Kevin Cogan	202.020
35.	29.	Michael Chandler	186.300
36.	81.	Herm Johnson	191.200
37.	42.	No Driver	N.A.
38.	56.	Steve Chassey	197.152
39.	15.	Bill Tempero	N.A.
40.	30T.	Howdy Holmes	N.A.
41.	94.	Bill Whittington	191.700
42.	58.	Steve Chassey	N.A.
43.	17.	Mark Alderson	N.A.
44.	64.	Greg Leffler	N.A.
45.	66.	Pete Halsmer	O 200.000
46.	30.	Howdy Holmes	200.088
47.	61.	Doug Heveron	N.A.
48.	60.	Chip Ganassi	197.802
49.	11.	Bill Alsup	181.900
50.	55.	Josele Garza	197.889
51.	26.	Jim Buick	N.A.
52.	4.	Bobby Rahal	203.500
53.	3.	Mario Andretti	199.155
54.	86.	Al Loguasto	177.000
55.	98.	Ken Schrader	168.203
56.	21.	Pancho Carter	199.955
57.	33T.	Teo Fabi	194.342
58.	51.	Pancho Carter	N.A.
59.	9T.	Roger Mears	N.A.
60.	41.	Doug Heveron	183.411
61.	20.	Gordon Johncock	197.200

NOTE: Speeds are the best reported off the USAC electric eye and may not be the best recorded this month. N.A. — No speed available.

1983 500-Mile Race Qualification Scorecard

CAR NO.	DRIVER AND CAR	1ST LAP	2D LAP	3D LAP	4TH LAP	LAP AVG.	CAR NO.	DRIVER AND CAR	1ST LAP	2D LAP	3D LAP	4TH LAP	LAP AVG.
1	GEORGE SNIDER 83 March/Cosworth						42	TEDDY PILETTE 82 March/Chevy V-8					
2	RICK MEARS Penske PC-11/Cosworth						43	HAROLD McDONALD Lola/Cosworth					
3	MARIO ANDRETTI Lola/Cosworth						44	NO DRIVER SEA/Cosworth					
4	BOBBY RAHAL 83 March/Cosworth						46	PHIL KREUGER Penske PC-9/Cosworth					
5	TOM SNEVA 83 March/Cosworth						47	SPIKE GEHLHAUSEN 82 Eagle/Cosworth					
5T	TOM SNEVA Theodore/Cosworth						48	BILL PUTERBAUGH 83 Eagle/Cosworth					
6	TOM BIGELOW 81 Eagle/Chevy V-8						51	NO DRIVER 82 March/Cosworth					
7	AL UNSER Penske PC-11/Cosworth						54	DESIRE WILSON 82 March/Cosworth					
8	RICH VOGLER Watson/Cosworth						55	JOSELE GARZA Penske PC-11/Cosworth					
9	ROGER MEARS Penske PC-10/Cosworth						56	STEVE CHANSEY 82 Eagle/Chevy V-8					
10	TONY BETTENHAUSEN 83 March/Cosworth						57	NO DRIVER Penske PC-10/Cosworth					
11	BILL ALSUP Xago/Cosworth						58	SHELDON KINSNER 82 Eagle/Chevy V-8					
12	JOHN PAUL JR. Penske PC-10/Cosworth						60	CHIP GANASSI 83 Wildcat/Cosworth					
14	A.J. FOYT 83 March/Cosworth						61	DENNIS FIRESTONE 81 Wildcat/Cosworth					
15	BILL TEMPERO Bullet/Chevy V-8						64	GREG LEFFLER 83 Eagle/Chevy V-6					
16	KEVIN COGAN Theodore/Cosworth						66	PETE HALSMER Penske PC-10/Cosworth					
17	MARK McCLELLAN Vauxhall/Chevy						69	JERRY SNEVA 82 March/Cosworth					
18	MIKE MOSELY 83 March/Cosworth						70	NO DRIVER 83 March/Cosworth					
19	AL UNSER JR. 83 March/Cosworth						71	NO DRIVER 82 Eagle/Cosworth					
20	GORDON JOHNCOCK 83 Wildcat/Cosworth						72	CHRIS KNEIFEL Primus/Cosworth					
21	PANCHO CARTER 82 March/Cosworth						73	LEE KUNZMAN Primus/Cosworth					
22	DICK SIMON 83 March/Cosworth						79	BOB HARKEY Coyote/Cosworth					
24	BOBBY OLIVERO Watson/Cosworth						80	CHIP MEAD 83 March/Cosworth					
25	DANNY ONGAIS 83 March/Chevy V-6						81	HERM JOHNSON Rattlesnake/Cosworth					
26	JIM BUCK Penske PC-27/Chevy V-8						82	LARRY RICE Spirit/Chevy V-6					
27	MARK ALDERSON 82 Eagle/Chevy V-8						83	BOB FREY 83 Eagle/Chevy V-6					
28	GARY BETTENHAUSEN Spirit/Chevy V-6						84	NO DRIVER 83 March/Cosworth					
29	MIKE CHANDLER Rattlesnack/Cosworth						86	AL LOQUANTO Penske PC-9/Cosworth					
30	HOWDY HOLMES 83 March/Cosworth						88	ROGER BAGER Lightning/Chevy V-8					
32	NO DRIVER 83 March/Cosworth						89	NO DRIVER 81 March/Cosworth					
33	TEO FABI 83 March/Cosworth						91	DON WHITTINGTON 82 March/Cosworth					
34	DEREK DALY 83 March/Cosworth						92	JOHN MAHLER Lion/Chevy V-8					
35	PATRICK BEDARD 83 March/Cosworth						93	JERRY KARL Lion/Chevy V-8					
36	CHUCK CIPRI H Times/Chevy V-8						94	BILL WHITTINGTON 82 March/Cosworth					
37	SCOTT BRAYTON 83 March/Cosworth						95	DALE WHITTINGTON 82 March/Cosworth					
38	CHET FILIP 83 Eagle/Cosworth						97	PHIL CALIVA King/Chevy V-8					
40	JOHNNY RUTHERFORD 83 March/Cosworth						98	KEN SCHRADER 82 March/Cosworth					
41	DOUG HEVERON 81 Wildcat/Cosworth						99	NO DRIVER 83 March/Cosworth					

