"Racing"

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haven't had that, so why add another event that could be bad luck for us."

Greg Zippadelli is the crew chief on Stewart's No. 20 Home Depot Pontiac.

GREG ZIPPADELLI: "I expected to be in the top two or three (in the point standings) right now with the way we've run. Any place that we've had a problem we've been out of the top five. Any place that we haven't had a problem and we were able to race all race, we've been in the top five. But, hopefully we've got our bad luck away from us and we can continue from this point and focus on just finishing in the top five, leading laps and trying to put ourselves in a position to win some more races."

"The motor room is working 24 hours a day, basically, at looking to trying to make stuff more durable and make more horsepower. Here, I'm sure some teams are going to elect to bring stuff that they know has run a lot of laps in the past. I know we are. It's maybe a few horsepower off of some of the better stuff we could have. But, that extra time on it - I guess you can look at how many practice laps you've run. We had The Winston the other night and a bunch of laps there to give you some ideas. Weather conditions will kind of determine how much you run, or at least for us, as far as if the weather is a whole bunch different. That racetrack seems pretty sensitive. Air temperature and track temperature will hopefully dictate if we need to run a bunch of laps or if we can kind of take what we learned at The Winston, put it in the race car and kind of work off of that."

"Obviously, he'll be 120 percent focused here the whole week and he'll be in the car for all the practices," said Zippadelli. "In the past, he's done a great job of trying to give us 150 percent, if that's possible, when he's there doing what he can. When he gets in the car, starting from the back, he's been good and we've had success with him doing that. It's a dream of his. I've got dreams of mine and I hope that someday, if I've got an opportunity to do some things, he'll support me in the same way that we have in the past.

"It will be good to have him here the whole week. I'm sure someday down the road he is going to want to do it again. Hopefully, things will go as smooth as they have in the past for us. That's the only thing is you just put yourself at risk in a lot of different things when you do that. Him doing it - I think it's awesome and it's great to be a part of it, to know that he finished in the top 10 both times that he did it. And honestly and truly, if things had gone a little bit better in either one, he probably could have won both of them. He wasn't that far off. Knowing you were part of that, I take some personal pride in wanting to be a part of that and helping him any way I can. If that's what he wants to do, we'll support it again."

Can You Gauge When Tony Needs Your Coaching?

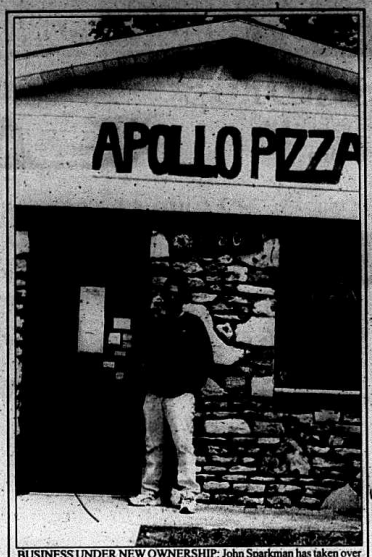
"When you work long enough with people and you understand how they think and how they react to different situations. You know when it's time to put that little bit of extra input or just trying to comfort them or just let them know what we're here as a team and we're working and not to give up."

Should racing have more weight towards winning a championship?

"I don't know that there is anything wrong with what we have, and how do you change to keep people from focusing on winning? I'm preparing to go there and win. As the weekend goes on, I still prepare to win. On Sunday when we race, if we're a 15th place car, then I change my mindset and try to get us to a top 10. Then, when we're a top 10 car, I try and think of what I can do to get us to the top five. When we're in a top five position like we were at Richmond, then I work on trying to get us in a position to win the race. I can honestly say that I go to every racetrack - and I know my team does - with a mindset of, 'We can win this.' When the time comes and you have those hurdles or those bumps in the road that you have to adjust to, you just try to adjust the best that you can. Then, as the day goes on, you try to put yourself in a position to do the best you can with that day. But, I surely don't look and say that we're going to try to win harder because we're eighth, more than if we were leading right now. It's too early. I think the last five or six races of the year you kind of evaluate where you're at. You may start looking at some points then because, obviously, it's a lot of prestige to finish first, second, third - top five in points. It's worth a lot of money to the team and the guys. That's my approach."

How Do You Keep Yourself Focused?

