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AUTO CLUB 400 NASCAR HOTPASS LINEUP

Ride Along with Kenseth, Harvick, Johnson and Earnhardt at Fontana on DIRECTV

Event:	Auto Club 400
Previous Winner:	Kevin Harvick (beat Jimmie Johnson by .144 of a second on March 27, 2011)
Date / Time:	Sunday, March 25, at 3 p.m. EDT
Track:	Auto Club Speedway in Fontana, Calif.
Configuration:	2-mile D-shaped oval (200 laps = 400 miles)
Banking in Corners:	14 degrees
Banking on Frontstretch:	11 degrees
Banking on Backstretch:	3 degrees
Frontstretch:	3,100 feet
Backstretch:	2,500 feet
First Sprint Cup Series Race:	June 22, 1997 – California 500 presented by NAPA (Winner – Jeff Gordon)
Grandstand Seating Capacity:	92,100

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The NASCAR HOTPASS lineup for the Auto Club 400 at Auto Club Speedway in Fontana, Calif., is as follows:

DIRECTV Channel 795:

Matt Kenseth and the No. 17 Ford EcoBoost Ford team of Roush Fenway Racing

Matt Kenseth will make his 441st career NASCAR Sprint Cup Series start and his 20th at Auto Club Speedway in Fontana, Calif. ... Has three wins (February 2006, February 2007 and February 2009) and 13 top-10 finishes in 19 career Sprint Cup starts at Fontana ... The 40-year-old Cambridge, Wis., native has 22 wins and 211 top-10 finishes in 440 Sprint Cup starts ... 2012 marks Kenseth's 13th full year in Sprint Cup and he won the points championship in 2003 ... Started 21st and finished second last week at Bristol (Tenn.) Motor Speedway ... Ranks third in Sprint Cup Series points with one win and two top-10 finishes.

DIRECTV Channel 796:

Kevin Harvick and the No. 29 Jimmy John's Chevrolet team of Richard Childress Racing

Kevin Harvick will make his 399th career NASCAR Sprint Cup Series start and his 19th at Auto Club Speedway in Fontana, Calif. ... Has one win (March 2011) and eight top-10 finishes in 18 starts at Fontana ... The 36-year-old Bakersfield, Calif., native has 18 wins and 176 top-10 finishes in 398 Sprint Cup starts ... Won 2001 and 2006 NASCAR Nationwide Series championships ... 2012 marks Harvick's 12th full year in Sprint Cup with a career-best points finish of third in 2010 ... Started 14th and finished 11th last week at Bristol (Tenn.) Motor Speedway ... Ranks second in Sprint Cup Series points with two top-10 finishes.

DIRECTV Channel 797:

Jimmie Johnson and the No. 48 Lowe's / Jimmie Johnson Foundation Chevrolet team of Hendrick Motorsports

Jimmie Johnson will make his 368th career NASCAR Sprint Cup Series start and his 18th at Auto Club Speedway in Fontana, Calif. ... Has five wins (April 2002, September 2007, August 2008, October 2009, February 2010), two poles (February and August 2008) and 13 top-10 finishes in 17 starts at Fontana ... The 36-year-old El Cajon, Calif., native has 55 wins and 227 top-10 finishes in 367 Sprint Cup starts ... 2012 marks Johnson's 11th full year in Sprint Cup and he has five championships (2006-2010) ... Started 22nd and finished ninth last week at Bristol (Tenn.) Motor Speedway ... Ranks 11th in Sprint Cup Series points with three top-10 finishes.

DIRECTV Channel 798:

Dale Earnhardt Jr., and the No. 88 Diet Mountain Dew / National Guard Chevrolet team of Hendrick Motorsports

Dale Earnhardt Jr., will make his 439th career NASCAR Sprint Cup Series start and his 20th at Auto Club Speedway in Fontana, Calif. ... Has four top-10 finishes in 19 starts at Fontana ... The 37-year-old Kannapolis, N.C., native has won 18 races and has 164 top-10 finishes in 438 Sprint Cup starts ... Won 1998 and 1999 NASCAR Nationwide Series championships ... 2012 marks Earnhardt's 13th full year in Sprint Cup with a career-best points finish of third in 2003 ... Started 18th and finished 15th in last week at Bristol (Tenn.) Motor Speedway ... Ranks sixth in Sprint Cup Series points with two top-10 finishes.

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