

RACING THIS WEEK

XFINITY FINISH:
Kyle Larson takes the checkered flag in Saturday's Andy's Frozen Custard 300 at Texas Motor Speedway.
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XFINITY RECAP

• **Saturday's** ANDY'S FROZEN CUSTARD 300, Texas Motor Speedway



WINNER: KYLE LARSON

FORT WORTH, Tex. — Crew chief Mardy Lindley called his shot. “We’ve got to stop to win,” Lindley radioed to driver Kyle Larson, subbing for injured Connor Zilisch in the No. 88 JR Motorsports Chevrolet.

Lindley was right. Larson made a late pit stop and proceeded to win Saturday’s Andy’s Frozen Custard 300 at Texas in two overtimes.

The victory was Larson’s second of the season, his second at Texas and the 17th of his career, with Larson charging from the seventh position on a Lap 194 restart — behind six cars that stayed out on older tires — to win.

On Lap 188, Larson was cruising to a probable win with a lead of more than six seconds when Corey Day hit the tire barrier on the inside of Turn 3 to cause the ninth of 11 cautions.

That’s when Lindley made the call to bring Larson to pit road, and it paid off. After moving from third to second on the first overtime restart, Larson took the lead from defending race winner Sam Mayer in the second overtime and pulled away to win by 1.265 seconds over Taylor Gray, who surged from fourth to second in the final two laps.

Riley Herbst finished third after restarting sixth in the final overtime, with Hill coming home fourth, Mayer fifth and Harrison Burton sixth. Jesse Love, Ryan Sieg, Brandon Jones and Jeb Burton completed the top 10.

TRUCKS RECAP

• **Friday's** SPEEDYCASH.COM 250, Texas Motor Speedway



WINNER: COREY HEIM

A glance at the box score might tell you Corey Heim’s victory in Friday night’s SpeedyCash.com 250 was a cakewalk. Quite the contrary. Heim’s 14th career win was anything but easy.

The Truck Series points leader had to survive two overtimes at Texas to pick up his first victory at the track and his third of the season.

Heim was barely ahead when caution stalled the first overtime almost before it began. The restart in the second extra period packed a surfeit of drama into the final two laps.

Starting second to Heim’s outside, Ben Rhodes held his ground, racing side-by-side through the first two corners. As the drivers navigated Turn 3, both had to lift off the gas, allowing Daniel Hemric to make a strong move to the inside at the start/finish line.

But Heim charged between trucks and surged into the lead, clearing Hemric and Rhodes in Turn 1. Heim pulled away slightly to beat Hemric to the stripe by 0.279 seconds, as Rhodes lost momentum and faded to sixth.

Rajah Caruth ran third behind Heim and Hemric, with Tyler Ankrum finishing fourth and Tanner Gray fifth.

All told, the race produced 11 cautions for 57 laps, a testament to the intense action at the Fort Worth track.

WÜRTH 400

Joey Logano beat runner-up Ross Chastain to the finish line by 0.346-second in overtime to score his second victory at 1.5-mile Texas Motor Speedway and the 37th of his career.



Joey Logano, driver of the #22 AAA Insurance Ford, takes the checkered flag to win the Cup Series Würth 400 at Texas Motor Speedway on Sunday.

(James Gilbert/Getty Images)

Wild Texas rollercoaster ride ends with Joey win

FORT WORTH, Tex. — After Michael McDowell’s dream ended less than four laps short of the scheduled finish in Sunday’s Würth 400 presented by LIQUI MOLY, Joey Logano took control and rode the Cup Series rollercoaster to his first victory of the season.

A week after a missing nut on a spoiler bracket cost him a disqualification from fifth place at Talladega Superspeedway, Logano beat runner-up Ross Chastain to the finish line by 0.346-second in overtime to score his second victory at 1.5-mile Texas Motor Speedway and the 37th of his career.

In fashioning his first top-five finish of 2025, Logano successfully pursued McDowell, who had charged into the lead after a restart on Lap 245 of 271 and held it through two cautions and restarts.

On Lap 264, less than four laps from a finish, the driver of the No. 22 Team Penske Ford went low on the backstretch, avoided a block from McDowell and passed the No. 71 Spire Motorsports Chevrolet for the lead.

Passed for second by Logano’s Team Penske teammate Ryan Blaney a lap later, McDowell lost control in dirty air behind Blaney’s Ford and slammed into the Turn 2 wall, ending his race in 26th place.

“Sorry, boys, I tried,” a rueful McDowell radioed to his team.

