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**RIBBS WINS AT SEARS POINT BUDWEISER TRANS-AM<sup>®</sup> BUT GLOY GRABS SERIES POINTS LEAD**  
SONOMA, Calif. -- What's new, you ask, with the Sports Car Club of America's Budweiser Trans-Am<sup>®</sup> Championship?

It certainly isn't Willy T. Ribbs' victory at Sears Point International Raceway. That marks the fourth time this season that Ribbs has ended up in the winner's circle.

What is new is the series points leaders. Lafayette, Calif., driver Tom Gloy has finally seen his consistency pay off. The Mercury Capri pilot sits five points ahead of Camaro driver David Hobbs, who has led the series since the early part of the 12-race series.

Gloy went through a stretch earlier in the year when he finished third on six-straight occasions but Sunday was everything and more in front of his hometown fans and a large Lincoln Mercury contingent at the course for the Mercury Capri Fall Classic.

But it was still a Chevrolet that rolled across the finish line first, the eighth time out of 10 tries that a DeAtley/Budweiser Camaro has won this season.

Hobbs, who qualified on the pole in a record 1:19.824, 90.988 mph, took the lead at the green flag and led a closely bunched threesome with Gloy second and Ribbs third. They ran nose-to-tail for the first couple laps before David Dralle crashed his Camaro, bringing out a yellow flag for three laps.

The green came back out and the threesome again pulled away from the rest of the field and stayed there until another incident, involving, Ken Yeo, brought out the yellow on lap 14. The previous lap, Gloy spun, lost a position and came into the pits to change rear tires. He fell back to eighth place with the stop.

The re-start saw Hobbs stay ahead with Ribbs in hot pursuit and Elliott Forbes-Robinson, in his Pontiac Trans-Am, in third. But the Hobbs lead didn't last too much longer as on lap 24 he pulled off on the backside of the course when his fuel pump failed.

Ribbs cruised into the lead and was never seriously challenged, pushing his advantage to as many as 18 seconds but finally winning by an 8.7-second margin.

But the racing certainly didn't stop as Gloy picked his way back through the pack to regain his second-place position. Frank Leary stayed within reach, coming home third for his best finish of the season. Dave Watson, of Milton, Wisc., was fourth for the second-straight race.

Fifth place went to Forbes-Robinson, the defending series champion. The best racing of the afternoon may have been for sixth place as Jerry Brassfield, driving a DeAtley Camaro, battled with Jim Derhaag and Paul Newman for the final half of the race. Brassfield, whose son Darin finished 15th after qualifying fifth in the TRW Fast Five, was sixth while Derhaag was seventh and Newman was the top foreign car driver, finishing eighth in his Datsun 280ZX Turbo.

The series points championship is still very much up in the air with Gloy leading Hobbs by the slim five-point margin with 129 points and Ribbs very much in the picture with 110 points. With a slimmer chance, but still in the picture, is Forbes-Robinson with 98 points.

The next round of the series is set for September 25 at Riverside International Raceway. The series-ending event is slated for October 8 at Caesars Palace.

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# 1983 SCCA BUDWEISER TRANS-AM® CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

ROUND 10, 1983 BUDWEISER TRANS-AM® CHAMPIONSHIP AT SEARS POINT INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY, SONOMA, CALIF., (2.52 miles, 12 turns), September 18, 1983.  
 RACE LENGTH: 40 laps, 100.916 miles. TIME OF RACE: 1:13.40.600  
 WINNER'S AVERAGE SPEED: 82.186 mph. MARGIN OF VICTORY: 8.7 seconds.  
 FASTEST RACE LAP: #29, David Hobbs, 1:40.470, 90.403 mph. FASTEST QUALIFIER: #29, David Hobbs, 1:39.824, 90.988 mph., (Record).  
 LAP LEADERS: #29, David Hobbs, 1-24; #28, Willy T. Ribbs, 25-40.  
 CAUTION PERIOD LAPS: Laps 3-6, 13-15.

