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MATT CRAFTON

No. 88 Menards / CertainTeed Chevrolet Silverado
NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Race 22 of 25 – Talladega Superspeedway

100-PERCENT: Matt Crafton and the No. 88 Menards/CertainTeed team head to NASCAR's biggest track, Talladega Superspeedway, with a few perfect stats. Crafton has competed in all of the five of the previous NASCAR Camping World Truck Series events at Talladega Superspeedway. Crafton has also completed 100-percent of the 475 laps of competition at the 2.66-mile tri-oval, an impressive stat at one of NASCAR's most notorious 'wild card' tracks.

DEGA DATA: In his five previous starts at Talladega, Crafton has racked up one top-five and two top-10 finishes. His best finish of fourth was achieved in last year's event where Crafton led four laps. Crafton has an average start of 16.0 and an average finish of 13.2 at the Alabama track.



GODSPEED, GOOD FRIEND: ThorSport Racing was deeply saddened at the news that the racing world lost Dan Wheldon in last weekend's IZOD IndyCar Series race at Las Vegas Motor Speedway. As a Curb Records teammate, Wheldon was a member of the ThorSport Racing family, and the entire organization will honor him with special decals on all three TSR

entries in addition to apparel to be worn by all of the team's drivers and crew members.

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CHASSIS HISTORY: The No. 88 team will utilize chassis No. 40 this weekend at Talladega Superspeedway. This is a brand new superspeedway chassis which will be making its first laps when it hits the track for Friday's practice session.

PREVIOUS RACE RECAP: Crafton scored a second-place finish in a caution-filled race at Las Vegas Motor Speedway, earning his 12th top-10 finish of 2011. After fighting handling issues early in the race and running as far back as 19th, the team perfected the No. 88 Menards/Ideal Door Chevrolet Silverado by the end of the event, charging to the front of the pack and coming up just shy of a win in the first Vegas day race in nine years.



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Race Info:

October 22, 2011
Talladega Superspeedway
2.66-Mile Tri-Oval
Coca-Cola 250 powered by Fred's
94 Laps/250.04 Miles

Broadcast Info:

TV: SPEED will broadcast live at 4:00 p.m. EST
Radio: MRN will broadcast live at 3:45 p.m. EST

Team Facts:

Current Point Standings: 6th
Crew Chief: Bud Haefele
Chassis: 40
Engine: Earnhardt-Childress Racing (ECR)

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NASCAR Camping World Truck Series results
at Talladega Superspeedway:

Starts: 5
Wins: 0
Poles: 0
Top 5: 1
Top 10: 2
Laps Led: 4
Average Start: 16.0
Average Finish: 13.2

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THOUGHTS FROM THE DRIVER: Matt Crafton

How do you feel about Talladega Superspeedway?

"I really enjoy the actual racing at Talladega and being at that track, but there's also a part of you that is always a little anxious going there because so much of what happens there is outside of your control. I've been fortunate that I've managed to stay out of trouble in the last five races, but you never know what can happen. It's all about finding the right people to work with, developing a plan and making sure you're still on the track for the checkered flag."

What are your thoughts on the loss of Dan Wheldon?

"I was really sad to find out about the passing of Dan Wheldon. Losing a driver, in any form of motorsports, is always a possibility, it's part of the danger of the sport. But as a driver, you always like to put that possibility out of your mind and just focus on being the very best at what you do. It's very sad to lose someone in our racing community, and Dan was a good guy and a good friend to ThorSport Racing. Right now I just feel bad for his family."

Matt Crafton 2011 NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Stats

Date	Track	Sponsor	Chassis	Start	Finish	Status	Standings
2/18	Daytona International Speedway	Menards / HERCULINER	24	7	10	Running	6
2/25	Phoenix International Raceway	Menards / Ideal Door	34	6	7	Running	1
3/12	Darlington Raceway	Menards / Tarkett	30	4	4	Running	1
4/2	Martinsville Speedway	Menards / Tarkett	34	7	11	Running	2
4/22	Nashville Superspeedway	Menards / Ideal Door	35	15	6	Running	3
5/13	Dover International Speedway	Menards / CertainTeed	33	10	3	Running	1
5/20	Charlotte Motor Speedway	Menards / Great Lakes Wood Floors	32	14	26	Running	3
6/4	Kansas Speedway	Menards / Ideal Door	35	17	18	Running	4
6/10	Texas Motor Speedway	Menards / CertainTeed	36	11	29	Crash	5
7/7	Kentucky Speedway	Menards / Tarkett	41	15	32	Engine	8
7/16	Iowa Speedway	Menards / Ideal Door	35	11	1	Running	5
7/22	Nashville Superspeedway	Menards / Goof Off	35	15	11	Running	6
7/29	Lucas Oil Raceway at Indianapolis	Menards / Ideal Door	34	8	6	Running	6
8/6	Pocono Raceway	Menards / Ideal Door	41	13	8	Running	6
8/20	Michigan International Speedway	Menards / Schrock	41	1	21	Crash	6
8/24	Bristol Motor Speedway	Menards / Goof Off	33	18	21	Running	7
9/2	Atlanta Motor Speedway	Menards / Zecol	37	7	7	Running	7
9/16	Chicagoland Speedway	Menards / Fisher Nuts	37	10	7	Running	6
9/24	New Hampshire Motor Speedway	Menards / Great Lakes Wood Floors	34	10	6	Running	6
10/1	Kentucky Speedway	Menards / Ideal Door	41	6	23	Running	8
10/15	Las Vegas Motor Speedway	Menards / Ideal Door	41	5	2	Running	6
10/22	Talladega Superspeedway	Menards / CertainTeed	40				
10/29	Martinsville Speedway						
11/4	Texas Motor Speedway						
11/18	Homestead-Miami Speedway						

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