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## Miranda Throckmorton

January 14, 1992 - Present

Nationality: American

Started Racing in 1996

**Origins:** Miranda, Bill and Norma Throckmorton's only child, grew up in Avon, a western suburb of Indianapolis just a few miles away from the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Throckmorton's father raced Sprint cars and Midgets before Miranda was born, and when she showed interest in the sport at a young age, her parents supported her to pursue her dreams.

**Early Influences:** Before the age of five she was already competing in Micro Midgets and quickly graduated to Quarter Midgets, where she dominated races on local tracks for the next eight years. When not behind the wheel, she learned all she could about mechanics and engines to increase her chances for racing success. With the help of her father she took responsibility for her car's upkeep and maintenance and built chassis for her 600 cc Micro-Midget and Quarter Midget.

### **Racing Accomplishments:**

- Throckmorton earned five Regional and five State Championships and set four track records during her eight years of Quarter Midgets racing (1996-2004).

- Recorded multiple top-five finishes in the 2005 USAC Kenyon Midget series and went on to a 5<sup>th</sup> place point standing.
- During 2007 she recorded her first feature win and became the first woman to win a non-wing 410 Sprint Car event in the United States. Throckmorton finished the season 5<sup>th</sup> in the non-wing sprint car Paragon Speedway points standings.
- In 2008, she finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in points her Midwest All-Star Sprint car rookie season.
- Earned three top-10 finishes, the highest being a 6<sup>th</sup> place finish at the Bloomington Speedway (IN), during her second season with the Midwest All-Star Sprint series. Throckmorton ended 2009 placing 4<sup>th</sup> in the points standing.

**Interesting Facts:** Miranda races in a red #22 Sprint, the same color and number her father used on his cars during his racing career.

**Life off the Track:** Much of Throckmorton's time is spent keeping in top physical condition. Between PitFit training and individual work-outs, she exercises up to six times a week. Even though she keeps in great shape, Miranda insists her favorite treats are chocolate and Mountain Dew soda. Miranda will graduate from Harris Academy High School in 2010 and hopes to eventually compete in the Indy Lights series with the ultimate goal of one day racing full-time in the Indy Racing League or NASCAR.

#### **Accomplishments and Awards:**

- First graduate of the NAMARS Speaking of Motorsports course.
- Keynote speaker at the North American Auto Racing Series (NAMARS) Award Ceremony Banquet.
- Voted 2007 Hoosier Auto Racing Fans First Year Professional Driver Award
- Awarded PitFit Athletic Training Scholarship in 2007 and 2008.
- 2008 Midwest All-Star Sprint car Series Rookie of the Year
- 2008 Recipient of Women in the Winner's Circle's Project Podium matching-funds grant program.

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