

Clint Bowyer Racing This Weekend in Fontana, CA at Auto Club Speedway

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Fontana, California

This Week's Prilosec OTC - Walmart Chevrolet at Auto Club Speedway

Clint Bowyer will pilot Chassis No. 267 from Richard Childress Racing's NASCAR Sprint Cup Series stable. This Chevrolet Impala SS debuted in February at Auto Club Speedway where Bowyer finished 19th. Most recently, this No. 33 racer posted a 22nd-place finish at Texas in April.

Catch the Action

Live coverage of the 500-mile Sprint Cup Series race from Auto Club Speedway begins Sunday, Oct. 11 at 2:30 p.m. EDT and will be telecast live on ABC. The event will also be broadcast live on the Motor Racing Network and Sirius XM Satellite Radio. Qualifying for the 30th points-paying race on the 36-race tour will be broadcast live on SPEED Friday, Oct. 9 beginning at 6:30 p.m. EDT and can be heard worldwide on MRN and Sirius XM Satellite Radio.

Fontana Facts

In seven NSCS starts at Auto Club Speedway, Bowyer boasts one top-five and three top-10 finishes. His best finish at the two-mile oval came in September of 2006, when the Emporia, Kansas, native finished third. Additionally, the 30-year-old driver has led two laps of competition, has an average starting position of 17.1, an average finish of 13th and has completed 99.9 percent of the laps contested (1,749 of 1,751).

Rearview Mirror

Bowyer was off to a strong start in last Sunday's Price Chopper 400 at Kansas Speedway, but damage sustained on a lap-74 restart would hinder the performance of the Cheerios/Hamburger Helper Chevrolet, resulting in a 21st-place finish.

Get to the Points

Bowyer's 21st-place finish at Kansas dropped him one position, to 16th, in the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series point standings. Out of the Chase field, the race for 13th place is on. Bowyer trails the current position holder, Kyle Busch, by 111 markers.

Through 29 Races

Over the season's first 29 races, Bowyer has accumulated four top-five and 12 top-10 finishes, an average start of 17.7 and an average finish of 16.1. The two-time NSCS winner has led 40 laps of competition and has completed 7,969 of the 8,303 (96 percent) laps contested thus far.

Four Trophies Missing from the Case

RCR has earned a Sprint Cup Series victory at 18 of the 22 tracks on the 2009 schedule. The only tracks on the current schedule where RCR hasn't earned wins are Auto Club Speedway, Homestead-Miami Speedway, Las Vegas Motor Speedway and Kansas Speedway. Additionally, RCR has Sprint Cup Series wins at 21 tracks overall, including North Wilkesboro (N.C.), Riverside (Calif.) and Rockingham (N.C.) which are no longer on the schedule.

RCR in SoCal

In 48 overall starts at Auto Club Speedway, RCR cars have earned one pole (Mike Skinner – April 2000), five top-five and 14 top-10 finishes. Bowyer's third-place run in September 2006 is RCR's best effort at the moderately-banked D-shaped race track.

The Collective RCR

In 29 races this season, RCR's four NASCAR Sprint Cup Series entries have notched nine top-five and 26 top-10 finishes. The No. 29 team kicked off the 2009 season with a win in the Budweiser Shootout at Daytona. RCR-prepared cars have also completed 32,304 laps with four different drivers including Jeff Burton, Bowyer, Kevin Harvick and Casey Mears. RCR teams have led 188 laps and all four teams have earned just over \$16.2 million combined purse money in 2009.

Double Duty

Bowyer, the 2008 NASCAR Nationwide Series champion, will drive the No. 29 Holiday Inn/Holiday Inn Express Chevrolet in Saturday's Copart 300. Live coverage of the event begins Saturday, Oct. 10 at 4 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time. The race will be televised live on ESPN2 and broadcast worldwide on the Motor Racing Network and Sirius XM Satellite Radio.

Meet the Driver

Fans can meet Bowyer on Thursday, Oct. 8 from 6 - 8 p.m. Pacific Standard Time at the Statler Brothers Fan Fest located on the frontstretch parking lot of Auto Club Speedway. Bowyer will participate in a Q&A session and sign a limited number of autographs due to time constraints.

Congrats, Chevrolet!

Tony Stewart's victory at Kansas Speedway last weekend allowed Chevrolet to clinch the 2009 Manufacturers' Championship in NASCAR's premier division. Chevrolet collected its 33rd Manufacturers' crown, the most ever by any automobile manufacturer in the sport. It marks Team Chevy's seventh consecutive NASCAR Sprint Cup Manufacturers' title for the Bowtie Brigade. The 2009 Manufacturers' Championship continues Chevrolet's dominance of North America's most popular racing series.

Mark Your Calendars

In honor of its 40th anniversary, RCR will host a Fan Day at the Welcome, N.C. complex on Thursday, Oct. 22 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Activities include driver and pit crew autograph sessions, self-guided tours of RCR's Sprint Cup and Nationwide as well as ECR's engine shop, radio remotes, musical entertainment, pit crew competition, viewing of the DALE movie, question-and-answer session with team owner Richard Childress and much more. General admission to RCR's Fan Day is just \$5, which will benefit the Childress Institute for Pediatric Trauma. For more information, or to purchase advance tickets, please visit www.rcrfanday.com.

Biggest Loser

Tara Costa, winner of the seventh season of NBC's The Biggest Loser, will be a guest of Clint Bowyer and the No. 33 team this weekend at Auto Club Speedway.