

NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES OFFICIAL RACE REPORT No. 26

55TH ANNUAL FEDERATED AUTO PARTS 400

RICHMOND INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY

Richmond, VA - September 8, 2012

.75-Mile Paved Tri-Oval

400 Laps - 300 Miles Purse: \$5,120,084



TIME OF RACE: 2 hours, 59 minutes, 58 seconds

AVERAGE SPEED: 100.019 mph

MARGIN OF VICTORY: 1.198 second(s)

Fin Pos	Str Pos	Car No	Driver	Team	Laps	Pts	Bns Pts	Driver Rating	Winnings	Status	Lead Tms	Laps
1	4	15	Clint Bowyer	5-hour Energy Toyota	400	47	4	126.3	\$226,114	Running	1	88
2	2	24	Jeff Gordon	Drive to End Hunger Chevrolet	400	43	1	102.2	203,546	Running	1	2
3	6	55	Mark Martin	Aaron's Dream Machine Toyota	400	41		105.8	128,785	Running		
4	28	14	Tony Stewart	Office Depot/Mobil 1 Chevrolet	400	41	1	104.3	179,685	Running	1	15
5	17	17	Matt Kenseth	Best Buy Ford	400	39		96.5	152,221	Running		
6	20	31	Jeff Burton	Caterpillar Chevrolet	400	38		87.1	135,335	Running		
7	10	2	Brad Keselowski	Miller Lite Dodge	400	37		87.7	125,530	Running		
8	14	39	Ryan Newman	Quicken Loans Chevrolet	400	37	1	85.6	126,218	Running	1	13
9	23	16	Greg Biffle	3M/Owens & Minor Ford	400	35		88.1	93,885	Running		
10	13	29	Kevin Harvick	Budweiser Chevrolet	400	34		102.8	135,096	Running		
11	11	22	Sam Hornish Jr(i)	Shell Pennzoil Dodge	400	0		96.9	122,210	Running		
12	21	5	Kasey Kahne	Quaker State Chevrolet	399	33	1	106.7	89,035	Running	1	3
13	5	48	Jimmie Johnson	Lowe's Chevrolet	399	32	1	101.7	122,296	Running	1	2
14	1	88	Dale Earnhardt Jr	Diet Mountain Dew/National Guard Chevrolet	399	31	1	109.5	92,435	Running	5	67
15	22	9	Marcos Ambrose	MAC Tools Ford	399	29		73.5	106,593	Running		
16	15	18	Kyle Busch	M&M's Toyota	399	28		81.2	120,118	Running		
17	16	99	Carl Edwards	Kellogg's Ford	399	27		78.0	119,301	Running		
18	7	11	Denny Hamlin	FedEx Express Toyota	399	28	2	125.6	122,951	Running	5	202
19	12	83	Landon Cassill	Burger King Toyota	399	25		60.5	102,880	Running		
20	24	42	Juan Pablo Montoya	Target Chevrolet	399	24		69.5	107,476	Running		
21	9	56	Martin Truex Jr	NAPA Auto Parts Toyota	399	24	1	99.2	103,174	Running	1	7
22	26	1	Jamie McMurray	Bass Pro Shops/Allstate Chevrolet	398	22		68.6	106,693	Running		
23	25	27	Paul Menard	Menards/Moen Chevrolet	398	21		63.6	83,385	Running		
24	3	78	Regan Smith	Furniture Row/Farm American Chevrolet	398	20		69.9	101,293	Running		
25	29	47	Bobby Labonte	Bush's Beans Toyota	397	19		59.3	99,568	Running		
26	18	43	Aric Almirola	Smithfield Ford	397	18		58.2	111,571	Running		
27	32	93	Travis Kvapil	Burger King/Dr. Pepper Toyota	397	17		54.2	96,568	Running		
28	30	51	Kurt Busch	Phoenix Construction Chevrolet	396	16		55.6	93,843	Running		
29	42	13	Casey Mears	GEICO Ford	396	15		49.8	83,507	Running		
30	8	20	Joey Logano	The Home Depot Toyota	396	14		60.2	83,335	Running		
31	35	38	David Gilliland	Mossy Oak/Pursuit Channel Ford	395	13		44.0	73,210	Running		
32	27	34	David Ragan	Taco Bell Ford	395	12		44.9	70,560	Running		
33	33	36	Dave Blaney	Tommy Baldwin Racing Chevrolet	395	11		48.2	70,435	Running		
34	37	10	David Reutimann	No.10 Inc. 5000-@TMone 6-peat Chevrolet	393	10		44.0	70,310	Running		
35	39	32	Ken Schrader	Federated Auto Parts Ford	393	9		36.6	78,160	Running		
36	36	33	Stephen Leicht #	Special Ops OPSEC Chevrolet	390	8		35.1	79,510	Running		
37	31	30	David Stremme	Inception Motorsports Chevrolet	127	7		31.2	69,880	Brakes		
38	34	87	Joe Nemechek (i)	AM/FM Energy Wood & Pellet Stoves Toyota	90	0		36.5	69,728	Brakes		
39	38	23	Scott Riggs	North Texas Pipe Chevrolet	78	5		32.5	66,900	Brakes		
40	40	19	Mike Bliss (i)	Plinker Tactical Toyota	70	0		29.0	66,775	Wheel Bearing		
41	19	98	Michael McDowell	Phil Parsons Racing Ford	63	4	1	35.2	66,625	Brakes	1	1
42	41	26	Josh Wise #	MDS Transport Ford	57	2		24.9	66,500	Brakes		
43	43	91	Reed Sorenson (i)	Plinker Tactical Chevrolet	57	0		24.9	66,860	Power Steering		

