

The Racing Reporter

Biffle gets third win

By Gerald Hodges

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Greg Biffle made a risky fuel-mileage gamble pay off to win the GNC/Live Well 250 Saturday at the Milwaukee Mile, marking the third win of his rookie campaign in the NASCAR Busch Series.

Biffle, who qualified on the outside pole, raced in the top-five all day, then took the lead for the first time with 16 laps to go when Kevin Harvick was forced to pit for fuel, and led the remaining laps.

Finishing order: 1. Greg Biffle, 2. Matt Kenseth, 3. Kevin Grubb, 4. Kevin Harvick, 5. Jason Keller, 6. Elton Sawyer, 7. Jeff Purvis, 8. Ron Hornaday, 9. Jeff Green, 10. Tony Raines, 11. Mike Skinner, 12. Rick Bickle, 13. Kelly Denton, 14. Hank Parker Jr., 15. David Green, 16. Kenny Wallace, 17. Geoffrey Bodine, 18. Mike McLaughlin, 19. Jamie McMurray, 20. Chad Little, 21. David Donohue, 22. Randy LaJoie, 23. Larry Foyt, 24. Shane Hall, 25. Billy Parker, 26. Jimmie Johnson, 27. Brad Baker, 28. Robby Fagant, 29. Joe Bush, 30. Scott Wimmer, 31. Tim Fedewa, 32. Ashton Lewis Jr., 33. Jeff Sauter, 34. Bobby Hamilton Jr., 35. Bill Hoff, 36. Mike Harmon, 37. Brian Vickers, 38. Joe Ruttman, 39. Brad Teague, 40. Kertus Davis, 41. Lance Hooper.

The top-10 Busch Series points leaders after 17 of 34 events: 1. Harvick, 2596; 2. Biffle, 2464; 3. Keller, 2343; 4. J. Green, 2298; 5. Raines, 2146; 6. McLaughlin, 2076; 7. Purvis, 1997; 8. Sawyer, 1984; 9. Little, 1960; 10. LaJoie, 1952.

Musgrave takes truck race

The results of the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series GNC LiveWell 200, run Saturday, June 30 at West Allis, WI: 1. Ted Musgrave, 2. Jack Sprague, 3. Travis Kvapil, 4. Terry Cook, 5. Kurt Busch, 6. Joe Ruttman, 7. Billy Bigley, 8. Kent Schrader, 9. Matt Crafton, 10. Ricky Hendrick, 11. Dennis Setzer, 12. Jon Wood, 13. Coy Gibbs, 14. Jim Ingelbright, 15. Brad Mueller, 16. Chris Horn, 17. Lance Nordik, 18. Willy Ribbs, 19. Larry Guseman, 20. Jonathan Price, 21. Tom Carey, 22. Carlos Contreras, 23. Tom Powers, 24. Scott Riggs, 25. Tom Crawford, 26. Jimmy Hensley, 27.

Bobby Dotter, 28. Brian Rose, 29. Eric Jones, 30. Randy Tolson, 31. Phil Bonfield, 32. Gene Christensen, 33. Bobby Hamilton Jr., 34. Mike Harmon, 35. Lance Hooper.

Joe Ruttman is new truck leader

The top-10 Craftsman Truck Series points leaders after 11 of 24 events: 1. Ruttman, 1732; 2. Riggs, 1726; 3. Sprague, 1673; 4. Musgrave, 1600; 5. Hendrick, 1586; 6. Kvapil, 1583; 7. Cook, 1548; 8. Crawford, 1443; 9. Setzer, 1374; 10. Crafton, 1363.

Pepsi 400 this weekend

Jeff Burton, the 2000 winner of the Winston Cup Pepsi 400, hopes to turn the season around this Saturday night at Daytona. Burton, who finished third in points last season is currently mired back in 15th. He has one win and only 6 top-10 finishes after 16 races.

Lee Petty won the first-ever NASCAR Winston Cup (Grand National) race at the Daytona International Speedway, the 1959 Daytona 500. Fireball Roberts won the first 400-mile race at Daytona, the 1963 Firecracker 400.

Richard Petty won his 200th NASCAR Winston Cup race at Daytona International Speedway on July 4, 1984. There have been four caution-free NASCAR Winston Cup races at Daytona: the 1959 Daytona 500, the 1960 Firecracker 250, the 1961 Daytona 500 and the 1962 Daytona 500.

Track Update: Jeff Gordon won the 1998 Pepsi 400 and the 1999 Daytona 500.