"I'll sit down and script out a little bit of a game plan to give you an idea of how things went in the past, what you've done and what you can do. But, a lot of it depends on how you start. When you start and you're running up front and you're on a high, it's a lot easier to keep yourself focused and going. If you're struggling or having problems and you're fighting some handling conditions, then it kind of turns around and you've got to work twice as hard to keep yourself motivated. It's hard because you're the cheerleader and everybody keys off my emotions and voice and things. In the back of your mind you've got to keep telling yourself that it's going to be alright. Believe it or not, a lot of people will key off of how my responses, thoughts and actions are."



BUSINESS UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP: John Sparkman has taken over as new owner and operator of Apollo's Pizza at Renfro Valley. Sparkman invites everyone to sample the many new menu items and to take advantage of the numerous grand opening specials. Special discounts for local businesses, churches and schools. Dine-in or carry-out. Located next to the Steak House. Call (606) 256-5000.

"Sentenced"

(Cont. from Front)

Lee Bullock, 55, is expected to 260 to 320 months.

Rockcastle County Jeff Burdette, who wrote most of the warrants that led to the arrests of the nine people, said that more arrests in the county were imminent.

In each case, the defendants were charged with manufacturing or possessing methamphetamine.

"Graduation"

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drew Hammond, Courtney Alexander and Aaron McKibben.

Angela Boreing will perform the changing of the tassels.

This year's Junior Marshalls are Amanda Cummins and Robert Sandusky.

Friday will be the last day of school for the system, when students will be dismissed at approximately 11 a.m..

RCHS assistant principal Barry Noble said that the gates at the high school will not open until 12:15 p.m.

Stephanie Dick, Shauna Poynter and Carolyn Stevens were three of the many who worked a roadblock at the intersection of Hwy. 461 and Hwy. 150 Friday to raise money for WHAS Crusade for Children. So far their efforts have garnered over $2,300, not including business donations.

Actually this Primary election was pretty quiet

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Another county election has come and gone and of course there were a lot more losers than winners.

It did seem like this county election was conducted with some dignity and there did not seem to be a lot of hard feelings after the votes were counted last night.

People have a right to vote for whom they so desire and they did just that on Tuesday.

Rockcastle could have experienced some of the horrible things that have happened in other counties such as Pulaski, Clay and Floyd Counties.

For the most part each candidate ran a good clean campaign and everyone should remain friends, now that the Primary is over.

I was a little surprised at the small turn-out. Only fourty-one percent of the county's eligible voters went to the polls. That means the majority of the people don't care who is in office or don't seem to think that it matters who is administrating the different areas of county government.

To those of you who did not bother to vote, don't complain when things don't satisfy you.

On a different note...At times you have to wonder about the some of the policies in place at some of the schools throughout the county.

I am refering to the ridiculous policy concerning the junior and senior prom at RCHS.

I know to most, something such as a formal dance/party at the end of the school year is of less importance than watching water boil, but to a lot of kids it is very important and something they will always remember, either in a good way or a bad way.

The high school has a policy that only juniors and seniors from RCHS can attend the prom.

If the policy ended right there it would seem fair, but it doesn't.

Students wishing to take dates from other schools, whether they are a freshman, sophomore, eighth grader or even a teacher can do so.

They are also allowed to take dates who are not in school - but Rockcastle freshmen and sophomores can't go.

It really makes no sense, because the Prom was designed for juniors and seniors and their dates as a year ending celebration.

It seems like it would be hard to really enjoy yourself if you are not getting to go to the event with whom you really want to.

I'm not sure how far back the decision goes and I'm not sure who made the policy and I am really not sure why wiser SBDM council members haven't changed it.

It simply makes no sense to discriminate against your own student body.

"Election"

(Cont. from Front)

Winners in the constable races were: first district, Randall Stevens, second district, Delno McClure, third district Stanley Payne, fourth district, Roger Pigg, who unseated Leonard Dale Miller and in the fifth district David Mason.

U.S. Representative Harold Rogers of Somerset was a huge winner in his bid for re-election and Lois Combs Weinberg defeated Tom Barlow and will face U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell in the fall.

