



Bud Pole Winner: Greg Biffle

UAW-DaimlerChrysler 400 – Las Vegas Motor Speedway

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- **Greg Biffle** won the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series Bud Pole for the UAW-DaimlerChrysler 400, lapping Las Vegas Motor Speedway in 31.322 seconds at 172.403 mph. **Kasey Kahne** holds the track-qualifying record of 30.874 seconds, 174.904 mph, set March 5, 2005.
- This is Biffle's second career Bud Pole in 117 NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series races.
- This is his first Bud Pole and second top-10 start in 2006 – both front-row starts. He started second at California two weeks ago.
- This is Biffle's first Bud Pole and third top-10 start in three NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series race at Las Vegas Motor Speedway, including a third-place start last season.
- This is the first Bud Pole for Roush Racing at Las Vegas.
- There have been seven different Bud Pole winners in the nine NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series races at Las Vegas. Biffle joins **Dale Jarrett** (1998 and 2001), **Bobby Labonte** (1999 and 2003), **Ricky Rudd** (2000), **Todd Bodine** (2002), **Kasey Kahne** (2004) and **Ryan Newman** (2005).
- **Tony Stewart** posted the second-quickest qualifying lap of 31.383 seconds, 172.068 mph – and will join Biffle on the front row for the UAW-DaimlerChrysler 400. It is his first start better than 12th this season and his best start at Las Vegas. His previous best start here was fifth in 2001.
- This is the first Bud Pole for **Ford** in 2006 as all three manufacturers have a Bud Pole this season.
- **Jimmie Johnson** (third) posted his third top-10 start this season and his best start at Las Vegas. His previous best start here was ninth - when he went on to win the race. It is his second straight third-place start this season.
- **Kyle Busch** (fourth) posted his second top-10 start in three races at Las Vegas.
- **Kasey Kahne** (fifth) posted his third top-10 start in as many races at Las Vegas.
- **Kurt Busch** (sixth) has started from a top-10 starting position in all six of his races at Las Vegas.
- Six drivers failed to qualify for the UAW-DaimlerChrysler 400: **Stanton Barrett**, **Hermie Sadler**, **Brandon Ash**, **Mike Skinner**, **Morgan Shepherd** and **Randy LaJoie**.
- **Mark Martin** won the inaugural race at Las Vegas from the seventh starting position, the best starting position of a race winner there.
- Five of the eight NASCAR NEXTEL Cup races have been won from a starting position outside the top 15.
- The deepest in the field that a race winner has started at Las Vegas was 25th by **Matt Kenseth** in 2004.