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Klein Runs Third at Nashville

Rookie Jonathan Klein posted his second-consecutive third-place Indy Pro Series finish, part of a 1-2-3 finish for the combined Andretti Green Racing/Sam Schmidt Motorsports effort at the Nashville Superspeedway. Teammates Jay Howard and Jaime Camara finished first and second, respectively, in the first podium sweep for the AGR/SSM team.

Starting on the outside of the third row in sixth, Klein had a strong start, moving up two positions in just the opening lap. He continued to run fourth, battling with Tom Wood until the second of two caution flags waved on Lap 42. On the Lap 49 restart, he joined Howard and Camara in moving past early race leader Wade Cunningham to grab third, holding that position until the checkered flag on Lap 77.

Klein also finished third on the road course at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway on July 1, and has a trio of fifth-place finishes in his rookie IPS season.

Today's finish solidifies Klein's hold on third place in the IPS championship standings after seven of 12 rounds. He now has 203 points, 18 more than fourth-place Nick Bussell and is only four points out of second place, a spot currently held by Bobby Wilson. Teammate Howard leads the championship with 243 points, while Camara lies fifth with 176 points.

Jonathan Klein, #27 Klein Tools/Turn-Key Forging & Design Dallara/Firestone Started 6th, finished 3rd, second consecutive 3rd place finish, 3rd in IPS points

"I was just happy to finish the race. I almost spun on the first lap. I really battled a loose car the whole race. But, I made a few cockpit adjustments - basically adjusted everything I could to take away the oversteer. I almost had to idle it around the racetrack the whole race. But, I stayed patient, took care of my tires and it paid off. It's a good one-two-three [result] for the whole team. The Klein Tools/Turn-Key Forging & Design guys gave me a great car and did a fantastic job yet again."

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