

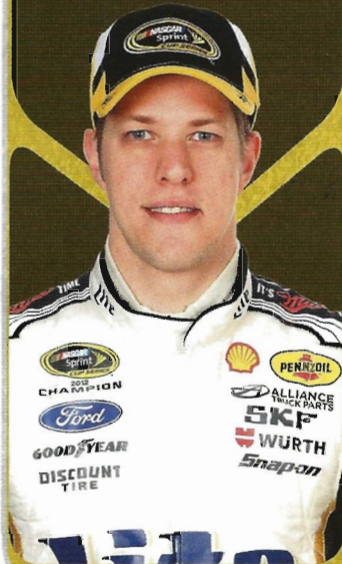
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BRAD KESELOWSKI **2**

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TEAM PENSKE



Birthday: February 12, 1984
Hometown: Rochester Hills, MI

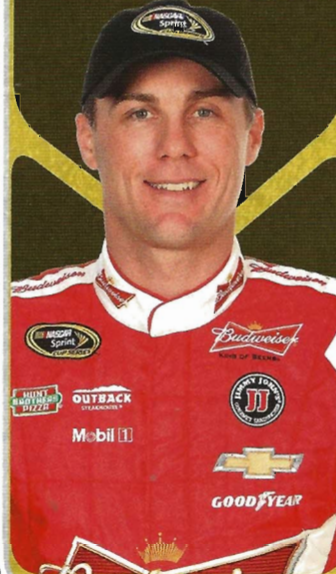
- Brad considers himself to be a U.S. History buff.
- Claimed a victory in his first NASCAR Sprint Cup Series start at Talladega Superspeedway — 2009.



KEVIN HARVICK **4**

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STEWART-HAAS RACING



Birthday: December 8, 1975
Hometown: Bakersfield, CA

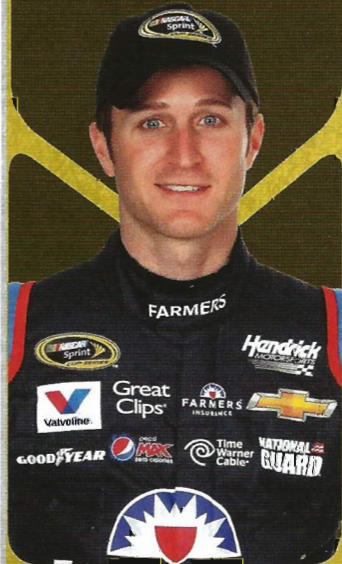
- Was a wrestler in high school and won a sectional title his senior year.
- Has claimed one NASCAR Sprint Cup Series victory at Talladega Superspeedway — 2009.



KASEY KAHNE **5**

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HENDRICK MOTORSPORTS



Birthday: April 10, 1980
Hometown: Enumclaw, WA

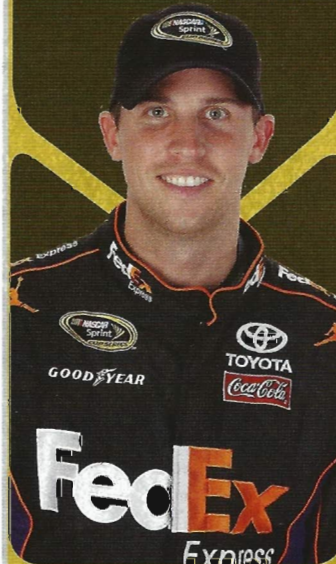
- The Kasey Kahne Foundation hosts the "Five Kahne," a 5K charity run through Charlotte, N.C.
- Best finish at Talladega Superspeedway: 2nd, 2006 and 2009.



DENNY HAMLIN **11**

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JOE GIBBS RACING



Birthday: November 18, 1980
Hometown: Chesterfield, VA

- Won two races in 2006 to win Rookie of the Year.
- Winner of the 2014 Aaron's 499 in May.



