



MEDIA INFORMATION

NASCAR ON FOX, FOX SPORTS 1 & FOX SPORTS 2 FROM MARTINSVILLE SPEEDWAY

NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Returns to Action Live on FOX Sports 1 Alongside NASCAR Sprint Cup Series on FOX

While the NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES looks to put a sixth different winner in Victory Lane at Martinsville Speedway this weekend in as many races this year, the NASCAR CAMPING WORLD TRUCK SERIES and its arsenal of young talent return to the track for the second race of the 2014 season. Both series are live from Martinsville Speedway on the FOX family of networks.

The NASCAR CAMPING WORLD TRUCK SERIES is up first with live race coverage on FOX Sports 1 on Saturday, March 29 (2:30 PM ET). Rick Allen has the call with analysis from Michael Waltrip and Phil Parsons, and pit reporting by Ray Dunlap, Hermie Sadler and Bob Dillner. By virtue of Daytona's season opener, Timothy Peters leads the point standings followed by Johnny Sauter, four-time champion Ron Hornaday Jr., and second-generation racers Ryan Blaney and Jeb Burton.

FOX SPORTS 1 REPORTER RAY DUNLAP ON THE FIVE WEEKS OF DOWNTIME THE TRUCK SERIES HAS HAD SINCE DAYTONA: "Those weeks off have been really good for the teams. With the way Truck Series teams operate, that break gives them time to rebuild equipment and hire personnel for the season. And the additional break after Martinsville means they can work on Daytona trucks during the winter, their short-track program after Daytona and their intermediate-track program after Martinsville, giving them a nice window to properly prep their equipment. But drivers and race fans hate this lull because everyone else is racing."

DUNLAP ON WHO TO WATCH IN THE TRUCK SERIES RACE AT MARTINSVILLE: "Martinsville typically plays into the hands of drivers who have a great deal of experience, so you'd look at Johnny Sauter, Matt Crafton, Ron Hornaday and Timothy Peters. But what's unique is we always have a number of young drivers running Martinsville in the hopes of qualifying to run the bigger tracks. We have seven drivers making their series debut this weekend. With the mix of veterans and newcomers trying to showcase their young talent, we'll have quite the mixed bag, which always spices things up. Plus, for the first time in quite a while, we don't have Kyle Busch or Kevin Harvick – the "intruders" as I call them – running the Truck race. That opens the door for the series regulars to shine, especially those such as Jeb Burton and Ron Hornaday without fulltime rides who will be pushing it to the limit to grab someone's attention."

After the NASCAR CAMPING WORLD TRUCK SERIES awards the prized grandfather clock to its winner, FOX hits the air on Sunday, March 30 (1:00 PM ET) for live coverage of the NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES race from Martinsville with pre-race coverage beginning at

12:30 PM ET. Mike Joy leads the NASCAR on FOX booth with analysis from NASCAR Hall of Famer Darrell Waltrip and former crew chief Larry McReynolds. Chris Myers hosts with analysis from Michael Waltrip and pit reports from Steve Byrnes, Jeff Hammond, Krista Voda and Matt Yocum.

FOX Sports 1's NASCAR RACEDAY (11:30 AM ET) kicks off Sunday's NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES coverage, immediately followed by network pre-race coverage on FOX NASCAR SUNDAY (12:30 PM ET). FOX Deportes telecasts the race live at 1:00 PM ET, while FOX Sports GO, the app that provides live streaming video of FOX Sports content, offers live streaming of the race, as well as all practice and qualifying sessions telecast on FOX Sports 1. Customers of participating video providers may access the live streams of the race through the FOX Sports GO app for iOS devices, as well as on desktops through FOXSportsGO.com.

FOX Sports 1 features live coverage of NASCAR CAMPING WORLD TRUCK SERIES FINAL PRACTICE and NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES practice and qualifying on Friday, continuing on Saturday with NASCAR CAMPING WORLD TRUCK SERIES QUALIFYING. FOX Sports 2 picks up NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES FINAL PRACTICE. Sunday's NASCAR VICTORY LANE (7:00-7:30 PM ET) on FOX Sports 1 features complete post-race interviews and analysis of the day's pivotal moments.

Below are quotes from NASCAR on FOX analysts Larry McReynolds and Jeff Hammond on the week's headlines and the race ahead:

LARRY MCREYNOLDS ON THE FAVORITE TO WIN AT MARTINSVILLE: "I've got my eye on Jimmie Johnson and Jeff Gordon, who have eight wins each at Martinsville. They always downplay it, but I'm sure one of them would like to be able to say he has one more win than the other. But don't discount Dale Earnhardt Jr., who also has had some strong showings there."

