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Today's Winner: Matt Kenseth

Team: No. 17 DeWalt Ford

- **Matt Kenseth** won the GFS Marketplace 400 at Michigan International Speedway, scoring his **13th** NASCAR NEXTEL Cup victory in his **243rd** career start.
- This was **Kenseth's third victory** in 2006. He also won at California and Dover.
- Kenseth moved into **46th** on NASCAR's all-time winners list tied with **Tim Richmond** and **Dick Rathmann**.
- Kenseth scored his second victory at Michigan International Speedway and 11th victory on a superspeedway. His last victory at Michigan came in June 2002.
- Kenseth won the race from **the third-place starting position**.
- Kenseth scored his **13th top-10** finish in 23 races this season.
- Kenseth remained second in the point standings, now 475 ahead of 11th-place Kasey Kahne.
- Kenseth led the most laps for the third time in 2006 and the first time since Chicagoland, five races ago.
- Kenseth led **six times** for **87 laps** including **the final 32 laps** in the GFS Marketplace 400.
- This was team owner Jack Roush's **93rd** NASCAR NEXTEL Cup victory. Roush has scored **nine** NASCAR NEXTEL Cup victories at Michigan.
- **Jack Roush Racing** has won at least one race each season 1997-2006, **10 consecutive years**.

Notebook Items

- **Jeff Gordon** (second) scored his 10th top-10 finish in 2006. It marked his 19th top-10 finish in 28 races at Michigan International Speedway. This is Gordon's **sixth runner-up finish at Michigan**. Gordon climbed from ninth to sixth in the point standings and is 99 points ahead of 11th place **Kasey Kahne**.
- **Tony Stewart** (third) scored his 13th top-10 finish in 2006. It was his 10th top-10 finish in 16 races at Michigan. Stewart climbed from seventh to fifth in the point standings, 127 points ahead of 11th place Kasey Kahne.
- **Kasey Kahne** (fourth) scored his 12th top-10 finish in 2006. It was his fourth top-10 finish in six races at Michigan. Kahne is now **49 points behind** 10th-place Dale Earnhardt Jr..
- **Mark Martin** (fifth) scored his 11th top-10 finish in 2006. It was his 27th top-10 finish in 42 races at Michigan International Speedway. Martin climbed from sixth to fourth in the point standings, 138 points ahead of 11th place Kasey Kahne.
- **Kevin Harvick** (11th) extended a **35-race streak** of running at the finish that began at California last September, the longest current streak. Harvick ended a streak of six straight top-10 finishes that began at Daytona in July.
- At least one of the Raybestos Rookie-of-the Year contenders has scored a **top-15 finish** in all **23 races** this season. **Reed Sorenson** finished eighth and **Denny Hamlin** finished ninth, the seventh time in 2006 that two or more rookies finished in the top 10. For Hamlin it marked his 11th top-10 finish in 2006, the most among the rookie contenders.
- **Kyle Busch** (39th) ended a streak of **eight straight top-15 finishes** that began at Michigan in June.
- **Jeff Burton** (42nd) ended a streak of **16 straight top-15 finishes** that began at Texas in April. Burton's last DNF came at Talladega in October 2005. Burton dropped from **fourth to ninth** in the point standings and is just 84 points ahead of 11th-place Kasey Kahne.
- Point leader **Jimmie Johnson** (13th today) has been ranked among the top 10 for **92 consecutive races**. He now leads second-place Matt Kenseth by just 58 points.
- The **10 caution periods set the record** for the most at Michigan since 1969. The previous record was nine caution periods set in five previous races.

HEADING TO BRISTOL

- **Three races remain** in the "Race to the Chase." **Any driver** leading the 11th-place driver by **381 points following Bristol** is guaranteed a spot in the Chase for the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup. **No driver** has clinched a spot in the Chase.
- **Eleventh-place Kasey Kahne trails 10th** place Dale Earnhardt Jr. in the point standings by just **49 points**.
- **Six of the top-11 drivers are separated by 35 points or less**.
- **138 points** separate **fourth to 11th** in the standings.
- **Eight drivers in the top-14** changed point's positions at Michigan International Speedway.
- **Jeff Gordon** and **Kurt Busch** lead all active drivers, each scoring **five victories at Bristol**.
- **Kurt Busch** in April scored **Dodge's** first victory at Bristol since **Richard Petty** won this race 61 races ago in 1975.
- **Ryan Newman** leads all drivers posting **seven straight top-10 starts** at Bristol, the longest current streak.
- **Jeff Gordon** has posted **26 straight top-15 starts** in 27 races at Bristol. **Seven of his last nine were on the front row**.
- **Greg Biffle** has posted **three straight top-10 finishes** at Bristol, **the longest current streak**.
- **Dale Earnhardt Jr.** has posted **six straight top-15 finishes** at Bristol.
- **Jeff Gordon** leads all active drivers with a **4.962 starting average** in 27 races at Bristol.
- **Greg Biffle** has a **9.857 finishing average** in his seven races at Bristol, leading all active drivers.
- The NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Leader bonus will be worth **\$30,000** at Bristol.