



Brad Keselowski No. 29 K Automotive Motorsports Ford F-150 Race Notes

Kroger 200
April 9, 2005
Martinsville Speedway
TV: Speed Channel LIVE
1:00PM ET
Radio: MRN Radio LIVE
1230PM ET
XM Radio - 144

K Automotive Track Statistics Martinsville Speedway

Year	Start	Finish	Status	Driver
1995	14	10	Running	Bob K.
1996	29	19	Running	Bob K.
1997	27	28	Rear End	Bob K.
1998	17	6	Running	Setzer
1999	4	15	Running	Setzer
2000	26	4	Running	Setzer
2001	6	3	Running	Cook
2002	7	5	Running	Cook
2003	16	9	Running	Cook
2003	19	19	Running	Cook
2004	26	33	Running	Brad K.
2004	28	15	Running	Renshaw

Best Starting Position:
 1999 – 4th – Dennis Setzer
Best Finish Position:
 2001 – 3rd – Terry Cook

Brad Keselowski NCTS Career Statistics

Year	Starts	Wins	Top-5s	Top-10s
2004	8	0	0	0
2005	3	0	0	1
Total	11	0	0	1

K Automotive NCTS Career Statistics Year-By-Year

Year	Starts	Wins	Top-5s	Top-10s
1995	16	0	0	4
1996	24	0	0	1
1997	26	1	2	6
1998	29	1	1	8
1999	25	3	11	19
2000	24	1	8	16
2001	24	0	5	16
2002	22	4	9	17
2003	25	0	1	15
2004	25	0	0	1
2005	3	0	0	1
Total	243	10	37	104

Feature Stories

Keselowski Returning to Site of First Career NCTS Start; Planning on Better Results:

It's hard to believe that an entire year has passed since Brad Keselowski made his first career start in the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series at the Martinsville Speedway. A year ago, a 20-year old Keselowski entered the garage area that he had become so familiar as a child working with his family on their NCTS entries only he was looked upon differently, this time as a fellow competitor looking to make his mark on the series. The young rookie qualified his way into the event, but would experience the full gamete of highs and lows that come along with being a rookie at Martinsville. At the end of the day, Keselowski would take home a 33rd place finish and a tremendous amount of experience.

With 11 NCTS starts now behind him, Keselowski now returns to the tight half-mile Martinsville Speedway for a type of vindication. One could say that Keselowski wants to show the track how far he has come since that first start one year ago.

"It is really hard for me to believe that it has been a year since I started driving in the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series," said Keselowski. "I feel like I have learned so much in the 11 events that I have competed in, but it is almost overwhelming to think about how much I still have to learn about this series and these competitors. But stepping into driving duties at a track like Martinsville may have seemed a little crazy now that I have been able to look back on it. That weekend was full of highs like qualifying for the race on time and lows like making contact with the end of pit wall when I was trying to exit after a pit stop. But I know that these are all pieces that come with being a rookie in a series that is this competitive and with making your first start at a track as difficult as Martinsville."

Keselowski has certainly taken his second career trip to Martinsville seriously spending a day testing the track just two weeks ago to better learn a solid line around the track and get more laps with fewer trucks before returning with 47 other competitors this week when practice begins Friday morning. While Keselowski struggled at the short track of Martinsville Speedway last season, his short track experience in the series evened out when he competed at the .44-mile oval of Mansfield Motorsports Speedway and ran second for much of the day to series veteran, Ted Musgrave.

"I actually like running on the short tracks," said Keselowski. "I have certainly had more success in this series on the speedways, but we had a really good run on the short track at Mansfield last year and with some of the changes that we have made to our short track truck, I think if we can stay out of trouble we will have a solid finish out of Martinsville this week. That was one of the primary reasons for testing at Martinsville other than for me to get some more laps in, we changed the front of one of our short track trucks for this race and we just wanted to ensure that we had made the right changes."

The Kroger 200 is scheduled to take the green flag at 1:00pm ET on Saturday, April 9. The race will be televised live on SPEED Channel.

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**K Automotive Motorsports / No. 29 Ford F-150
2005 NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series Event Results**

2005 NCTS Point Standings

1. Bobby Hamilton	525
2. Ted Musgrave	460
3. Ricky Craven	439
4. Jimmy Spencer	439
5. Ron Hornaday	422
6. Dennis Setzer	414
7. Matt Crafton	401
8. Johnny Benson	401
9. David Starr	389
10. Robert Huffman	378
20. Brad Keselowski	315

**K Automotive Motorsports No. 29 Ford
Team Roster**

Name	Duties
Brian 'Buzz' Bufwell	Mechanic
Suzanne Davis	Team Scorer
Ricky Golembeski	Front Tire Changer
Ginger Hoffman	Computer Technician
Steve Irwin	Catchcan
Bob Keselowski	Crew Chief
Brad Keselowski	Driver
Brian Keselowski	Team Engineer
Kay Keselowski	Jackman
Dave McManus	Mechanic
Kay Keselowski	Spotter
Dave McManus	Rear Tire Changer
Dawn Nicholas	Legal Assistant
Kathy Samborski	Assistant Manager
Todd Thompson	Rear Tire Carrier
Mark Turgeon	Gas Man
Seth Weingartz	Transport Driver Front Tire Carrier

Location	Start	Finish	Laps	Status	Money
Daytona	13	7	100 of 100	Running	\$19,850
California	31	31	39 of 100	Running	\$10,110
Atlanta	29	23	135 of 135	Running	\$9,715
Martinsville					
Gateway					
Mansfield					
Charlotte					
Dover					
Texas					
Michigan					
Milwaukee					
Kentucky					
Memphis					
Indianapolis					
Nashville					
Bristol					
Richmond					
Loudon					
Las Vegas					
Martinsville					
Atlanta					
Texas					
Phoenix					
Homestead					

2005 Totals

Starts – 3
Poles – 0
Wins – 0
Top fives – 0
Top tens – 1
Earnings – \$29,960
Laps Completed – 274 of 335 (81.8%)
Laps Led – 1 of 200
Races Led – 1 of 2
DNF's - 0