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RIBBS TAKES TOP HONORS IN G.I. JOE'S ROSE CUP BUDWEISER TRANS-AM®

PORTLAND, Ore. -- The 1983 Trans-Am® is looking more and more like it really is the property of Budweiser.

The St. Louis brewer is the Trans-Am sponsor and also has a couple of Camaros which run the series.

The cars are prepared by Portland-based Neal DeAtley so when Willy T. Ribbs edged Greg Pickett for the top spot in Sunday's G.I. Joe's Rose Cup in Portland, it was reason for lots of celebrating in the Oregon city.

While Ribbs, who won his first-ever race by nipping Pickett by six-tenths of a second, was the center of attention, it sort of slid past unnoticed that the Budweiser/DeAtley team had just won its third-straight Trans-Am event. David Hobbs, who leads in the series points, took the other two victories in the last two races.

And the crowd of 20,502 got more than their money's worth as they watched a classic duel down the stretch of the 99.58 mile race.

Ribbs held an almost half-minute lead with 35 of the 52 laps down. But a crash involving Vern Smith's Capri forced the pace car onto the track and bunched the cars together for the exciting finish.

Ribbs held a lead of four seconds when the green came back out with 12 laps to go but Pickett kept nibbling away and, with four laps to go, found himself on Ribb's bumper. Pickett tried to pass for the lead on a number of occasions but Ribbs managed to hold him off. Pickett did briefly jump ahead when the yellow came back out on lap 49 after Monte Shelton suffered a heavy crash in his Porsche 911SC. But he let Ribbs back in the lead because he had passed under the yellow.

The race came down to the final corner and straight as the Camaro and Corvette made the right turn onto the front-stretch and Pickett looked for an opening but Ribbs slammed the door.

Ribbs averaged 89.50 mph en route to the victory. He earned \$8,350 of the over \$50,000 purse for his efforts.

Hobbs took the lead from polesitter Gene Felton at the outset and held on until lap 15 when a rear suspension problem forced him into the pits. He lost almost a lap while the trouble was rectified but managed to make the majority of that up while moving back to a fourth-place finish.

Tom Gloy finished third in the Lane Sports Racing Capri while Felton, who gained the pole in a rain-plagued session on Friday, was fifth.

The points battle tightened considerably and Hobbs leads Felton 68-49 with Gloy third with 46, Ribbs fourth at 42 and Pickett fifth with 41.

The series is back in action June 26 when it travels to Seattle International Raceway.

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1983 SCCA BUDWEISER TRANS-AM® CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

ROUND 4, G.I. JOE'S BUDWEISER TRANS-AM®, PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY, Portland, Oregon, (1.915 miles, nine turns), June 12, 1983.
 RACE LENGTH: 52 Laps, 99.58 miles. TIME OF RACE: 1:6:45.398
 WINNER'S AVERAGE SPEED: 89.501 mph. MARGIN OF VICTORY: .60 second
 FASTEST RACE LAP: #29 David Hobbs, 1:10.81, 97.359 mph. FASTEST QUALIFIER: #6 Greg Pickett, 1:09.47, 99.23 mph (Record)
 LAP LEADERS: #29 David Hobbs, 1-14; #28 Willy T. Ribbs 15-52.

