

More photos from Union Cross Country at State Championships



UCHS 2015-16 basketball schedule

Day	Date	Opponent	Location	Vars
Tuesday	Nov. 10	Hayesville	Away	5:30
Tuesday	Nov. 17	Gilmer	Home	6:00
Monday	Nov. 23	Dawson	Home	6:00
Tuesday	Nov. 24	Lumpkin	Home	7:00
Tuesday	Dec. 1	Lumpkin	Away	6:00
Friday	Dec. 4	Towns	The Pit	7:00
Tuesday	Dec. 8	Lakeview	Away	6:00
Friday	Dec. 11	Towns	Away	7:00
Tuesday	Dec. 15	Fannin	Home	6:00
Friday	Dec. 18	Oglethorpe	Away	5:00
Tuesday	Dec. 22	Greene	Away	5:00
Monday	Dec. 28	TBD	Towns	TBD
Tuesday	Dec. 29	TBD	Towns	TBD
Wednesday	Dec. 30	TBD	Towns	TBD
Tuesday	Jan. 5	Riverside	Away	6:00
Friday	Jan. 8	Rabun	Home	7:00
Saturday	Jan. 9	Wilkes	Away	2:00
Tuesday	Jan. 12	Fannin	Away	6:00
Saturday	Jan. 16	Social Circle	Home	2:00
Tuesday	Jan. 19	Dawson	Away	6:00
Friday	Jan. 22	Greene	Home	5:00
Saturday	Jan. 23	Oglethorpe	Home	2:00
Tuesday	Jan. 26	Riverside	Home	6:00
Friday	Jan. 29	Rabun	Away	7:00
Friday	Feb. 5	Social Circle	Away	6:00

UCMS Wrestling Schedule

Mon. Oct. 19th Wrestling Season starts
Sat. Oct. 31st Dawson Co. Tournament
Sat. Nov. 7th Lumpkin Tournament
Wed. Nov. 11th @ UNION w/ Dawson
Sat. Nov. 14th Pickens Tournament
Tues. Nov. 17th @ Pickens w/ Fannin
Thur. Nov. 19th @ UNION w/ Towns, White, Dawson
Sat. Nov. 21st Towns Co. Tournament
Tues. Dec. 1st @ UNION w/ Gilmer and Fannin
Sat. Dec. 5th Habersham Tournament
Fri. Dec. 11th @ Towns
Sat. Dec. 12th White County AWL DUALS
Sat. Dec. 19th White County AWL TOURNAMENT

High School Wrestling Schedule 2015-16

Monday Oct. 26th wrestling begins
Sat. Oct. 31st NGC Weight Assessment
Tues. Nov. 10th NGC Weight Assessment
Sat. Nov. 21st Union Invitational @ the Pit 8am weigh-in 9am start
Tues. Nov. 24th Home @ THE PIT w/ Fannin start 5pm
Wed. Nov. 25th @ St. Pius 8am weigh-in 9am start
Fri/Sat Dec. 4-5 @ Towns for King of the Mountain weigh-in 4pm start 5pm
Friday Dec. 11th @ Towns
Sat. Dec. 12th @ Rabun Gap 8/9 am
Tues. Dec. 15th @ Towns Co. Start 5pm
Friday Dec. 18th Friday Night Fights at Union County 4/5
Fri/Sat Jan. 21-22 Amicolola Falls Classic @ Dawson County
Tuesday Dec. 29th Stephens County Rumble
Wednesday Dec. 30th @ Wesleyan w/ Rabun Co.
Wed. Jan. 6th @ Pickens County
Fri/Sat Jan. 8-9th Area Duals @ Rabun County High School
Tuesday Jan. 12th SENIOR NIGHT w/ Dawson and Rabun Gap @ THE PIT
Fri/Sat Jan. 14-15th STATUEDUALS @ Macon Coliseum
Fri/Sat Jan. 22-23 Burnt Mountain Classic @ Pickens County
Tuesday Jan 26th @ Hayesville w/ Swain
Fri/Sat Jan. 29-30th AREA TOURNAMENT @ Social Circle High
Fri/Sat Feb. 5-6th SECTIONALS @ GAC
Thu/Fri/Sat Feb. 11-13th STATETOURNAMENT @ GWINNETT ARENA

