

CGS Imaging Four Crown Preview - Memphis

- An in-season championship that measures driver skill at four unique types of racetracks found on the ARCA Menards Series schedule.

- The Four Crown consists of one race each at a superspeedway, a short track, a road course and a dirt track.



When the ARCA Menards Series rolls into Memphis for the Sioux Chief PowerPEX 200 on Saturday, October 26, AMS drivers will be gear up for the latest round of the CGS Imaging Four Crown. Contested annually since 1984, the CGS Imaging Four Crown tests the mettle of ARCA Menards Series drivers at four distinct types of racetracks found on the ARCA schedule – an intermediate speedway, a short track, a dirt track, and a road course.

Formerly known as the Bill France Four Crown, named in honor of the NASCAR founder and longtime ally of ARCA, drivers hopeful of winning the award must showcase their driving talents at four diverse venues throughout the season. The rules are simple: the driver with the most cumulative race points over the four designated races wins the Four Crown. Bonus points for winning, leading laps, or starting from the General Tire Pole are not counted towards a driver's Four Crown total.

The CGS Imaging Four Crown was first awarded in 1984, with the inaugural trophy going to the late Davey Allison in his rookie season in the ARCA Menards Series. Success in the races that make up the Four Crown calendar is often a key element of the overall series championship chase. A driver has won both the Four Crown and the ARCA Menards Series championship in the same year 16 times, with Austin Theriault being the most recent racer to accomplish the sweep in 2017. The defending Four Crown winner is Bret Holmes.

The 2020 CGS Imaging Four Crown began at Michigan International Speedway for the superspeedway leg on the schedule. The VizCom 200 was won by **Riley Herbst**, though the win meant little in terms of the Four Crown chase as he had plans to run a limited schedule that did not include any further Four Crown races. With his second-place finish, **Bret Holmes** was the de facto point leader heading into the wild card road course race at Daytona International Speedway. **Michael Self** won the General Tire 100 and assumed the top spot in the Four Crown standings, having finished third at Michigan. Holmes fell to second and trails Self by six points.

Memphis may fulfill the short track portion of the CGS Imaging Four Crown schedule at 0.75-miles in length, but the very fast layout can make it seem otherwise at times to drivers. Following the Sioux Chief PowerPEX 200, the Four Crown will conclude on the dirt at the Illinois State Fair on October 4 with the Allen Crowe 100.

Bret Holmes will be gunning for his second consecutive CGS Imaging Four Crown title, a feat that has not been pulled off since Frank Kimmel won in 2007 and 2008, two of his seven total Four Crown wins. Only six drivers have won the Four Crown multiple times, and five of those drivers have also won an overall ARCA Menards Series championship. Holmes will look to join a select group of ARCA standouts as he aims to overcome the six-point deficit behind Michael Self. **Hailie Deegan** lurks closely behind Holmes in third place, only eight points out of the lead herself. **Drew Dollar** also has an outside chance to stage a comeback and win the Four Crown, trailing Self by 12 points in fourth place in the standings.

2020 CGS Imaging Four Crown – Current Points – Top 15

NAME	CAR	TEAM	MIC	DIS	POINTS
Michael Self	#25 Sinclair Lubricants Toyota	Venturini Motorsports	41	43	84
Bret Holmes	#23 Holmes II Excavation Chevrolet	Bret Holmes Racing	42	36	78
Hailie Deegan	#4 Monster Energy Ford	DGR-Crosley	38	38	76
Drew Dollar	#15 Sunbelt Rentals Toyota	Venturini Motorsports	40	32	72
Thad Moffitt	#46 Richard Petty Signature Series Ford	DGR-Crosley	35	33	68
Brad Smith	#48 Henshaw Automation Chevrolet	Brad Smith Motorsports	32	25	57
Mike Basham	#10 Fast Track Chevrolet	Fast Track Racing	27	26	56
Con Nicolopoulos	#0 Great Railing Chevrolet	Peterson Motorsports	28	26	54
Riley Herbst	#18 Monster Energy Toyota	Joe Gibbs Racing	43		43
Ty Gibbs	#18 Monster Energy Toyota	Joe Gibbs Racing		42	42
Sam Mayer	#21 Chevy Accessories Chevrolet	GMS Racing		41	41
Taylor Gray	#17 Ford Performance Ford	DGR-Crosley		40	40
Anthony Alfredo	#17 Place of Hope Ford	DGR-Crosley	39		39
Will Rodgers	#17 MMI Services Chevrolet	MMI Racing		39	39
Ryan Repko	#20 Craftsman Toyota	Venturini Motorsports	37		37

Past CGS Imaging Four Crown Winners

2019 – **Bret Holmes** (Talladega: 14 – Michigan: 3 – Springfield: 3 – Salem: 4)

1984	Davey Allison	1995	Harris DeVane	2007	Frank Kimmel (5)
1985	Lee Raymond	1996	Tim Steele	2008	Frank Kimmel (6)
1986	Lee Raymond (2)	1997	Tim Steele (2)	2009	Parker Kligerman
1987	Grant Adcox	1998	Frank Kimmel	2010	Joey Coulter
1988	Grant Adcox (2)	1999	Bill Baird	2011	Chad McCumbee
1989	Tracy Leslie	2000	Tim Steele (3)	2012	Chris Buescher
1990	Bob Keselowski	2001	Frank Kimmel (2)	2013	Frank Kimmel (7)
1991	Bobby Bowsher (tie)	2002	Frank Kimmel (3)	2014	Grant Enfinger
	Bill Venturini (tie)	2003	Jason Jarrett	2015	Kyle Weatherman
1992	Bobby Bowsher (2)	2004	Brent Sherman	2016	Chase Briscoe
1993	Bob Keselowski (2)	2005	Frank Kimmel (4)	2017	Austin Theriault
1994	Bob Hill	2006	Blake Bjorklund	2018	Zane Smith