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KYLE BUSCH

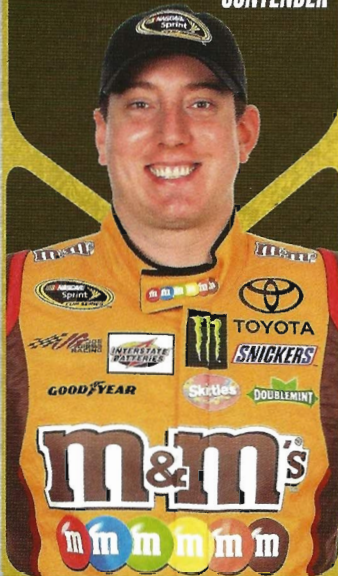
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— JOE GIBBS RACING —

Birthday: May 2, 1985
Hometown: Las Vegas, NV

- Graduated with honors from Durango (Nevada) High School in 2002, a year early, to accelerate his racing career.
- Has one NASCAR Sprint Cup Series victory at Talladega Superspeedway — 2008.



MATT KENSETH

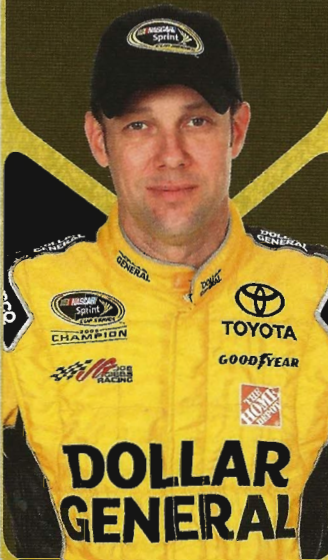
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— JOE GIBBS RACING —

Birthday: March 10, 1972
Hometown: Cambridge, WI

- Avid Green Bay Packers fan who traded helmets with Brett Favre at a 2003 Monday Night Football game at Lambeau Field.
- Winner at Talladega Superspeedway in 2012.



JOEY LOGANO

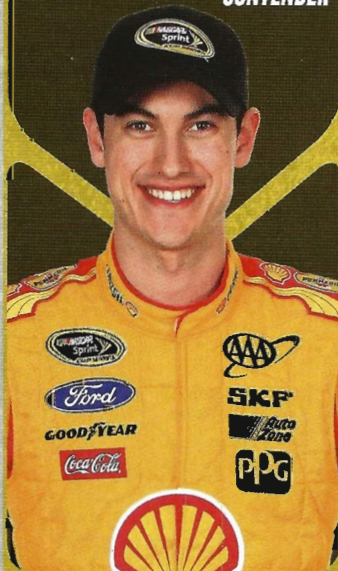
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— TEAM PENSKE —

Birthday: May 24, 1990
Hometown: Middletown, CT

- Made a cameo appearance in the A&E series *The Glades* in 2011.
- Best finish at Talladega Superspeedway: 3rd, 2009.



JEFF GORDON

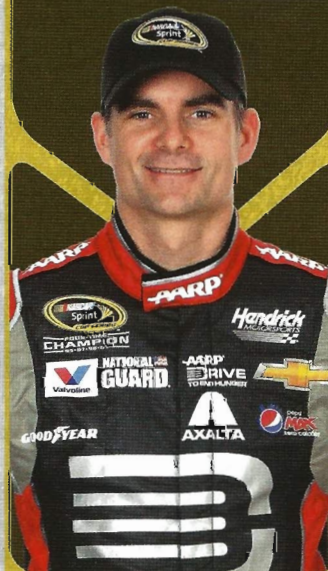
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— HENDRICK MOTORSPORTS —

Birthday: August 4, 1971
Hometown: Vallejo, CA

- Family moved to Indiana from California to help further his race career.
- Has the most victories at Talladega Superspeedway, among active drivers — six.