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2.	Rick Mears Pennzoil Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 2	205.1
3.	Mike Mosley Kraco Car Stereo March 83C/Cosworth No. 18T	204.1
4.	Bobby Rahal Red Roof Inns March 83C/Cosworth No. 4	203.5
5.	Teo Fabi Skoal Bandit March 83C/Cosworth No. 33	203.0
	Tom Sneva Texaco Star March 83C/Cosworth No. 5T	203.0
7.	Mike Mosley Kraco Car Stereo March 83C/Cosworth No. 18	202.976
8.	Kevin Cogan Bignotti-Cotter March 83C/Cosworth No. 16	202.020
9.	Al Unser Jr. Coo's Light '83 Eagle/Cosworth No. 19	201.612
10.	Al Unser Sr. Hertz Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 7	201.477

Speeds are the best recorded this season and include only those recorded on the USAC electric eye; none of the top 10 times was established Monday.

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1983 Indy 500: Mon 5-16-83 Top Practice
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2.	Rick Mears Pennzoil Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 2	205.1
3.	Mike Mosley Kraco Car Stereo March 83C/Cosworth No. 18T	204.1
4.	Mike Mosley Kraco Car Stereo March 83C/Cosworth No. 18	203.989
5.	Tom Sneva Texaco March 83C/Cosworth No. 5T	203.896
6.	Teo Fabi Skoal Bandit March 83C/Cosworth No. 33	203.435
7.	Bobby Rahal Red Roof Inns March 83C/Cosworth No. 4	203.5
8.	Kevin Cogan Bignotti-Cotter March 83C/Cosworth No. 16	202.020
9.	Al Unser Jr. Coor's Light '83 Eagle/Cosworth No. 19	201.612
10.	Gordon Johncock STP Wildcat IX/Cosworth No. 20	201.522

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5.	Tom Sneva Texaco March 83C/Cosworth No. 5T	203.896
6.	Teo Fabi Skoal Bandit March 83C/Cosworth No. 33	203.435
7.	Bobby Rahal Red Roof Inns March 83C/Cosworth No. 4	203.5
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1983 Indy 500: Wed 5-18-83 Top Practice
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Speedway's Top 10

Pos.	Driver, Car	Speed
1.	Don Whittington Simoniz March/Cosworth No. 91	205.198
2.	Rick Mears Pennzoil Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 2	205.1
3.	Mike Mosley Kraco Car Stereo March 83C/Cosworth No.	204.1
18T		
4.	Mike Mosley Kraco Car Stereo March 83C/Cosworth No. 18	203.989
5.	Tom Sneva Texaco March 83C/Cosworth No. 5T	203.896
6.	Teo Fabi Skoal Bandit March 83C/Cosworth No. 33	203.435
7.	Bobby Rahal Red Roof Inns March 83C/Cosworth No. 4	203.5
8.	Kevin Cogan Bignotti-Cotter March 83C/Cosworth No. 16	202.020
9.	Al Unser Jr. Coor's Light '83 Eagle/Cosworth No. 19	201.612
10.	Gordon Johncock STP Wildcat IX/Cosworth No. 20	201.522

Speeds are the best recorded this season and include only those recorded on the USAC electric eye; Fabi and Johncock posted their times Tuesday.

NOTE: Due to a problem with the electric eye, speeds were available only to the tenth of a mile an hour last Friday.