Sunoco Rookie of the Year Contender.

(i) = Ineligible for driver points in this series

Bonus points: includes winner (3), lap leader (1) & most laps led (1) points

Failed to qualify: (2) #37 J.J. Yeley; #0 Mark Green

Race Comments: Before an estimated attendance of 89,000, Clint Bowyer won the Federated Auto Parts 400, his seventh NASCAR Sprint Cup Series victory.

Caution Flags: 6 cautions for 41 laps. [Beneficiary in Brackets] 1-6 (Competition [None]); 47-50 (Competition [87]); 53-56 (Car #34 Accident Frontstretch [38]); 139-155 (Precipitation [Red Flag: Lap 152; 51:45] [39]); 236-239 (Car #15 Spin Frontstretch [31]); 277-282 (Precipitation [24]).

Lap Leaders: 17 lead changes among 10 drivers. Earnhardt Jr 1-6, J. Gordon 7-8, Earnhardt Jr 9-47, McDowell 48, Earnhardt Jr 49-58, Hamlin 59-84, Earnhardt Jr 85-93, Hamlin 94-155, Earnhardt Jr 156-158, Hamlin 159-231, Johnson 232-233, Hamlin 234-241, Truex Jr 242-248, Hamlin 249-281, Kahne 282-284, Stewart 285-299, Newman 300-312, Bowyer 313-400.

COORS LIGHT POLE AWARD: Dale Earnhardt Jr (127.023 mph. 21.256 secs.)

3M LAP LEADER: Denny Hamlin (202 Laps)

AMERICAN ETHANOL GREEN FLAG RESTART AWARD: Kevin Harvick

DIRECTV CREW CHIEF OF THE RACE: Clint Bowyer (crew chief Brian Pattie)

FREESCALE "WIDE OPEN": Tony Stewart

MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER OF THE RACE: Hendrick Engines (#24)

MOBIL 1 OIL DRIVER OF THE RACE: Clint Bowyer

MOOG STEERING AND SUSPENSION PROBLEM SOLVER OF THE RACE: Tony Stewart (crew chief Steve Addington, 0.059 seconds)

NASCAR SPRINT CUP LEADER BONUS: No winner: rolls over to \$40,000 at next event++

SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE RACE: Stephen Leicht

USG IMPROVING THE FINISH: Tony Stewart (24 places)

++Rollover money awarded at year's end, amount not included in race winnings.

NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES TOP 12 (Wins)

1 - Denny Hamlin	2,012	(4)
2 - Jimmie Johnson	2,009	(3)
3 - Tony Stewart	2,009	(3)
4 - Brad Keselowski	2,009	(3)
5 - Greg Biffle	2,006	(2)
6 - Clint Bowyer	2,006	(2)
7 - Dale Earnhardt Jr	2,003	(1)
8 - Matt Kenseth	2,003	(1)
9 - Kevin Harvick	2,000	(0)
10 - Martin Truex Jr	2,000	(0)
11 - Kasey Kahne	2,000	(2)
12 - Jeff Gordon	2,000	(1)

MANUFACTURERS' CHAMPIONSHIP

	Pts	Wins
Chevrolet	179	(11)
Toyota	155	(8)
Ford	129	(4)
Dodge	109	(3)

3M LAP LEADER

Jimmie Johnson	(#48)	5
Denny Hamlin	(#11)	4
Kyle Busch	(#18)	3

AMERICAN ETHANOL GREEN FLAG RESTART AWARD

Denny Hamlin	(#11)	3
Jimmie Johnson	(#48)	3
Joey Logano	(#20)	3

DIRECTV CREW CHIEF OF THE RACE

Darian Grubb	(#11)	6
Matt Puccia	(#16)	5
Dave Rogers	(#18)	3

FREESCALE "WIDE OPEN"

Tony Stewart	(#14)	35
Matt Kenseth	(#17)	32
Greg Biffle	(#16)	30

MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER

Hendrick	(#48)	257
TRD	(#11)	220
Roush/Yates	(#16)	213

MOBIL 1 OIL DRIVER OF THE RACE

Denny Hamlin	(#11)	9
Tony Stewart	(#14)	4
Clint Bowyer	(#15)	4

MOOG STEERING AND SUSPENSION PROBLEM SOLVER OF THE RACE

Steve Addington	(#14)	4
Steve Letarte	(#88)	4
Chad Johnston	(#56)	4

USG IMPROVING THE FINISH

Tony Stewart	(#14)	3
Jeff Gordon	(#24)	3
Carl Edwards	(#99)	3

COORS LIGHT POLE AWARD

Mark Martin	4
Denny Hamlin	2
Greg Biffle	2

MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER

Kasey Kahne	2
Marcos Ambrose	2
Juan Pablo Montoya	2

MOBIL 1 OIL DRIVER OF THE RACE

Jimmie Johnson	1
Tony Stewart	1
Dale Earnhardt Jr	1

MOOG STEERING AND SUSPENSION PROBLEM SOLVER OF THE RACE

Matt Kenseth	1
Martin Truex Jr	1
Jeff Gordon	1
Kyle Busch	1
Carl Edwards	1
Joey Logano	1
AJ Allmendinger	1

SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Stephen Leicht	74
Josh Wise	65

NEXT EVENT: September 16, 2012 - 12th Annual GEICO 400, Chicagoland Speedway, Joliet, IL (400.5 Miles) (267 Laps)

NOTE: The above figures are based upon team winnings and include racing purse and cash contingency awards by participating manufacturers. (9/10/2012)

NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES DRIVER LEADERS

Race #26: 55TH ANNUAL FEDERATED AUTO PARTS "400" Race Date: 9/8/2012

POS	DRIVER	Points	Starts	Wins	Top 5	Top 10	Money Won
1	DENNY HAMLIN	2012	26	4	11	13	\$5,316,971
2	JIMMIE JOHNSON	2009	26	3	12	17	6,097,514
3	TONY STEWART	2009	26	3	10	12	5,115,100
4	BRAD KESELOWSKI	2009	26	3	10	15	4,421,415
5	GREG BIFFLE	2006	26	2	10	15	4,534,958
6	CLINT BOWYER	2006	26	2	6	15	3,982,292
7	DALE EARNHARDT JR.	2003	26	1	10	17	4,372,845
8	MATT KENSETH	2003	26	1	10	16	5,708,897
9	KEVIN HARVICK	2000	26	0	4	11	4,311,251
10	MARTIN TRUEX JR.	2000	26	0	6	14	3,990,537
11	KASEY KAHNE	2000	26	2	7	13	3,564,336
12	JEFF GORDON	2000	26	1	7	12	4,394,479
13	KYLE BUSCH	774	26	1	6	12	4,773,611
14	CARL EDWARDS	747	26	0	2	11	4,017,025
15	MARCOS AMBROSE	735	26	1	3	8	3,674,053
16	RYAN NEWMAN	734	26	1	3	9	3,978,196
17	PAUL MENARD	731	26	0	0	7	3,060,685
18	JOEY LOGANO	678	26	1	2	8	3,071,313
19	JEFF BURTON	647	26	0	2	5	3,942,350
20	JAMIE MCMURRAY	640	26	0	0	3	3,427,123
21	JUAN PABLO MONTOYA	608	26	0	0	2	3,378,131
22	ARIC ALMIROLA	587	26	0	0	2	3,542,556
23	REGAN SMITH	566	26	0	0	2	3,129,749
24	BOBBY LABONTE	557	26	0	0	1	3,109,525
25	KURT BUSCH	499	25	0	1	2	2,995,117
26	MARK MARTIN	492	17	0	3	7	2,167,098
27	CASEY MEARS	462	26	0	0	0	2,690,205
28	DAVID GILLILAND	451	26	0	0	0	2,654,303
29	DAVID RAGAN	437	26	0	0	1	2,674,546
30	TRAVIS KVAPIL	434	25	0	0	0	2,586,970
31	LANDON CASSILL	421	26	0	0	0	3,110,315
32	A J ALLMENDINGER	400	17	0	1	3	2,577,395
33	DAVE BLANEY	338	25	0	0	0	2,262,241
34	DAVID REUTIMANN	316	19	0	0	0	1,826,883
35	DAVID STREMMER	184	21	0	0	0	1,960,518
36	BRIAN VICKERS	177	6	0	3	3	594,290
37	J J YELEY	138	18	0	0	0	1,475,965
38	MICHAEL MCDOWELL	126	20	0	0	0	1,727,221
39	KEN SCHRADER	111	10	0	0	0	929,465
40	JOSH WISE	109	23	0	0	0	1,811,001
41	STEPHEN LEICHT	97	12	0	0	0	1,092,260
42	SCOTT SPEED	76	10	0	0	0	854,485
43	MICHAEL WALTRIP	75	3	0	0	1	316,687
44	TONY RAINES	67	6	0	0	0	719,028
45	TERRY LABONTE	66	3	0	0	0	492,560
46	BRENDAN GAUGHAN	50	4	0	0	0	354,559
47	SCOTT RIGGS	50	17	0	0	0	1,299,060
48	BORIS SAID	34	2	0	0	0	167,290
49	BILL ELLIOTT	14	2	0	0	0	196,098
50	HERMIE SADLER III	13	1	0	0	0	80,610
51	ROBBY GORDON	11	3	0	0	0	405,300
52	MIKE SKINNER	10	4	0	0	0	340,850
53	TOMY DRISSI	6	1	0	0	0	76,242
54	STACY COMPTON	5	1	0	0	0	64,225
55	DAVID MAYHEW	4	1	0	0	0	72,625
56	KELLY BIRES	2	1	0	0	0	69,400
57	PATRICK LONG	2	1	0	0	0	61,555
58	SAM HORNISH JR.(i)	0	10	0	1	1	1,319,585
59	TREVOR BAYNE(i)	0	10	0	0	2	1,274,317
60	RICKY STENHOUSE JR.(i)	0	1	0	0	0	304,275
61	MIKE BLISS(i)	0	13	0	0	0	1,041,314
62	AUSTIN DILLON(i)	0	1	0	0	0	88,285
63	ELLIOTT SADLER(i)	0	1	0	0	0	305,788
64	ROBERT RICHARDSON JR.(i)	0	1	0	0	0	110,318
65	JOE NEMECHKI(i)	0	23	0	0	0	1,944,774
66	REED SORENSON(i)	0	13	0	0	0	1,027,263
67	DANICA PATRICK(i)	0	5	0	0	0	629,770
68	T J BELL(i)	0	3	0	0	0	277,495
69	JASON LEFFLER(i)	0	4	0	0	0	313,877
70	JASON WHITE(i)	0	1	0	0	0	76,610
71	COLE WHITT(i)	0	3	0	0	0	225,807
72	CHRIS COOK(i)	0	2	0	0	0	134,035
73	TIMMY HILL(i)	0	1	0	0	0	79,780
74	KENNY WALLACE(i)	0	0	0	0	0	24,838
75	MIKE WALLACE(i)	0	0	0	0	0	23,900
76	JEFF GREEN(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0
77	TIM ANDREWS(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0
78	BRIAN SIMO	0	0	0	0	0	0
79	MARK GREEN	0	0	0	0	0	0

