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FACTOIDS AND STATISTICS THROUGH 10 OF 18 VERIZON INDYCAR SERIES RACES:



DIFFERENT WINNERS:

WILL POWER RYAN HUNTER-REAY SIMON PAGENAUD HELIO CASTRONEVES ED CARPENTER MIKE CONWAY CARLOS HUERTAS

THE COMPETITION IS TIGHT, AS ALL DRIVERS WILL ATTEST, AND CONSISTENTLY HAS BEEN THE PAST FIVE YEARS. THE TOTAL MATCHES 2013'S THROUGH 10 RACES, WHILE THERE WERE SIX IN 2012, FIVE IN '11, SEVEN IN 2010 AND FIVE IN '09.





VERIZON P1 AWARD WINNERS: TAKUMA SATO RYAN HUNTER-REAY WILL POWER SEBASTIAN SAAVEDRA ED CARPENTER HELIO CASTRONEVES SIMON PAGENAUD



THERE HAVE BEEN SIX DIFFERENT VERIZON P1 AWARD WINNERS IN THE EIGHT ROAD/STREET COURSE RACES, AND TWO ON THE CORRESPONDING NUMBER OF OVALS.



INTERESTINGLY, NONE OF THE POLE SITTERS HAVE GONE ON TO WIN THIS SEASON. IN FACT, NEITHER HAS THE OTHER FRONT-ROW STARTER.

THE HIGHEST STARTING POSITION FOR THE RACE WINNER IS THIRD FOUR WINNERS HAVE STARTED 17TH OR LOWER.





MOST VICTORIES BY TEAM TEAM PENSKE: 3 ANDRETTI AUTOSPORT: 2 ED CARPENTER RACING: 2 SCHMIDT PETERSON: 2 DALE COYNE RACING: 1

NOT CRACKING THE LIST YET IS TARGET CHIP GANASSI RACING/CHIP GANASSI RACING. THE HIGHEST FINISH AMONG ITS FOUR DRIVERS IS THIRD BY SCOTT DIXON (BARBER MOTORSPORTS PARK), TONY KANAAN (BELLE ISLE 1) AND CHARLIE KIMBALL (BELLE ISLE 2).



NUMBER OF DRIVERS WITH ONE TOP-FIVE FINISH. UNDERSCORING THE COMPETITION THROUGH THE FIELD, ONLY FOUR OF THE 23 REGULARS (ED CARPENTER DRIVING THE OVALS AND MIKE CONWAY THE ROAD/STREET COURSES FOR ED CARPENTER RACING) HAVEN'T SCORED A TOP-FIVE, THOUGH ALL HAVE A TOP-10.



WILL POWER'S POINTS LEAD. POWER HAS LED THE CHAMPIONSHIP AFTER ALL BUT TWO RACES. HE WAS SECOND IN POINTS AFTER THE INDIANAPOLIS 500 AND BELLE ISLE 1, WHICH HE WON. POWER HEADS INTO THE POCONO INDYCAR 500 FUELED BY SUNOCO ON JULY 7 – A DOUBLE POINTS RACE – WITH A 39-POINT ADVANTAGE OVER TEAM PENSKE TEAMMATE HELIO CASTRONEVES. THE TOP FIVE:



- 1. WILL POWER: 405 (FINISHED 14TH AND 11TH AT HOUSTON)
- 2. HELIO CASTRONEVES: 366 (FINISHED NINTH AND 21ST AT HOUSTON)
- 3. RYAN HUNTER-REAY: 364 (FINISHED SEVENTH AND SIXTH AT HOUSTON)
- 4. SIMON PAGENAUD: 346 (FINISHED 16TH AND FIRST AT HOUSTON)

5. JUAN PABLO MONTOYA: 289 (FINISHED SECOND AND SEVENTH AT HOUSTON)

FOUR DRIVERS COMPETE FOR SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARD.

CARLOS MUNOZ LEADS THE SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE YEAR STANDINGS WITH 370 POINTS. JACK HAWKSWORTH IS SECOND (219), MIKHAIL ALESHIN THIRD (211) AND CARLOS HUERTAS FOURTH (204).

ALL THE FIRST-YEAR DRIVERS HAVE A PODIUM FINISH, AND HUERTAS WON HOUSTON 1. MUNOZ, WITH THREE TOP-FIVE FINISHES, RACKED UP 99 POINTS IN THE INDIANAPOLIS 500 BY STARTING SEVENTH AND FINISHING FOURTH. HAWKSWORTH WAS NEXT WITH 42.



BOURDAIS THE BEST CLOSER

(AND OTHER NUMBERS OF NOTE)

SEBASTIEN BOURDAIS HAS IMPROVED 16 TOTAL POSITIONS IN THE FINAL 10 PERCENT OF THE 10 RACES. HE'S COMING OFF FOURTH- AND FIFTH-PLACE FINISHES AT HOUSTON.

WILL POWER'S AVERAGE RUNNING POSITION IS 5.74 IN THE 10 RACES. ED CARPENTER'S IS 3.83 IN TWO RACES.

JUAN PABLO MONTOYA HAS IMPROVED HIS POSITION ON 205 LAPS.

HELIO CASTRONEVES HAS 15 SEASONS WITH AT LEAST ONE VICTORY, WHICH TIES MICHAEL ANDRETTI FOR THIRD ON THE ALL-TIME LIST (SINCE 1946 STATS CERTIFIED).

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