FIN POS.	QUAL POS.	CAR NO.	DRIVER/HOMETOWN	SPONSOR/CAR	POINTS	\$PRIZE@	LAPS/REASON OUT
1	2	28	Willy T. Ribbs, San Jose, Calif.	DeAtley/Budweiser Camaro	20	\$8,450@	40
2	3	8	Tom Gloy, Lafayette, Calif.	Lane Sports Racing Capri	16	5,850@	40
3	4	48	Frank Leary, III, Santa Clara, Calif.	Peterson Tractor Trans-Am	14	4,300@	40
4	7	37	Dave Watson, Milton, Wisc.	Deppe-Lundy Old Style Firebird	12	3,000	40
5	6	1	Elliott Forbes-Robinson, Denver, N.C.	STP Huffaker Son of a Gun Trans-Am	11	2,500	40
6	11	30	Jerry Brassfield, Los Gatos, Calif.	DeAtley/Budweiser Camaro	10	2,000	40
7	9	40	Jim Derhaag, Chaska, Minn.	Firebird	9	1,800	40
8	10	33	Paul Newman, Westport, Conn.	Bob Sharp Racing Datsun 280ZX Turbo	8	1,700	40
9	23	79	Larry Park, San Jose, Calif.	Park Performance Camaro	7	1,600	39
10	16	82	Richard Wall, Arcadia, Calif.	Camaro	6	1,500	39
11	17	5	Andy Porterfield, Newport Beach, Calif.	Harry Mann Chevrolet Camaro	5	1,300	39
12	8	77	Vern Smith, York, Pa.	Trans-Lease Mercury Capri	4	1,200	39
13	12	18	Lyn St. James, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.	Lane Sports Racing Capri	3	1,100	39
14	21	56	Karl Durkheimer, Portland, Ore.	V. Polak Porsche 911SC	2	1,000	39
15	5	6	Darin Brassfield, Los Gatos, Calif.	Pickett Racing Corvette	1	1,050@	39
16	14	80	Les Lindley, Anaheim, Calif.	Lindley Racing/Barnard Engineering Camaro		550	39
17	28	20	Harry Kauffman, San Leandro, Calif.	Round Table Pizza Racing Trans-Am		450	39
18	31	49	Bob Copeman, San Jose, Calif.	Copeman Racing Porsche 911		375	38
19	33	17	Rick Stark, Kirkland, Wash.	Rick Stark Enterprises Corvette		325	38
20	34	86	Ron Blair, San Leandro, Calif.	New Century Beverage/Windmill Farms Corv.		300	38
21	28	61	Jeffrey James, Campbell, Calif.	Electrical Service Racing Camaro			37
22	35	95	John Anderson, Oakland, Calif.	Super Service Trans-Am			37
23	32	22	Mike Meek, San Jose, Calif.	Cavallino Rampante Corvette			37
24	18	32	Mark Pielsticker, Orinda, Calif.	Performance Plus Camaro			34
25	15	78	Rob McFarlin, Dallas, Texas	Kontrolle Shocks Mustang			32/Engine
26	1	29	David Hobbs, Upper Boddington, England	DeAtley/Budweiser Camaro	2#	650@	23/Fuel Pump
27	27	72	Bob Nelson, Novato, Calif.	Nelson Racing Camaro			23/Broken Axcel
28	22	27	Rich Sloma, Cupertino, Calif.	Automotive Enterprises Camaro			21/Engine
29	26	91	Bob Hagestad, Littleton, Colo.	Bob Hagestad Porsche + Audi Porsche 924 Turbo			14/Suspension
30	25	35	Ken Yeo, Auburn, Calif.	T+S Racing Corvette			10/Crash
31	20	0	Frank Search, San Francisco, Calif.	On Track Engineering Corvette			3/Broken Axcel
32	30	70	David Dralle, Torrance, Calif.	Super Shop & Dave's Auto Camaro			1/Crash
33	19	21	Pete Brallier, Hillsborough, Calif.	Round Table Pizza Racing Firebird			0/Broken Axcel
DNS	13	65	Frank Emmett, Novato, Calif.	SuperCuts Corvette			
DNS	24	96	Terry Herman, Pleasant Hill, Calif.	Panther Porsche 911SC			