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POS	Car #	OWNER	Points	Starts	Wins	Top 5	Top 10	Attempts
1	11	J D GIBBS	2012	26	4	11	13	26
2	48	JEFF GORDON	2009	26	3	12	17	26
3	14	MARGARET HAAS	2009	26	3	10	12	26
4	2	ROGER PENSKE	2009	26	3	10	15	26
5	16	JACK ROUSH	2006	26	2	10	15	26
6	15	ROB KAUFFMAN	2006	26	2	6	15	26
7	88	RICK HENDRICK	2003	26	1	10	17	26
8	17	JOHN HENRY	2003	26	1	10	16	26
9	29	RICHARD CHILDRESS	2000	26	0	4	11	26
10	56	MICHAEL WALTRIP	2000	26	0	6	14	26
11	5	LINDA HENDRICK	2000	26	2	7	13	26
12	24	RICK HENDRICK	2000	26	1	7	12	26
13	18	JOE GIBBS	774	26	1	6	12	26
14	99	JACK ROUSH	747	26	0	2	11	26
15	55	BILL JENKINS	744	26	0	6	11	26
16	9	RICHARD PETTY	735	26	1	3	8	26
17	39	TONY STEWART	734	26	1	3	9	26
18	27	RICHARD CHILDRESS	731	26	0	0	7	26
19	20	JOE GIBBS	678	26	1	2	8	26
20	31	RICHARD CHILDRESS	647	26	0	2	5	26
21	1	FELIX SABATES	640	26	0	0	3	26
22	22	WALTER CZARNECKI	634	26	0	2	4	26
23	42	CHIP GANASSI	608	26	0	0	2	26
24	43	RICHARD PETTY	587	26	0	0	2	26
25	78	BARNEY VISSER	566	26	0	0	2	26
26	47	TAD GESCHICKTER	557	26	0	0	1	26
27	51	JAMES FINCH	522	26	0	1	2	26
28	13	BOB GERMAIN	462	26	0	0	0	26
29	93	THOMAS UEBERALL	460	26	0	0	0	26
30	38	BRAD JENKINS	451	26	0	0	0	26
31	34	BOB JENKINS	437	26	0	0	1	26
32	83	THOMAS UEBERALL	421	26	0	0	0	26
33	10	TOMMY BALDWIN	372	26	0	0	0	26
34	32	JACK ROUSH	349	26	0	0	0	26
35	36	ALLAN HEINKE	337	26	0	0	0	26
36	33	RICHARD CHILDRESS	213	21	0	0	0	26
37	21	GLEN WOOD	209	10	0	0	2	10
38	30	KEVIN BUCKLER	186	22	0	0	0	26
39	249	JAY ROBINSON	150	17	0	0	0	22
40	98	MIKE CURB	138	23	0	0	0	26
41	26	JERRY FREEZE	134	24	0	0	0	26
42	87	ANDREA NEMECHEK	121	23	0	0	0	26
43	195	BOB LEAVINE	73	8	0	0	0	9
44	23	ROBERT RICHARDSON SR.	67	18	0	0	0	24
45	119	RANDY HUMPHREY	50	15	0	0	0	20
46	132	FRANK STODDARD JR.	27	1	0	0	0	1
47	12	ROGER PENSKE	26	1	0	0	0	1
48	74	VICKIE COMPTON	22	7	0	0	0	11
49	7	ROBBY GORDON	11	3	0	0	0	5
50	37	LARRY GUNSELMAN	9	3	0	0	0	11
51	97	ANDREA NEMECHEK	7	1	0	0	0	2
52	50	STEVE TURNER	7	1	0	0	0	1
53	179	ARCHIE ST HILAIRE	7	4	0	0	0	6
54	191	MARK SMITH	7	4	0	0	0	6
55	52	KELLY OWEN	3	1	0	0	0	3
56	173	SCOTT GUNDERSON	0	1	0	0	0	2
57	109	BRACK MAGGARD	0	0	0	0	0	1
58	140	MICHAEL HILLMAN	0	0	0	0	0	1
59	0	STEVEN SCHARR	0	0	0	0	0	1