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RYAN NEWMAN

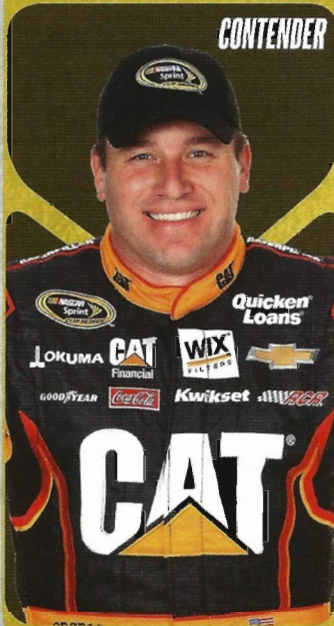
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— RICHARD CHILDRESS RACING —

Birthday: December 8, 1977
Hometown: South Bend, IN

- Only driver to win Rookie of the Year in all three of USAC's national series.
- Best finish at Talladega Superspeedway: 3rd, 2009.



JIMMIE JOHNSON

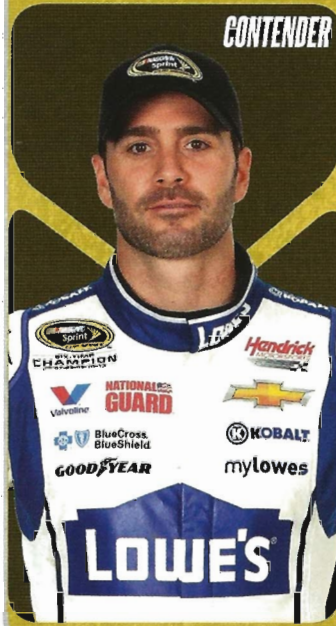
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— HENDRICK MOTORSPORTS —

Birthday: September 17, 1975
Hometown: El Cajon, CA

- His sixth title puts him second on the all-time NASCAR Sprint Cup Series championship list behind Richard Petty and Dale Earnhardt with seven each.
- Won the 2011 Aaron's 499 by the smallest margin in NASCAR Sprint Cup Series history — .002 seconds.



DALE EARNHARDT JR.

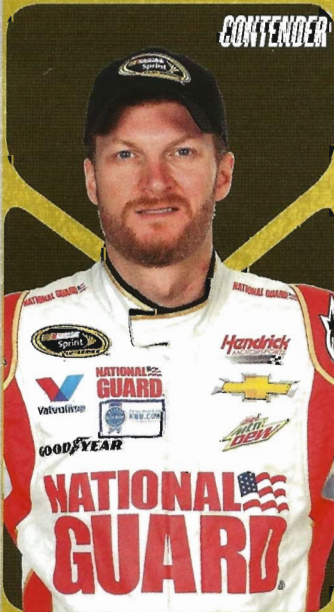
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— HENDRICK MOTORSPORTS —

Birthday: October 10, 1974
Hometown: Kannapolis, NC

- Helped design the Hammerhead car for Hot Wheels.
- Won four consecutive races at Talladega Superspeedway (from 2001-2003), a track record.



CARL EDWARDS

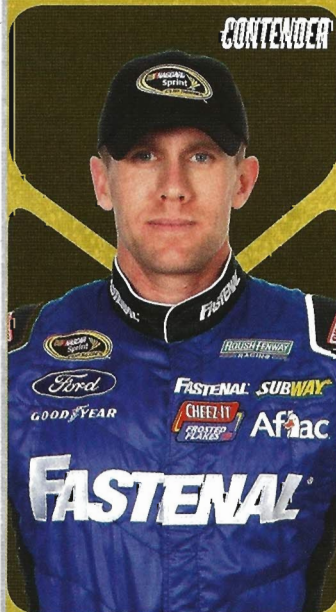
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— ROUSH FENWAY RACING —

Birthday: August 15, 1979
Hometown: Columbia, MO

- Was a substitute teacher before becoming a full time race car driver.
- Best finish at Talladega Superspeedway: 3rd, 2013.