FIN POS.	QUAL POS.	CAR NO.	DRIVER/HOMETOWN	SPONSOR/CAR	POINTS	\$PRIZE	LAPS/REASON OUT
1	3	28	Willy T. Ribbs, San Jose, Calif.	DeAtley/Budweiser Camaro	20	\$8,350@	52
2	6	6	Greg Pickett, Alamo, Calif.	Pickett Racing Corvette	16	5,500	52
3	7	8	Tom Gloy, Lafayette, Calif.	Lane Sports Racing Capri	14	4,000	52
4	2	29	David Hobbs, Upper Boddington, England	DeAtley/Budweiser Camaro	12	3,450@	52
5	1	2	Gene Felton, Marietta, Ga.	Oftedahl Racing Trans-Am	13#	3,150@	52
6	10	48	Frank Leary, Santa Clara, Calif.	Peterson Tractor Pontiac Trans-Am	10	2,000	52
7	20	56	Karl Durkheimer, Portland, Ore.	V. Polak Porsche 911SC	9	1,800	51
8	30	41	Bill Craine, Portland, Ore.	B.C. Auto Body Corvette	8	1,700	51
9	13	0	Frank Search, San Leandro, Calif.	On Track Engineering Corvette	7	1,600	51
10	16	40	Jim Derhaag, Chaska, Minn.	Pontiac Firebird	6	1,500	51
11	17	18	Lyn St. James, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.	Lane Sports Racing Capri	5	1,300	51
12	21	17	Rick Stark, Kirkland, Wash.	Rick Stark Enterprises Corvette	4	1,200	51
13	5	79	Larry Park, Milpitas, Calif.	Park Performance Corvette	3	1,350@	50
14	23	80	Les Lindley, Anaheim, Calif.	Lindley Camaro	2	1,000	50
15	29	19	Glenn Fox, Albuquerque, N.M.	Spirit of the Cherokee Nation Monza	1	800	50
16	26	83	Richard Valentine, Boston, Mass.	USA/MBA Companies Firebird	550	50	50
17	28	24	Glenn Klimek, Campbell, Calif.	Pontiac Trans-Am	450	49	49
18	25	58	Neil Shelton, Portland, Ore.	Porsche-Audi Northwest Porsche 911SC	375	48	48
19	33	10	John Klug, Newport Beach, Calif.	Porsche 930	325	47	47
20	24	57	Monte Shelton, Portland, Ore.	Porsche-Audi Northwest Porsche 911SC	200	46	- Crash
21	8	33	Paul Newman, Westport, Conn.	Bob Sharp Racing Datsun 280ZX Turbo		45	- Engine
22	34	69	Nick Feodorhoff, Portland, Ore.	Performance Unlimited Porsche 911SC		41	41
23	32	88	Ron Blair, Danville, Calif.	Pepsi Corvette		40	40
24	15	12	Steve Saleen, Scottsdale, Ariz.	Mecham Racing Escort MSE Trans-Am		36	- Engine
25	9	77	Vern Smith, York, Pa.	Trans-Lease Mercury Capri		35	- Crash
26	12	78	Rob McFarlin, Dallas, Texas	Kontrolle Shocks Mustang		30	- Stall
27	11	4	Hershel McGriff, Bridal Veil, Ore.	Oftedahl Racing Trans-Am		29	- Overheating
28	18	38	Brad Murphey, Scottsdale, Ariz.	Lane Sports Racing Mustang		18	18
29	31	83	Earl Pearson, Olympia, Wash.	Corvette		17	- Broken Rocker Arm
30	4	36	Paul Miller, Morristown, N.J.	Herman+Miller Porsche Carrera Turbo	300@	16	- Turbocharger
31	14	54	David Schroeder, Portland, Ore.	Motorsports International Porsche 911SC		12	12
32	19	5	Andy Porterfield, Newport Beach, Calif.	Stock Car Products Camaro		12	- Master Cylinder
33	27	89	Walter Benson, Sonoma, Calif.	Views Land Company Camaro		6	- Suspension
34	22	91	Bob Hagestad, Littleton, Colo.	Bob Hagestad P-A Porsche 924 Turbo		4	- Headgasket
35	35	43	Doug Dodd, San Jose, Calif.	Free Spirit Plymouth Roadrunner Volare		1	1
DNS	12	82	Richard Wall, Arcadia, Calif.	Camaro			

@ Includes TRW Fast Five Awards, but not contingency awards. #Earned two points for pole position.

1983 BUDWEISER TRANS-AM CHAMPIONSHIP DRIVER POINT STANDINGS (After Four Events)

1.	David Hobbs	68	19.	Karl Durkheimer	9
2.	Gene Felton	49		Les Lindley	9
3.	Tom Gloy	46	21.	Frank Emmett	8
4.	Willy T. Ribbs	42		Brad Murphey	8
5.	Greg Pickett	41	23.	Paul DePirro	7
6.	Frank Leary	22	24.	Rob McFarlin	6
7.	Phil Currin	21	25.	Michael Oleyar	5
8.	Paul Newman	20		Dave Heinz	5
9.	Jim Derhaag	18		Glenn Fox	5
10.	Bill Craine	15	28.	Ken Murray	4
11.	Frank Search	13		Rick Stark	4
	Lyn St. James	13	30.	Larry Park	3
13.	Elliott Forbes-Robinson	12		Richard J. Valentine	3
14.	Paul Miller	11		Tony Brassfield	3
	Vern Smith	11	33.	Dan Furey	2
16.	Dave Watson	10		Ken Yeo	2
	Steve Saleen	10		Van McDonald	2
	Ludwig Heimrath, Sr.	10	36.	Richard Wall	1
				Ron Boelts	1
				George Hulse	1

NEXT 1983 BUDWEISER TRANS-AM CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT: June 26, 1983, Seattle International Raceway, Seattle, Wash.

