

Teenager sets the new Indy benchmark

EuroBOSS 2004

24 laps

Talented teenager Scott Mansell smashed the outright lap record on his way to win number three.

It was a superb performance, but

the bumper crowd deserved to see more than five finishers.

Series co-ordinator Roger Cowman was as disappointed as anyone, citing a range of reasons for the no-shows (see *Racing News*). It wasn't quite four

weddings and a funeral, but there was certainly a wedding, a honeymoon, a divorce and a death in the family in there somewhere. Eddie McLurg crashed on Friday, and Klaas Zwart was in Monaco for a Porsche guest drive.

Mansell couldn't quite match Paul Tracy's qualifying best but set a new lap record on his fourth tour. A safety car period to check for debris closed up the field and saved the rest some blushes.



Fab Four: Scott Mansell dominated Sunday's thin BOSS field

Results

1 Scott Mansell (Benetton B197 Judd) 17m 00.359s (103.89mph); 2 Paul Smith (Simtek S951 Ford HB) 1 lap behind; 3 Anthony Hansford (Footwork Arrows A11B); 4 Joachim Ryschka (G-Force Chevrolet); 5 Roger Kilty (Reynard 93D Cosworth). No other finishers. Class winners: Mansell; Hansford; Ryschka; Kilty. Fastest lap: Mansell 38.032s (116.06mph) lap record.