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NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Race 2 of 22 - Kroger 250 (250 LAPS, 131.5 MILES)

Saturday, March 31, 2012, 1:30pm ET Martinsville Speedway: .526- Paperclip shaped oval Banking in Corners: 12 degrees Banking on Straights: 0 degrees

Frontstretch: 800 feet Backstretch: 800 feet

#### Broadcast schedule

- Live SPEED Televised coverage Saturday, March 31st at 1:00pm
- Live radio coverage begins at 1:15pm on MRN & Sirius Satellite Radio
- Live Televised Practice on SPEED Friday, March 30th 2:00pm
- Live Televised Qualifying on SPEED, Saturday, March 31st at 10:00am

#### About the Sponsor



MC10 reshapes electronics to create thin, conformal systems that flex, stretch, and bend seamlessly with the natural world. The company is currently developing products for the sports, military, and biomedical fields and has initial partners including Reebok and Massachusetts General Hospital.

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Driver:	Paulie Harraka
Owner:	Richie Wauters
Sponsor:	MC10 reshaping electronics
Crew Chief:	Richie Wauters
Truck:	No. 5 MC10 Ford F-150
Chassis:	005

### Harraka Makes Debut on Famed Martinsville Short Track with Wauters Motorsports 'Harraka and Wauters Motorsports begin their marketing partnership with MC10'

Paulie Harraka will make his debut at historic Martinsville Speedway in the No. 5 MC10 Ford F-150 NASCAR Camping World Truck Saturday, March 31, 2012. Harraka will be making his second start for Wauters Motorsports as he pursues the 2012 Camping World Truck Series Sunoco Rookie of the Year title.

Harraka is known for his short track performances but this will be his first attempt at the .526-mile paperclip shaped racetrack in Martinsville, Virginia.

"I can't wait to get to Martinsville. While Martinsville is a unique place, with such tight corners, it's the closest we'll come to the tracks that I've raced up to this point," Paulie Harraka said. "Because I'm very accustomed to racing on 1/2 –mile short tracks, I believe I'll be able to adapt quickly to Martinsville. Plus, the tight and tough racing that Martinsville creates is what this series is known for!"

Team owner, Richie Wauters in his tenure as a crew chief has posted four top-five and eight top-10 finishes at Martinsville Speedway but has yet to bring home the prized trophy, a Grandfather Clock.

"We've come close to winning at Martinsville," team owner, Richie Wauters said. "We are looking forward to having Paulie (Harraka) on the short track, as he is accustomed to them, but Martinsville is a tricky little track with two tight corners that really tests your braking. We have a brand new chassis that we are bringing and are happy to get back to racing."

The Martinsville Speedway Kroger 250 NASCAR Camping World Truck Series race also brings a new partnership for the team, as MC10 begins their marketing partnership with Harraka and Wauters Motorsports.

Harraka will be in-show featured NASCAR Camping World Truck Series driver on the Prerace Setup Show live on SPEED beginning at 1:00pm on Saturday, March 31, 2012. SPEED followed Paulie Harraka and Wauters Motorsports in Daytona and traveled to Duke University to shadow Harraka for a day in the life of a college senior / professional racecar driver.





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## **ABOUT PAULIE HARRAKA**

Birthday: Sept. 15, 1989 Hometown: Wayne, N.J. Resides: Durham, NC



Photo Scott Hunter

About Team Owner Richie Wauters: Veteran NASCAR crew chief Richie Wauters takes the leap into NASCAR Camping World Truck Series team ownership forming Wauters Motorsports which in 2012 will be driven by Sunoco Rookie of the Year contender Paulie Harraka.

Wauters' career began at tracks around his hometown Green Bay, Wis. and quickly moved into the NASCAR Touring Series. Wauters crewed successful NASCAR Sprint Cup teams with drivers Kenny Wallace, Elliott Sadler, Robert Pressley and Jeff Green.

Wauters, in his tenure as a crew chief in the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series, led teams to 17 victories from 2004-2010 with drivers Shane Hmiel, Kyle Busch and Aric Almirola.

In his off time Wauters still focuses on racing with his Late Model team. The team won the legendary Snowball Derby in 2004 at Pensacola Speedway in Florida and finished second in 2005. His NASCAR Southeast Series team has nine wins over two seasons. The team won the Southeastern Elite Division championship and won the last race of the Elite Division at the Phoenix International Raceway in 2006.

Wauters has worked with such drivers as: Davey Allison, Aric Almirola, John Andretti, Kyle Busch, Bill Elliott, Jeff Green, Scott Hanson, Denny Hamlin, Alan Kulwicki, Mark Martin, Paul Menard, David Regan, Elliot Sadler, Jimmy Spencer, Dick Trickle, Kenny Wallace and Steven Wallace.

# PAULIE HARRAKA HAS BEEN CALLED MANY THINGS, BUT COMMON HAS NEVER BEEN ONE OF THEM ...

Beginning in go-karts, Harraka began a racing career that took motorsports by storm. Within 3 years, and before his 10<sup>th</sup> birthday, he was National Champion. The next year, he was World Champion. 6 World Championships later, and after a move to <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> scale Legends Cars, Harraka still found himself in the Winner's Circle. He also found himself at a crossroads: he had just graduated high school with a 4.38 GPA.

To Harraka, it was obvious: take the advice of Mike Krzyzewski and "Erect no artificial walls that might limit potential, stifle creativity, or shackle innovation." So what did Harraka do? "I wanted to be the most complete racecar driver in the world," he explains. "So I went to Duke University to study engineering, sports psychology, leadership, and business. And I interned in R&D at Joe Gibbs Racing, following it up with a stint in Corporate Marketing at NASCAR's Manhattan office.

Harraka is now a senior at Duke, getting ready to graduate. But don't think he stopped racing to do it. He traveled, almost every weekend, to a NASCAR race. While a student at Duke, he won countless NASCAR races, the Championship in NASCAR's Whelen All-American Series, and 2 different NASCAR Rookie of the Year titles. He's still climbing NASCAR's ladder, and is the sport's brightest young star.

Beyond that, he's a Celebrity Ambassador for Childhelp, a national nonprofit that works with abused, neglected, and at risk children.

2012 WAUTERS MOTORSPORTS RACE BY RACE STATISTICS							
Site	ST	FIN	Laps	Status	Driver	Led	
Daytona	14	19	105/109	Running	Paulie Harraka	0	
Totals	14.0	19.0	105/109	0 DNF	1 Driver	0	
			96.3%				