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

## 1983 SCCA BUDWEISER TRANS-AM CHAMPIONSHIP DRIVER POINTS STANDINGS (After Ten Events)

1. Tom Gloy	129	21. Jerry Hansen	18	40. Glenn Fox	5
2. David Hobbs	124	22. Richard Spenard	16	Michael Oleyar	5
3. Willy T. Ribbs	110	Karl Durkheimer	16	Andy Porterfield	5
4. Elliott Forbes-Robinson	98	24. Rob McFarlin	15	Dick Kantrud	5
5. Frank Leary	61	25. Frank Search	13	Dave Heinz	5
6. Gene Felton	59	Darin Brassfield	13	45. Peter Deman	4
7. Jim Derhaag	57	Murray Edwards	11	Doug Rippie	4
8. Paul Miller	43	28. R.J. Valentine	10	Ken Murray	4
Dave Watson	43	Jerry Brassfield	10	48. Dan Furey	3
10. Greg Pickett	41	Richard Wall	9	Tony Brassfield	3
11. Paul Newman	37	Les Lindley	9	Herb Forrest	3
12. Paul DePirro	36	David Schroeder	9	Bill Morrison	3
13. Lyn St. James	35	33. Jim Sanborn	8	P.L. Baljet	3
14. Steve Saleen	28	Rick Stark	8	53. Paul Musschoot	2
15. Vern Smith	27	Brad Murphey	8	Van McDonald	2
16. Ludwig Heimrath, Sr.	22	Tim Evans	8	Ken Yeo	2
17. Bill Craine	21	Frank Emmett	8	Richard Danielson	2
Phil Currin	21	38. Craig Shafer	6	Kim Campbell	2
19. John Paul, Jr.	20	Rick Dittman	6	Warren Fairbanks	2
Larry Park	20			59. Gary "Fritz" Schons	1
				Ron Boelts	1
				George Hulse	1

NEXT SCCA BUDWEISER TRANS-AM CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT: September 25, Riverside International Raceway, Riverside, Calif.

1983 SCCA BUDWEISER TRANS-AM® CHAMPIONSHIP DRIVER POINT STANDINGS  
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DRIVER	CAR	PTS	\$PRIZE	FINISHING POSITIONS									
				Morosó 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 Sept. 4	Sears Point Sept. 18
1. Tom Gloy	Lane Sports Racing Capri	129	\$40,200	26	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	5	2
2. David Hobbs	DeAtley/Budweiser Camaro	124	47,450	2	1	1	4	25	2	1	2	-	26
3. Willy T. Ribbs	DeAtley/Budweiser Camaro	110	42,050	5	21	7	1	23	2	52	1	12	1
4. Elliott Forbes-Robinson	STP Huffaker Son of a Gun Trans-Am	98	30,600	-	-	4	-	1	5	2	4	3	5
5. Frank Leary	Peterson Tractor Pontiac Trans-Am	61	15,650	4	#	25	6	5	22	11	7	-	3
6. Gene Felton	Oftedahl Racing Trans-Am	59	19,500	1	27	2	5	26	23	38	6	-	-
7. Jim Derhaag	Derhaag Pontiac Firebird	57	14,050	13	12	11	10	9	9	16	8	8	7
8. Paul Miller	Herman+Miller Porsche Carrera Turbo	43	13,150	16	5	17	30	2	12	34	27	6	-
9. Dave Watson	Deppe-Lundy Old Style Firebird	43	9,800	-	6	#	-	-	-	7	25	4	4
10. Greg Pickett	Pickett Racing Corvette	41	13,275	3	7	18	2	20	-	-	-	-	-
11. Paul Newman	Bob Sharp Racing Datsun 280ZX Turbo	37	9,250	10	3	-	21	30	7	33	24	-	8
12. Paul DePirro	RAR Camaro	36	7,800	9	-	-	-	-	8	6	5	-	-
13. Lyn St. James	Lane Sports Racing Capri	35	9,350	19	8	19	11	4	29	9	30	28	13
14. Steve Saleen	Mecham Escort MSE Trans-Am	28	5,700	-	-	6	24	8	6	-	-	-	-
15. Vern Smith	Trans-Lease Mercury Capri	27	6,700	27	#	5	25	21	21	-	10	10	12
16. Ludwig Heimrath, Sr.	STP Porsche 930	22	5,350	6	22	-	-	-	-	4	-	21	-
17. Bill Craine	B.C. Auto Body Corvette	21	5,250	17	9	-	8	10	-	-	-	-	-
Phil Currin	Currin Corvette/Trans-Lease Capri	21	4,800	7	4	-	-	-	33	47	-	-	-
19. John Paul, Jr.	DeAtley/Budweiser Camaro	20	8,600	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Larry Park	Park Performance Corvette	20	4,950	-	-	24	13	6	-	-	-	-	9
21. Jerry Hansen	LSI/Photo Mill Trans-Am	18	4,100	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	9	-	-
22. Richard Spenard	CKTM T.V./LaLonde Sport Oftedahl T-A	16	5,800	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
Karl Durkheimer	V. Polak Porsche 911SC	16	3,100	-	-	21	7	11	-	-	-	-	14
24. Rob McFarlin	Kontrolle Shocks/Newslink Mustang	15	3,300	23	-	10	26	28	30	-	26	7	25
25. Darin Brassfield	Pac. Summit Corv./Pickett Corvette	13	3,550	32	33	22	-	-	4	39	32	20	15
Frank Search	On-Track Engineering Corvette	13	3,500	29	10	30	9	17	-	-	-	-	31
27. Murray Edwards	Cavendish Farms Corvette	11	3,800	-	-	-	-	-	14	12	20	11	-
28. R.J. Valentine	USA Racing/MBA Companies Firebird	10	3,625	-	13	23	16	-	#	18	-	9	-
Jerry Brassfield	DeAtley/Budweiser Camaro	10	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
30. Richard Wall	Camaro	9	3,300	-	-	15	#	14	-	-	-	-	10
Les Lindley	Lindley Rac./Barnard Engin. Camaro	9	3,150	-	-	9	14	22	-	49	31	-	16
David Schroeder	Motorsports Int'l. Porsche 911SC	9	1,800	-	-	-	31	7	-	-	-	-	-
33. Jim Sanborn	J.S. Racing Corvette	8	2,725	-	-	-	-	-	11	19	13	-	-
Rick Stark	Rick Stark Enterprises Corvette	8	2,725	-	-	-	12	12	-	-	-	-	19
Brad Murphey	Lane Sports Racing Mustang	8	2,450	8	17	20	28	27	-	-	-	-	-
Tim Evans	Klain Racing Trans-Am	8	2,250	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	16	-	-
Frank Emmett.	SuperCuts Corvette	8	1,700	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	#

