

IS MOTHER NATURE A NASCAR FAN?

March 29th 2014, Martinsville Virginia. Nascar Camping World Truck Series & Sprint Cup Series.

It started like any other practice laps for Nascar, then Mother Nature decided otherwise, she decided to let the bottom fall out (raining the practices and qualifying out). No problem there's always Saturday before the Camping World Truck Series race. Or so everyone thought!

Saturday started cloudy, windy and cold but, the drivers, officials and the fans were optimistic the qualifying and practices would proceed. You guessed it, Mother Nature decided she didn't



Photos by Jen and Leon McVay

want to see the truck race on Saturday, so she made it rain all day. Once again there was no racing of any kind going on at Martinsville Speedway. But the fans stuck around to show their dedication to their drivers, not to mention keeping their fingers crossed along with officials that there would even be a race on Sunday.

Here we are Sunday, the fans are arriving along with the drivers and officials awaiting to see what cruel joke Mother Nature has in store, and it doesn't take long to see she isn't going to let anyone down. The winds pick up, light rain then Mother Nature out

does herself, it begins to snow; yes I said SNOW in Martinsville Virginia in March the day of the Sprint Cup race.

As you guessed it moral was down and rumors were circulating that the races (Sprint Cup and The Camping World Trucks) would be canceled. Then Mother Nature surprised everyone the rain/snow mix changed to sun, wind and cold. The moral became that which NASCAR knows best its race day so let's get racing.

The race started like every race does but as it went 500 laps, not only did the drivers have to battle each other, but also Mother Nature kept them on their toes too, with 40 to 45 mph winds. Needless to say the drivers earned their pay on this race.

When the checkered flag dropped it was Kurt Bush who was the one to show Mother Nature that he was Top Dawg, and no matter what she threw his way he would overcome it. Way to go Kurt Bush!!

So the question still goes unanswered.. Is Mother Nature A NASCAR Fan Now???

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