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Event Information:
NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Race 22 of 25

- Mountain Dew 250
- (94 laps, 250.04 miles)
- 2.66-mile
- Talladega, Alabama
- Saturday, October 31st
- 3:00pm CT

Broadcast schedule

- Practice- Live SPEED Coverage of qualifying Friday, Oct. 30th at 5:00pm ET
- Live SPEED Televised coverage Saturday, Oct. 31st beginning at 3:30pm ET
- Live radio coverage begins at 3:45pm ET on MRN & Sirius Satellite Radio

Driver: Aric Almirola
Owner: Billy Ballew
Crew Chief: Doug George
Truck: No.15 Graceway Pharmaceuticals/ AKAwareness.com
Toyota Tundra
Chassis: 16-Last run by Kyle Busch Daytona'09 (St. 19th, Fin. 2nd)

NEWS NOTE:



This will be Billy Ballew Motorsports 300th-NASCAR Camping World Truck Series start in 14-years with 50 different drivers.

Primary Sponsor
Graceway Pharmaceuticals, LLC



About Aric Almirola
Born: Mar 14, 1984
Hometown: Tampa, FL



Aric Almirola Talladega Superspeedway Statistics:

Series	ST	Win	Top 5	Top 10	Ave St	Ave Fin	Laps	Complete	Led	Winning
Sprint Cup	3	0	0	0	23.0	25.3	532/566	94.0%	3	\$356,546
Nationwide	1	0	0	0	19.0	20.0	120/120	100.0%	2	\$28,275
NCWTS	1	0	0	0	31.0	22.0	94/94	100.0%	0	\$15,215
Totals	5	0	0	0					5	\$400,036

Billy Ballew Motorsports Talladega Superspeedway Statistics:

Year	Start	Fin	Driver	Laps	Total Laps	Led	Money	Status
2008	13	3	Kyle Busch	94	94	14	\$36,170	Running
2008	18	14	John Andretti	94	94	3	\$16,635	Running
2007	25	20	Shane Sieg	93	94	0	\$16,450	Running
2007	29	14	Kyle Busch	94	94	1	\$14,375	Running
2006	15	26	Mike Wallace	93	94	4	\$12,565	Crash
5 Starts	20.0	15.4	4 Drivers	468	470	22	\$96,195	1 DNF
						99.6%		

2009 No. 15 NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Race by Race Statistics:

Site	St	Fin	Laps	Status	Driver	Money	Led
Daytona	16	15	100/100	Running	Shane Sieg	\$18,630	-
Fontana	25	16	99/100	Running	Shane Sieg	\$14,004	-
Atlanta	26	23	126/130	Running	Shane Sieg	\$10,682	-
Martinsville	2	32	197/251	Running	Shane Sieg	\$9,857	-
Kansas	24	19	130/132	Running	Shane Sieg	\$13,155	-
Lowe's	21	16	133/134	Running	Brian Ickler	\$11,180	-
Dover	9	25	65/200	Accident	Brian Ickler	\$12,330	-
At Texas	12	16	165/167	Running	Aric Almirola	\$14,255	-
Michigan	1	3	100/100	Running	Brian Ickler	\$31,515	-
Milwaukee	18	20	198/200	Running	Aric Almirola	\$11,580	-
Memphis	4	4	201/201	Running	Aric Almirola	\$21,130	1
Kentucky	13	5	150/150	Running	Aric Almirola	\$24,430	19
O'Reilly	15	3	200/200	Running	Aric Almirola	\$25,915	-
Nashville	18	12	154/154	Running	Blake Feese	\$10,280	-
Bristol	7	6	200/200	Running	Aric Almirola	\$11,830	-
Chicagoland	20	8	150/150	Running	Aric Almirola	\$14,130	-
Iowa	8	2	200/200	Running	Aric Almirola	\$31,520	3
Gateway	22	15	160/162	Running	Brian Ickler	\$13,780	-
Loudon	23	21	196/200	Fuel	Aric Almirola	\$10,505	-
Las Vegas	17	9	146/146	Running	Brian Ickler	\$11,980	-
Martinsville	12	5	200/200	Running	Aric Almirola	\$9,905	-
Totals	14.9	13.6	3260/3477	2 DNF	4 Drivers	\$332,593	23
			93.8%				



