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Formula 5000 50th Anniversary Racing Series 2018 Round 2 Race Results At Road America

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Rochester, MI – (7/23/2018) – The Formula 5000 Drivers Association is pleased to announce the results of the second round of its 2018 50th Anniversary racing series at the WeatherTech International Challenge with Brian Redman presented by Hawk at Road America on July 22, 2018.

Finishing first in F5000 Class A (pre-1972 cars) was Mark Harmer in his ex-David Hobbs 1969 Surtees TS-5. Second in Class A was George Bruggenthies in the ex-Sam Posey 1970 Surtees TS-8. Finishing third was George Frey in the bright yellow 1969 McLaren M10A.

Finishing first in F5000 Class B (1972-1976 cars) and first overall in the group was Craig Bennett in the black/white/orange ex-Jackie Oliver 1975 Shadow DN6. Bennett far outpaced the rest of the F5000 group with a best lap of 2.09.9 in the race and a qualifying best lap of 2.07.3 for pole position.

Not far behind and finishing second in class was brother Kirt Bennett in the ex-Al Unser white and blue 1974 Lola T332. This was Kirt's inaugural race in the car since purchasing it in 2016 and completing a full restoration. Finishing third in Class B was Rick Parsons in his 1976 Lola T332c (ex-Brian Redman 1976 championship car). Parsons was able to retain the third spot after spinning on track in a spirited chase for the 2nd spot.

The Sunday race was dedicated to fellow racer Jeff Green, who recently passed away in a racing accident at the Canadian Tire Motorsports Park (Mosport).

Rain on Saturday cancelled the Qualifying Race and reduced the number of potential championship points that could be earned for the race event. After the second round of racing for the 2018 season, Mark Harmer leads the Formula 5000 Championship overall and in Class A with 60 points. Not far behind with 50 points is Rick Parsons leading the Championship in Class B.

The 2018 F5000 Championship is still up for grabs with the top seven drivers separated by 20 points or less.

The Formula 5000 series now heads to Laguna Seca for the Monterey Reunion and Pre-Reunion 50th Anniversary Races for the last two rounds of the 2018 Championship. With 47 cars entered for the Monterey Reunion, the last two race events of the year promise a perfect opportunity to showcase the Formula 5000 race cars and for some entertaining racing. Nearly half of the participants are coming from New Zealand, Australia and Europe..

The array of Formula 5000 represents the major makes of race cars from the late 1960s and early 1970s: Chevron, Crossle', Eagle, Elfin, Lola, Lotus, March, Matich, McKee, McLaren, McRae, Shadow, Surtees and Talon. Driven in period by racing icons, such as: Mario Andretti, David Hobbs, Peter Gethin, Graham McRae, Jackie Oliver, Brian Redman and Al Unser Sr.

The U.S. Formula 5000 Drivers Association is a membership organization established to promote the restoration, presentation, registration and racing of historic Formula 5000 race cars. (www.F5000Registry.com).

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2018 Formula 5000 Revival Racing Series

Championship Points Top 10

After Round 2 of the 2018 Championship Series

Driver	Car	Class	Cum. Points	Class Ranking
Mark Harmer	1969 Surtees TS5	A	60	1
George Bruggenthies	1970 Surtees TS8	A	54	2
Rick Parsons	1976 Lola T332C	B	50	1
Jim Stengel	1973 McRae GM1	B	44	2
Craig Bennett	1975 Shadow DN6	B	40	3
Tom Simpson	1972 McKee MK18	A	40	3
Seb Coppola	1970 Lola T192	A	40	4
Kirt Bennett	1974 Lola T332	B	36	4
George Frey	1969 McLaren M10A	A	32	5
Kurt Engelmann	1971 Lola T192	A	30	6
Barry Blackmore	1973 Lola T332	B	24	5
Marc Rauchfuss	1974 Lola T332	B	20	6
Lee Huls	1972 Lola T330	B	16	7
Paul Dudiak	1969 McKee Mk12C	A	16	7
Ray Boissoneau	1971 McRae GM1	B	14	8
John Obaliero	1973 Lola T332	B	12	9
Mike Knittel	1970 Chinook F5000	A	8	8
Bruce Marquand	1973 Chevron B24/28	B	8	10

** Based on Class finish in each race

Qualifying Race: Max 20 points scaling down by 2 points to 10th place.

Feature Race: Max 40 points scaling down by 4 points to 10th place.