



Overall view across the lake

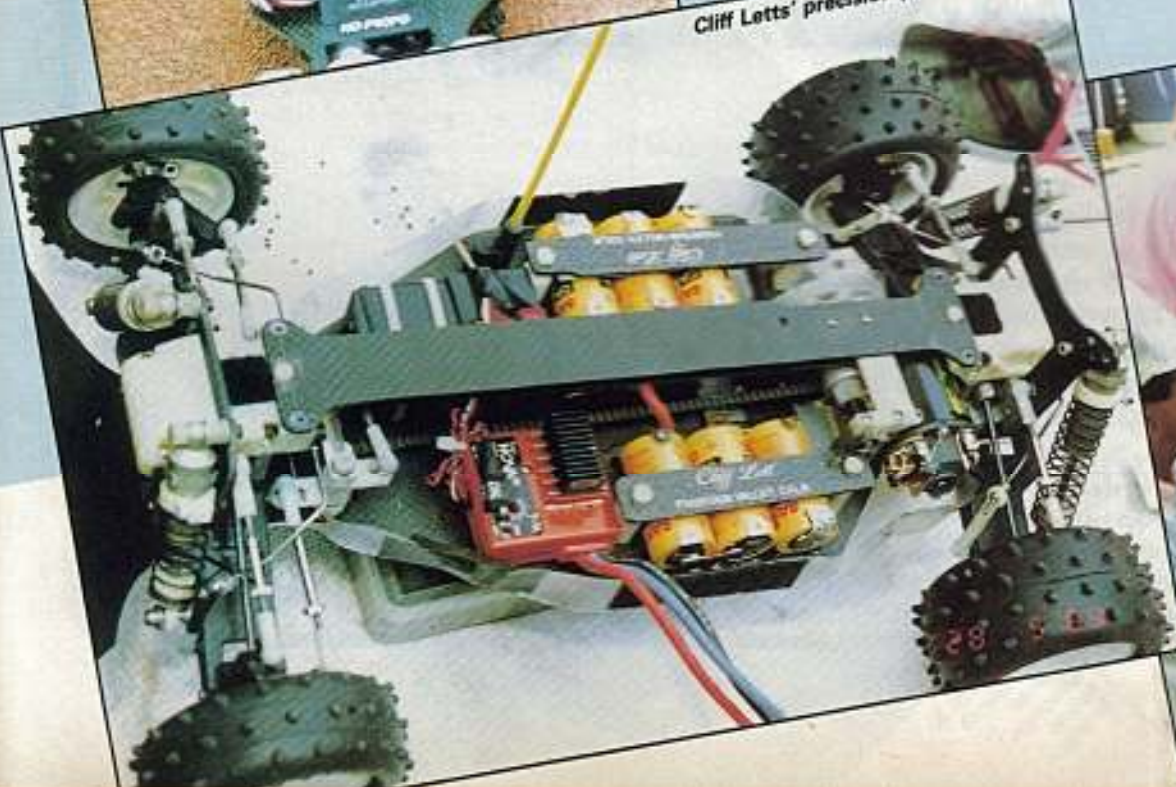
4-WD A final drivers on rostrum.



Cliff Letts' precision prepared car.



Jason Varley's home-grown rear anti-roll bar and off-the-shelf Losi Juniors Choice





Rick Howard 240 Octane Mid

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The Associated outdoor pits.



Masumi Hirotsuka the popular winner in 2nd

The 1989 Reedy International venue was held in the picturesque town of Portschach, Austria. The grass track was set on the bank of the lake with views looking out to the snow clad mountain. The weather was forecast to be 25° plus for the next week, so the scene was set for four days of competitive racing.

Thursday was to be the start of 2nd qualifying. There were two rounds of controlled timed practice and thus into qualifying. After the first round Team Reedy/Associated had taken the top four places with Phil Davies coming fifth with the Top Cat.

Round 2 saw no change in TQ Masami Hirotsuka still on top with his RC10 and first round time. Jurgen Lautenbach (LRP) moved into second place 1/10 second slower than Masami with his Shumacher sponsored Top Cat. Cliff Lett moved down to 3rd and Craig Drescher moved down to fourth.

Round 3 and 4 saw no change in the top 10 as the track was progressively cutting

up with the power that was coming out of the cars and so it was now into the Christmas tree final system to see who was going to join Masami Hirotsuka (J), Jurgen (Ger) Lautenbach, Cliff Lett (USA) and Craig Drescher (GB) who went straight

Keith Chaplin reports from Portschach on the Reedy 1/10 International

through to the A final.

Jason Varley with his JRX2 just missed the semi final so had to race in the 1/4 final and from there went through to the semi and then onto the A final. Pete Stevens

with his Ultima managed to do the same.

