

Hinchcliffe fourth in IndyCar point standings so far

Oakville's James Hinchcliffe was once again in contention for his first IndyCar podium finish last weekend, but some bad luck on the final restart relegated him to a sixth-place finish.

Hinchcliffe qualified second for the Honda Grand Prix of Alabama at Barber Park, putting him in the front row on the starting grid for the first time in his career. He spent much of the race in the top three, even leading a couple of laps during pit stops.

Hinchcliffe was third when a caution flag came out with 25 laps to go. Having to slow down on the track for the caution allowed Helio Castroveves, who was in the pits at the time, to get out ahead of him.

"That yellow came out and because of the way the time line works coming out of the pits they gave (Helio Castroneves) the spot and again I got stuck on the outside for the restart," Hinchcliffe said.

That would prove to be critical as Castroneves forced Hinchcliffe wide on the restart.

"Graham (Rahal) got around me and that gave (Simon) Pagnaud the run and we lost two spots that we shouldn't have. It's pretty disappointing given where we started. I was hoping for a better result for the Go Daddy car but we brought home some points."

Hinchcliffe still sits fourth overall in the driver standings heading into the Toyota Grand Prix of Long Beach Apr. 15.

"We'll chalk it up to experience and move on to Long Beach," said Hinchcliffe, who has a career-best fourth-place finish at the California street course as well as a win and a third-place finish in his two seasons of Indy Lights.



ONE OF EACH:

The Oakville Vytis midget boys' Break basketball team has now earned gold, silver and bronze medals in tournament play this season.

Midget Break completes medal collection

Judging by its tournament showings this season, the Oakville Vytis midget boys' Break basketball team continues to improve.

After earning bronze in its first tournament of the season and silver in its second, the Break stepped things up to earn gold at the Ancaster Magic Tournament recently.

Oakville won four straight games en route to the title, blasting Ancaster 75-51. Stefan Rakic and Jasmin Gill led the Break attack with 14 points, while Jake Szpakowski added 13.

Earlier in the tournament, the Break downed York South 81-71, Niagara Falls Red Raiders 71-40 and Cambridge

Centaur 61-27.

Rakic and Szpakowski both scored 16 points in the game against York South, which featured a combined 24 made three-pointers between the clubs. Scott Henderson added 15.

Rakic (15 points) and Gill (14) were Oakville's top scorers against Niagara Falls, with Szpakowski (12) and Christian Critelli (11) leading the offence against Cambridge.

The Break made 37 three-pointers on the weekend.

Also contributing to a balanced team effort at the tournament were Omar Mukhtar, Dante DaSilva, Jacob Bae, Dillon Rudman and Evan Vannier.

Peter Szpakowski and Davor Rudman coach the Break.

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