



Bud Pole Winner: Jeff Burton

USG Sheetrock 400 – Chicagoland Speedway

July 7, 2006

- **Jeff Burton** won the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series Bud Pole for the USG Sheetrock 400, lapping Chicagoland Speedway in 29.728 seconds at 181.647 mph. **Jimmie Johnson** holds the track-qualifying record of 28.701 seconds, 188.147 mph - set July 8, 2005.
- This is Burton's fourth career Bud Pole in 421 NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series races..
- This is his second Bud Pole and sixth top-10 start in 2006. This is the first year that Burton has had more than one Bud Pole in a season in his NASCAR NEXTEL Cup career
- This is Burton's first Bud Pole and second top-10 start in six race at Chicagoland Speedway.
- Burton became the fourth repeat Bud Pole winner in 2006. **Kasey Kahne** (four), **Greg Biffle** (two) and **Kurt Busch** (two) are the other multiple Bud Pole winners this season.
- Burton became the sixth different Bud Pole winner in six races at Chicagoland Speedway, joining **Todd Bodine** (2001), **Ryan Newman** (2002), **Tony Stewart** (2003), **Jeff Gordon** (2004) and **Jimmie Johnson** (2005).
- **Brian Vickers** posted the second-quickest qualifying lap of 29.782 seconds, 181.318 mph – and will join Burton on the front row for the USG Sheetrock 400. This is his sixth top-10 start of 2006. Vickers has posted three top-10 starts in three races at Chicago. – all top-fives.
- This is the fifth Bud Pole for **Chevrolet** in 2006. **Dodge** has eight Bud Poles and **Ford** has four. Qualifying was canceled at Bristol.
- **Kasey Kahne** (third) posted his second top-10 start in three races at Chicago – both top-fives. This is his 11th top-10 start in 2006.
- **Kevin Harvick** (fourth) has started from the top-10 in three of his six races at Chicago. This is Harvick's fifth top-10 start of the 2006 season.
- **Jimmie Johnson** (fifth) posted his fourth top-10 start in five races at Chicago. This is Johnson's 12th top-10 start of 2006.
- **Todd Kluever** (35th) qualified for his career-first NASCAR NEXTEL Cup race. He is the 77th driver to attempt to qualify this season and the 65th to make an event.
- Seven drivers failed to qualify for the USG Sheetrock 400: **Paul Menard**, **Kevin Lepage**, **Chad Blount**, **Brent Sherman**, **Mike Garvey**, **Derrike Cope** and **Carl Long**.