Dale Jarrett won the 1999 Pepsi 400 and the 2000 Daytona 500. Those are the only back-to-back victories at Daytona since Bobby Allison won the 1987 Firecracker 400 and the 1988 Daytona 500.

Manufacturer Update: Chevrolet has won eight of the last 13 NASCAR Winston Cup at Daytona, and won the other five races, including three of the last four. Pontiac's last victory at Daytona was posted by Richard Petty in the 1984 Pepsi 400. Dodge recorded its last Daytona victory in the 1977 Firecracker 400, also by Richard Petty.

Track Information: Size: 2.5 mile oval; Banking in turns 1-4: 18 degrees; Banking in turn 5: 31 degrees; Banking on backstretch: 3-5 de-

grees; Length of frontstretch: 3,800 feet; Backstretch: 3,400 feet; Grandstand capacity: 165,000.

Weekend Racing: Saturday, July 7, Winston Cup Pepsi 400, event 17 of 36 events; Distance: 160 laps/400 miles; Starting time: 7:30 p.m. (EST); TV: NBC; Defending champion: Jeff Burton

Craftsman Truck Series O'Reilly 250, event 12 of 24; Where: Kansas City Speedway, Kansas City, KS; Size: 1.5 mile oval; Distance: 167 laps/420.8 miles; Starting time: 12 noon (EST); TV: ESPN; No defending champion, this is the inaugural race.

Sunday, July 8: Busch Series GNC LiveWell 200 at Watkins Glen, NY, event 18 of 33 events; 245 mile road course; Distance: 82 laps/200 miles; Starting time: 1:00 p.m. (EST); TV: TNT; Defending champion: Ron Fellows

Racing Trivia Question: How many Winston Cup teams does Petty Enterprises field?

Answer: To Last Week's Question: Rick Mast drove the No. 52 Midwest Transit Racing Chevrolet in the Winston Cup Series.

Gerald Hodges's Racing Reporter is a syndicated NASCAR columnist. If you have a racing question that you would like answered send it to The Racing Reporter, P.O. Box 160711, Mobile, AL, 36616, or e-mail to: m10335.405@compuserve.com

Good and fast pit crew members needed

Brian Perry is the pit crew coach and jackman on the No. 92 Kodak Dodge Intrepid R/T with driver Stacy Compton. The 30-year-old native of Madison Heights, MI has been with Melling Racing for a year and works as a shop mechanic during the week. He also works with the pit crew three times a week on pit stops and conditioning and has resorted to some creative methods to find potential pit crew members.

Some teams have changed as many crew members as engines this season. An experienced over-the-wall crew member's stock has risen faster than an over-the-counter IPO. The single-car teams, a vanishing breed on the NASCAR Winston Cup circuit, have found it tough to compete with the bigger outfits for competing crewmen. Perry talks about competing with multi-car teams and how difficult it is to find and keep quality pit crew members.

"Most of the good guys who have been working on pit crews for four or five years have gone with the big teams like Gibbs and Yates" and Hendrick.

Some of those guys are really good, and make I'd say between \$700-\$1,200 on Sun days. They're guaranteed that kind of money if their car makes a lap or not. If they get off the plane and their car doesn't complete the first lap, they still get paid. Quality pit crew guys can make good money. A Busch team he said he \$500 just to be the jackman on their car. Most of the pit crew guys are Weekend Warriors, but some of them work at the shop full-time, too.

"The ones who don't work at the

shop usually have good, secure full-time jobs. We put a want ad in (NASCAR) Winston Cup Scene for pit crew guys. I went around to fire departments and police departments looking for guys who were doing what they wanted to do during the week but wouldn't mind making a few extra bucks and having some fun at the same time on weekends. I'd say 90 percent of the policemen and firemen like what they're doing, and you know they're going to be in fairly good shape."

"Some of them came out and wanted out pit practice, but so far no one has wanted to pursue it. Most of them say they're glad they came out and saw what it was all about, and then they say, 'thanks, but no thanks.'"

"A person has to have a high desire to win to work on a pit crew. We've probably been through eight or 10 changes on our pit crew this year, but I think we've finally got it where it needs to be. Chad (crew chief Kansas) has been changing from tires the past couple of races, and that's not what he should be doing, even though he's really good at it. He used to be one of the Rainbow Warriors, and he's a great tire changer. He's got pit crew championship rings, but he needs to stay on the wall and see who is and who isn't pitting. He needs to be up on the box overseeing everything that's going on."

We're going to have Shane Westenberg back at Daytona to change the front tires. He's been off a couple of weeks, but he's coming back and hopefully will be able to leave everything intact for the rest of the season."

