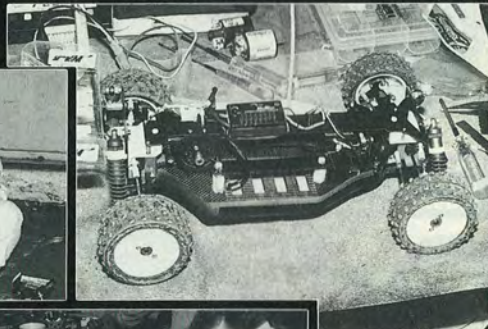


REEDY RACE OF CHAMPIONS

Roger Cull reports on a win for Masami Hirotsuka at the Reedy Race.



Top left: Masami with his latest International winning trophy. Left: Cliff Lett - second overall in the listings. Far right: Chris Melroy works on his Yokomo. Top: Masami Hirotsuka's dad works on his RC10.

FINAL POSITIONS

| Pos | Name | Points | 2WD | 4WD | Country |
|-----|------------|--------|--------|--------|------------|
| 1 | Hirotsuka | 14 | RC10 | Yokomo | Japan |
| 2 | Lett | 21 | RC10 | Yokomo | South Cal. |
| 3 | Kimwald | 22 | RC10 | Yokomo | South Cal. |
| 4 | Vehlow | 22 | RC10 | Yokomo | North Cal. |
| 5 | Beckwith | 23 | RC10 | Yokomo | South Cal. |
| 6 | Johnson | 26 | JRX | Laser | South Cal. |
| 7 | Funatani | 27 | RC10 | Cat | South Cal. |
| 8 | Gonzales | 28 | RC10 | Laser | Washington |
| 9 | Moura | 34 | RC10 | Laser | South Cal. |
| 10 | Wallace | 38 | RC10 | Laser | North Cal. |
| 11 | McElroy | 41 | RC10 | Yokomo | South Cal. |
| 12 | Hohwart | 41 | RC10 | Laser | South Cal. |
| 13 | Booth | 42 | Tamiya | Tamiya | England |
| 14 | Drescher | 43 | RC10 | Yokomo | England |
| 15 | Oberle | 45 | Cougar | Cat | Germany |
| 16 | Halsey | 46 | JRX | Yokomo | South Cal. |
| 17 | Cull | 50 | RC10 | Yokomo | England |
| 18 | Lautenbach | 53 | Cougar | Cat | Germany |
| 19 | Kloeber | 54 | RC10 | Yokomo | Arizona |
| 20 | Matsumoto | 56 | Ultima | Laser | Japan |
| 21 | Rossetto | 61 | JRX | Laser | South Cal. |
| 22 | Allec | 63 | ANL | ANL | South Cal. |
| 23 | Danz | 63 | Cougar | Cat | Germany |
| 24 | Davies | 64 | Cougar | Cat | England |
| 25 | Kondo | 70 | Ultima | Laser | Japan |
| 26 | Sumida | 75 | RC10 | Yokomo | Japan |
| 27 | Losi | 77 | JRX | Laser | South Cal. |

The Reedy races seem to get ever more popular, the concept of the best drivers in the world competing on equal terms on the best tracks the world has to offer obviously creates a lot of interest as well as giving the world the chance to see the latest equipment on offer.

The races are held to a set format, all 27 invited drivers have six races with their 2WD and six races with their 4WD. Five of the results count towards their final score, points are awarded as follows; 1st 1 point, 2nd 2 points and so on. The driver with the lowest points at the end of the meeting is the winner! - simple eh?

This particular meeting was held at the Radio Controlled Hobbies Raceway in Los Angeles, the usual world stars were in attendance including Masami Hirotsuka, Cliff Lett, Jurgen Lautenbach, Phil Davies, Rory Cull, Jamie Booth and Craig Drescher.

The meeting was also to be the first major race for the new Yokomo Works car seen reviewed in last month's RCMC. The car had a few initial problems with the front end proving rather fragile, this was toughened up with various devices at the circuit and proved to work well. Yokomo are working on revised parts at the moment so be prepared for some new chunky suspension arms.

The racing proved to be another example of the dominance Masami Hirotsuka has on the RC world, 7 points was the final margin that he won by, Masami is still proving to be head and shoulders above the rest.

Best European turned out to be Jamie Booth, but the transition to 7 cells and 4 minute racing is proving to be a difficult one for the British lads.

Next stop the Reedy in Japan!....

