

Sprint Cup Series

Busch stays hot at Indy, takes Brickyard pole

Joe Gibbs driver wins race with a speed of 184 mph.

By MICHAEL MAROT
 Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Kyle Busch pulled off a rare tri-fecta Saturday.

He crashed Tony Stewart's scripted farewell party and pushed Jeff Gordon's comeback bid to the middle of the pack by accomplishing one of his

biggest career goals — claiming his first Brickyard 400 pole.

Busch, the defending race winner, had the fastest lap in the third and final round of qualifying, just ahead of Joe Gibbs Racing teammate Carl Edwards.

Busch won with a speed of 184.634 mph. Edwards was second at 184.547 and Stewart, an Indiana favorite, will start third in the final race on his home track after posting a 184.328. Gordon qualified 21st in the 40-car field as the replacement for the

injured Dale Earnhardt Jr.

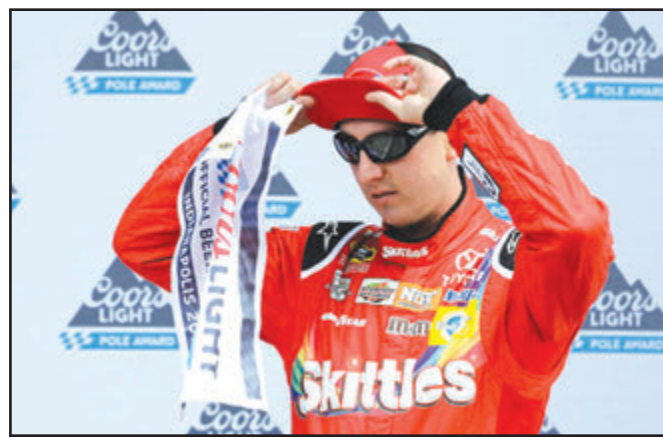
"Being able to sit on the pole here at Indy is something you always want to do — or at least it's something I've always wanted to do," Busch said. "Overall, I feel like our baseline has been pretty good here this weekend."

Nobody has been hotter than Busch this weekend.

As searing temperatures inside the cars routinely topped 110 degrees, Busch kept his cool. He had the fastest lap after two practice rounds Friday despite being sent into a spin

after a brush with Patrick Carpentier. On Saturday, Busch won his second straight Lilly Diabetes 250 pole, posted the fastest lap in each of the final two qualifying rounds for the Brickyard and then won the first heat of the Xfinity series race.

Now, Busch is in perfect position to become the second Cup driver to win the 400 back-to-back. Four-time race winner Jimmie Johnson did it in



COURTESY

Sprint Cup Series driver Kyle Busch adjust his hat after winning the pole for the Brickyard 400 NASCAR auto race at Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

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LOCAL SPORTS

WIN THE DAY

Future Tigers break a sweat at Brian Allen's annual youth camp



PHOTOS BY KAYLA LOKEINSKY/Lake City Reporter

Brian Allen's Future Tiger Camp participants do a sprint drill during the camp last Friday morning. Campers from Pre-K to eighth grade were present for the one-day camp at Columbia. See more photos on 3B.



Luke Dotson does a ladder drill at camp last Friday.



Brandon Lovett jumps over obstacles at camp.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

UF linebacker stops sexual assault

Associated Press

GAINESVILLE — Police say a University of Florida football player helped stop the rape of an unconscious woman behind a trash bin outside a bar.

Cristian Garcia told First Coast News he was taking out the trash Thursday morning from the bar where he works security when he noticed a couple having sex. He first thought it was consensual, but then saw the woman was unconscious. Garcia said the man's friends were watching the assault, and did nothing to help. The incident was

videotaped.

Garcia said he and another witness walked up and stopped it.

"I turned around and pulled the guy by the shoulder and said 'Get off.' That pretty much ended the situation then," Garcia told The Gainesville Sun. "He was intoxicated and attempted to throw some punches, but he slipped and busted his face on the wall."

Police later arrested Christopher Shaw, 34,



Garcia

and charged him with sexual battery of the 19-year-old victim.

Gainesville police spokesman Ben Tobias confirmed that Garcia and Leroyea Simmons helped stop the rape and identified Shaw in a photo line-up.

The Associated Press does not generally identify victims of sexual assault.

Shaw remains in Alachua County Jail with bail set at \$500,000.

Garcia, a Miami native who will be a junior, walked on to the team last season after previously working in the video

department. He played in one game last season for the Gators, recording two tackles in Florida's 41-7 loss to Michigan in the Citrus Bowl.

