



## Firestone FAST FACT

It would take about 8,600,000 Firestone tires to equal the weight of the *Queen Mary*, which weighs nearly 82 thousand tons.

In 2011, Mike Conway scored his first Verizon IndyCar Series win at Long Beach, passing Ryan Briscoe with 15 laps remaining. This year, the Englishman returns to the circuit with Ed Carpenter Racing, which makes the team a threat to score its first win on a street course. Can Conway win again at Long Beach?

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## WHAT TO WATCH FOR THIS WEEKEND:

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**POWER LOOKS TO CONTINUE HOT STREAK:** With three straight race wins dating back to the penultimate race of the 2013 season, Penske's Will Power leads the Verizon IndyCar Series point standings as the series heads to Long Beach. Power won the Toyota Grand Prix of Long Beach in both 2008 and 2012. Can he continue his strong start to the 2014 season by scoring another Long Beach win?



**SATO LOOKS TO GET BACK TO VICTORY LANE:** Takuma Sato scored his maiden Verizon IndyCar Series win in last year's Toyota Grand Prix of Long Beach, and started 2014 off with a pole at St. Petersburg. Can Sato repeat at the Beach and join the prestigious list of back-to-back winners that includes Mario Andretti, Sebastien Bourdais, Paul Tracy, Al Unser Jr. and Alex Zanardi?

**PICKING UP WHERE THEY LEFT OFF:** Sebastien Bourdais and Juan Pablo Montoya hope to continue their mastery of the streets of Long Beach. Bourdais, who won three times on the circuit as part of his four consecutive Champ Car titles, races for KVSH Racing, while Montoya, the 1999 Long Beach winner, returns with Penske Motorsports. Can either return to winner's circle this weekend?

KIMBALL HOPES TO WOW HOMETOWN CROWD: A native of Camarillo, Calif., Charlie Kimball grew up with the Long Beach street circuit nearly in his backyard. The Rio Mesa High grad returns to his "home track" coming off a breakthrough season that saw him score his first win. Can Kimball, who finished second at Long Beach in 2010 while competing in Indy Lights, pull off another impressive finish in front of the hometown crowd?



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## 2014 VERIZON INDYCAR SERIES POINT STANDINGS

(TOP 5 AFTER 1 OF 18 EVENTS)

1. WILL <b>POWER</b> Team Penske	53
2. RYAN HUNTER-REAY Andretti Autosport	-13
3. HELIO CASTRONEVES Team Penske	-17
4. SCOTT <b>DIXON</b> Target Chip Ganassi Racing	-21

5. SIMON **PAGENAUD** Schmidt Peterson Hamilton Motorsports

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