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Today's Winner: Kevin Harvick

Team: No. 29 Goodwrench Chevrolet

- **Kevin Harvick** won the Chevy Rock & Roll 400 at Richmond International Raceway, scoring his **eighth** NASCAR NEXTEL Cup victory in his **204th** career start.
- This is his **third** victory in 2006. Harvick also won at Phoenix and Watkins Glen.
- Harvick scored a **weekend sweep** for the second time 2006. He also swept both races at Phoenix in April. **Matt Kenseth** swept Bristol in August and **Kasey Kahne** swept California, one race ago.
- This is **first time in NASCAR history** that a weekend sweep has occurred on **three consecutive weekends** since the NASCAR Busch Series ran it's first race in 1982. **Harry Gant** was the first driver to post back-to-back weekend sweeps winning at Richmond and Dover in September of 1991.
- Harvick moved into **56th** on NASCAR's all-time winners list tied with **Kyle Petty**.
- Harvick has scored **10 straight top-15 finishes** in the last 15 races.
- Harvick became the **10th different race winner** in the last 11 races at Richmond International Raceway. Only **Dale Earnhardt Jr.** posted two wins in the 11-race period since this race in 2001.
- Harvick scored his **first victory** in 12 races at Richmond and second victory in 34 races on a short track.
- Harvick won the race from **the fifth-place starting position**.
- Harvick scored his **fourth straight top-10** finish in 12 races at Richmond International Raceway.
- Harvick remained third in the point standings, and will start the Chase **10 points behind** first-place Matt Kenseth.
- **Kyle Busch** led the most laps for **the second time** in 2006. Busch led the most at Loudin.
- Race winner Harvick led **six times** for **54 laps** including **the final two laps** in the 2006 Chevy Rock & Roll 400 at Richmond International Raceway.
- This is team owner **Richard Childress' 80th NASCAR NEXTEL Cup victory**. Childress has scored **six** victories at Richmond. His last victory at Richmond was scored by **Dale Earnhardt** in the 1991 Pontiac Excitement 400. Earnhardt also was the last driver to win the September race at Richmond and go on to win the Championship, doing so in 1990.

Notebook Items

- **Kevin Harvick** extended a **38-race streak** of running at the finish that began at California last September, the longest current streak. Harvick has posted 10 straight top-15 finishes.
- **Kyle Busch** (second) scored his 15th top-10 finish in 2006. It was his fourth top-five finish in four races at Richmond International Raceway. Busch climbed from fifth to fourth in the point standings.
- **Kasey Kahne** (third) scored his 14th top-10 finish in 2006. It marked his third top-10 finish in six races at Richmond.
- **Dave Blaney** (fourth) scored his first top-10 finish first since he finished sixth at Homestead last November. It is his first top-five finish since he finished third at Darlington in March 2003. It is his second top-10 finish in 13 races at Richmond International Raceway.
- **Mark Martin** (fifth) scored his 12th top-10 finish in 2006. It was his 23rd top-10 finish in 42 races at Richmond International Raceway. It is his **10th straight top-15 finish at Richmond**.
- At least one of the Raybestos Rookie-of-the-Year contenders has scored a **top-15 finish** in all **26 races** this season.
- **Matt Kenseth** (eighth) scored his **16th top-10 finish** in 2006.
- **Clint Bowyer** (12th) was the highest finishing rookie for the sixth time in 2006.
- **Four rookies** finished in the top-15 for **the fourth time** in 2006.
- **Jimmie Johnson** has been ranked among the top 10 for **95 consecutive races**. Johnson has been running at the finish in **all 26** races in 2006.



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The Chase

- **Matt Kenseth** remained first in the point standings and begins the Chase with a five point lead over **Jimmie Johnson**. Kenseth will compete in the Chase for the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup for the **third straight year**. He is one of just **three drivers** to do so. Kenseth finished eighth in 2004 and seventh in 2005.
- **Jimmie Johnson** remained second in the point standings. Johnson will compete in the Chase for the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup for the **third straight year**. Johnson finished **second** in 2004 and **fifth** in 2005.
- **Kevin Harvick** remained third in the point standings and will compete in the Chase for the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup for **first time**. He is one of **five "first-timers"** to compete in The Chase.
- **Kyle Busch** climbed from fifth to fourth in the point standings and will compete in the Chase for the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup for **first time**. He is one of **five "first-timers"** to compete in The Chase.
- **Denny Hamlin** climbed from seventh to fifth in the point standings. Hamlin will compete in the Chase for the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup for **first time**. He is the first Raybestos rookie contender to compete in The Chase.
- **Dale Earnhardt Jr.** remained sixth in the point standings and will compete in the Chase for the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup for the **second time in three years**. He finished **fifth** in 2004 and **19th** in 2005.
- **Mark Martin** climbed from ninth to seventh in the point standings and will compete in the Chase for the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup for the **third straight year** - just three drivers to do so. Martin finished **fourth** in 2004 and 2005.
- **Jeff Burton** climbed from 10th to eighth in the point standings and will compete in the Chase for the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup for **first time**.
- **Jeff Gordon** dropped from **fourth to ninth** in the point standings. He will compete in the Chase for the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup for the **second time in three years**. Gordon finished **third** in 2004 and **11th** in 2005.
- **Kasey Kahne** climbed from 11th to 10th in the point standings and will compete in the Chase for the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup for **first time**.
- **Tony Stewart** dropped from eighth to 11th in the point standings, missing The Chase by **16 points**.. This is the first year that Stewart will not finish among the top-10 since 1999.
- **Seven drivers in the top-11** changed points positions at Richmond International Raceway.

Heading to New Hampshire

- **Ryan Newman** has won **four of the last eight** Bud Poles at New Hampshire International Speedway. His four Bud poles at New Hampshire are the most of any driver.
- There have been **four different race winners** in the last four races at New Hampshire International Speedway.
- **Jimmie Johnson** swept both races at New Hampshire International Speedway in 2003; **Kurt Busch** swept both races there in 2004. These are the only sweeps in the nine-year period of twice-a-year racing there.
- **Jeff Burton** leads all drivers, scoring **four victories** at New Hampshire International Speedway.
- **Jeff Gordon** leads all drivers scoring **nine top-five** finishes in 23 races at New Hampshire International Speedway.
- **Dale Jarrett** leads all drivers scoring **14 top-10** finishes in 23 races at New Hampshire International Speedway.
- **Greg Biffle** has posted **three straight top-five finishes** at New Hampshire International Speedway, **the longest current streak**.
- **Ryan Newman** leads all active drivers with a **6.0 starting average** in nine races at New Hampshire International Speedway.
- **Jimmie Johnson** leads all active drivers with more than one start with an **8.66 finishing average** in nine races at New Hampshire International Speedway. Johnson has posted top-15 finishes in all nine of his races at New Hampshire.
- The NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Leader bonus will be worth **\$60,000** at New Hampshire International Speedway.