Garcia's intervention in the rape came after a recent spate of sexual assault cases nationally involving student-athletes.

Florida quarterback Luke Del Rio — the son of Oakland Raiders head coach Jack Del Rio — said in an Instagram post about Garcia: "Hopefully the media will talk about the good and not just the bad. Proud to be a teammate of Cristian Garcia."

NFL

Rebuild complete, Jaguars vying for AFC South title

Jags have been an NFL-worst 19-61 since 2010.

By MARK LONG
 Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE — The overhaul is complete. The pieces are in place. And for the first time in years, there are expectations for the Jacksonville Jaguars.

It might not be playoffs or bust in Jacksonville, but losing double-digit games is no longer acceptable.

The Jaguars spent the last four years rebuilding the roster, growing it mostly through the draft, and then supplemented the makeover by spending more than \$350 million (nearly \$150 million guaranteed) in free agency the last two years to sign 10 starters. Now, general manager Dave Caldwell and coach Gus Bradley believe they have a team capable of winning every week and competing for the AFC South title.

It's a welcome feeling for a franchise that is an NFL-worst 19-61 since 2010.

"It's kind of cool because there's a lot of hype and stuff in the community," quarterback Blake Bortles said. "But when you walk in the building, it kind of just stops. The noise stops because everybody in the building knows what our goal is and how we're going to go about doing it."

Jacksonville hasn't won more than five games in any of the last five years, the kind of consistent losing that leaves fans screaming for change and management often responding.

But Jaguars owner Shad Khan has been patient

during the restoration process. He even gave Bradley and his assistants one-year extensions in January, keeping them under contract through 2017.

Although Khan has declined to put a number on how many games Bradley must win to stick around beyond 2016, he said a winning record is "everybody's reasonable expectation at this point."

The Jaguars seemingly — finally — have the talent to make it a reality.

"The expectations in this building are what we had hoped for," Bradley said. "To keep building the roster through the draft, add some free agents to our current roster and we'd feel like our roster would keep getting better and better with each year that we've been doing it. And we're to this point right now."

"To me, it's great. This is what we'd hoped for, that you'd say, 'Hey, this is a good roster.' And the expectations, well, that's what we had planned. When we put this thing together, we felt like at this time, this is the type of roster that we'd have, so it's a good thing."

Here are some other things to know about the Jaguars heading into training camp:

DEFENSIVE

TURNAROUND: After ranking near the bottom of the league in nearly every defensive category last season, Bradley fired coordinator Bob Babich and promoted longtime assistant Todd Wash to run the unit. Wash will have several new faces to work with. The Jags signed defensive tackle Malik Jackson, free safety Tashaun Gipson

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FILE

Jaguars head coach Gus Bradley (above) and his assistants signed one-year extensions in January.

Future Tigers storm the field at Columbia High



PHOTOS BY KAYLA LOKEINSKY/Lake City Reporter

Campers do their warm-up stretching, led by Columbia High School football head coach Brian Allen, at Brian Allen's Future Tiger Camp on Friday at Tiger Stadium.



Kellen Jones does a football drill at the Future Tiger Camp last Friday.



Latrall Burgess (from left), Johnaven Reed, Dawson Bulthuis and Michael Combs run sprints at one of the drill stations at Future Tiger Camp.



Karter Knight does a football drill at the Future Tiger Camp last Friday.

JAGS

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and cornerback Prince Amukamara in free agency. Throw in the return of defensive end Dante Fowler, who missed his rookie season because of a knee injury, and the addition of highly touted rookies Jalen Ramsey and Miles Jack, and Jacksonville could have six or more new starters on that side of the ball.

OFFENSIVE BREAKOUT: Bortles had a breakout season in 2015, throwing 35 touchdown passes and running for two more scores. But his 18 interceptions and 51 sacks led the league, leaving plenty of room for improvement. Bortles has one of the best receiver tandems (Allen Robinson and Allen Hurns) in the league, and his supporting cast should be better this season. The team's best offensive lineman, Brandon Linder, returns

from injury, and the Jags signed veteran offensive tackle Kelvin Beachum to beef up Bortles' blind side. Tight end Julius Thomas is fully recovered from a broken hand, and free agent running back Chris Ivory should provide an upgrade in short-yardage and goal-line situations.

WOE LINE: The Jaguars are counting on Linder and Beachum to drastically improve one of the league's worst offensive lines. Bortles has

been sacked 106 times in two years, the most in NFL history over any two-year period. Linder is moving from guard to center, and Beachum, who is recovering from a knee injury, will compete with Luke Joeckel at left tackle. The loser likely will slide to left guard.

