



DANICA PATRICK

Aspen Dental Racing Team Report

Race 27 of 36 – Tales of the Turtles 400 – Chicagoland

Car No.: 10 – Aspen Dental Ford Fusion

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Primary Team Members:

Driver: Danica Patrick
Hometown: Roscoe, Illinois

Car Chief: Tony Cardamone
Hometown: Bristol, Virginia

Engine Specialist: Evan Cupples
Hometown: Hudson, Illinois

Over-The-Wall Crew Members:

Gas Man: Justin Wilson
Hometown: St. Paul, Minnesota

Second Gas Man: Nate Spoor
Hometown: Penn Yan, New York

Windshield: Kyle Anderson (also serves as interior mechanic)
Hometown: Jewell, Iowa

Jackman: Nate House
Hometown: Gastonia, North Carolina

Road Crew Members:

Truck Drivers: Wayne Anderson and Larry Lush
Hometowns: West Covina, California and Waynesville, North Carolina, respectively

Shock Specialist: Aaron Kuehn
Hometown: Kensington, Connecticut

Underneath Mechanic: Nick McIntosh
Hometown: Havre, Montana

Crew Chief: Billy Scott
Hometown: Land O' Lakes, Florida
Engine Builder: Roush Yates Engines
Headquarters: Mooresville, North Carolina

Spotter: Brandon Benesch
Hometown: Cumberland, Wisconsin

Front Tire Changer: Ryan Mulder
Hometown: Sioux City, Iowa

Front Tire Carrier: Tyler Bullard
Hometown: King, North Carolina

Rear Tire Changer: Jonathan Sherman
Hometown: Monroe, Louisiana

Rear Tire Carrier: Josh Houghton
Hometown: Lancaster, California

Tire Specialist: Nathan McGuire
Hometown: Palmyra, New York

Engineers: Scott Bingham and William Lee
Hometowns: Lawrenceville, Georgia and Fuquay-Varina, North Carolina, respectively

Front End Mechanic: Joe Zanolini
Hometown: Sybertsville, Pennsylvania

Tales of the Turtles 400 Race Notes of Interest:

- The Tales of the Turtles 400 at Chicagoland Speedway in Joliet, Illinois, will mark Danica Patrick's 181st career start in the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series. In five previous starts at the 1.5 -mile oval, Patrick's best NASCAR Cup Series finish is a 19th-place effort she earned in September 2014. In four Xfinity Series starts at the track, Patrick's top result was an 10th-place finish she scored in June 2011. Patrick also competed in six IndyCar Series events at Chicagoland, earning a pole award in September 2005 and two top-10 finishes.
- **Get Started with Aspen Dental:** As the Official Dentist of NASCAR, the dentists and teams at Aspen Dental practices are making it easier for NASCAR fans to "Get Started" on their way to a healthier mouth. In March, Aspen Dental, one of the largest and fastest-growing networks of independent dental care providers in the United States, announced a new health initiative with NASCAR and Patrick called Get Started. Together, they hope to get as many of the 150 million Americans who do not visit the dentist each year to get started or restarted on the road to a healthier mouth. Get Started makes it easier for fans to go to the dentist, no matter what's holding them back. Fans can visit AspenDental.com/GetStarted to schedule appointments. Get Started is all about making it easier for NASCAR fans and the rest of the public to improve their oral health. There are 600 Aspen Dental practices around the country to choose from. And, from the moment fans make an appointment, they receive help with paperwork and insurance, and with its compassionate dentists and hygienists, Aspen Dental practices make it easier to Get Started – easier on patients' time, wallets, and mouths.