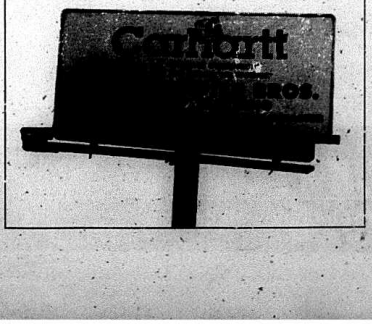
Also in the fall, there will be races for Mayor in the three cities, council members and school board members, as well as a race for State Representative.

There also will be races in districts one and three for magistrate.

4,730 people voted Tuesday, a fourty-one percent turn-out.

2002 Primary Election Re-Cap

	N. BH	N. MV	S. MV	W. LIV	W. MV	BRN	W. BH	BUL	CW	RS	CLI	E. MV	ORL	E. LIV	ABST	TOTALS
JUDGE																
SAYLOR	128	126	165	21	186	103	178	32	182	139	25	83	128	43	38	1577
CARLOTTIS	212	205	219	101	307	161	149	74	227	237	73	170	184	230	72	2621
SHERIFF																
HAMMONS	28	17	23	6	24	17	30	4	14	15	11	10	8	11	6	224
J. STALLSWORTH	6	4	3	0	13	7	7	0	14	1	0	3	0	11	1	70
SMITH	115	122	95	25	154	83	121	46	96	181	36	74	71	57	41	1317
LEAR	20	2	1	3	3	7	13	4	3	3	2	5	0	1	2	69
KEMPER	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	4	1	1	0	0	0	11
S. STALLSWORTH	5	3	5	17	7	11	3	4	2	0	3	8	6	53	6	133
DOAN	123	140	197	59	228	111	98	38	130	80	25	120	201	108	40	1696
LINVILLE	58	43	54	9	73	23	47	6	153	109	17	42	28	31	15	708
JAILER																
MILLER	228	193	216	77	317	170	219	69	296	243	60	158	188	167	63	2664
KIRBY	112	126	163	43	163	89	99	38	108	131	37	107	118	93	44	1471
MAGISTRATE																0
CALDWELL	8	11	Republican Magistrate District 1												1	20
LEECE	116	47													6	169
ROWE	19	69													4	92
COLLINS	52	18													3	73
MCGUIRE	47	15													0	62
GIBBS	97	129													7	233
NEWCOMB	1	10	Democrat Magistrate District 1												0	11
HOLBROOK	21	36													0	57
DEMMY			208	81	226		Republican Magistrate District 2								17	532
BRADLEY			176	29	245										12	462
LAMB			Republican Magistrate District 4						58	14	0				0	72
BUCKER									92	35	2				3	132
HARDING									67	120	18				4	209
MILLER									48	15	2				0	65
F. MULLINS									81	102	69				10	262
BURDETTE									78	100	7				7	192
ALLEN			Republican Magistrate District 5									79	61	138	11	289
BROWN												4	27	7	0	38
COPE												1	0	6	0	7
W. MULLINS												22	21	4	2	49
POYNTER												27	22	80	1	130
RENNER												59	7	4	1	71
BULLOCK												64	105	26	10	205
STEWART												8	72	7	0	87
CONSTABLE			Republican Constable District 1													
STEVENS	163	145													13	321
ALCORN	38	76													3	117
WOODALL	93	29													3	125
MCCLURE			172	45	170	Republican Constable District 2									11	398
GRIFFIN			84	6	129										7	226
NEWCOMB			44	58	24										4	130
YORK			29	27	80										3	139
PAYNE			Republican Constable District 3			124	101	39							3	267
SIMPSON						67	104	15							4	190
DEAN			Republican Constable District 4						50	50	10				3	113
CLARK									5	20	28				2	55
MILLER									118	112	16				4	250
COPE									51	29	3				3	86
PIGG									187	141	29				6	363
MASON			Republican Constable District 5									112	141	82	7	342
CARPENTER												62	77	163	11	313
MESSINGER												14	23	12	1	60

Precincts from left to Right: North Brodhead, North Mt. Vernon, South Mt. Vernon, West Livingston, West Mt. Vernon, Brown, W. Brodhead, Bullock, Conway, Roundstone, Climax, East Mt. Vernon, Orlando, East Livingston, Absentees, Totals. A total of 4,730 Rockcastle counties cast ballots, making the turn out 41%.

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