TOUGH START: The NFL schedule makers seemingly did the Jaguars no favors with the early slate. Jacksonville opens at home against Green Bay,

travels cross-country to play San Diego and then hosts Baltimore before traveling to London to face perennial division heavyweight Indianapolis. The Jaguars are 1-10 in September under Bradley and just 3-20 in the first two months of the season since 2012.

Polarizing defensive end Greg Hardy works out for Jaguars

The Jacksonville Jaguars worked out polarizing

defensive end Greg Hardy on Thursday.

A team spokesman confirmed the workout but did not indicate whether the Jags planned on signing the former Dallas and Carolina standout.

Hardy had a tumultuous season in Dallas, one that started with a four-game suspension related to his domestic violence case in North Carolina and included several disruptions that included a physical confrontation with an assistant coach.

COOPERSTOWN

HOF revamps veterans' committees

Associated Press

COOPERSTOWN, N.Y. — Baseball's Hall of Fame has again revamped its veterans' committees, attempting to increase consideration for more contemporary players, managers, umpires and executives.

Under the change announced Saturday by the Hall's board of directors, there will be separate committees for Today's Game (1988-2016), Modern Baseball (1970-87), Golden Days (1950-69) and Early Baseball (1871-1949). Today's Game and Modern Baseball will vote twice every five years, Golden Days once every five years and Early Baseball once every 10 years.

"There are twice as many players in the Hall of Fame who debuted before 1950 as compared to afterward, and yet there are nearly double the eligible candidates after 1950 than prior," Hall chair Jane Forbes Clark said in a statement. "Those who served the game long ago and have been evaluated many times on past ballots will now be reviewed less frequently."

Today's Game will vote in 2016, '18, '21, and '23, and Modern Baseball in 2017, '19, '21 and '23. Golden Days will vote in 2020 and '25, and Early Baseball in 2020 and '30. The Hall's Historical Overview Committee will decide which committee will consider those who span eras, based on the time or place of their most indelible impression.

Since 2010, the Hall had established three veterans committees: Pre-Integration Era (1871-1946), Golden Era (1947-72) and Expansion Era (1973-2016). No one was

elected by the Pre-Integration Era committee in December.

In addition, the Hall eliminated the one-year waiting period between a player's last appearance on the Baseball Writers' Association of America ballot and his veterans committee debut for consideration. The Hall also said active executives 70 or older may be given consideration, up from 65.

Committees will remain at 16 people, with a vote of at least 75 percent needed for election. The ballot size will be 10 for each committee; it had been 12 for Expansion Era and 10 for the others.

The BBWAA votes on players who have been retired for at least five years and no more than 15. Ken Griffey Jr. and Mike Piazza are to be inducted Sunday.

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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SOBBAR

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurak



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers Sunday)

Yesterday's Jumbles: SWIFT AGENT AMOEBIA SURELY
Answer: When the scuba diver startled the octopus, it put him — IN "ARMS" WAY

- ACROSS**
- 1 Military cap
 - 5 Malt beverage
 - 8 Trillion, in combos
 - 12 Say decidedly
 - 13 Clamor
 - 14 "This must weigh — —!"
 - 15 Hull crack
 - 16 Excelled (2 wds.)
 - 18 Go in
 - 20 Wet dirt
 - 21 Born as
 - 22 Flooded
 - 25 Incan treasure
 - 28 Spurt
 - 29 Floor coverings
 - 33 Auto inflatable (2 wds.)
 - 35 Climber's aid
 - 36 Thrash about
 - 37 Tropical fruit
 - 38 Vend
 - 39 Marshal Dillon
- DOWN**
- 1 Cabbage cousin
 - 2 Smooth and level
 - 3 Fuel from a marsh
 - 4 Vexed
 - 5 Yellow Pages
 - 6 Acid-test paper
 - 7 Plenty

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 8 Little kid
- 9 007's alma mater
- 10 Womanizer
- 11 Kitty starter
- 17 "— to Billie Joe"
- 19 Lordly
- 23 Carry with effort
- 24 Stalactite starter
- 25 Louts
- 26 Peeve
- 27 By mouth
- 30 Colorado neighbor
- 31 "Naked Maja" painter
- 32 Minor setback
- 34 Digestive juice
- 35 Easy mark
- 37 Harper Valley org.
- 39 Dry red wine
- 40 High-pH solution
- 43 Bark or yelp
- 44 According to —
- 45 Cat cry
- 46 Wheel connector
- 47 Volcano goddess
- 50 — -Aid
- 51 Self-images
- 52 For Pete's —!
- 54 Angry
- 55 Agent