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NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Race 10 of 22 Chicagoland Speedway American Ethanol 220 (150 LAPS, 225 MILES)

Saturday July 21, 2012 8:00 PM ET Track Facts

- Size: 1.5-mile
- Banking in Turns: 18 degrees
- Degree of Banking on Straights: Tri-oval 11 degrees, Back 5 degrees

Broadcast schedule

- Qualifying televised Saturday July 21 on SPEED at 4:00 pm ET
- Live televised prerace coverage begins at 7:30pm ET on SPEED
- Live radio coverage begins at 7:15 pm ET on MRN & Sirius Satellite Radio

Quick Notes:

- Richie Wauters has 2 starts at Chicagoland as crew chief
 - 1 Win Kyle Busch 2009
 - 6th Place finish Aric Almirola 2010
- Paulie Harraka has made 4 starts at 1.5-mile tracks in 2012
 - o Kansas
 - Kentucky
 - o Texas
 - o Charlotte
- Richie & Kay Wauters will celebrate their 24th-anniversary at Chicagoland Speedway on Saturday, July 21, 2012



Chicagoland Speedway – American Ethanol 225
Paulie Harraka
Richie Wauters
No. 5 Ford F-150
005- Last run Kentucky Speedway 2012

Paulie Harraka - Wauters Motorsports Head to the Windy City 'Rookie – Harraka to make first start at Chicagland Speedway'

Paulie Harraka and the No. 5 Wauters Motorsports team head to the windy city for the running of the American Ethanol 225 NASCAR Camping World Truck Series race at Chicagoland Speedway Saturday, July 21, 2012.

Harraka will be making his first start at the parabolic 1.5-mile racetrack in Joliet, Illinois.

"From everything I've heard, Chicagoland is a great track to race on," Harraka said. "I have never been there, but I'm excited to check it out and continue to build on our forward momentum this season."

Team owner Richie Wauters touts in two starts at Chicagoland Speedway one win (Kyle Busch, 2009) and two top-10 finishes.

"Chicagoland is similar to Kentucky Speedway but a bit more worn out," Richie Wauters said. "The surface is pretty rough in turns three and four. We are looking forward to heading there and hoping to have a better finish this week."

At Iowa Speedway last weekend, Paulie Harraka was in 12th place position when a tire issue sent the truck into the outside wall ending the night early for the Wauters Motorsports team.

"It's disappointing," Harraka said. "This Wauters Motorsports team works so hard on these trucks. We were running solid laps until the tire went down. We will get back at it in Chicagoland and see what we can do."

SPEED will provide live televised coverage of NASCAR Camping World Truck Series qualifying on Saturday, July 21st at 4:00pm ET with prerace coverage of the American Ethanol 225 beginning at 7:30pm ET. Live radio coverage on MRN & Sirius Satellite Radio begins at 7:15pm ET.

For more information on Paulie Harraka and Wauters Motorsports visit <u>www.PaulieHarraka.net</u>, Facebook: Paulie Harraka, Twitter: @PaulieHarraka, <u>www.WautersMotorsports.com</u>, Facebook: Wauters Motorsports and Twitter: @WautersMotors5.



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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 guickly 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 10th birthday, he was National Champion. The next year, he was World Champion. 6 World Championships later, and after a move to ³/₄ 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 recent graduate of Duke University is ready for a full-time profession in NASCAR. While going to Duke he traveled, almost every weekend, to a NASCAR race winning 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	Money	Led	
Daytona	14	19	105/109	Running	\$13,300		
Martinsville	18	22	248/250	Running	\$10,675		
Rockingham	2	26	195/200	Running	\$9,325		
Kansas	27	27	158/167	Running	\$12,975		
Charlotte	20	30	84/134	Accident	\$8,025		
Dover	25	17	147/147	Running	\$13,200		
Texas I	22	28	69/167	Accident	\$8,700		
Kentucky I	23	17	150/150	Running	\$10,795		
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Totals	18.2	24.3	1205/1524	3 DNF's	\$93,995	0	
			79.1%				