2009 No. 51 NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Race by Race Statistics:

Site	St	Fin	Laps	Status	Driver	Money	Led
Daytona	19	2	100/100	Running	Kyle Busch	\$56,495	18
Fontana	1	1	100/100	Running	Kyle Busch	\$60,950	95
Atlanta	1	1	130/130	Running	Kyle Busch	\$56,300	33
Martinsville	11	17	251/251	Running	Kyle Busch	\$8,580	139
Kansas	9	5	132/132	Running	Brian Ickler	\$16,355	-
Lowe's	1	2	134/134	Running	Kyle Busch	\$34,120	-
Dover	10	9	200/200	Running	Kyle Busch	\$13,355	133
Texas	4	22	161/167	Running	Brian Ickler	\$11,355	-
Michigan	4	2	100/100	Running	Kyle Busch	\$38,470	62
Milwaukee	1	15	199/200	Running	Brian Ickler	12,605	1
Memphis	10	12	201/201	Running	Brian Ickler	\$12,030	-
Kentucky	5	21	133/150	Accident	Brian Ickler	\$13,255	1
O'Reilly	9	10	200/200	Running	Kyle Busch	\$11,105	49
Nashville	11	11	154/154	Running	Travis Kvapil	\$10,380	-
Bristol	6	1	200/200	Running	Kyle Busch	\$45,825	82
Chicagoland	4	1	150/150	Running	Kyle Busch	\$55,325	79
Iowa	7	18	199/200	Running	Brian Ickler	\$11,030	-
Gateway	15	4	162/162	Running	Aric Almirola	\$24,105	-
Loudon	2	1	200/200	Running	Kyle Busch	\$55,400	75
Las Vegas	20	8	146/146	Running	Aric Almirola	\$12,030	-
Martinsville	4	6	200/200	Running	Denny Hamlin	\$8,730	62
Totals	7.3	8.0	3452/3477	1 DNF	5 Drivers	\$567,800	829
			99.3%				



GRACEWAY PHARMACEUTICALS ANNOUNCES:

NASCAR driver Aric Almirola is lending his voice to a national public education program to raise awareness of actinic keratosis (AK) — a potential early warning sign of skin cancer — as well as the long-term consequences of sun damage over a lifetime. The national campaign, "Is it AK or OK?" is sponsored by Graceway Pharmaceuticals, LLC, in partnership with The Skin Cancer Foundation.

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Almirola Anxious for Talladega Truck Race-

Aric Almirola and the No. 15 Graceway Pharmaceuticals team will head to Talladega Superspeedway for the running of the Mountain Dew 250 NASCAR Camping World Truck Series race, Saturday, October 31, 2009.

Almirola has one previous NASCAR Camping World Truck Series start, one Nationwide and three Sprint Cup Series starts at the 2.66-mile superspeedway.

“Where else can you see 36 trucks in a pack racing three and four wide at 190 mph, inches from each other,” Aric Almirola said? “I’m sure it’s a nail-biter for the fans, but it’s honestly a lot of fun behind the wheel. You just try to get yourself in position within 10 laps to go and once you get down to two laps to go it’s every man for himself.”

Billy Ballew Motorsports who is celebrating their 300th-start in the Camping World Truck Series has had five previous entries at the superspeedway with a best finish of third-place position posted in 2008.

“It’s cool that Billy (Ballew) is making his 300th start at Talladega,” Almirola said. “I feel proud to be a part of the list of 50 drivers to have driven for Billy Ballew Motorsports over the years. It just shows how long he’s been around the sport and racing is very performance-based driven, and to make his 300th start it compliments Billy’s efforts and his race teams he’s built. And you can’t stay in the sport and run at a competitive level without supportive sponsors and Billy has done a great job at bringing partners in and taking them to victory lane.”

“It’s overwhelming,” Billy Ballew said. “I’ve been fortunate to have success with that many drivers for this many years. This started as a dream, to have my own team and over the years it has become something pretty close to my heart. It is even more special that this 300th-start is occurring in Talladega which is close to my home base of Atlanta, Georgia.”

Aric Almirola and Billy Ballew Motorsports along with their sponsor are continuing to promote a national public education campaign to raise awareness of actinic keratosis (AK) (Ack-tin-ick Kare-uh-toh-siss) – a potential early warning sign of skin cancer – as well as the long-term consequences of accumulated sun damage. Please visit www.AKAwareness.com for more information.

The Mountain Dew 250 (94 laps, 250.04 miles) NASCAR Camping World Truck Series race is slated to begin Saturday, October 31, 2009 at 3:00pm CT. **-15.51-**



About Crew Chief Doug George: George has been with Billy Ballew Motorsports since early spring 2007 as the crew chief on the No. 15 Toyota Tundra. George’s knowledge of auto racing comes from the mechanical side and the driver’s point of view. He is a former NASCAR Grand National, West Series Champion and the NASCAR Southwest Series Champion in 1990. George has two starts in the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series (Sonoma and Phoenix, 1995) and 56 starts in the Camping World Truck Series Career. Two wins as crew chief, scored while the crew chief of the No. 51 Tundra (2009-Fontana, Atlanta). George was inducted to the West Coast Stock Car Hall of Fame in July 2009