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- **Aspen Dental:** With more than 600 offices in 36 states, Aspen Dental-branded practices offer patients a safe, welcoming and judgment-free environment to get the full range of dental care they need along with the convenience and speed of onsite denture labs. That’s why the Aspen Dental network of independent dental care providers is one of the largest and fastest growing in the U.S. and saw more than 1.5 million patients in 2016. To find out more about how Aspen Dental practices make it simply easier for each of their patients to get the healthy mouth they deserve, visit AspenDental.com.
- **Heading Home:** As the No. 10 Aspen Dental Ford team travels to Joliet this weekend, Sunday’s race will be a home state event for not only Patrick, who hails from Roscoe, but also for engine tuner Evan Cupples who is a Hudson, Illinois native.
- **Raising Awareness:** In honor of National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month and National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, Patrick will utilize a special teal-and-gold-accented steering wheel made by Max Papis Innovations in the No. 10 Ford Fusion for on-track activities throughout the month of September. Patrick is one of several NASCAR drivers helping to support The Martin Truex Jr. Foundation’s second annual “Drive for Teal & Gold” steering wheel campaign. The effort is focused on raising awareness and funding for those two causes. At the end of the month, the steering wheel will be signed by Patrick and donated to The Martin Truex Jr. Foundation to be auctioned off via the NASCAR Foundation’s charitable auction site.
- **For the History Books:** Since Patrick began competing in NASCAR on a part-time basis in 2010, she has made plenty of history. Here is a recap of how she has altered the record books through the years:
 - Became the first woman to win a NASCAR Cup Series pole when she set the fastest time in qualifying for the 2013 Daytona 500.
 - Led laps 90 to 91 of the 2013 Daytona 500, becoming the first female to lead NASCAR’s most prestigious race. She also led laps 127 to 129.
 - Became the first woman to lead a NASCAR race under green (Daytona 2013). Janet Guthrie led five laps under yellow in 1977 at Ontario (Calif.) Motor Speedway.
 - Finished 2013 Daytona 500 in eighth place, the highest finishing position ever for a woman in the “Great American Race.”
 - Finished 10th in 2012 Xfinity Series points, the highest points finish by a woman in the history of NASCAR’s top three series (Cup, Xfinity, Truck).
 - Competed in every NASCAR Cup Series race in 2013, becoming the first female driver to complete an entire season in the series.
 - Became the first female to compete in the non-points NASCAR All-Star race (2013) and Sprint Unlimited (2014).
 - Have the most starts of any female in NASCAR Cup Series competition.
 - With seven top-10 finishes, holds the record for the most top-10 finishes of any female in NASCAR Cup Series competition.
- **History Maker in IndyCar:** Patrick became the first woman to win a major-league open-wheel race in a North American series in April 2008 by winning the IndyCar Series Japan Indy 300 at the Twin Ring Motegi oval in Japan.
- **Big Stage:** In seven Indianapolis 500 starts, Patrick finished in the top-10 six times, including a third-place result in 2009, the best finish ever for a woman in the historic race.

Danica Patrick’s History at Chicagoland Speedway:

Year	Date	Event	Start	Finish	Status/Laps	Laps Led	Earnings
2016	9/18	♦Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles 400 (NCS)	25	24	Running, 269/270	0	N/A
2015	9/20	=MyAFibStory.com 400 (NCS)	25	26	Running, 264/267	0	\$104,095
2014	9/14	=MyAFibStory.com 400 (NCS)	18	19	Running, 267/267	0	\$109,310
2013	9/15	Geico 400 (NCS)	23	20	Running, 267/267	0	\$100,180
2012	7/22	×STP 300 (NXS)	13	14	Running, 201/201	0	\$21,768
	9/15	Dollar General 300 (NXS)	12	12	Running, 200/200	0	\$25,508
	9/16	Geico 400 (NCS)	41	25	Running, 265/267	0	\$90,630
2011	6/4	†STP 300 (NXS)	16	10	Running, 199/200	0	\$24,743
2010	7/9	×Dollar General 300 (NXS)	28	24	Running, 201/203	0	\$26,008
	8/28	Peak Indy 300 (ICS)	12	14	Running, 200/200	0	N/A
2009	8/29	Peak Indy 300 (ICS)	10	12	Running, 200/200	0	N/A
2008	9/7	Peak Indy 300 (ICS)	3	10	Running, 200/200	0	\$60,000
2007	9/9	Peak Indy 300 (ICS)	7	11	Running, 198/200	0	\$40,800
2006	9/10	Peak Indy 300 (ICS)	15	12	Running, 199/200	0	\$43,100
2005	9/11	Peak Indy 300 (ICS)	1	6	Running, 200/200	1	\$54,200

= Qualifying canceled due to weather, starting position set via practice speed

† Qualifying canceled due to weather, starting position set via points.

♦ Race length was extended due to overtime finish

× Race length extended due to green-white-checked finish