Speedway Top 10

Pos.	Driver, Car	Speed
1.	Danny Ongais Interscope March/Cosworth No. 25	205.996
2.	Don Whittington Simoniz March/Cosworth No. 91	205.198
3.	Rick Mears Pennzoil Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 2	205.1
4.	Mike Mosley Kraco Car Stereo March 83C/Cosworth No. 18	205.058
5.	Mike Mosley Kraco Stereo March 83C/Cosworth No. 18T	204.1
6.	Tom Sneva Texaco March 83C/Cosworth No. 5T	203.896
7.	Bobby Rahal Red Roof Inns March 83C/Cosworth No. 4	203.5
8.	Teo Fabi Skoal Bandit March 83C/Cosworth No. 33	203.481
9.	Kevin Cogan Caesar's Palace March 83C/Cosworth No. 16	202.020
	Rick Mears Pennzoil Penske PC-11/Cosworth No. 2T	202.020

Speeds are the best recorded this season and include only those recorded on the USAC electric eye; Ongais, Mosley in No. 18, Fabi and Mears in 2T recorded their speeds Friday.

NOTE: Due to a problem with the electric eye, speeds were available only to the tenth of a mile an hour May 13.

Order of qualifying

Pos.	Car No.	Driver	Best Speed	Pos.	Car No.	Driver	Best Speed
1.	28	Gary Bettenhausen	192.143	36.	42	Phil Caliva	179.892
2.	35	Patrick Bedard	197.0	37.	56	Steve Chassey	197.152
3.	7	Al Unser Sr.	201.477	38.	15	Bill Tempero	N.A.
4.	18	Mike Mosley	205.058	39.	30T	Howdy Holmes	199.600
5.	73	Chris Kneifel	N.A.	40.	94	Bill Whittington	198.150
6.	3T	Mario Andretti	199.159	41.	56T	Steve Chassey	198.456
7.	54	Derek Daly	N.A.	42.	17	Larry Cannon	N.A.
8.	69	Dick Ferguson	N.A.	43.	64	Greg Leffler	177.795
9.	22	Dick Simon	190.556	44.	66	Johnny Parsons	194.216
10.	43	Steve Krisiloff	192.389	45.	30	Howdy Holmes	200.088
11.	19	Al Unser Jr.	201.612	46.	61	Jerry Karl	N.A.
12.	2	Rick Mears	205.1	47.	60	Chip Ganassi	197.802
13.	2T	Rick Mears	202.020	48.	11	Bill Alsup	181.9
14.	47	Spike Gehlhausen	190.839	49.	55	Josele Garza	197.889
15.	92	John Mahler	184.086	50.	4	Bobby Rahal	203.5
16.	5T	Tom Sneva	203.896	51.	3	Mario Andretti	200.133
17.	46	Phil Krueger	193.465	52.	21	Pancho Carter	199.955
18.	18T	Mike Mosley	204.1	53.	33T	Teo Fabi	194.347
19.	91	Don Whittington	205.198	54.	51	Pancho Carter	N.A.
20.	33	Teo Fabi	203.481	55.	9T	Roger Mears	195.016
21.	14	A.J. Foyt	201.4	56.	20	Gordon Johncock	201.522
22.	72	Chris Kneifel	198.325	NOT ELIGIBLE FOR POLE			
23.	37	Scott Brayton	198.631	57.	90	Dennis Firestone	192.513
24.	9	Roger Mears	199.911	58.	38	Chet Phillip	183.262
25.	34	Derek Daley	200.490	59.	83	Bill Vukovich	N.A.
26.	10T	Tony Bettenhausen	193.008	60.	88	Roger Rager	N.A.
27.	1	George Snider	197.195	61.	19T	Al Unser Jr.	N.A.
28.	8	Rich Vogler	192.678	62.	65	Danny Ongais	192.472
29.	10	Tony Bettenhausen	200.490	63.	25	Danny Ongais	205.996
30.	5	Tom Sneva	197.9	64.	12	Geoff Brabham	199.911
31.	6	Tom Bigelow	191.285	NOTE: N.A. — No speed available. Speeds are the best reported off the USAC electric eye and may not be the best recorded this month.			
32.	48	Dick Simon	194.805				
33.	16	Kevin Cogan	202.020				
34.	29	Michael Chandler	197.284				
35.	81	Herm Johnson	191.2				





























