



FACT SHEET

EVENT INFORMATION

WHAT The **2025 BITNILE.COM Grand Prix of Portland presented by askROI** will be the 31st professional open-wheel race from Championship Auto Racing Teams (CART) (1984-2003), Champ Car World Series (Champ Car) (2004-2007), to currently an INDYCAR-sanctioned event (2018, 2019, 2021 to present) at Portland International Raceway (PIR). The headlining **NTT INDYCAR SERIES** features most of the cars and drivers competing in the Indianapolis 500 each May. Ten total races from five different open-wheel racing series will be featured on the weekend schedule.

The BITNILE.COM Grand Prix of Portland presented by askROI featuring the NTT INDYCAR SERIES will be followed by the Pacific Office Automation 147 featuring the NASCAR Xfinity Series on August 29-30 at PIR. The two major racing events happening in August create a '**Speed Month**' at the motorsports facility positioned just south of the Columbia River along Interstate 5 in North Portland.

WHEN Aug. 8-10, 2025

WHERE Portland International Raceway in Portland, Ore.

RACE OWNERS Kim Green and Kevin Savoree, owners of Green Savoree Racing Promotions

RACE SERIES NTT INDYCAR SERIES
INDY NXT by Firestone
USF Pro 2000 Presented by Continental Tire
USF2000 Championship Presented by Continental Tire
USF Juniors Presented by Continental Tire

TRACK With its beginning dating to 1960, PIR is a 1.964-mile, 12-turn permanent road course (three left and nine right turns running clockwise) owned and operated by the City of Portland – Parks & Recreation.

OREGON This is the only NTT INDYCAR SERIES race currently held in the Pacific Northwest.

INDYCAR Round 15 of 17 for the U.S.-based NTT INDYCAR SERIES Championship, the 110-lap BITNILE.COM Grand Prix of Portland presented by askROI will cover 216.04 miles.

SPONSOR BITNILE.COM returns as the event title sponsor for the third consecutive year.

**TV /
STREAMING /
RADIO** **NTT INDYCAR SERIES:** Sunday, Aug. 10 - Live coverage begins nationally on FOX and locally on KPTV FOX 12 at Noon PT. The race starts at 12:22 p.m. PT. Live coverage of Friday's practice will be broadcast on FS2. Saturday's first practice and qualifying will be broadcast live on FS1. Saturday's final practice after qualifying will air live on FS2. All on-track sessions can also be streamed via [INDYCAR LIVE](#). Radio coverage available through INDYCAR Radio Network and SiriusXM Channel 218.

INDY NXT by Firestone: Sunday, Aug. 10 - Race broadcast live at 10 a.m. PT on FS1 and [INDYCAR LIVE](#). Live coverage of Friday's practice will be broadcast live on FS1, and Saturday's practice and qualifying sessions will air live on FS1 and FS2, respectively. Radio coverage available through INDYCAR Radio Network and SiriusXM Channel 218.

USF Pro 2000, USF2000 and USF Juniors: Global live streaming can be found on the USF Pro Championships App, and on the series respective websites - [usfpro2000.com](#), [usf2000.com](#) and [usfjuniors.com](#).

TICKETS Order online at [raceportland.com](#).

HISTORY

HISTORY The inaugural race at PIR was held in 1984 as a CART-sanctioned event won by Al Unser Jr. Indianapolis-type racing cars, now unified under the INDYCAR sanctioning body, had a rich 24-year tradition racing at PIR from 1984-2007 that included many memorable races. There was the Father's Day race of 1986 when Mario Andretti was victorious over his son Michael on the last lap by less than a second. There was also the closest three-way road racing finish in Indy car history in 1997 when Mark Blundell won and the top three were covered by just 0.055 seconds.