MCREYNOLDS ON ROOKIE KYLE LARSON'S TALENT: "The jury no longer is out on whether Kyle Larson will live up to his billing or not. Look at the way he ran at Bristol and in the Nationwide Series race at Fontana. He beat two of the best in the business Saturday in Kyle Busch and Kevin Harvick, who are former Nationwide Series champions. If you can race those two that hard in the last dozen or so laps and not bobble, you're something else. The jury might have been out going into this season on whether Larson was moved up too quickly or whether he was ready for the Cup Series because he hadn't yet won a Nationwide Series race, but we can't say that anymore. His performance only will improve."

JEFF HAMMOND ON KYLE LARSON'S STRENGTHS: "The best thing is he listens. He's doing a great job of listening to Chris Heroy (crew chief) and the rest of those guys at Ganassi Racing because he doesn't know what he doesn't know. He's a wheelman. Give him something to drive and he'll figure out how to do it. I think that's what's so impressive and what everyone has been talking about. They recognize this raw talent that's being molded and shaped right in front of our eyes, whether at Bristol or Auto Club Speedway. He's so close to making greatness look easy."

HAMMOND ON WHETHER KYLE LARSON COULD HELP ELEVATE GANASSI RACING: "Absolutely. We kept asking why Chip Ganassi hired this young man without a proven track record. He hadn't even won in the Nationwide Series at the time. Lo and behold, he's winning and running up front in the Sprint Cup Series. He's doing everything Chip envisioned. The sky is the limit. If they keep surrounding him with the right people and giving him what he needs, he can go places."

MCREYNOLDS ON THE TIRE SITUATION AT FONTANA AND WHETHER TO EXPECT SIMILAR PROBLEMS ELSEWHERE: “The good news is Goodyear has five or six tests coming up in the next few weeks, and you have to believe the timing of those tire failures will weigh on their mind entering those tests. As far as the failures at Fontana, I think the culprit was a combination of things. Although we didn’t have tire issues there last season, the tires may have been too close to the edge of durability. Teams always push the envelope to increase speed. So, with more downforce this season and higher loads and corner speed, coupled with low air pressure and a bumpy track, we had 18 tire failures. Anytime you have 18, you must evaluate everything and can’t simply say Goodyear needs to change the tire or teams need to be less aggressive. To my knowledge, the top nine drivers on Sunday didn’t have tire problems, which could be an indicator that the blame doesn’t all lie with the tires. But whatever is done, under no circumstances should anything be changed on the track. Don’t grind or pave it or do anything to remove the bumps.”

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AT MARTINSVILLE SPEEDWAY PROGRAMMING SCHEDULE**

***All times live unless otherwise indicated & subject to change**

Friday, March 28

NASCAR K&N PRO SERIES EAST RACING FROM GREENVILLE (11:00 AM-12:00 PM ET; delayed) (FOX Sports 2)

NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES PRACTICE (12:00-1:30 PM ET) (FOX Sports 1)

NASCAR RACE HUB: SPECIAL EDITION (1:30-2:30 PM ET) (FOX Sports 1)

NASCAR CAMPING WORLD TRUCK SERIES FINAL PRACTICE (3:00-4:30 PM ET) (FOX Sports 1)

NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES QUALIFYING (4:30-6:00 PM ET) (FOX Sports 1)

Saturday, March 29

NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES PRACTICE (10:00-11:00 AM ET) (FOX Sports 1)

NASCAR CAMPING WORLD TRUCK SERIES QUALIFYING (11:00 AM-12:30 PM ET) (FOX Sports 1)

NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES FINAL PRACTICE (1:00-2:00 PM ET) (FOX Sports 2)

NASCAR CAMPING WORLD TRUCK SERIES RACING (2:30-5:00 PM ET) (FOX Sports 1)

Sunday, March 30

NASCAR RACEDAY (11:30 AM-12:30 PM ET) (FOX Sports 1)

FOX NASCAR SUNDAY (12:30-1:00 PM ET) (FOX)

NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES RACING FROM MARTINSVILLE (1:00 PM ET) (FOX)

NASCAR VICTORY LANE (7:00-7:30 PM ET; delayed) (FOX Sports 1)