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2	RICK MEARS Penske PC-11/Cosworth						51	NO DRIVER 82 March/Cosworth					
3	MARIO ANDRETTI Lola/Cosworth						54	DEREK DALY 82 March/Cosworth					
4	BOBBY RAHAL 83 March/Cosworth						55	JOSELE GARZA Penske PC-11/Cosworth					
5	TOM SNEVA 83 March/Cosworth						56	STEVE CHASSEY 82 Eagle/Chevy V-8					
57	TOM SNEVA Theodore/Cosworth						57	NO DRIVER Penske PC-10/Cosworth					
6	TOM BIGELOW 81 Eagle/Chevy V-8						60	CHIP GANASSI 83 Wildcat/Cosworth					
7	AL UNSER Penske PC-11/Cosworth						61	JERRY KARL 81 Wildcat/Cosworth					
8	RICH VOGLER Watson/Cosworth						64	GREG LEFFLER 83 Eagle/Chevy V-6					
9	ROGER MEARS Penske PC-10/Cosworth						65	DANNY ONGAIS 83 March/Chevy V-6					
10	TONY BETTENHAUSEN 83 March/Cosworth						66	JOHNNY PARSONS Penske PC-10/Cosworth					
11	BILL ALSUP Argo/Cosworth						69	DICK FERGUSON 82 March/Cosworth					
12	GEOFF BRABHAM Penske PC-10/Cosworth						71	NO DRIVER 82 Eagle/Cosworth					
14	A.J. FOYT 83 March/Cosworth						72	CHRIS KNEIFEL Primus/Cosworth					
15	BILL TEMPERO Bullet/Chevy V-8						73	CHRIS KNEIFEL Primus/Cosworth					
16	KEVIN COGAN Theodore/Cosworth						81	HERM JOHNSON Rattlesnake/Cosworth					
17	LARRY CANNON Vollstedt/Offy						83	BILL VUKOVICH 83 Eagle/Chevy V-6					
18	MIKE MOSLAV 83 March/Cosworth						84	NO DRIVER 83 March/Cosworth					
19	AL UNSER JR. 83 March/Cosworth						86	AL LOQUASTO Penske PC-9/Cosworth					
20	GORDON JOHNSON 83 Wildcat/Cosworth						88	ROGER RAGER Lightning/Chevy V-8					
21	PANCHO CARTER 82 March/Cosworth						89	NO DRIVER 81 March/Cosworth					
22	DICK SIMON 83 March/Cosworth						90	DENNIS FIRESTONE 82 March/Cosworth					
25	DANNY ONGAIS 83 March/Chevy V-6						91	DON WHITTINGTON 82 March/Cosworth					
28	GARY BETTENHAUSEN Sprint/Chevy V-6						92	JOHN MAHLER Lion/Chevy V-8					
29	MIKE CHANDLER Rattlesnake/Cosworth						93	NO DRIVER Lion/Chevy V-8					
30	HOWDY HOLMES 83 March/Cosworth						94	BILL WHITTINGTON 82 March/Cosworth					
32	NO DRIVER 83 March/Cosworth						95	DALE WHITTINGTON 82 March/Cosworth					
33	TEO FABI 83 March/Cosworth						97	NO DRIVER King/Chevy V-8					
34	DEREK DALY 83 March/Cosworth						98	KEN SCHRADER 82 March/Cosworth					
35	PATRICK BEDARD 83 March/Cosworth						99	NO DRIVER 83 March/Cosworth					
36	CHUCK CIPRICH Finley/Chevy V-8												
37	SCOTT BRAYTON 83 March/Cosworth												
38	CHET FILLIP 83 Eagle/Cosworth												
42	PHIL CALIVA 82 March/Chevy V-8												
43	STEVE KRISLOFF Lola/Cosworth												
44	NO DRIVER SEA/Cosworth												
46	PHIL KRUEGER Penske PC-9/Cosworth												
47	SPIKE GEHLHAUSEN 82 Eagle/Cosworth												

