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Driver: Paulie Harraka
Owner: Richie Wauters
Crew Chief: Richie Wauters
Truck: No. 5 Ford F-150
Chassis: 004- Last run 2011 at Atlanta w/ Colin Braun

NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Race
4 of 22
Kansas Speedway
SFP 250
 (167 LAPS, 250.5 MILES)

Saturday, April 21 1:00pm CT
Track Facts

- 1.5-mile tri-oval
- **Banking in Corners:** 15 degree in the turns
- **Banking on front stretch:** 10.4 degrees
- **Banking in back stretch:** 5 degrees

Broadcast schedule

- Final practice televised live on SPEED Friday, April 20, at 2:00CT
- Qualifying televised live on SPEED at 9:30am CT
- Race coverage begins at 12:30pm CT on SPEED
- Live radio coverage begins at 12:45pm on MRN & Sirius Satellite Radio

QUICK FACTS

- First start for Paulie Harraka on 1.5-mile intermediate track
- Last event before Paulie's graduation from Duke University
- Wauters Motorsports Chassis 004 was built in 2011 and was driven by Colin Braun at Atlanta
- This will be the last start for the NCWTS at Kansas on this surface, which will be changed by the fall Cup event.

Harraka Wauters Head West to Kansas

'Harraka to make his first start on intermediate size race track'

Paulie Harraka and the No. 5 Wauters Motorsports NASCAR Camping World Truck Series team head to Kansas Speedway for the running of the SFP 250 Saturday, April 21, 2012.

Harraka will make a series of debuts this season as he hunts for the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Sunoco Rookie of the Year title with Kansas presenting another first, a -1.5-mile intermediate sized racetrack.

"I can't wait to get to Kansas," Paulie Harraka said. "This will be my first time on a true 1.5 mile track, so I know I have a ton to learn. I expect that the aero package of these trucks, and the horsepower under the hood of my Ford, will make a track like this fun. Richie and I will have some challenges in getting me up to speed and figuring out what I need in the truck, but I'm confident we'll get it figured out quickly."

Owner, Richie Wauters in his tenure as a crew chief has posted three top-10 finishes at the Kansas City, Kansas track with his most recent in 2010 with Aric Almirola.

"Kansas can be a bit tricky for a rookie," owner, Richie Wauters said. "It's pretty bumpy and can create a challenge for the driver but with consistent laps and patience I'm confident Paulie will do well at his first intermediate track."

The SFP 250 NASCAR Camping World Truck Series race is slated for Saturday, April 21, 2012. SPEED will begin live televised coverage beginning at 12:30pm CT.





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About Team Owner Richie Wauters: Veteran NASCAR crew chief Richie Wauters takes the leap into NASCAR Camping World Truck Series team ownership forming Wauters Motorsports which in 2012 will be driven by Sunoco Rookie of the Year contender Paulie Harraka.

Wauters' career began at tracks around his hometown Green Bay, Wis. and quickly moved into the NASCAR Touring Series. Wauters crewed successful NASCAR Sprint Cup teams with drivers Kenny Wallace, Elliott Sadler, Robert Pressley and Jeff Green.

Wauters, in his tenure as a crew chief in the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series, led teams to 17 victories from 2004-2010 with drivers Shane Hmiel, Kyle Busch and Aric Almirola.

In his off time Wauters still focuses on racing with his Late Model team. The team won the legendary Snowball Derby in 2004 at Pensacola Speedway in Florida and finished second in 2005. His NASCAR Southeast Series team has nine wins over two seasons. The team won the Southeastern Elite Division championship and won the last race of the Elite Division at the Phoenix International Raceway in 2006.

Wauters has worked with such drivers as: Davey Allison, Aric Almirola, John Andretti, Kyle Busch, Bill Elliott, Jeff Green, Scott Hanson, Denny Hamlin, Alan Kulwicki, Mark Martin, Paul Menard, David Regan, Elliot Sadler, Jimmy Spencer, Dick Trickle, Kenny Wallace and Steven Wallace.

ABOUT PAULIE HARRAKA

Birthday: Sept. 15, 1989

Hometown: Wayne, N.J.

Resides: Durham, NC



Photo Scott Hunter

PAULIE HARRAKA HAS BEEN CALLED MANY THINGS, BUT COMMON HAS NEVER BEEN ONE OF THEM...

Beginning in go-karts, Harraka began a racing career that took motorsports by storm. Within 3 years, and before his 10th birthday, he was National Champion. The next year, he was World Champion. 6 World Championships later, and after a move to 3/4 scale Legends Cars, Harraka still found himself in the Winner's Circle. He also found himself at a crossroads: he had just graduated high school with a 4.38 GPA.

To Harraka, it was obvious: take the advice of Mike Krzyzewski and "Erect no artificial walls that might limit potential, stifle creativity, or shackle innovation." So what did Harraka do? "I wanted to be the most complete racecar driver in the world," he explains. "So I went to Duke University to study engineering, sports psychology, leadership, and business. And I interned in R&D at Joe Gibbs Racing, following it up with a stint in Corporate Marketing at NASCAR's Manhattan office."

Harraka is now a senior at Duke, getting ready to graduate. But don't think he stopped racing to do it. He traveled, almost every weekend, to a NASCAR race. While a student at Duke, he won countless NASCAR races, the Championship in NASCAR's Whelen All-American Series, and 2 different NASCAR Rookie of the Year titles. He's still climbing NASCAR's ladder, and is the sport's brightest young star.

Beyond that, he's a Celebrity Ambassador for Childhelp, a national nonprofit that works with abused, neglected, and at risk children.

2012 WAUTERS MOTORSPORTS RACE BY RACE STATISTICS

Site	ST	FIN	Laps	Status	Driver	Led
Daytona	14	19	105/109	Running	Paulie Harraka	
Martinsville	18	22	248/250	Running	Paulie Harraka	
Rockingham	2	26	195/200	Running	Paulie Harraka	
Totals	11.3	22.3	548/559	0 DNF	1 Driver	0
			98.2%			