Run for Recovery 5K

The first Run for Recovery 5K takes place at the beautiful Meeks Park in Blairsville, GA, during the peak of fall November 14th. Located in the picturesque North Georgia Mountains, your 5K journey will present an experience of breathtaking art by God's nature and man's handiwork. Beyond the personal race for victory, your participation will support the fight against drug addiction. Come help us celebrate the drug free life.

We will begin registration at 8 a.m., race at 9 a.m. The course will start at the end pavilion of Meeks Park signified by a sign. Abundance of parking is available. Make sure all waivers are signed, and bring a picture ID. Rain or shine - dress accordingly. Pre-register at www.ACTIVE.com, \$25 online, \$35 morning of race. Call 706-487-8100 for more information.



On-line registration is now open for Upward Indoor Soccer for boys and girls in grades Kindergarten through 8th Grade at www.hopb.org or at www.fumcunioncounty.org.

The registration price to participate is \$60, through December 10, 2015, and an additional \$10 will be applied thereafter. Payment plans are available, if needed. Convenient weekly practices commence January 11, 2016, while games will be held every Saturday between January 30 and March 5, 2016.

Registrants should attend the evaluation that will be held on Thursday, December 10, 2015 on a drop-in basis between the hours of 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. at the House of Prayer Family Life Center located behind the sanctuary.

For more information regarding registration, contact (706) 745-5925. Information regarding Upward Sports can be found online at www.upward.org.

NASCAR 2015

By Gerald Hodges/the Racing Reporter

Johnson wins at Texas

FT WORTH, Tex.—Brad Keselowski set a new track record by leading 312 laps in Sunday's 334-lap Sprint Cup race, but it was Jimmie Johnson that went to victory lane.

Johnson moved into second behind Keselowski with 14 laps remaining. For the next eight laps, he remained glued to Keselowski's rear bumper. With four-to-go, Johnson dove under Keselowski going into turn-3, and as the pair entered the front straightaway, Johnson had taken over as the new leader.

Keselowski didn't have what he needed in those final few laps.

"I just kept working on him and I saw where he was getting tight," said Johnson. "I kept watching and watching until I found where he was weakest and made my move. It worked and here we are."

The win was Johnson's fifth of the season.

"The 48-car (Johnson) did a hell of a job," said Keselowski. "I knew my car was getting tight, and after he made that big move on me, I couldn't stay with him."

Several drivers including Kevin Harvick, the third-place finisher, had tire problems during the race. Harvick had a tire go down on two separate occasions.

"I didn't have any indication there was anything wrong until they let go," he said. "They said the first one was caused by a cut from something sharp. I don't know. It could be that the track surface was rough. They spoiled our day, but we're not giving up, and still expect to win this thing."

Kyle Busch was fourth, followed by Carl Edwards, Dale Earnhardt Jr., Kurt Busch, Martin Truex Jr., Jeff Gordon and Jamie McMurray.

One of the most disappointed drivers was Joey Logano. He had a left-rear tire go down during lap-10, damaging his car. He spent 66 laps in the garage while his team made repairs.

"It just happened and I spun around," said Logano. "After this race it's not about points, it's about winning."

Logano finished 40th and is last in Chase points. He must win next week at Phoenix if he is to move on to the final Chase round.

Others that experienced tire problems were Dale Earnhardt Jr., Ryan Blaney, and Tony Stewart.

Top-eight Chase drivers: 1. Gordon-4082, 2. Kyle Busch-4080, 3. Harvick-4079, 4. Truex-4076, 5. Edwards-4069, 6. Keselowski-4057, 7. Kurt Busch-4048, 8. Logano-4013.