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<p>TEO FABI 33 - Skool Bandit March-Cosworth</p>  <p>43.421 207.273 43.259 208.049 43.348 207.622 43.554 206.640 Totals 2:53.582 207.295</p>	<p>FIRST ROW MIKE MOSLEY 18 - Kraco Stereo March-Cosworth</p>  <p>43.690 205.997 43.778 205.583 43.846 205.259 43.975 204.662 Totals 2:55.292 205.372</p>	<p>RICK MEARS 2 - Pennzoil Penske Penske-Cosworth</p>  <p>43.956 204.750 44.091 204.123 44.658 204.276 44.106 204.301 Totals 2:56.211 204.301</p>
<p>TOM SNEVA 5 - Texaco Star March-Cosworth</p>  <p>44.194 203.648 44.125 203.966 44.129 203.948 44.294 203.188 Totals 2:56.742 203.687</p>	<p>SECOND ROW AL UNSER JR. 19 - Coors Light Eagle-Cosworth</p>  <p>44.428 202.575 44.465 202.496 44.378 202.803 44.200 200.812 Totals 2:58.089 202.146</p>	<p>BOBBY RAHAL 4 - Red Roof Inns March-Cosworth</p>  <p>44.529 202.115 44.527 201.239 44.491 202.288 44.470 202.384 Totals 2:58.213 202.065</p>
<p>AL UNSER 7 - Hertz Penske Penske-Cosworth</p>  <p>44.638 201.622 44.411 202.652 44.554 202.902 44.655 201.545 Totals 2:58.258 201.954</p>	<p>THIRD ROW ROGER MEARS 9 - Machinista Union Penske-Cosworth</p>  <p>45.038 199.831 44.986 200.062 44.940 200.287 44.939 200.271 Totals 2:59.903 200.108</p>	<p>TONY BETTENHAUSEN 10 - Provimi Veal March-Cosworth</p>  <p>45.071 199.665 44.927 200.325 45.011 199.996 45.097 199.570 Totals 3:00.096 199.893</p>
<p>GORDON JOHNCOCK 20 - STP Oil Treatment Wilson-Cosworth</p>  <p>44.755 201.095 44.881 200.530 45.173 199.225 45.416 198.168 Totals 3:00.227 199.748</p>	<p>FOURTH ROW MARIO ANDRETTI 3 - Newman-Haas-Budweiser Lola-Cosworth</p>  <p>45.012 199.947 45.048 199.787 45.096 199.574 45.382 198.317 Totals 3:00.538 199.404</p>	<p>HOWDY HOLMES 30 - Domino's Pizza March-Cosworth</p>  <p>45.004 199.982 45.052 199.769 45.338 198.509 45.243 198.926 Totals 3:00.637 199.295</p>
<p>GEORGE SNIDER 1 - Calumet Farm March-Cosworth</p>  <p>45.124 199.450 45.250 199.871 45.460 197.889 45.506 197.776 Totals 3:01.320 198.544</p>	<p>FIFTH ROW PANCHO CARTER 21 - Alex Foods March-Cosworth</p>  <p>45.069 199.694 45.215 198.810 45.519 197.720 45.688 196.945 Totals 3:01.601 198.237</p>	<p>BILL WHITTINGTON 94 - Whittington Bros. March-Cosworth</p>  <p>45.608 197.334 45.340 198.500 45.397 198.521 45.698 196.945 Totals 3:02.043 197.755</p>
<p>CHIP GANASSI 60 - Searay Boats Wilson-Cosworth</p>  <p>45.891 196.117 45.418 198.159 45.332 198.535 45.538 197.637 Totals 3:02.179 197.608</p>	<p>SIXTH ROW PAT BEDARD 25 - Exort Radar March-Cosworth</p>  <p>45.906 196.053 45.829 196.302 45.888 196.130 46.106 195.202 Totals 3:03.729 195.941</p>	<p>JOSELE GARZA 55 - National Health Spa Penske-Cosworth</p>  <p>46.053 195.427 46.027 195.537 45.903 196.066 45.999 195.656 Totals 3:03.982 195.671</p>
<p>STEVE CHASSEY 56 - Genesee/Sizler Eagle-Chevy V8</p>  <p>45.999 195.656 46.059 195.402 46.223 194.708 46.232 194.670 Totals 3:04.513 195.108</p>	<p>SEVENTH ROW DICK SIMON 22 - Vermont American March-Cosworth</p>  <p>46.428 193.849 46.653 192.914 46.732 192.865 46.702 192.711 Totals 3:06.535 192.993</p>	<p>DANNY ONGAIS 25 - Interscope March-Cosworth</p>  <p>44.410 202.657 44.436 202.538 44.479 202.343 44.611 201.744 Totals 2:57.536 202.320</p>
<p>KEVIN COGAN 16 - Caesars Palace March-Cosworth</p>  <p>44.560 201.975 44.642 201.599 44.633 201.645 44.799 200.897 Totals 2:58.635 201.528</p>	<p>EIGHTH ROW JOHNNY PARSONS 66 - Colonial/Arciero Penske-Cosworth</p>  <p>44.952 200.214 44.973 200.120 45.080 199.645 45.009 199.960 Totals 3:00.014 199.884</p>	<p>A.J. FOYT 14 - Valvoline-Gilmore March-Cosworth</p>  <p>44.745 201.140 45.150 199.536 45.487 197.809 45.018 199.920 Totals 3:00.400 199.557</p>
<p>CHRIS KNEIFEL 72 - Primus Racing Primus-Cosworth</p>  <p>45.368 198.378 45.191 199.155 45.311 198.427 45.376 198.343 Totals 3:01.246 198.625</p>	<p>NINTH ROW GEOFF BRABHAM 12 - UNO/British Sterling Penske-Cosworth</p>  <p>45.618 197.291 45.313 198.618 45.127 199.437 45.194 199.141 Totals 3:01.357 198.618</p>	<p>DON WHITTINGTON 91 - Simoniz March-Cosworth</p>  <p>45.296 198.737 45.127 199.437 45.155 199.313 45.704 196.919 Totals 3:01.272 198.597</p>
<p>DEREK DALY 34 - Wyard Motors March-Cosworth</p>  <p>45.002 199.991 45.482 197.880 45.803 196.494 45.846 196.309 Totals 3:02.133 197.658</p>	<p>TENTH ROW SCOTT BRAYTON 37 - SME Cement March-Cosworth</p>  <p>46.107 195.198 45.566 197.516 45.720 196.820 45.615 197.304 Totals 3:03.080 196.713</p>	<p>MIKE CHANDLER 29 - Rattlesnake Racing Rattlesnake-Cosworth</p>  <p>45.939 195.912 46.042 195.474 46.168 194.940 46.529 193.428 Totals 3:04.678 194.934</p>
<p>STEVE KRISLOFF 43 - Armstrong Mould Lola-Cosworth</p>  <p>47.283 190.343 47.202 190.870 46.992 191.522 46.815 192.246 Totals 3:08.292 191.192</p>	<p>ELEVENTH ROW CHET FILLIP 28 - Circle Bar Trucks Eagle-Cosworth</p>  <p>49.422 182.105 49.170 183.028 48.877 184.136 49.096 183.314 Totals 3:16.565 183.146</p>	<p>JOHN MAHLER 92 - Interscomp Lola-Chevy V8</p>  <p>49.596 181.866 49.716 181.821 50.255 179.158 50.427 178.476 Totals 3:19.976 180.022</p>
































