



Brad Keselowski Post-Race Notes & Quotes  
Samson Stone Ford F-150  
Atlanta Motor Speedway  
EasyCare 200  
October 29, 2005  
Started 34th  
Finished 30th  
Points' Position 22nd

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## **HOOD PINS FOIL KESELOWSKI'S SOLID RUN AT ATLANTA**

When Saturday's EasyCare 200 NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series race had concluded at the Atlanta Motor Speedway many of the race trucks in the garage area looked more like they had just run a half-mile short track rather than a mile-and-a-half speedway due to a major accident as the field came to the checkered flag. However, Brad Keselowski's No. 29 Samson Stone Ford was certainly one of the cleanest trucks to get loaded onto the race hauler. Keselowski ran much of the 130-lap event in the top-25 and top-20 remaining on the lead lap and battling with trucks that would eventually finish in the top-ten. But a late-race pit stop created a strange circumstance for the K Automotive team when two of the hood pins on their race truck came loose resulting in a black flag from NASCAR forcing Keselowski to come to pit road under green flag conditions in order for the team to secure the hood in place. Keselowski would be forced to settle for a 30th place finish, three laps down to the leader.

"This was just one of those days where strange things seemed to dictate how our day was going to turn out," said Keselowski. "The first time that we came to pit road, a spring rubber in the right rear fell out which tightened our truck up a lot more than I was hoping. I was able to work through that on the race track and still run solid off the corners. But then on our second pit stop, my team gave me a great four-tire stop, replaced the spring rubber and lost no positions on the pit stop. But when we went back to green flag racing I noticed that the hood was actually loose on the left side of the truck. I have no idea how those pins came out, but that is what really cost us a solid finish by getting the black flag and having to come down pit road under green."

"I hate that for our team and for Samson Stone," said Keselowski. "We had a good race truck as far as handling and we were just as fast as most trucks from the center of the corner off, but I was losing ground on the straights which hurt us. I think we were in position for a top-20 finish, but we will have to go and get ready for these final three

events in a row and maybe take some of what we learned here at Atlanta on to Texas next weekend.”

Following the Atlanta event, Keselowski remains in the 22nd position in NCTS points, now 42 points behind the 21st position held by Steve Park. The next event for the K Automotive Motorsports team will be next weekend, Friday November 4 at 8:00pm CT at the Texas Motor Speedway.

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