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WHAT'S MY STORY?

I HELPED PROVE THAT "ANYTHING BOYS CAN DO, GIRLS CAN DO, TOO."

Campbell County teen Lisa Luthy drove this Soap Box Derby Car in July 1975 to win the regional competition. Luthy, of Bellevue, was the only girl in the race and defeated 20 boys to advance to the national competition in Akron, Ohio. There, as the first Kentucky girl to participate at that level, she faced 98 other racers, including 21 girls. She won her first heat, but lost her second, failing to win the seven required to be champion. While Luthy did not win, girl drivers won both the 1975 and 1974 championships.

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