On the subsequent overtime restart, Logano made it look easy. The reigning series champion cleared Blaney through the first two corners, as Chastain charged into second from the bottom lane.

Two laps later, Logano was on his way to Victory Lane, having scored the second straight win for Team Penske after Austin Cindric won at Talladega last Sunday.

“The sport changes so quickly,” Logano said after climbing from his car. “It’s crazy how you can just ride these rollercoasters and just proud of the team. Finally got (sponsor) AAA Insurance into Victory Lane. They’ve been a partner of mine since I’ve been to Penske, so 13, 14 years. I’ve yet to win with them. It was awesome to get that done here.”

Logano had to work his way forward from his 27th-place starting position. He did so relentlessly and without the sorts of mistakes that doomed the winning chances of others.

“Slowly, methodically, a couple at a time,” Logano said of his drive. “We had a really tough pit stall situation. The pit crew did a good job of managing that and just grabbed a couple (of positions) here and there.”

“The car was fast. I knew that yesterday. We just did a poor job qualifying. Just grinded it. Just keep grinding a couple here and a couple there and eventually get a win here. It’s nice to get one. Real nice.”

Similarly, Chastain started 31st and didn’t make his presence known until the closing laps.

Blaney came home third, followed by Kyle Larson, who led a race-high 90 laps but surrendered the top spot to McDowell on the Lap 245 restart.

Erik Jones was fifth, scoring his first top five since last year’s fall race at Talladega. Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Austin Dillon, John Hunter Nemechek, Christopher Bell and Daniel Suarez completed the top 10.

Other expected contenders fell by the wayside as the race progressed.

Denny Hamlin’s streak of 21 consecutive lead-lap finishes—eighth-most all-time in the Cup Series—came to an abrupt end on Lap 75. One circuit earlier, Hamlin lost power with an engine the team was running for the third time.

As Hamlin slowed, flames shot from beneath the chassis of the No. 11 Toyota. Hamlin stopped the car, which was enveloped in dark smoke and climbed to safety.

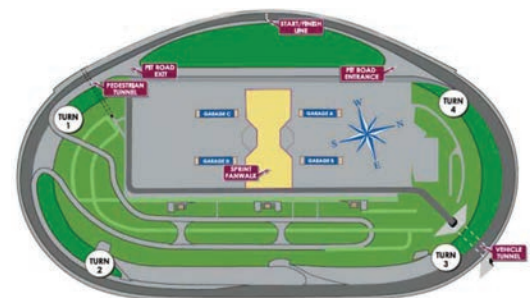
A promising run for Las Vegas winner Josh Berry likewise ended early on Sunday. Berry had led 41 laps and was running at the front of the field on Lap 125 when the treacherous bump in Turn 4 upset his No. 21 Wood Brothers Ford.

Berry slid into the outside wall, slamming the barrier on the driver’s side of the car.

In a race that produced 12 cautions for 73 laps, Austin Cindric led 60 laps but fell victim to a four-car crash on Lap 247. Ten laps earlier, pole winner Carson Hocevar, who led the first 22 laps but was relegated to the back of the field when caution interrupted a green-flag cycle of pit stops on Lap 219, suffered a similar fate in a three-car wreck.

William Byron, who finished 13th, retained the series lead by 13 points over Larson.

NEXT: ADVENTHEALTH 400



Kansas Speedway
3 p.m. ET Sunday, FS1

- Kansas Speedway is a 1.5-mile (2.4 km) tri-oval race track in Kansas City, KS. It was built in 2001 and currently hosts two annual NASCAR race weekends. The speedway is owned by NASCAR.
- Surface: Asphalt
- Length: 1.5 miles (2.414 km)
- Turns: 4
- Banking in turns: 17-20 degrees variable banking
- Banking on frontstretch: 9-11 degrees variable
- Banking on backstretch: 5 degrees
- Groundbreaking: May 25, 1999
- Inaugural race: ARCA RE/MAX (ARCA Menards Series) June 2, 2001
- Tri-Oval: 1.5 mile
- Road course: 2.37 mile
- Property size: 1,200+ acres