CHALLENGER



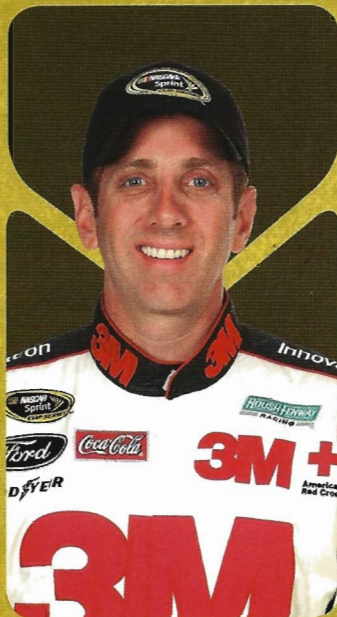
GREG BIFFLE

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— ROUSH FENWAY RACING —

Birthday: December 23, 1969
Hometown: Vancouver, WA

- Has a pilot's license and owns a Cessna 210 aircraft.
- Best finish at Talladega Superspeedway: 2nd, in May.



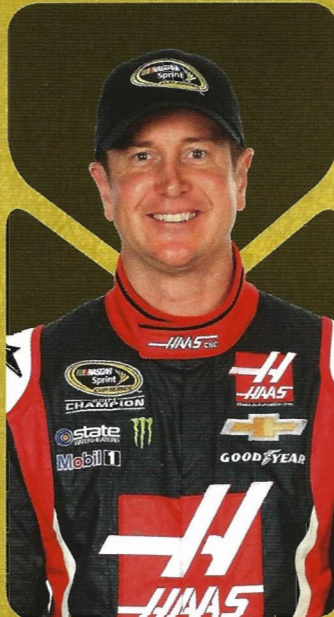
KURT BUSCH

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— STEWART-HAAS RACING —

Birthday: August 4, 1978
Hometown: Las Vegas, NV

- Career break came after a successful outing in the Roush Fenway Racing, "Gong Show."
- Best finish at Talladega Superspeedway: 3rd - 2001, 2002, 2006 and 2007.



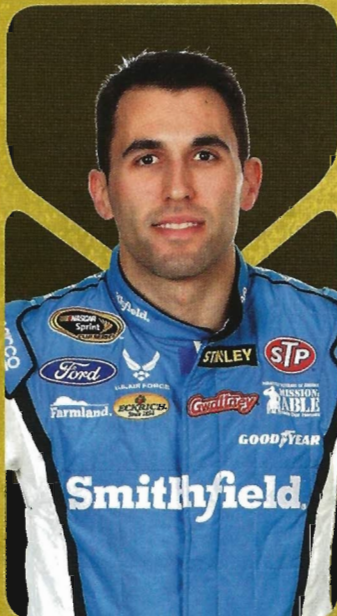
ARIC ALMIROLA

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— RICHARD PETTY MOTORSPORTS —

Birthday: March 14, 1984
Hometown: Tampa, FL

- Was introduced to racing by his maternal grandfather, sprint car racer Sam Rodriguez.
- Best finish at Talladega Superspeedway: 10th, 2013.



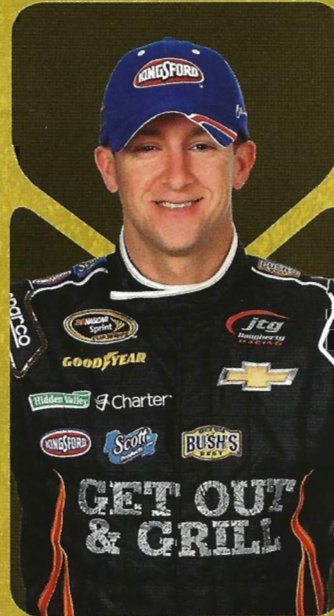
AJ ALLMENDINGER

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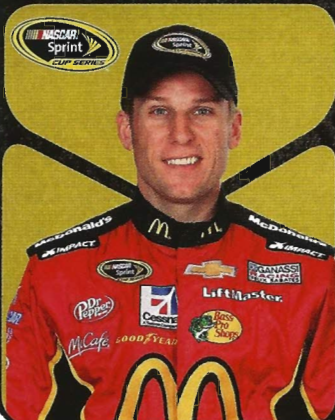
— JTG DAUGHTERY RACING —

Birthday: December 16, 1981
Hometown: Los Gatos, CA

- Considers his parents the most influential people in his life.
- Best finish at Talladega Superspeedway: 5th, in May.