**PAST
RACE
WINNERS** Winners of the previous CART, Champ Car and now INDYCAR-sanctioned races at PIR include:

June 17, 1984 - Al Unser Jr.
June 16, 1985 - Mario Andretti
June 15, 1986 - Mario Andretti
June 14, 1987 - Bobby Rahal
June 19, 1988 - Danny Sullivan
June 25, 1989 - Emerson Fittipaldi
June 24, 1990 - Michael Andretti
June 23, 1991 - Michael Andretti
June 21, 1992 - Michael Andretti
June 27, 1993 - Emerson Fittipaldi
June 26, 1994 - Al Unser Jr.
June 25, 1995 - Al Unser Jr.
June 23, 1996 - Alex Zanardi
June 22, 1997 - Mark Blundell
June 21, 1998 - Alex Zanardi
June 20, 1999 - Gil de Ferran
June 25, 2000 - Gil de Ferran
June 24, 2001 - Max Papis
June 16, 2002 - Cristiano da Matta
June 22, 2003 - Adrian Fernandez
June 20, 2004 - Sebastian Bourdais

June 19, 2005 - Cristiano da Matta
 June 18, 2006 - A.J. Allmendinger
 June 10, 2007 - Sebastien Bourdais
 Sept. 2, 2018 – Takuma Sato
 Sept. 1, 2019 – Will Power
 2020 – No Race (COVID-19 pandemic)
 Sept. 12, 2021 – Alex Palou
 Sept. 4, 2022 – Scott McLaughlin
 Sept. 3, 2023 – Alex Palou
 Aug. 25, 2024 – Will Power

MULTI-TIME WINNERS Al Unser Jr., 3 (1984, 1994, 1995)
 Michael Andretti, 3 (1990, 1991, 1992)
 Mario Andretti, 2 (1985, 1986)
 Emerson Fittipaldi, 2 (1989, 1993)
 Alex Zanardi, 2 (1996, 1998)
 Gil de Ferran, 2 (1999, 2000)
 Cristiano da Matta, 2 (2002, 2005)
 Sebastien Bourdais, 2 (2004, 2007)
 Alex Palou, 2 (2021, 2023)
 Will Power, 2 (2019, 2024)

TEAMS Newman/Haas Racing and Team Penske are tied for the most victories in INDYCAR SERIES history at PIR with eight wins followed by Chip Ganassi Racing with four.

FASTEST LAP The fastest registered lap was in qualifying on Sept. 1, 2018, by Will Power with a time of 57.2143 seconds at a speed of 123.577 mph.

FASTEST RACE The fastest race average speed is 115.208 mph set by Michael Andretti on June 23, 1991 (104 laps at track length measured at 1.922 miles). At the current length of 110 laps (measured track length of 1.964 miles for a total of 216.04 miles), Will Power completed the race in 1:55:34.1948 at an average speed of 112.161 mph on Aug. 25, 2024.

FASTEST RACE LAP The fastest race lap was set by Carlos Munoz on Sept. 2, 2018, with a time of 58.7403 seconds at a speed of 120.367 mph.

THE RACES

The **NTT INDYCAR SERIES** is North America's premier open-wheel auto racing series. It features an international field of the world's most versatile drivers – including championship contenders Josef Newgarden (USA), Alex Palou (Spain) and Pato O'Ward (Mexico) – who compete on superspeedways, short ovals, street circuits and permanent road courses. The 2025 season consists of 17 races in the United States and Canada and is highlighted by the historic Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge. The NTT INDYCAR SERIES, INDYCAR, INDY NXT by Firestone, the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and IMS Productions are owned by Penske Corporation, a global transportation, automotive and motorsports leader. For more information on the NTT INDYCAR SERIES, please visit www.indycar.com.

INDY NXT by Firestone is the developmental series of INDYCAR as it advances drivers and team personnel to compete in the NTT INDYCAR SERIES and the Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge.

INDY NXT by Firestone focuses on the next generation of open-wheel racers and is the premier proving ground for young talent and innovative technologies. The 2025 season consists of 14 races in the United States. Past series champions include INDYCAR SERIES champions Tony Kanaan, Scott Dixon, Josef Newgarden, Paul Tracy and Cristiano da Matta. In 2024, 16 of the 33 starters in the Indianapolis 500 competed in INDY NXT by Firestone. The NTT INDYCAR SERIES, INDY NXT by Firestone, the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and IMS Productions are owned by Penske Corporation, a global transportation, automotive and motorsports leader. For more information on INDY NXT by Firestone, please visit www.indynxt.com. For more information on INDYCAR and the NTT INDYCAR SERIES, please visit www.indycar.com.

