



#3 Jason Leffler wins the pole for the Silver Crown race portion of the 34th Copper World Classic with a lap in 25.635 seconds (not a record). This is Leffler's third career pole at PIR (November 2000 Nationwide Series race, April 2006 Nationwide Series race) and his first at PIR in a Silver Crown car. His best career finish here was second in the November 2000 Nationwide race.

USAC Silver Crown Post-Qualifying Quotes

#07 Jacob Wilson (11th): "The track is fast, we just didn't get enough practice or a chance to scuff some tires so other than that we'll be alright. We went out on stickers, so we could have used another lap. That's just our mess up, but (there's) nothing wrong here."

#30 Cole Whitt (sixth): "It's pretty good -- we're sitting fourth right now. I think there's three more cars to go. Hopefully, we can hang on to where we're at. I think we'll be alright. We might try and tighten it up just a bit; we've been kinda free (too much oversteer) all day, but supposedly when the sun goes down the track should tighten up. We'll see what happens and just kinda play it by ear."

#29 Bud Kaeding (10th; 2009 USAC Silver Crown Champ): "Right now, we're third. Looks like we're going to end up maybe about fifth or sixth, which is a little better than we practiced so we'll take it. If we can start in the top two or three rows, then we'll be pretty good for the race tonight. We'll definitely make some adjustments, get back into race trim. We got the car a bit tight after qualifying trim, and hopefully the adjustments we have got to make are the right ones. These cars don't have a happy hour. We don't have a final practice, so it's kind of a shooting match from here. They're fast (the track conditions). It's a lot cooler weather than we anticipated. We figured it was going to be a lot hotter today, but the cool conditions have definitely made for a fast track."

#10 Levi Jones (second): "It was pretty good. We weren't that great at the beginning of practice, but we had quite a bit of practice and got the car pretty good. We've got a few more cars to go, but it looks like we'll definitely be starting in the first couple rows. We have to put a full load of fuel in it, and the guys know what to do make it fast. I just know I've got a pretty fast car right now, and we'll see what happens in a hundred laps. This is probably one of the nicest places we come. It's a really racy pavement track, and it's always exciting here at Phoenix."

3 Jason Leffler (pole winner): "It was (the car) really good in practice and then it was really tight in qualifying. But you get speed that way for one or two laps, so we'll free it back up. This car is just so sensitive to stagger -- the stagger changes completely and that's something we don't fight with the Nationwide car. If we get a good set of tires for the race, we should be in pretty good shape. (re: PIR) It's a compromise because it's hard to get your car good on one end or the other. The corners are so different, but that's what makes it so much fun. People always ask me, what my favorite race track is and I tell them I don't have one, but Phoenix is it. The car is really good. It's an older car with an older motor, but (car owner and crew chief) Bob (East) has worked on it and his guys did a great job. He just puts fast stuff on the race track, it was pretty good there."

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