

# Justin Wakefield Wins "The Crown"!

27th Annual World Crown 300 Super Late Model  
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Justin Wakefield drove into history as he captured the checkered for the 2010 World Crown 300! Wakefield, a native of Woodstock, Georgia and driving the #98 made famous by Georgia Racing Hall of Fame driver Jody Ridley, outlasted and outran some of the best competition



in the country to score the win. He picked up \$20,000 for his efforts!

Justin, the fourth fastest qualifier, alertly used the lap car of Allen Karnes as a pick to move around Bubba Pollard to grab the lead on the 26th lap. Once in the front, "he drove away into his own zip code", pulling out to a 10.2-second lead by lap 124!

Midway during the race, Wakefield found himself restarting in 4th after a brief caution and



pit stops. He patiently charged back to second and with 100-laps to go, it was Donnie Wilson, Justin Wakefield, Chase Elliott, Ross Kenseth,

and Bubba Pollard in the top five respectively.

Chase Elliott and Ross Kenseth (sons of Bill Elliott and Matt Kenseth) put on a show for all in



attendance as they restarted "The Crown" on lap 269 after another caution and round of pit stops. The two youngsters battled door-to-door before Chase prevailed and moved out to a comfortable lead. With less than 30-laps to go, it looks like the race is Elliott's to win.

But ... where's Wakefield? Oh ... with only



seven cars on the lead-lap, he made two pit stops during the previous caution, taking two tires on the first and then two more on the second ... Justin has four fresh tires!

When the green flew, Wakefield rushed back to the second spot! Then Kenseth spun, bringing out the final caution of the day and setting up an Elliott-Wakefield front row with 10-laps to go!

The fans were all standing as the green flew



... Wakefield launched out to the lead as Elliott "stumbled" and dropped back to sixth ... it was over! Wakefield was gone on his "fresh tires". His pit crew and race team erupted with emotion as he accepted the checkered! Hugs and high fives all around.

A statement by Justin in the Hedman Husler Victory Lane, "This is awesome, this is definitely the biggest show we have ever won. I thought the last race we won, the Mason-Dixon Melt-down was pretty big a couple of weeks ago, but this definitely tops it."



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