JAMIE MCMURRAY 1

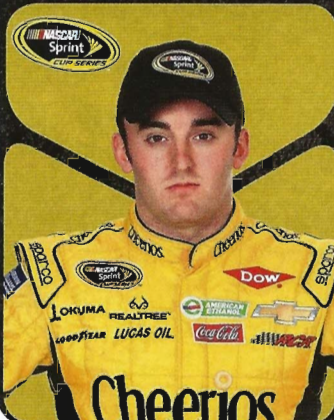


— CHIP GANASSI RACING
WITH FELIX SABATES —

Birthday: June 3, 1976
Hometown: Joplin, MO

- Won his first NASCAR Sprint Cup Series race in only his second start, as a substitute driver, in 2002.
- Defending champion of the GEICO 500.

AUSTIN DILLON 3

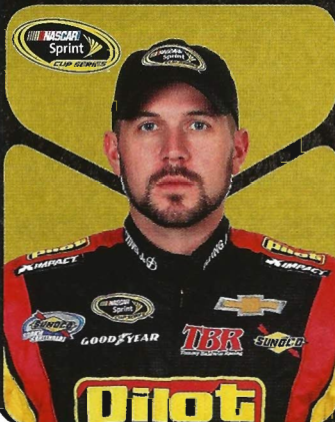


— RICHARD CHILDRESS RACING —

Birthday: April 27, 1990
Hometown: Welcome, NC

- Continues racing dirt late models and modifieds fielded by the family's Team Dillon Racing to keep his skills sharp.
- Has made two NASCAR Sprint Cup Series starts at Talladega Superspeedway.

MICHAEL ANNETT 7

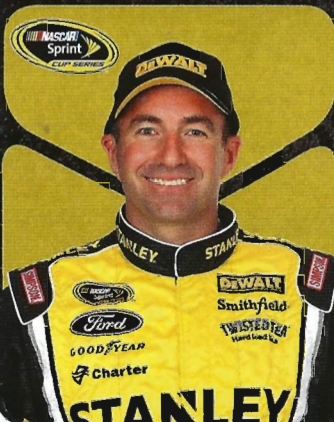


— TOMMY BALDWIN RACING —

Birthday: June 23, 1986
Hometown: Des Moines, IA

- Played for the Waterloo Black Hawks of the United States Hockey League prior to starting his race career.
- Made his first NASCAR Sprint Cup Series start at Talladega Superspeedway in May.

MARGOS AMBROSE 9

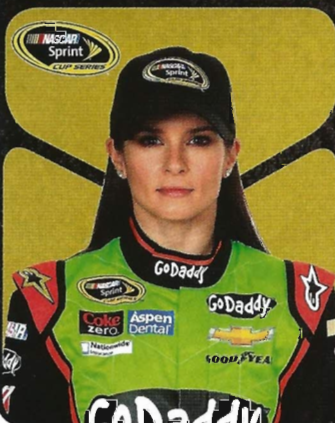


— RICHARD PETTY MOTORSPORTS —

Birthday: September 1, 1976
Hometown: Tasmania

- Won the 2000 Australian Sports Medal for his motorsports achievements.
- Best finish at Talladega Superspeedway: 4th, 2009.

DANICA PATRICK 10

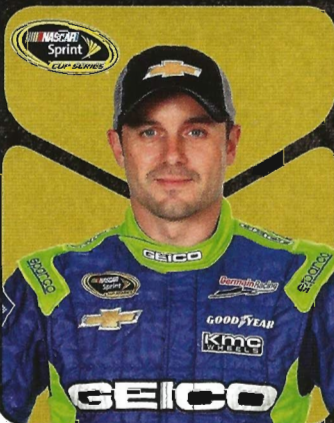


— STEWART-HAAS RACING —

Birthday: March 25, 1982
Hometown: Roscoe, IL

- In 2012, she partnered with Sega for a racing game, *Sonic & All-Stars Racing Transformed*.
- Became the first female driver to lead laps at Talladega Superspeedway in May.