James Booth (Top Cat) a little surprised not to be in the top four won his semi to go through, also through were Marco Demarchi (I) JRX2, Stefan Dantz, Germany (Ultima), Rich Howart (USA) RC10.

The first A final saw a tremendous drive from 14 yr old Craig Drescher to come in first with Masami Hirotsuka 1/10 seconds behind and both doing the only 15 laps, A final 2, Masami putting in another 15 lapper to win followed by Cliff Lett and Jamie Booth. The A 3 final was won by Craig Drescher with a superb drive again in front of his sponsor Mike Reedy but was unable to score a 15 lapper and overall was a very creditable second behind Masami Hirotsuka.

On to 4WD, and vote from all the countries saw the track changed. The racing went much as before in 2WD with the new track cutting up and the top 10 not changing after round 2. Rick Howart (USA), Yokomo, Marco Demarchi (Italy), Yokomo,

2WD TECH CHART

Q	Driver	Cty	Sponsor	3 Leg A Final Times			Car	Battery	Motor	Speed Cont	Servo	Gear Ratio	Tyres	
				A	B	C							F	R
1	Masami Hirotsuka	J	Yokomo Associated	A	15.5.197	2	RC10	Reedy SCE	Reedy	KO	KO FET	Dp 5 P	F	Schumacher 2 Row Stud
				B	15.5.197	1							R	Yokomo TR9
				C	14.5.051	3								
2	J. Lautenbach	G	LRP Schumacher	A	14.5.070	2	Top Cat	LRP/Oberle SCE	LRP Pink E	Corally	KO Fet	48Dp 905 21P	F	Schumacher Rib Spike
				B	14.5.032	4							R	Schumacher 4 Row
				C	14.5.095	4								
3	Cliff Lett	USA	RCPS Associated Reedy Novak Airtronics	A	14.50.37	3	RC10 Graphite	Reedy SCE	Reedy Gold Star	Novak	Futaba 7.37	48Dp 85S 18P	F	Schumacher 2 Row Stud
				B	15.5.215	2							R	Associated TQ20
				C	14.5.033	2								
4	Craig Drescher	GB	Reedy Schumacher	A	15.5.189	1	RC10	Laser Keil	Reedy Gold Star	Novak	Futaba 1.31 SH	48Dp 82S 15p	F	Schumacher 2 Row Stud
				B	14.5.115	7							R	Associated TQ20
				C	14.5.008	1								
5	Rick Howart	USA	Peak Perf Futaba Associated Tekin	A	14.5.103	6	RC10	Peak Perf SCE	Peak Perf Beast 12x2	Tekin	Futaba 131SH	48DP 87S 13P	F	Schumacher 2 Row Stud
				B	14.5.227	8							R	Schuma
				C	13.5.100	9								
6	Jamie Booth	GB	Schumacher Reedy	A	14.5.071	5	Top Cat	Schumacher SCE	Reedy Gold Star	Nosram Internat Pro	KO FET	48DP 36S 23P	F	Schumacher Rib Spike
				B	15.5.244	3							R	Schumacher 4 Row
				C	14.5.144	5								
7	Stefan Dantz	G	Futaba LRP Kyosho	A	13.5.095	10	Ultima	LRP/Oberle 6+ SCE	LRP Pinke	Futaba	Futaba 940	48DP 55S 17P	F	Schumacher 3 Row
				B	1.4.340	10							R	Tag Small
				C	14.5.200	8								
8	Jason Varley	GB	Losi Yokomo CML	A	13.5.047	9	Losi JRX2	Primetime Yokomo SCE	Losi Junior Choice	Novak	KO Fet	48DP 86S 20P	F	Yokomo TF5S
				B	14.5.041	5							R	Yokomo TR9M
				C	5.1.534	10								
9	Marco De Marchi	I	TQ Models	A	13.5.028	8	Losi JRx2	Sanyo SCE	Peak Perf Beast 12x2	Novak	Sanwa	48DP 86S 15P	F	Schumacher 2 Row Stud
				B	14.5.088	6							R	Yokomo TR9M
				C	14.5.175	7								
10	Peter Stevens	GB	SRM Kyosho	A	14.5.220	7	Ultima	Parma Laser SCE	Twister 1001 15b	Novak	KO Fet	.6 57S 17P	F	Schumacher Rib Spike
				B	14.5.194	8							R	Schumacher 4 Row
				C	14.5.121	6								



Cliff Lett looks around M. Drescher.



Mike Reedy himself.