USF Pro 2000 Presented by Continental Tire (formerly Indy Pro 2000) has served as a vital step on the career path of many of today's top drivers. It is the third official step on the USF Pro Championships ladder. The series is sanctioned by USAC and owned and operated by Andersen Promotions. The 2025 USF Pro 2000 champion will receive a scholarship valued at \$546,500 to advance to INDY NXT in 2026. Six of the past seven USF Pro 2000 champions have made it to the top level of INDYCAR with 2023 champion Myles Rowe set to continue to hone his skills in INDY NXT with ABEL Motorsports with Force Indy. In total, the USF Pro Championships Presented by Continental Tire will distribute over \$1.43M in prize money and awards.

USF2000 Championship Presented by Continental Tire debuted in 2010 and is a continuation of the highly regarded USF2000 series which ran from 1990 through 2006, launching the careers of many of today's top drivers. The series is the second official step on the USF Pro Championships Presented by Continental Tire ladder - a clearly defined path to reach the top echelons of the sport. In addition to providing a vital training ground for rising stars, the 2025 USF2000 champion will receive a scholarship valued at \$405,040 to advance to USF Pro 2000 in 2026. Graduates include Kyle Kirkwood, Christian Rasmussen, Myles Rowe and reigning champion Max Garcia.

USF Juniors Presented by Continental Tire is the first official step on the USF Pro Championships driver development system, providing an entry level program for young drivers needing more experience and track time before advancing up the ladder, and brings a level of professionalism and organization to a driver's first serious championship choice. In addition to prize money and awards, the series champion will earn a scholarship valued at \$249,675 to advance to USF2000 in 2026. Graduates include rising stars Liam McNeilly, Sam Corry, Nikita Johnson, Sebastian Wheldon and reigning champion Max Taylor.

FAST FACTS

Additional interesting facts and statistics on the history of professional open-wheel racing at Portland International Raceway:

- Current NTT INDYCAR SERIES points leader Alex Palou will have the opportunity to clinch the season championship for the second time in three years at PIR at the 2025 BITNILE.COM Grand Prix of Portland presented by askROI. He also has the chance to tie Al Unser Jr. (1984, 1994, 1995) and Michael Andretti (1990, 1991, 1992) for most INDYCAR wins at PIR with three.
- The BITNILE.COM Grand Prix of Portland presented by askROI is Round 15 of 17 and the final road course race of the 2025 NTT INDYCAR SERIES season.

- Twenty-four (24) of the previous 30 races have been won by INDYCAR SERIES season-champion drivers.
- Twelve (12) drivers went on to win an INDYCAR SERIES championship in the same season as winning the race at PIR, including most recently Alex Palou who clinched the 2023 championship with his win in Portland.
- The INDYCAR SERIES points leader after the completion of the past six Portland rounds (2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024) has gone on to claim the INDYCAR SERIES championship.
- Takuma Sato set a record in 2018, winning from the lowest ever starting position (20th) in an INDYCAR SERIES race at PIR. In the history of the INDYCAR SERIES, it ranks tied for fourth all-time as the lowest starting position to win a race on a road/street course.
- The 1997 event when Mark Blundell passed Gil de Ferran on the final lap to win by 0.027 of a second remains the closest finish on a road or street circuit in INDYCAR SERIES annals.
- On Father's Day at the 1986 race, Michael Andretti ran out of fuel on the final lap, allowing his father Mario Andretti to catch up and nip him at the line by 0.070 seconds. At the time at which it occurred, it was the closest finish of any race in INDYCAR SERIES history.
- Since the event's return in 2018, three of the four BITNILE.COM Grand Prix of Portland presented by askROI winners have also won the Indianapolis 500: Takuma Sato (2018), Alex Palou (2021, 2023) and Will Power (2019, 2024).
- Additional history of professional open-wheel racing at PIR can be found at:
http://www.globaleventsgrouppdx.com/champ_car/history.html

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