Note: After next week's race at Phoenix, the number of Chase drivers will be reduced to four. The highest finishing driver at Homestead, which is the last race of the season, will be the 2015 Sprint Cup champion.

Keselowski Charges To Xfinity Win
 Brad Keselowski caught and passed Austin Dillon on a restart with 16 laps to go, then held off fellow Cup driver Kevin Harvick for his 34th Xfinity Series win.

"First off, Austin Dillon was really good and he was one of the toughest guys to beat," Keselowski said. "I knew Kevin was good, but our car kept getting better and better. It's the kind of race you always hope for."

Kevin Harvick finished as runner-up 1.137-seconds back. Austin Dillon, Erik Jones, Ty Dillon, Daniel Suarez, Brian Scott, Chase Elliott, Regan Smith, and Elliott Sadler were the remaining top-10.

Kyle Larson led 50 laps, and appeared to have the fastest car in the field, but a left-rear tire blew out on lap 178 of the 200-lap race. His car was damaged beyond repair, and he was unable to finish.

Top-10 leaders with two races left: 1. C. Buescher-1126, 2. Elliott-1102, 3. T. Dillon-1096, 4. Smith-1095, 5. Sadler-1008, 6. Wallace Jr.-1001, 7. Suarez-1000, 8. Scott-957, 9. Gaughan-957, 10. Reed-854.

Erik Jones Wins Texas Truck Race
 Erik Jones driver of the



Jimmie Johnson
 Kyle Busch Motorsports No. 4 Toyota ran away with Friday's truck race at Texas, leading 117 laps of the 147-lap race. The race was the first of three consecutive races the young driver ran over the weekend. In addition to the truck race, he ran Saturday's Xfinity Series event, and then filled in for Matt Kenseth, who was suspended for two races in the Joe Gibbs No. 20 in Sunday's Sprint Cup race.

Daniel Suarez finished second nearly three seconds back. Ryan Blaney, Matt Crafton, Tyler Reddick, Timothy Peters, Brandon Jones, Christopher Bell, Ben Kennedy, and Cameron Hayley made up the remaining top-10.

France Clarifies Martini Penalties
 NASCAR CEO Brian France addressed the two-race suspension handed out to Matt Kenseth for his role in the wreck that knocked himself and Joey Logano out of Sunday's Sprint Cup race at Martinsville Speedway.

Also penalized coming out of Martinsville was Danica Patrick for aggressive driving on David Gilliland. Patrick received a \$50,000 fine and the loss of 25 driver points. When asked about the difference between Kenseth's aggressive driving and Danica's, France noted the stakes that were on the line.

"Going back to Richmond, we made it very clear that anybody in the industry, any driver or participant who intentionally tries to alter the outcome of events or championships, that crosses a different line than a racing problem between two drivers," France said.

When asked about whether or not NASCAR drivers should be allowed to self-police the sport, France clarified the sanctioning body's position. "What Robin (Pemberton) was saying a few years ago was, 'hey look, boys have it, do your normal thing, and if we over-officiate, we'll draw back on that and let the normal racing action of NASCAR happen,'" France continued. "And that's what he meant, and that's what we tried to do."

"When there are lines that are crossed, like we believe there were in Martinsville, then NASCAR will step in and deal with that. And it's as simple as that."

Was the two-race suspension NASCAR handed to Matt Kenseth too much, too little or just right?

Weekend Racing: It will be the next to last racing weekend of the season. There will be three days of racing at the 1-mile Phoenix, Arizona track.

Fri., Nov. 13; Truck Series race 22 of 23; Starting time: 8:30 pm ET; TV: Foxsports1.

Sat., Nov. 14; Xfinity Series race 32 of 33; Starting time: 4 pm ET; TV: NBCS.

Sun., Nov. 15; Sprint Cup Series race 35 of 36; Starting time: 2:30 pm ET; TV: NBC.

Racing Trivia Question:
 Who is Joey Logano's teammate at Penske Racing?

Last Week's Question:
 Where will the first Sprint Cup race of the 2016 season be held? Answer: Daytona International Speedway.

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