CASEY MEARS 13



— GERMAIN RACING —

Birthday: March 12, 1978
Hometown: Bakersfield, CA

- Nephew of four-time Indianapolis 500 champion Rick Mears.
- Best finish at Talladega Superspeedway: 6th, 2007.

TONY STEWART 14



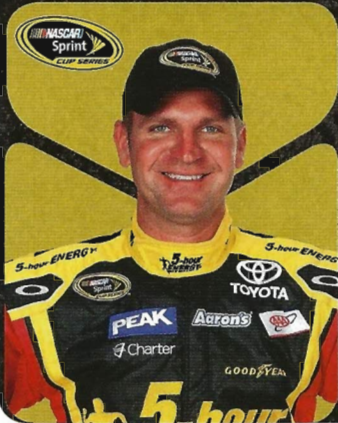
— STEWART-HAAS RACING —

Birthday: May 20, 1971
Hometown: Columbus, IN

- Owner of Eldora Speedway, the only dirt track on the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series schedule.
- Won the 2008 fall race at Talladega Superspeedway.



CLINT BOWYER 15

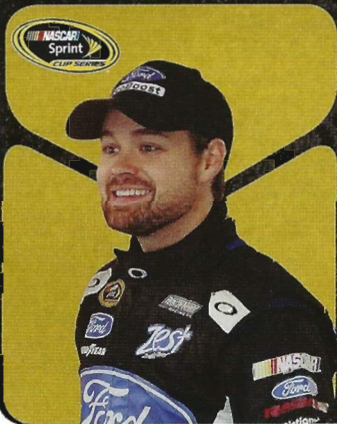


— MICHAEL WALTRIP RACING —

Birthday: May 30, 1979
Hometown: Emporia, KS

- Favorite sports teams are the Kansas Jayhawks basketball team and the Kansas City Chiefs.
- Won consecutive fall races at Talladega Superspeedway — 2010 and 2011.

RICKY STENHOUSE JR. 17

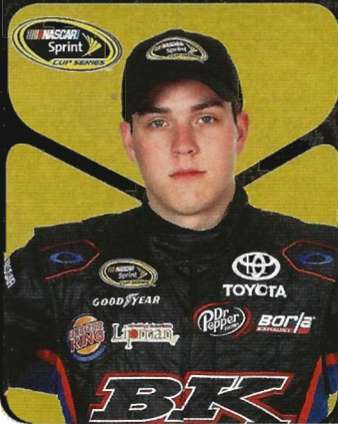


— ROUSH FENWAY RACING —

Birthday: October 2, 1987
Hometown: Olive Branch, MS

- Continues to race USAC open-wheel cars and has formed his own sprint car team.
- Best finish at Talladega Superspeedway: 3rd, 2013.

ALEX BOWMAN 23

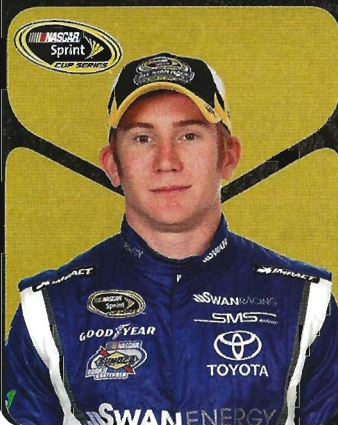


— BK RACING —

Birthday: April 25, 1993
Hometown: Tuscon, AZ

- Claims to have a diverse taste in music.
- Made his first NASCAR Sprint Cup Series start at Talladega Superspeedway in May.

