

PAUL MENARD

Race: Nashville 300 - Nashville Superspeedway

Team: No. 98 Richmond/Menards Ford Fusion

Crew Chief: Matt Puccia

Chassis: RK-377 Last ran at Dover, Sept. 09, Finished 5th with Carl Edwards

Broadcast Information: 4:00 p.m. (EDT) ESPN and MRN radio affiliates

FAST FACTS

PAUL MENARD will make his seventh NASCAR Nationwide Series start at Nashville Superspeedway in Saturdays Nashville 300.

MENARD AT Nashville... In six starts at Nashville, Menard has two top-15 starts and two top-10 finishes. This weekend will be the first time Menard will race a Ford at Nashville. Menards best finish at Nashville came in a Chevrolet in 2007 where he finished 5th.

LAPS...Menard has completed all (100%) of the laps he has attempted in NNS competition in 2010. Menard has completed 1290 of 1350 (95.6%) of the laps he has attempted in NNS competition at Nashville. He finished all six previous races in running condition.

ON THE TRACK...The No. 98 team will carry the Richmond/Menards paint scheme on their Ford Fusion for this weekends NNS Nashville 300 at Nashville.

REWIND, Scotts Turf Builder 300... The NASCAR Nationwide Series headed to Bristol Motor Speedway two weekends ago for the Scotts Turf Builder 300 for the fourth race of the 2010 season. With 43 cars making up the field, Menard started his Tide/Menards No. 98 Ford Fusion in 28th position, but was able to patiently work his way through the field; keeping his Ford out of the trouble that has made Bristol famous. By just the 13th lap of the race, Menard had moved all the way inside the top 15. He broke into the top 10 for the first time on lap 61 and moved as far up as fourth after staying out under caution on lap 198. With the car handling tight, Menard pitted for the final time of the race for four tires and a wedge adjustment on lap 268. He restarted in 18th position and used the final 32 laps of the race to move to 11th; where he crossed the finish line. With the strong finish Menard, who is off to the best start of his NNS career, moved up two places to seventh in the NNS point standings; 41 points out of fifth place and 142 points behind of Roush Fenway teammate Carl Edwards in first position. This was Menards third finish of 11th or better in four starts this season.

MENARDS ON THE TRACK... In addition to their partnership with Roush Fenway Racing and the No. 98 Ford Fusion NASCAR Nationwide Series team, Menards is also affiliated with the racing ventures: Matt Crafton and Frank Kimmel, as well as the No. 98 Richard Petty Motorsports Ford Fusion entry in the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series.

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QUOTES

Paul Menard on racing at Nashville Superspeedway:

"I'm looking forward to concentrating on our Nationwide program this weekend at Nashville. I believe we have a good car, a solid team, and a great game plan to be successful. There is no doubt in my mind that we can walk away with a top three finish this Saturday afternoon."

Crew chief Matt Puccia on racing at Nashville Superspeedway:

"We have high expectations for the first stand-alone event of the year because Paul will focus solely on

the Nationwide car. Our team is coming together at the right time and I believe a top three finish is very possible. We have tested this car a number of times and believe it will be among the fastest in the field. Paul has some experience at Nashville and that always helps improve performance on concrete tracks."

STATS

MENARDS NNS RESULTS AT NASHVILLE SUPERSPEEDWAY

| Race | Start | Finish | Laps | Status |
|-------------------------------|-------|--------|---------|---------|
| 2003-Trace Adkins Chrome 300 | 43 | 12 | 223/225 | Running |
| 2004-Pepsi 300 | 24 | 16 | 222/225 | Running |
| 2005-Pepsi 300 | 16 | 36 | 170/225 | Running |
| 2005-Federated Auto Parts 300 | 25 | 13 | 225/225 | Running |
| 2006-Pepsi 300 | 5 | 9 | 225/225 | Running |
| 2007-Federated Auto Parts 300 | 14 | 5 | 225/225 | Running |

Starts Laps

6 1290 of 1350 (95.6%)

Average Start Laps Led

21.2 7

Average Finish

15.2

MENARDS 2010 NNS RESULTS...

| Starts | Wins | Top 5 | Top 10 | Laps | Laps Led | Avg.St. | Avg.Fn. | Rank |
|--------|------|-------|--------|------|----------|-------------------------|---------|------|
| 4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 772 | 0 | 23.5 | 11.0 | 7 |