1983 BUDWEISER TRANS-AM® CHAMPIONSHIP STANDINGS

(After Four Events)

DRIVER	CAR	PTS.	\$PRIZE	Moroso May 1	Summit Point May 15	Sears Point June 5	Portland June 12	Seattle June 26	Mid-Ohio July 17	Road America July 31	Brainerd August 7	Trois-Rivieres September 4	Sears Point September 18	Riverside September 25
1. David Hobbs ✓	DeAtley Budweiser Camaro	68	\$26,100	2	1	1	4							
2. Gene Felton ✓	Oftedah1 Racing Trans-Am	49	16,950	1	27	2	5							
3. Tom Gloy	Lane Sports Mercury Capri	46	14,950	26	2	3	3							
4. Willy T. Ribbs	DeAtley Budweiser Camaro	42	13,750	5	21	7	1							
5. Greg Pickett	Pickett Racing Corvette	41	12,600	3	7	18	2							
6. Frank Leary ✓	Peterson Tractor Trans-Am	22	5,250	4	#	25	6							
7. Phil Currin ✓	Currin Racing Corvette	21	4,800	7	4	-	-							
8. Paul Newman	Bob Sharp Racing Datsun 280ZX	20	5,750	10	3	-	21							
9. Bill Craine	Derhaag Pontiac Firebird	18	5,100	13	12	11	10							
10. Frank Search	On Track Engineering Corvette	13	3,100	29	10	30	9							
11. Lyn St. James	Lane Sports Mercury Capri	13	3,650	19	8	19	11							
12. E. Forbes-Robinson	Huffaker Pontiac Trans-Am	12	3,300	-	-	4	-							
13. Paul Miller	Herman+Miller Porsche Carrera T	11	3,500	16	5	17	30							
14. Vern Smith	Trans-Lease Mercury Capri	11	2,500	27	#	5	25							
15. Dave Watson	Depe-Lundy Old Style Firebird	10	2,000	-	6	#	-							
16. Steve Saleen	Mecham Racing Escort MSE T-A	10	2,000	-	-	6	24							
17. Ludwig Heimrath, Sr.	STP Heimrath Porsche 930	10	2,000	-	22	-	-							
18. Karl Durkheimer	V. Polak Porsche 911SC	9	1,800	6	-	21	7							
19. Les Lindley	Lindley Camaro	9	2,600	-	-	9	14							
20. Frank Emmett	Supercuts Corvette	8	1,700	-	-	8	-							
21. Brad Murphey	Lane Sports Ford Mustang	8	2,150	8	17	20	28							
22. Paul Depirro	RAR Camaro	7	1,600	9	-	-	-							
23. Rob McFarlin	Kontrolle/Newslink Mustang	6	1,500	23	-	10	26							
24. Michael Oleyar	Jet Syn Oil Corvette	5	1,300	-	11	-	-							
25. Dave Heinz	Heinz Imports Camaro	5	1,300	11	-	-	-							
26. Glenn Fox	Spirit of the Cherokee Nat. Monza	5	1,750	-	-	12	15							
27. Ken Murray	Motorsport Marketing Camaro	4	1,200	12	-	-	-							
28. Rick Stark	Rick Stark Enterprises Corvette	4	1,200	-	-	-	12							
29. Larry Park	Merritt Tire Corvette	3	1,100	-	-	24	13							
30. R.J. Valentine	USA Racing/MBA Comp. Firebird	3	1,550	-	13	23	16							
31. Tony Brassfield	Wirth Corvette	3	1,100	-	-	13	-							
32. Dan Furey	Quaker Manufacturing Corvette	2	1,000	34	14	-	-							
33. Ken Yeo	T & S Racing Corvette	2	1,000	-	-	14	-							
34. Van McDonald	McDonald Porsche 911SC	2	1,000	14	-	14	-							
35. Richard Wall	Camaro	1	800	-	-	15	#							
36. Ron Boelts	Specialities Rac. Corvette	1	1,350	15	16	-	-							
37. George Hulse	Foreign Car Repair Porsche 911SC	1	800	-	15	-	-							

- Did not enter; # Did not start.