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1	GEORGE SNIDER 83 March/Cosworth	199.450	199.071	197.889	197.776	198.544	48	DICK SIMON 83 Eagle/Cosworth					
2	RICK MEARS Penske PC-11/Cosworth	204.750	204.123	204.276	204.301	204.301	51	NO DRIVER 82 March/Cosworth					
3	MARIO ANDRETTI Lola/Cosworth	199.947	199.787	199.574	198.317	199.404	54	DEREK DALY 82 March/Cosworth					
4	BOBBY RAHAL 83 March/Cosworth	202.115	201.239	202.288	202.384	202.005	55	JOSELE GARZA Penske PC-11/Cosworth	195.427	195.537	196.066	195.656	195.671
5	TOM SNEVA 83 March/Cosworth	203.648	203.966	203.948	203.188	203.687	56	STEVE CHASSEY 82 Eagle/Chevy V-8	195.656	195.402	194.708	194.670	195.108
5T	TOM SNEVA Theodore/Cosworth						57	NO DRIVER Penske PC-10/Cosworth					
6	TOM RIGGLOW 81 Eagle/Chevy V-8						60	CHIP GANASSI 83 Wildcat/Cosworth	196.117	198.159	198.535	197.637	197.608
7	AL UNSER Penske PC-11/Cosworth	201.622	202.652	202.002	201.545	201.954	61	JERRY KARL 81 Wildcat/Cosworth					
8	RICH VOGLER Watson/Cosworth						64	GREG LEFFLER 83 Eagle/Chevy V-6					
9	ROGER MEARS Penske PC-10/Cosworth	199.831	200.062	200.267	200.271	200.108	65	DANNY ONGAIS 83 March/Chevy V-6					
10	TONY BETTENHAUSEN 83 March/Cosworth	199.685	200.325	199.996	199.570	199.893	66	JOHNNY PARSONS Penske PC-10/Cosworth	200.214	200.120	199.645	199.960	199.984
11	BILL ALSUP Argo/Cosworth						69	DICK FERGUSON 82 March/Cosworth					
12	GEOFF BRABHAM Penske PC-10/Cosworth	197.291	198.618	199.437	199.141	198.618	71	NO DRIVER 82 Eagle/Chevy V-8					
14	A.J. FOYT 83 March/Cosworth	201.140	199.336	197.859	199.920	199.557	72	CHRIS KNEIFEL Primus/Cosworth	198.378	199.155	198.627	198.343	198.625
15	BILL TEMPERO Billet/Chevy V-8						73	CHRIS KNEIFEL Primus/Cosworth					
16	KEVIN COGAN March/Cosworth	201.975	201.599	201.645	200.897	201.528	81	HERM JOHNSON Rattlesnake/Cosworth					
17	LARRY CANNON Volstedt/Offy						83	BILL VUKOVICH 83 Eagle/Chevy V-6					
18	MIKE MOSLEY 83 March/Cosworth	205.997	205.583	205.250	204.662	205.372	84	NO DRIVER 83 March/Cosworth					
19	AL UNSER JR. 83 Eagle/Cosworth	202.575	202.406	202.803	200.812	202.146	86	AL LOUCASTO Penske PC-9/Cosworth					
20	GORDON JOHNSON 83 Wildcat/Cosworth	201.095	200.530	199.225	198.168	199.748	88	ROGER RAGER Lightning/Chevy V-8					
21	PANCHO CARTER 82 March/Cosworth	199.694	198.610	197.720	196.945	198.237	89	NO DRIVER 81 March/Cosworth					
22	DICK SIMON 83 March/Cosworth	193.849	192.914	192.505	192.711	192.993	90	DENNIS FIRESTONE 82 March/Cosworth					
25	DANNY ONGAIS 83 March/Cosworth	202.657	202.538	202.343	201.744	202.320	91	DON WHITTINGTON 82 March/Cosworth	198.737	199.437	199.313	196.919	198.597
28	GARY BETTENHAUSEN Spirit/Chevy V-6						92	JOHN MAHLER Lola/Chevy V-8	181.466	181.021	179.158	178.476	180.022
29	MIKE CHANDLER Rattlesnake/Cosworth	195.912	195.474	194.940	193.428	194.934	93	NO DRIVER Lola/Chevy V-8					
30	BOWDY HOLMES 83 March/Cosworth	199.982	199.769	198.509	198.926	199.295	94	BILL WHITTINGTON 82 March/Cosworth	197.334	198.500	198.251	196.945	197.755
32	NO DRIVER 83 March/Cosworth						95	DALE WHITTINGTON 82 March/Cosworth					
33	TEO FABI 83 March/Cosworth	207.273	208.049	207.622	206.640	207.395	97	NO DRIVER King/Chevy V-8					
34	DEREK DALY 83 March/Cosworth	199.991	197.880	196.494	196.309	197.658	98	KEN SCHRADER 82 March/Cosworth					
35	PATRICK BEDARD 83 March/Cosworth	196.053	196.382	196.130	195.202	195.941	99	NO DRIVER 83 March/Cosworth					
36	CHUCK CIPRICH Finley/Chevy V-8												
37	SCOTT BRAYTON 83 March/Cosworth	195.198	197.516	196.850	197.304	196.713							
38	CHET FILLIP 83 Eagle/Cosworth	182.105	183.038	184.136	183.314	183.146							
42	PHIL CALIVA 82 March/Chevy V-8												
43	STEVE KRISLOFF Lola/Cosworth	190.343	190.670	191.522	192.246	191.192							
44	NO DRIVER SEA/Cosworth												
46	PHIL KRUEGER Penske PC-9/Cosworth												
47	SPIKE GEHLHAUSEN 82 Eagle/Cosworth												