COLE WHITT 26

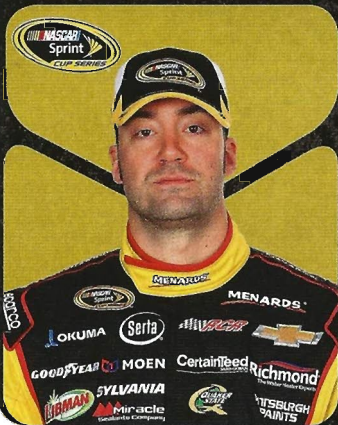


— BK RACING —

Birthday: June 22, 1991
Hometown: Alpine, CA

- As a big animal lover, he supports a rescue facility called Lions Tigers & Bears.
- Has made three NASCAR Sprint Cup Series starts at Talladega Superspeedway.

PAUL MENARD 27

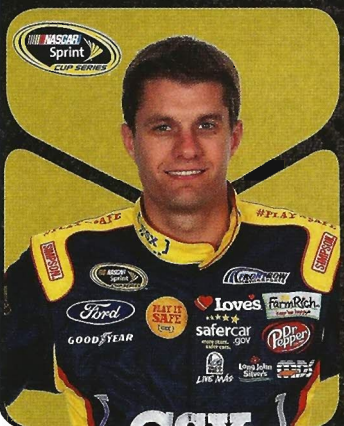


— RICHARD CHILDRESS RACING —

Birthday: August 21, 1980
Hometown: Eau Claire, WI

- Attended the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.
- Best finish at Talladega Superspeedway: 2nd, 2008.

DAVID RAGAN 34



— FRONT ROW MOTORSPORTS —

Birthday: December 24, 1985
Hometown: Unadilla, GA

- In his spare time, he races his own late model stock cars.
- Winner of the 2013 Aaron's 499.

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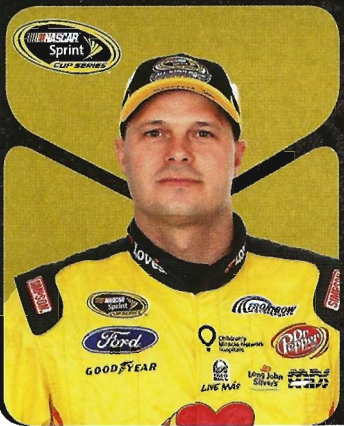


— TOMMY BALDWIN RACING —

Birthday: February 5, 1986
Hometown: Peachtree City, GA

- Made his NASCAR Sprint Cup Series debut in 2005.
- Best finish at Talladega Superspeedway: 10th, 2007.

DAVID GILLILAND 38

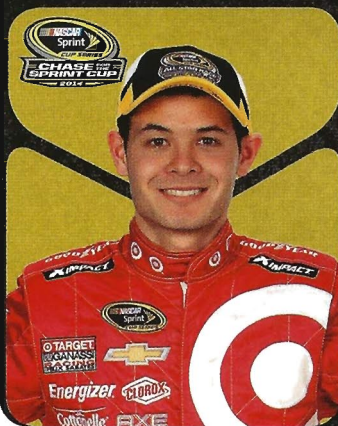


— FRONT ROW MOTORSPORTS —

Birthday: April 1, 1976
Hometown: Riverside, CA

- Played on his high school golf team with PGA professional Tiger Woods.
- Best finish at Talladega Superspeedway: 2nd, 2013.

KYLE LARSON 42

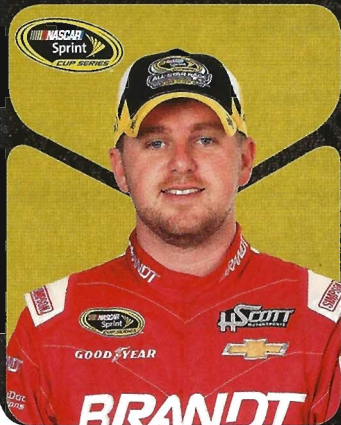


— CHIP GANASSI RACING WITH FELIX SABATES —

Birthday: July 31, 1992
Hometown: Sacramento, CA

- Member of NASCAR's Drive for Diversity program by virtue of his Japanese-American and Native American heritage.
- Finished 9th in his first NASCAR Sprint Cup Series start at Talladega Superspeedway in May.

