

NASCAR Announces 2014 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series Schedule

Innovative Air Titan Track Drying Technology At Every Sprint Cup Race Next Season

NASCAR announced the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series schedule for the 2014 season, the 66th year of racing for the sport's premier series.

In addition to the schedule unveiling, NASCAR announced that its revolutionary Air Titan track drying system will be available at every NASCAR Sprint Cup Series race weekend throughout the 2014 season.

For the 13th consecutive year, the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series schedule will consist of 36 points races as well as two additional weekends featuring non-points events. The Sprint Unlimited (Feb. 15) and two Daytona 500 qualifying races (both on Feb. 20) will take place before the season officially gets underway. The NASCAR Sprint All-Star Race at Charlotte Motor Speedway will take place on May 17, broadcast on FOX Sports 1.

"This season has delivered plenty of drama and excitement, and we're anticipating even more for our fans in 2014 now that the Gen-6 car has competed at every track," said Steve O'Donnell, senior vice president of racing operations. "Having the Air Titan at each NASCAR Sprint Cup Series weekend allows us to meet a very important goal set by our Chairman and CEO, Brian France: to drastically decrease track-drying time to the best of our ability and ensure our fans in the stands and those watching on TV get to see each race on its scheduled day."

The season will open with the 56th running of the Daytona 500 live on FOX on Feb. 23 before moving west to Phoenix International Raceway (March 2) and Las Vegas Motor Speedway (March 9). Four tracks will

undergo spring date changes: Texas Motor Speedway will hold its event one week earlier and move from Saturday to Sunday (April 6). Darlington Raceway will feature its race on April 12. Kansas Speedway will hold its first NASCAR Sprint Cup Saturday night race, with its event shifting to May 10, while Martinsville Speedway will host the series on March 30, a week earlier than in 2013.

For the fourth consecutive season, the Chase for the NASCAR Sprint Cup will start at Chicagoland Speedway (Sept. 14) and conclude live on ESPN on Nov. 16 at Homestead-Miami Speedway.

Developed in-house at NASCAR's R&D Center, the Air Titan progressed quickly following France's directive to improve the racing product and fan experience in every form. Following testing in the summer and fall of 2012, Phase 1 of the technology was on-site at Daytona International Speedway in February. The 2012 Daytona 500 was the first to be postponed to the following day because of inclement weather.

Its race event debut was in April at Martinsville where it successfully decreased drying time in order to hold NASCAR Sprint Cup practice rather than have it cancelled. Air Titan's biggest save to date was at Talladega Superspeedway's rainy spring races where it shaved nearly an hour off drying time for both the NASCAR Nationwide and NASCAR Sprint Cup Series races, allowing those events to be completed on their scheduled days. It also was in use Oct. 3 at Kansas for track conditioning purposes while also trimming nearly 45 minutes from drying time prior to the Goodyear zone tread tire test.

Date	Site	Network
2/15	Daytona International Speedway (Sprint Unlimited)	FOX Sports 1, MRN, SiriusXM
2/16	Daytona International Speedway (Daytona 500 Qualifying)	FOX, MRN, SiriusXM
2/20	Daytona International Speedway (Duels)	FOX Sports 1, MRN, SiriusXM
2/23	Daytona 500	FOX, MRN, SiriusXM
3/2	Phoenix International Raceway	FOX, MRN, SiriusXM
3/9	Las Vegas Motor Speedway	FOX, PRN, SiriusXM
3/16	Bristol Motor Speedway	FOX, PRN, SiriusXM
3/23	Auto Club Speedway	FOX, MRN, SiriusXM
3/30	Martinsville Speedway	FOX, MRN, SiriusXM
4/6	Texas Motor Speedway	FOX, PRN, SiriusXM
4/12	Darlington Raceway	FOX, MRN, SiriusXM
4/26	Richmond International Raceway	FOX, MRN, SiriusXM
5/4	Talladega Superspeedway	FOX, MRN, SiriusXM
5/10	Kansas Speedway	FOX, MRN, SiriusXM
5/17	Charlotte Motor Speedway (NASCAR Sprint All-Star Race)	FOX Sports 1, MRN, SiriusXM
5/25	Charlotte Motor Speedway	FOX, PRN, SiriusXM
6/1	Dover International Speedway	FOX, MRN, SiriusXM
6/8	Pocono Raceway	TNT, MRN, SiriusXM
6/15	Michigan International Speedway	TNT, MRN, SiriusXM
6/22	Sonoma Raceway	TNT, PRN, SiriusXM
6/28	Kentucky Speedway	TNT, PRN, SiriusXM
7/5	Daytona International Speedway	TNT, MRN, SiriusXM
7/13	New Hampshire Motor Speedway	TNT, PRN, SiriusXM
7/27	Indianapolis Motor Speedway	ESPN, IMS, SiriusXM
8/3	Pocono Raceway	ESPN, MRN, SiriusXM
8/10	Watkins Glen International	ESPN, MRN, SiriusXM
8/17	Michigan International Speedway	ESPN, MRN, SiriusXM
8/23	Bristol Motor Speedway	ABC, PRN, SiriusXM
8/31	Atlanta Motor Speedway	ESPN, PRN, SiriusXM
9/6	Richmond International Raceway	ABC, MRN, SiriusXM
9/14	Chicagoland Speedway	ESPN, MRN, SiriusXM
9/21	New Hampshire Motor Speedway	ESPN, PRN, SiriusXM
9/28	Dover International Speedway	ESPN, MRN, SiriusXM
10/5	Kansas Speedway	ESPN, MRN, SiriusXM
10/11	Charlotte Motor Speedway	ABC, PRN, SiriusXM
10/19	Talladega Superspeedway	ESPN, MRN, SiriusXM
10/26	Martinsville Speedway	ESPN, MRN, SiriusXM
11/2	Texas Motor Speedway	ESPN, PRN, SiriusXM
11/9	Phoenix International Raceway	ESPN, MRN, SiriusXM
11/16	Homestead-Miami Speedway	ESPN, MRN, SiriusXM



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