

TEAM PENSKE



2015 VERIZON INDYCAR SERIES FAST FACTS

- Castroneves has 295 career Verizon IndyCar Series starts with 29 wins, 118 top five finishes and 41 pole positions
- One of only nine drivers to win the Indianapolis 500 on three occasions
- A former winner of the fifth season of “Dancing with the Stars,” Castroneves also participated in the all-star edition of the show in 2012.
- Castroneves has at least one victory in 15 of the last 16 Verizon IndyCar Series seasons
- Known as “Spiderman,” Castroneves signature celebration after each win is to climb the fence in front of the fans in attendance

Helio Castroneves

Driver of the No. 3 Team Penske Dallara/Chevrolet

One of the most dynamic and engaging personalities in the Verizon IndyCar Series, Helio Castroneves will continue to build on his impressive career in 2015 while driving the No. 3 Hitachi/Shell-Pennzoil/AAA/Automobile Club of Southern California Dallara/Chevrolet.

Castroneves was once again a serious title contender during the 2014 Verizon IndyCar Series campaign. A model of consistency, Castroneves posted top-10 results in 10 of the first 13 races of the season, including a win in the second race of the Chevrolet Dual in Detroit presented by Quicken Loans doubleheader weekend. One of the most memorable moments of the 2014 season came in the thrilling finish to the 98th running of the Indianapolis 500 where Castroneves and Ryan Hunter-Reay engaged in a high-speed duel for the win. In the second-closest finish in Indy 500 history Castroneves came up just .06 seconds short from winning his record-tying fourth Indy 500 crown.

Following a second-place finish in the Fourth of July weekend race at Pocono Raceway, Castroneves claimed the Verizon IndyCar Series points lead for the first time in 2014. He held the top spot for four weeks before relinquishing it to Team Penske teammate and eventual 2014 Verizon IndyCar Series champion, Will Power. Battling with Power for the crown down to the last lap of the final race, Castroneves finished second in the series standings for the fourth time in his illustrious career. For the season, Castroneves picked up one win, seven top-five finishes and three Verizon P1 Pole Awards.

With another successful season in 2014, Castroneves moved even higher among the greats in INDYCAR history as he ranks fourth all-time in pole positions won with 41, he’s tied with Team Penske legend and mentor Rick Mears for 11th in wins with 29, Castroneves is also third with 35 second-place finishes and eighth all-time with 118 top-five results.

“I am really honored to be a part of the No. 3 Chevrolet team here at Team Penske,” said Castroneves. “We have a lot to be proud of and a lot to build on for 2015. The support that we get from Hitachi, Shell/Pennzoil, AAA and Verizon is fantastic and it allows us to be competitive, year in and year out. I think we are all excited to see Team Penske as a four-car team for the first time in history. I believe that Will (Power), Juan Pablo (Montoya), Simon (Pagenaud) and I will push each other to do great things next year. Hopefully I am the one holding the Astor Cup at the end of the year.”

One of the most popular athletes in all of racing, especially after his championship-winning performance on the popular ABC series “Dancing with the Stars,” Castroneves, his girlfriend Adriana Henao and their daughter, Mikaella, reside in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

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