KANSAS SPEEDWAY - CUP RACE WINNERS

- 2001 Jeff Gordon
- 2002 Jeff Gordon
- 2003 Ryan Newman
- 2004 Joe Nemechek
- 2005 Mark Martin
- 2006 Tony Stewart
- 2007 Greg Biffle
- 2008 Jimmie Johnson
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- 2010 Greg Biffle
- 2011 B.Keselowski (Spring); Jimmie Johnson (Fall)
- 2012 Denny Hamlin (Spring); Matt Kenseth (Fall)
- 2013 Matt Kenseth (Spring); Kevin Harvick (Fall)
- 2014 Jeff Gordon (Spring); Joey Logano (Fall)
- 2015 Jimmie Johnson (Spring); Joey Logano (Fall)
- 2016 Kyle Busch (Spring); Kevin Harvick (Fall)
- 2017 Martin Truex Jr. (Spring); Martin Truex Jr. (Fall)
- 2018 Kevin Harvick (Spring); Chase Elliott (Fall)
- 2019 B. Keselowski (Spring); Denny Hamlin (Fall)
- 2020 Denny Hamlin (Spring); Joey Logano (Fall)
- 2021 Kyle Busch (Spring)
- 2022 Kurt Busch (Spring)
- 2023 Denny Hamlin (Spring); Tyler Reddick (Playoff)
- 2024 Kyle Larson (Spring); Tyler Reddick (Playoff)



Kyle Larson (L) and crew chief Cliff Daniels in Victory Lane last Spring at Kansas. (Getty)

2025 CUP SERIES STANDINGS

Top 30 as of May 4

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1 W. Byron Chevrolet	421	16 Ky. Busch Chevrolet	228
2 K. Larson Chevrolet	408	17 C. Hocevar Chevrolet	219
3 D. Hamlin Toyota	338	18 R. Preece Ford	217
4 C. Elliott Chevrolet	338	19 A. J. Allmendinger Ch.	217
5 T. Reddick Toyota	337	20 M. McDowell Chevy	214
6 C. Bell Toyota	335	21 A. Dillon Chevrolet	212
7 R. Blaney Ford	313	22 T. Gibbs Toyota	208
8 D. Wallace Jr. Toyota	306	23 J. Nemechek Toyota	207
9 J. Logano Ford	288	24 J. Berry Ford	206
10 A. Bowman Chevrolet	284	25 D. Suarez Chevrolet	206
11 R. Chastain Chevrolet	281	26 Z. Smith Ford	203
12 C. Buescher Ford	255	27 T. Gilliland Ford	202
13 C. Briscoe Toyota	245	28 J. Haley Chevrolet	200
14 A. Cindric Ford	241	29 E. Jones Toyota	191
15 R. Stenhouse Chevy	240	30 T. Dillon Chevrolet	186

2025 XFINITY SERIES STANDINGS

Top 20 as of May 3

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1 Justin Allgaier #7	471	11 Sheldon Creed #00	304
2 Austin Hill #21	420	12 Connor Zilisch #88	299
3 Sam Mayer #41	391	13 Daniel Dye #10	293
4 Jesse Love #2	374	14 Taylor Gray #54	285
5 Brandon Jones #20	326	15 Nicholas Sanchez #48	283
6 Carson Kvatil #1	324	16 Dean Thompson #26	249
7 Jeb Burton #27	320	17 Brennan Poole #44	238
8 Ryan Sieg #39	317	18 Jeremiah Eckes #16	238
9 Sammy Smith #8	312	19 Jeremy Clements #51	215
10 Harrison Burton #25	307	20 Anthony Alfredo #42	212

NEXT RACE: BETMGM 300, Charlotte Motor Speedway, 4:30 p.m. ET Saturday, May 24, CW

2025 TRUCK SERIES STANDINGS

Top 20 as of May 2

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1 Corey Heim #11	368	11 Stewart Friesen #52	204
2 Chandler Smith #38	322	12 Tanner Gray #15	197
3 Daniel Hemric #19	288	13 Rajah Caruth #71	193
4 Tyler Ankrum #18	286	14 Gio Ruggiero #17	187
5 Ty Majeski #98	262	15 Matt Crafton #88	178
6 Grant Enfinger #9	250	16 Jack Wood #91	173
7 Jake Garcia #13	244	17 Dawson Sutton #26	151
8 Layne Riggs #34	242	18 A. Perez De Lara #77	148
9 Kaden Honeycutt #45	220	19 Matt Mills #42	148
10 Ben Rhodes #99	215	20 Connor Mosack #81	146

NEXT RACE: HEART OF AMERICA 200, Kansas Speedway, 7:30 p.m. ET Saturday, FS1

TEXAS WINNER QUOTE

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- Joey Logano, who grinded out his first Cup win of the season Sunday at Texas Motor Speedway



Joey Logano celebrates in Victory Lane Sunday at Texas.

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