JUSTIN ALLGAIER 51

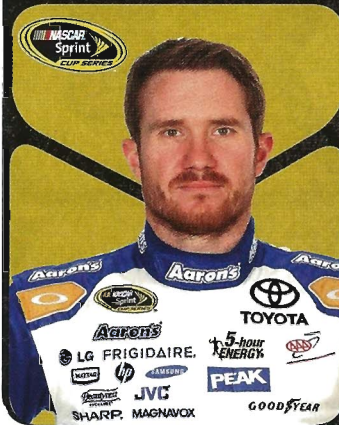


HSCOTT MOTORSPORTS

Birthdate: June 6, 1986
Hometown: Riverton, IL

- His father, Mike Allgaier, has spent more than four decades fielding ARCA Racing Series presented by Menards teams.
- Has two NASCAR Sprint Cup Series starts at Talladega Superspeedway.

BRIAN VICKERS 55

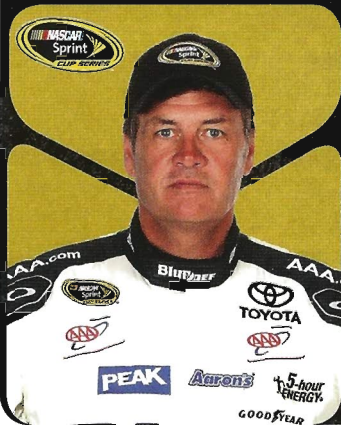


MICHAEL WALTRIP RACING

Birthdate: October 24, 1983
Hometown: Thomasville, NC

- Attended the launch of Space Shuttle mission STS-125, May 11, 2009, the final mission to the Hubble Space Telescope.
- Claimed his first NASCAR Sprint Cup Series victory at Talladega Superspeedway — 2006.

MICHAEL WALTRIP bb



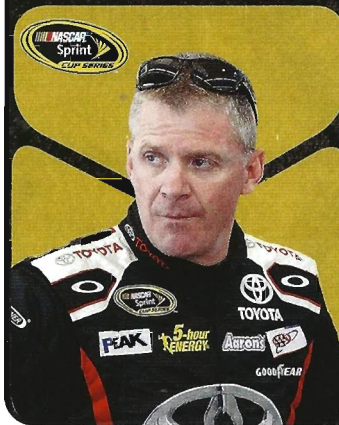
MICHAEL WALTRIP RACING

Birthdate: April 30, 1963
Hometown: Owensboro, KY

- Wrote a book titled *In the Blink of an Eye: Dale, Daytona and the Day that Changed Everything*.
- Has one NASCAR Sprint Cup Series victory at Talladega Superspeedway — 2003.

*Will run partial schedule with Jeff Burton.

JEFF BURTON bb



MICHAEL WALTRIP RACING

Birthdate: June 29, 1967
Hometown: South Boston, VA

- Began his professional racing career in 1988, driving for his father, John Burton.
- Best finish at Talladega Superspeedway: 2nd, 2011.

*Will run partial schedule with Michael Waltrip.

MARTIN TRUEX JR. 78

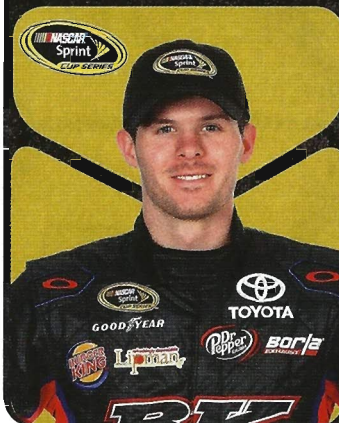


FURNITURE ROW RACING

Birthdate: June 29, 1980
Hometown: Mayetta, NJ

- Made his NASCAR Sprint Cup Series debut in 2006.
- Best finish at Talladega Superspeedway: 5th, 2006.

RYAN TRUEX 83



BK RACING

Birthdate: March 18, 1992
Hometown: Mayetta, NJ

- Older brother is current NASCAR Sprint Cup Series driver Martin Truex Jr.
- Made his first NASCAR Sprint Cup Series start at Talladega Superspeedway in May.