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<p>GORDON JOHNCOCK 20 - STP Oil Treatment Wigal-Coworth</p>  <p>44.755 201.095 44.881 200.530 45.175 199.225 45.416 198.168 Totals 3.00.227 199.748</p>	<p>FOURTH ROW MARIO ANDRETTI 3 - Newman-Haas-Budweiser Lois-Coworth</p>  <p>45.012 199.947 45.048 199.787 45.096 199.574 45.382 198.317 Totals 3.00.538 199.404</p>	<p>HOWDY HOLMES 30 - Domino's Pizza March-Coworth</p>  <p>45.004 199.982 45.022 199.769 45.338 198.509 45.243 198.926 Totals 3.00.637 199.295</p>
<p>GEORGE SNIDER 1 - Calumet Farm March-Coworth</p>  <p>45.124 199.450 45.250 199.071 45.480 197.889 45.506 197.776 Totals 3.01.329 198.544</p>	<p>FIFTH ROW PANCHO CARTER 21 - Alex Foods March-Coworth</p>  <p>45.069 199.694 45.315 198.610 45.519 197.720 45.698 196.945 Totals 3.01.601 198.237</p>	<p>BILL WHITTINGTON 34 - Whittington Bros. March-Coworth</p>  <p>45.608 197.334 45.340 198.500 45.397 198.251 45.698 196.945 Totals 3.02.043 197.735</p>
<p>CHIP GANASSI 60 - Searay Boats Wigal-Coworth</p>  <p>45.891 196.117 45.118 198.159 45.332 198.535 45.538 197.637 Totals 3.02.179 197.608</p>	<p>SIXTH ROW PAT REDARD 35 - Escort Radar March-Coworth</p>  <p>45.906 196.053 45.829 196.382 45.888 196.130 46.106 195.202 Totals 3.02.729 195.841</p>	<p>JOSELE GARZA 33 - National Health Spa Penske-Coworth</p>  <p>46.053 195.427 46.027 195.537 45.903 196.066 45.999 195.656 Totals 3.03.902 195.671</p>
<p>STEVE CHASSEY 56 - Genesee/Sizzler Eagle-Coworth</p>  <p>45.999 195.656 46.059 195.402 46.223 194.708 46.232 194.670 Totals 3.04.513 195.108</p>	<p>SEVENTH ROW DICK SIMON 22 - Vermont American March-Coworth</p>  <p>46.428 193.849 46.653 192.814 46.752 192.505 46.702 192.711 Totals 3.06.535 192.893</p>	<p>DANNY ONGAIS 25 - Interscope March-Coworth</p>  <p>44.410 202.657 44.436 202.538 44.479 202.343 44.611 201.744 Totals 2.57.936 202.320</p>
<p>KEVIN COGAN 16 - Caesars Palace March-Coworth</p>  <p>44.560 201.975 44.643 201.599 44.633 201.643 44.799 200.897 Totals 2.58.635 201.528</p>	<p>EIGHTH ROW JOHNNY PARSONS 66 - Colonial/Arco Penske-Coworth</p>  <p>44.952 200.214 44.973 200.120 45.080 199.645 45.009 199.960 Totals 3.00.014 199.984</p>	<p>A.J. FOYT 14 - Valvoline-Gilmore March-Coworth</p>  <p>44.745 201.140 45.156 199.306 45.487 197.850 45.018 199.920 Totals 3.00.490 199.557</p>
<p>CHRIS KNEIFEL 72 - Primus Racing Penske-Coworth</p>  <p>45.368 198.378 45.191 199.155 45.311 198.627 45.276 198.343 Totals 3.01.246 198.625</p>	<p>NINTH ROW GEOFF BRABHAM 12 - UNO/British Sterling Penske-Coworth</p>  <p>45.618 197.201 45.313 198.618 45.127 199.437 45.194 199.411 Totals 3.01.252 198.618</p>	<p>DON WHITTINGTON 31 - Simontz March-Coworth</p>  <p>45.286 198.727 45.127 199.437 45.155 198.313 45.204 198.919 Totals 3.01.272 198.597</p>
<p>DEREK DALY 34 - Wyard Motors March-Coworth</p>  <p>45.002 199.991 45.482 197.880 45.803 196.494 45.846 196.309 Totals 3.02.133 197.658</p>	<p>TENTH ROW SCOTT BRAYTON 37 - SME Cement March-Coworth</p>  <p>46.107 195.198 45.566 197.516 45.729 196.820 45.615 197.304 Totals 3.03.088 196.713</p>	<p>MIKE CHANDLER 29 - Rattlesnake Racing Penske-Coworth</p>  <p>45.939 195.912 46.042 195.474 46.168 194.940 46.529 193.428 Totals 3.04.678 194.934</p>
<p>STEVE KRISOFF 43 - Armstrong Mould Lois-Coworth</p>  <p>47.283 190.343 47.202 190.670 46.902 191.522 46.815 192.246 Totals 3.08.292 191.192</p>	<p>ELEVENTH ROW CHET FILLIP 28 - Circle Bar Trucks Eagle-Coworth</p>  <p>49.422 182.105 49.170 183.038 48.877 184.136 49.096 183.314 Totals 3.16.565 183.146</p>	<p>DENNIS FIRESTONE 30 - Proxima-Simpson March-Coworth</p>  <p>46.982 191.563 46.703 192.707 46.815 192.246 48.092 187.141 Totals 3.08.592 190.888</p>