Babe Ruth Update

By Diamond Dave

Monday, June 25th
White Sox 17 Lincoln County 5
Home run: Max Saylor, inside park.

Tuesday, June 26th
Reds 15 Crab Orchard 1

2nd Game
White Sox 17 Crab Orchard 4

Home run: Max Saylor, inside park.

Thursday, June 28th
White Sox 9 Reds 2

Friday, June 29th
Indians 11 Crab Orchard 5

Home run: Max Saylor, inside park.

Saturday, June 30th
Reds 16 Garrard Co. 6 (6 innings)

Grand Slam: Josh Pruitt, Reds

2nd Game
Lincoln Co. 13 Crab Orchard 12

(7 innings)

Sunday, July 1st
Lincoln County 12 Indians 1

Grand Slam: Zack Bullock, Lincoln County.

2nd Game
White Sox 10 Reds 0

All-Star Teams

748-Year-Olds: Tyler Smith, Brent Callahan, Zack Reams, Josh McKinney, Lige Graves, Boonie Saylor, Coty Ross, Brandon Evans, Eric Roberts, Jason Brock, John Lawrence and Zack Harper. Coaches: Scott Smith, Rodney Reams and Don Roberts.

9&10-Year-Old All-Stars

Dustin Bullock, Logan Kincer, Patrick Kirby, Tanner Perkins, Johnathan Higgins, Jordan Barnett, Jarred Harding, Brandon Burkhardt, John L. Saylor, Grant Burdette, Tanner Childress and Alan Burdette. Coaches: Jeff Bullock, Ricky Kirby and John Boone Saylor.

11&12-Year-Olds: Donovan Pigg, Jake Woodall, Dakota Smith, Izak McQuayre, Adam Mink, Mary Saylor, Zachary Burkhardt, Jacob Harding, Jacob Riddle, Brandon Croner, Brandon Barnes, Chandler Hunnic and Paul Payne (injured).

Coaches: Cleston Saylor, David Woodall and John McQuay.

Too Late To Classify

Garage Sale: 7 families. Al day Fri. & Sat. Denver and Mattie Miller's home in Houston Point Estates. Little girls complete bedding set for twin size bed, complete bedding set for full-size bed. Lots of little girls and boys clothing. For more information call 256-4601.

Yard Sale: Thursday, July 5th. 8 to 2. Hilltop Produce. Name brand ladies and juniors clothes size 8-12. Ambergrombie, Tommy, etc.; shoes, jean skirts, numerous items. Given by Joyce and Bridgette Lear.

Notice: Michael Joe McFerron will not be responsible for any debts other than his own.

Notice: No trespassing on property belonging to Scott Anglin, located on John Rigby Ridge at New Hope. Violators will be prosecuted.

Major Reunion: Major Reunion will be held Quail Park on Saturday, July 14th at 12:00 p.m. Bring a covered dish.

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Player's Grade in 2000-2001: _____

Player's Birthdate: _____

Player's Phone Number: _____

By my signature below, I hereby give my permission for my child, _____, to participate in the 2001 Rockcastle County Youth League Football Camp. Furthermore, I also agree that I will not hold the Coaches, instructors, sponsor, or members of the Rockcastle County School System responsible for any accidental injury to my child while participating in the camp.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian _____

Date _____

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ANNOUNCING

As we stated in last week's Signal, our landlord has informed us that the property on which our business is located is being listed for sale and our offer to purchase has been denied. Therefore, we've agreed to vacate the property effective July 16, 2001. So hurry in and take advantage of Super Deals on all remaining vehicles in stock. We want to extend our sincere thanks to the hundreds of wonderful people who've become our good friends and customers and made our three years here a success.

Many Thanks,
D.R., Goldie, Remita

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97 LHS	3.5 V6, black on gray leather	\$7995	\$6980
96 510 LS	4x2, auto, SOLD rise, super sharp	\$6995	\$5680
96 Accent	3 door, auto, ac	\$4495	\$3780
96 Grand Am SE	2 door, SOLD sunroof, ac, sharp	\$5995	\$4980
96 Century	3.1 V6, 4 door, ac, power	\$4995	\$4480
95 Neon	2 door, 5 spd., CD	\$2495	\$1980
93 Dakota	Sport, V8, auto, ac	\$2995	\$2380
93 Acclaim	V6, auto, ac	\$2495	\$1980
92 Ram 250 Van	conversion pkg., nice inexpensive family van	\$4495	\$3280
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89 Cherokee Limited	4x4, 6 SOLD , all power, leather	\$3695	\$2980
85 Outlass Ciera LS	4 cyl, auto, all power	\$2495	\$2180
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