



Start of the 34th Copper World Classic 25-lap USAC Midget race at 7:18 p.m.

#05 Brad Loyet returns to the pits and does not take the green flag.

Leader Lap 1 -- #4 Bobby East holds the lead from #11D Brian Clauson and #98 Bobby Santos III

LL10 – Yellow Flag. #40 and #93 are pushed to the pits for repairs.

LL11 – Green Flag. #11D Brian Clauson. takes the lead with a high pass in Turns 1-2.

LL12 – Yellow Flag. #7 Cole Carter stops sort of T3 and is pushed to the Garage Area.

LL13 – Green Flag. #11D Clauson holds the lead.

LL14 -- #98 Santos passes #4 East for second.

LL20 -- Red Flag at 7:38 p.m. Four-car collision in Turn 3. Cars involved: #7C, #8, #70, #2D. Two other cars – #8x and #3c – also stopped on track. All cars are able to be pushed back to the pits or garage area.

LL21 – Green Flag at 7:55 p.m. #11D Clauson holds the lead from #98 , #4, #17B and #55

LL22 -- #98 Bobby Santos passes #11D Clauson for the lead.

LL25 -- #98 Bobby Santos III wins the USAC Midget portion of the 34th Copper World Classic ahead of #4 Bobby East Jr. with #55 Alex Bowman third. This is Santos' first win at PIR.

USAC Midget Race Post-Race Quotes

#4 Bobby East (second): “Track conditions were fine. Bobby Santos is just a dirty ass driver. He hit me. He hit Bryan (Clauson). I mean I wish was close enough, you know, to try and retaliate and try and win that race, but I just wasn’t. He’ll get what what’s coming to him. (re: being happy with the finish) No, I think we could have won. Without that dirty ass driver maybe we could have had a shot to win. That red (flag) really helped my car out. My car was like sh*t at the beginning – just loose and hitting the track way too much. Then we made some really great adjustments there at the end, we just got a little too tight.”

#51 Tanner Swanson (28th, out on second lap): “I guess we broke a fuel fitting on the fuel filter. We were going to be real good. I guess it must have broke when we were out there under yellow because just right after the start we got to about the flag stand and it just started dying. (About Phoenix) It’s pretty cool. It’s a huge race track, especially for our kind of cars. So it’s pretty fun to come here and race with everyone.”