Fabi's Cosworth-powered March made three successive laps at more than 201 mph, the fastest being 201.795.

Although 10 drivers qualified at more than 200, the only others over that figure Thursday were Kevin Cogan at 200.490, Bobby Rahal at 200.522 and Derek Daly, an Indianapolis rookie and Formula One veteran, at 200.630.

All 33 starters made it onto the track during the two-hour session and all but six of them posted laps averaging more than 190 mph. But, again, it was Fabi — whose one-lap high of 208.049 and four-lap average of 207.395 now are the standards here — who led the way.

How They Finished

(Unofficial standings)

FIN.	ST.	NO.	DRIVER	LAPS	REASON OUT
1	4	5	Tom Sneva	200	Running
2	7	7	Al Unser Sr.	200	Running
3	3	2	Rick Mears	200	Running
4	26	12	Geoff Brabham	199	Running
5	22	16	Kevin Cogan	198	Running
6	12	30	Howdy Holmes	198	Running
7	14	21	Pancho Carter	197	Running
8	16	60	Chip Ganassi	195	Running
9	29	37	Scott Brayton	195	Running
10	5	19	Al Unser Jr.	192	Running

FIN.	ST.	NO.	DRIVER	LAPS	REASON OUT
11	19	56	Steve Chassey	191	Running
12	25	72	Chris Kneifel	191	Running
13	2	18	Mike Mosley	169	Wreck
14	10	20	Gordon Johncock	163	Gear box
15	20	22	Dick Simon	161	Running
16	30	29	Mike Chandler	153	Transmission
17	9	10	Tony Bettenhausen	152	Half shaft
18	15	94	Bill Whittington	146	Gear box
19	28	34	Derek Daly	126	Blown engine
20	6	4	Bobby Rahal	110	Radiation hole
21	21	25	Danny Ongais	101	Vibration
22	11	3	Mario Andretti	80	Wreck
23	23	66	Johnny Parsons	80	Wreck
24	33	90	Dennis Firestone	77	Engine
25	18	55	Josele Garza	64	Burned piston
26	1	33	Teo Fabi	47	Fuel leak
27	27	91	Don Whittington	44	Electrical
28	8	9	Roger Mears	43	Wreck
29	31	43	Steve Krisiloff	42	Universal
30	17	35	Pat Bedard	25	Wreck
31	24	14	A.J. Foyt	24	Gearshift
32	13	1	George Snider	22	Ignition
33	32	38	Chet Fillip	11	Black flagged

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MARGIN OF VICTORY: 11.1 seconds.

WINNER'S TIME: 3:05.03.066.

WINNER'S AVERAGE SPEED: 162.117 miles an hour.

LAP LEADERS: 1-23, Fabi; 24, Mosley; 25-26; 27-35, Al Unser Sr.; 36-46, Sneva; 47-52, Al Unser Sr.; 53-66, Rahal; 67-73, Sneva; 74, Rahal; 75-80, Al Unser Sr.; 81-89, Sneva; 90-107; Al Unser Sr.; 108-143, Sneva; 144-146, Al Unser Sr.; 147-172, Sneva; 173-190, Al Unser Sr.; 191-200, Sneva.

YELLOW LIGHTS: Laps 28-32, Bedard hit wall coming out of fourth turn; 45-51, Roger Mears hit wall in first turn; 83-90, Parsons and Andretti crash in first turn; 157-160, Bill Whittington towed in; 171-176, Mosley hit wall between first and second turn.

PIT STOP RULE INFRACTIONS: Bettenhausen, lap 16, tire man left tires unattended to return over wall for adjustment tool; Parsons, lap 27, no seal on fuel valve before start of race; Andretti, ran through Al Unser Jr.'s pit, ran over air hose; Snider, lap 22, nine men in pit working on car, one man in pit without fire suit; Firestone, lap 55, six men over wall; Simon, lap 78, fuel tank in pit leaking, using bucket to catch fuel; Bill Whittington, lap 107, pushed three pits, pulled back and restarted; Simon, lap 120, driver out of car to help work on car, six men over wall.

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