

# 1915 Championship Results

## Indianapolis, IN 500 Mile Race - May 31, 1915

Track Type: Brick oval

Lap Distance: 2.5 miles

Ave Qual Speed: 88.388 mph

Total Purse: \$54,300

Race Distance: 500 miles

Margin of Victory: 209.430 sec

Sanction Num: AAA # 800

Promoter: Indianapolis Motor Speedway

FP	#	SP	Driver	Car Name	Chassis	Eng	Laps	Time/Speed	Pts
1	2	2	Ralph DePalma	Mercedes	Mercedes	Merced	200	5:33:55.51 89.840	1,000
2	3	3	Dario Resta	Peugeot	Peugeot	Peug	200	5:37:24.94 88.911	520
3	5	5	Gil Anderson	Stutz	Stutz	Stutz	200	5:42:27.58 87.601	270
4	4	4	Earl Cooper	Stutz	Stutz	Stutz	200	5:46:19.36 86.624	140
5	15	11	Eddie O'Donnell	Duesenberg	Duesenberg	Duesen	200	6:08:13.27 81.473	90
6	8	7	Bob Burman	Peugeot	Peugeot	Peug	200	6:13:19.61 80.358	60
7	1	1	Howard Wilcox	Stutz	Stutz	Stutz	200	6:14:19.73 80.143	50
8	10	9	Tom Alley	Duesenberg	Duesenberg	Duesen	200	6:15:08.01 79.971	40
9	19	16	William Carlson	Maxwell	Maxwell	Maxwel	200	6:19:55.90 78.961	35
10	7	14	Noel Van Raalte	Sunbeam	Sunbeam	Sunbem	200	6:35:23.43 75.874	30
11	28	24	Willie Haupt	Emdem	Emdem	Emdem	200	7:04:01.7 70.75	
12	14	10	Harry Grant	Sunbeam	Sunbeam	Sunbem	184	Loose mud apron	
13	21	17	Tom Orr	Maxwell	Maxwell	Maxwel	168	Brkn rear axle brng	
14	6	6	Jean Porporato	Sunbeam	Sunbeam	Sunbem	164	Frozen piston	
15	18	15	Joe Cooper	Sebring	Duesenberg	Duesen	154	Wrecked SS	
16	22	18	Ralph Mulford	Duesenberg	Duesenberg	Duesen	124	Brkn connecting rod	
17	12	12	George Babcock	Peugeot	Peugeot	Peug	117	Broken cylinder	
18	9	8	Art Klein	Kleinart	Duesenberg	Duesen	111	Disqual - smoking	
19	23	19	Eddie Rickenbacker	Maxwell	Maxwell	Maxwel	103	Brkn connecting rod	
20	27	23	Louis Chevrolet	Cornelian	Cornelian	Sterlg	76	Broken valve	
21	17	13	John DePalma	Delage	Delage	Delage	41	Broken flywheel	
22	24	20	John Mais	Mais	Mais	Mercer	23	Disqual, left course	
23	26	22	George Hill	Bugatti	Bugatti	Bugati	20	Broken water pump	
24	25	21	Charles Cox	Purcell	Cino	Mercer	12	Broken timing gear	

### Lap Leaders

Ralph DePalma	132	62-127,135-200
Dario Resta	37	1,33-61,128-134
Gil Anderson	26	7-32
Howard Wilcox	5	2-6

### Relief Drivers

4	John Aitken	Stutz	Stutz	0	Rel. Earl Cooper
5	John Aitken	Stutz	Stutz	0	Rel. Gil Anderson
19	Hughie Hughes	Maxwell	Maxwel	0	Rel. William Carlson
22	Billy Chandler	Duesenberg	Duesen	0	Rel Ralph Mulford

### Non-Qualifiers

7	Barney Oldfield	Sunbeam	Sunbeam	Sunbem	Withdrew
	Jack LeCain	Peugeot	Peugeot	Peug	DQ-too many Peugeots
28	Grant Donaldson	Emdem	Emdem	Emdem	Disqual-inexperience
7	W. W. Brown	DuChesneau	DuChesneau	Brown	Did not qualify
18	Erwin Bergdoll	Bergdoll	Bergdoll	Bergdoll	Did not qualify
19	Grover Bergdoll	Bergdoll	Bergdoll	Bergdoll	Did not qualify
20	Glover Ruckstell	Mercer	Mercer	Mercer	Did not qualify
21	Joe Nikrent	Mercer	Mercer	Mercer	Did not qualify
22	Barney Oldfield	Mercer	Mercer	Mercer	Did not qualify
22	Eddie Pullen	Mercer	Mercer	Mercer	Did not qualify
24	Willie Haupt	Bergdoll	Bergdoll	Bergdoll	Did not qualify
26	Hughie Hughes	F.R.P.	Porter	Porter	Did not qualify
27	Charles Keene	F.R.P.	Porter	Porter	Did not qualify
28	Neil Whalen	F.R.P.	Porter	Porter	Did not qualify
31	Carl Limberg	Sunbeam	Sunbeam	Sunbem	Did not qualify
33	Bob Burman	Burman	Peugeot	Peug	Did not qualify
34	Tom Orr	Harroun	Mercer	Mercer	Did not qualify
35	Ralph Mulford	Mulford	Mulford	Duesen	Did not qualify
36	Edward McNay	Cino	Cino	Mercer	Did not qualify
40	Charles Shambaugh	Shambaugh	Shambaugh	Buick	Did not qualify
41	James Hill	Bals	Bals	Bals	Did not qualify

Pole Position: Howard Wilcox Pole Speed: 98.900 mph

Data Source: Ken McMaken, The Automobile

- Race Notes
- 1) 300 cu in maximum displacement
  - 2) Minimum of 80 mph qualifying - 1 lap
  - 3) Starting lineup according to qualifying speed
  - 4) Race postponed from May 29th to May 31st - rain
  - 5) Attendance 83,000
  - 6) John DePalma drive 1914 winning car