

COVER UP

It's not very often that we put a junior driver on the cover. While there's no shortage of junior fathers who routinely inform us that our profits would quadruple (overnight, no less!) if we merely put THEIR son on the cover, we tend to focus on the drivers who might still be in our sport past their sixteenth birthday.

However, the crushing-like dominance of Cody Robinson has spurred us to shelve our normal guidelines, and he joins former juniors Wade Van Hooser (Issue 1) and Eric Morrow (Issue 34) as the only wee puds to make the cover. This issue features a great shot by OTP.CA's Cody Schindel.

After four rounds of action in the 2007 World Karting Association Manufacturer's Cup Series, Robinson and his Arrow chassis now have twelve victories on the year. He kicked off the season with three victories in Jacksonville, bagged four more at Michiana Raceway Park, grabbed a solo win at Shawano, and then most recently, put another four notches in his belt after the BeaveRun weekend.

The envious ones in the paddock are quick to point out that having family ties at L&T Manufacturing (and their famed clutches) is the key to Robinson's success. Pfffft. The Ohio kid is putting together one of the more dominant seasons of junior karting in recent memory, and he's a shining star for the Arrow chassis line as well. The more he wins, the more gets written about him, the more photos of him will be printed, and yes, the more he'll appear on magazine covers.

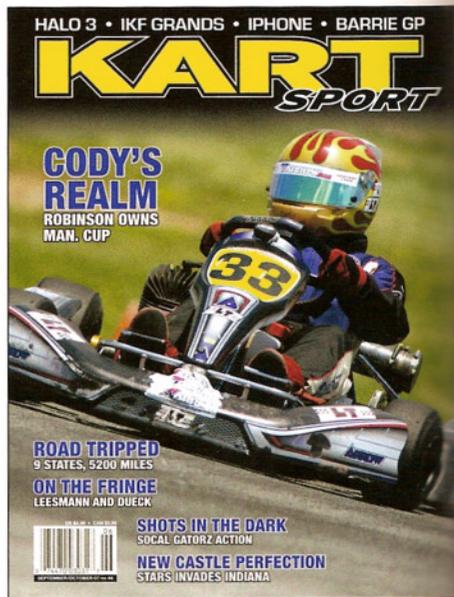
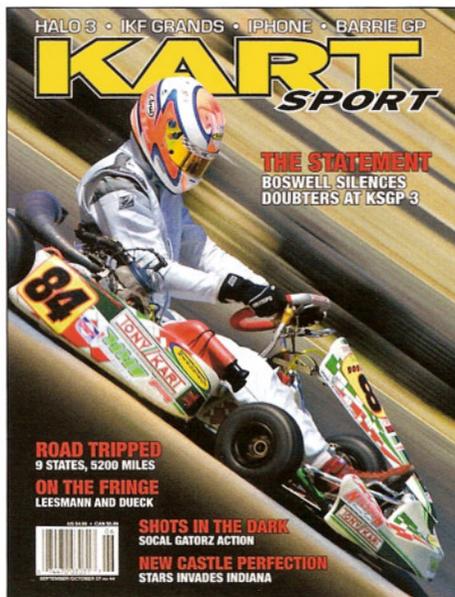
Making the other cover for this issue is ICC ace Wes Boswell. After choosing to take some time off in 2007 and do just a few stand-alone events, most drivers were quick to dismiss

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Boswell as the national shifter scene rolled into Sonoma, CA for the third annual KartSport Grand Prix. Ooops. Turns out that while Wes is spending most of his time spinning wrenches as a tuner, he still has no shortage of ammo when he breaks out the driving gloves. He was a blur of speed throughout the weekend, as witnessed by the epic cover shot captured by our own Bonnier Moulton.

Without a chassis or an engine to his name, Boswell used a borrowed Tony Kart Racer EVX/SwedeTech TM package and promptly took home the win and the \$4000 check that goes with it. In a year in which Tony Kart USA's shifter kart results haven't produced many bright spots, the 23-year-old Boswell surprised the paddock by asserting himself in the pre-finals before romping away to the victory in the main. It was a quick reminder, as if any were needed, that the California native not only is still one of the fastest in the game, but is also supremely dedicated and hardworking when the call to arms is heard.

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