4WD TECH CHART

Q	Driver	Cty	Sponsor	Final time Final Pos	Car	Battery	Motor	Speed Cont	Servo	Gear Ratio	Tyres	
1	Rick Howart	USA	Kyosho Peak perform Novak Futaba	30.10.323	SRS Optima Mid	Peak perform SCE	Peak perform 13 quad	Novak	Futaba 131SH	48DP 875 18P	F	Schumacher 2 row stud
				5th							R	Schumacher 4 Row
2	Masami Hirotsuka	J	Yokomo	30.10.269	Yokomo	Reedy SCE	Reedy Gold Star	KO	KO	48DP 86S 16P	F	Yokomo TF8M
				3rd							R	Yokomo TR9M
3	Jay Halsey	USA	Reedy Associated Yokomo	28.10.111	Yokomo	Reedy SCE	Reedy Gold Star	Novak	Intronics	48DP 86S 17P	F	Schumacher 2 Row Stud
				8th							R	Schumacher 4 Row
4	Marco Demarchi	I	TQ Models	28.10.441	Yokomo	Peak Perform	Peak Perform 14D	Novak	Sanwa	48DP 85S 17P	F	Yokomo TF8M
				10th							R	Yokomo TR9M
5	Jason Varley	GB	Yokomo Losi CML	30.10.251	Yokomo	Yokomo	Losi Junior Choice	Novak	KO FET	64DP 108S 27P	F	Yokomo TF8H
				2nd							R	Yokomo TR9M
6	Cliff Lett	USA	Associated Reedy Yokomo	30.10.230	Novak	Reedy 737	Reedy 86S	Gold Star	Airtronics	48DP 17P	F	Cat 3 Row
				1st							R	Cat 4 Row
7	W Bergbauer	G	Peak Perform RC Cars & Zeubhor	29.10.279	Yokomo	Demon SCE	Peak Perform 12 Triple	Flash	KO Fet	48DP 81S 15P	F	Yokomo TF8M
				7th							R	Yokomo TR9M
8	Craig Drescher	GB	Schumacher Reedy	30.10.283	Cat	Laser Keil SCE	Reedy Gold Star	Novak	KO Fet	64DP 116S 26P	F	Cat 3 Row
				4th							R	Cat 4 Row
9	Lawrence Harris	GB	Nosram MG SRM	30.10.423	Cat	MG SCE	MG 13D	Nosram Internat Pro	KO Fet	48DP 91S 17P	F	Cat 3 Row
				6th							R	Cat 4 Row
10	Stephan Oberle	G	Schumacher LRP Futaba	28.10.213	Cat	LRP/Oberle 6+	LRP White E	Futaba	Futaba	64DP 122S 26P	F	Cat 3 Row
				9th							R	Cat 4 Row

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going straight through to the A racing. Once again the battle was now on for the remaining six places. Semi final A was made up of 5 British drivers and 5 German drivers so the battle was definitely on. Jamie Booth and Jason Varley got the start they wanted and were well in front of the rest, after 2 laps Jamie's car began to look very slow and eventually ground to a halt allowing Jason Varley to take the lead. After frantic attempts from the Schumacher mechanics it was found that Jamie had a sticking motor brush, and Jamie's A main place had gone. W Bergbauer came in second, and Craig Drescher came in third after a close race with Rory Cull who was 4th.

Semi final B saw a fairly spread race with Cliff Lett, USA Yokomo, Lawrence Harris GB (Cat) and Stefan Oberle (G) Cat going through to the A Main.

Final A saw Jason Varley drive a magnificent race coming in 1st with Rick Howart USA second and Masami Hirotsuka 3rd. Cliff Lett won the A2 with ease with the fastest time of the 3 A finals. Craig Drescher won the 3rd A final, Cliff Lett 2nd A final

A FINAL

STRAIGHT THROUGH

- 1 M. Hirotsuka J.
- 2 J. Lautenbach G.
- 3 C. Lett USA.
- 4 C. Drescher GB.
- 5 R. Howart USA.
- 6 J. Booth GB.
- 7 S. Dane G.
- 8 J. Varey GB.
- 9 M. De Marchi I.
- 10 P. Stevens GB.



Jamie and his technical wardrobe.

STRAIGHT THROUGH

- 1 R. Howart USA.
- 2 M. Hirotsaki J.
- 3 J. Halsey USA.
- 4 M. Dermarchi I.
- 5 J. Varley GB.
- 6 C. Lett USA.
- 7 W. Bergbauer G.
- 8 C. Drescher GB.
- 9 L. Harris GB.
- 10 S. Oberle G.

time clinched him 1st overall and Jason Varley 2nd 2.1 seconds behind and Masami Hirotsuka 3rd.

After 4 days of great racing at a great venue with some of the best drivers and equipment in the world this was a great foretaste of what is to come at the Worlds in Australia.

Right, "Gis a job".

Below, Marco Demarchi Itala, 4th qualifier.

Below right, Paul Srna (race director) looking pleased with the way the meeting was going and his happy lap-counting team who did a superb job.