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FINISHING POSITIONS															
38. Craig Shafer	Shafer Racing Camaro	6	1,800	-	24	-	-	-	10	20	-	-	-	-	-
	Rick Dittman	6	1,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	29	-	-	-	-
40. Glenn Fox	Spirit of the Cherokee Nat. Monza	5	1,750	-	-	12	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Michael Oleyar	5	1,675	-	11	-	-	-	18	-	-	#	-	-	-
	Andy Porterfield	5	1,300	-	-	-	32	-	-	-	-	-	11	-	-
	Dick Kantrud	5	1,300	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	11	-	-	-	-
	Dave Heinz	5	1,300	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45. Peter Deman	Deman Racing Team Corvette	4	1,900	-	-	-	-	-	15	-	-	13	-	-	-
	Doug Rippie	4	1,200	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	-
	Ken Murray	4	1,200	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
48. Dan Furey	Quaker Manufacturing Corvette	3	1,800	34	14	-	-	-	28	-	-	15	-	-	-
	Tony Brassfield	3	1,100	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Herb Forrest	3	1,100	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	-
	Bill Morrison	3	1,100	-	-	-	-	-	13	40	-	-	-	-	-
	P.L. Baljet	3	1,100	-	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
53. Paul Musschoot	PM Racing Corvette	2	1,600	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	15	-	-	-	-
	Van McDonald	2	1,000	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Ken Yeo	2	1,000	-	-	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	-	-
	Richard Danielson	2	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	#	-	-	-	-
	Kim Campbell	2	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	43	14	-	-	-	-
	Warren Fairbanks	2	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	-
59. Fritz Schons	Coast Citrus/SignArt Firebird	1	1,175	25	30	26	-	15	24	22	18	-	-	-	-
	Ron Boelts	1	1,350	15	16	-	-	-	-	-	21	-	-	-	-
	George Hulse	1	800	-	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1983 SCCA BUDWEISER TRANS-AM CHAMPIONSHIP MANUFACTURERS STANDINGS (After Nine Events)

MANUFACTURERS	DRIVERS, points scored each	PTS.	FINISHING POSITIONS												
1. Chevrolet Motor Division	Dave Hobbs 33, Willy T. Ribbs 36, John Paul, Jr., 9, Larry Park 1.	79	2	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2. Pontiac Motor Division	E. Forbes-Robinson 20, Gene Felton 17, Richard Spenard 6, Dave Watson 1, Frank Leary 4.	48	1	6	2	5	1	5	2	4	2	3	3	3	3
3. Ford Motor Company	Tom Gloy 38.	38	26	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	5
4. Porsche AG	Paul Miller 9, Ludwig Heimrath Sr., 4.	13	6	5	17	30	2	12	4	27	6	-	-	-	-
5. Datsun (Nissan)	Paul Newman 4.	4	10	3	-	21	30	7	33	24	-	-	8	-	-

# - Did Not Start; - Did Not Enter.