

**Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series Race Number 5**

**Unofficial Race Results for the 22Nd Annual Auto Club 400 - Sunday, March 18, 2018**

**Auto Club Speedway - Fontana, CA - 2 Mile Paved**

**Total Race Length - 200 Laps - 400 Miles**



Fin	Str	Car	Driver	Team	Stage 1		Stage 2		Pts	Status	Tms		Playoff Pts
					Laps	Pos	Pos	Laps					
1	1	78	Martin Truex Jr.	Bass Pro Shops/5-hour ENERGY Toyota	200	1	1	60	Running	6	125	7	
2	3	42	Kyle Larson	DC Solar Chevrolet	200	6	8	43	Running				
3	2	18	Kyle Busch	Interstate Batteries Toyota	200	2	3	51	Running	6	62		
4	11	2	Brad Keselowski	Wurth Ford	200	4	2	49	Running				
5	6	22	Joey Logano	Auto Club of Southern California Ford	200	3	6	45	Running	1	9		
6	25	11	Denny Hamlin	FedEx Express Toyota	200	10	4	39	Running	1	1		
7	4	20	Erik Jones	SiriusXM Toyota	200	8	5	39	Running				
8	8	12	Ryan Blaney	PPG Ford	200			29	Running				
9	33	48	Jimmie Johnson	Lowe's for Pros Chevrolet	200	5	7	38	Running				
10	5	3	Austin Dillon	Dow Coating Chevrolet	200			27	Running				
11	26	14	Clint Bowyer	Rush Truck Centers Ford	199	9	9	30	Running				
12	27	10	Aric Almirola	Smithfield Ford	199			25	Running				
13	28	88	Alex Bowman	Nationwide Chevrolet	199			24	Running				
14	7	41	Kurt Busch	Haas Automation/Monster Energy Ford	199	7		27	Running				
15	29	24	William Byron #	AXALTA Chevrolet	199		10	23	Running	1	1		
16	31	9	Chase Elliott	NAPA Auto Parts Chevrolet	199			21	Running				
17	15	1	Jamie McMurray	McDonald's Chevrolet	199			20	Running	1	1		
18	16	17	Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	Ford Ford	199			19	Running				
19	14	21	Paul Menard	Menards/FVP Ford	199			18	Running				
20	19	43	Darrell Wallace Jr. #	Farmer John Chevrolet	199			17	Running				
21	9	31	Ryan Newman	Chevrolet Accessories Chevrolet	199			16	Running				
22	32	47	AJ Allmendinger	Kroger ClickList Chevrolet	199			15	Running				
23	30	19	Daniel Suarez	ARRIS Toyota	199			14	Running				
24	34	95	Kasey Kahne	WRL General Contractors Chevrolet	199			13	Running	1	1		
25	21	38	David Ragan	1000Bowls.com Ford	199			12	Running				
26	22	34	Michael McDowell	Love's Travel Stops Ford	199			11	Running				
27	17	13	Ty Dillon	Twisted Tea Chevrolet	198			10	Running				
28	37	72	Cole Whitt	SoCal Chevy Chevrolet	198			9	Running				
29	36	15	Ross Chastain(i)	LowT Center Chevrolet	198			0	Running				
30	12	37	Chris Buescher	Healthy Choice Power Bowls Chevrolet	197			7	Running				
31	18	32	Matt DiBenedetto	Can-Am/Wholey Ford	196			6	Running				
32	20	23	Gray Gaulding	Earthwater Toyota	194			5	Running				
33	35	51	Timmy Hill(i)	Bubba Burgers Chevrolet	193			0	Running				
34	24	55	* Reed Sorenson	Chevrolet	193			3	Running				
35	10	4	Kevin Harvick	Busch Beer Ford	191			2	Running				
36	23	00	Jeffrey Earnhardt	VRX Simulators Chevrolet	189			1	Running				
37	13	6	Trevor Bayne	Performance Plus Ford	108			1	Accident				

**Time of Race:** 2 Hrs, 42 Mins, 41 Secs. **Average Speed:** 147.526 MPH **Margin of Victory:** 11.685 Seconds

**Stage 1 Top 10:** 78,18,22,2,48,42,1,20,14,11

**Stage 2 Top 10:** 78,2,18,11,20,22,48,42,14,24

**Race Comments:** Martin Truex Jr. won the Auto Club 400 at Auto Club Speedway, his 16th Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series victory. Prior to the start of the race, the following cars dropped to the rear of the field under penalty for reasons indicated: #23, 88 – engine, 19 – back up car and 34 – rear gear.

**Failed to Qualify:** N/A

**Caution Flags:** 5 for 21 laps: Laps: 39-42 (#4 Incident in Turn 2 [37]); 62-66 (Stage 1 Conclusion [15]); 110-113 (#6 Incident in Turn 4 [31]); 122-126 (Stage 2 Conclusion [21]); 130-132 (#38 Incident in Turn 2 [13]).

**Lead Changes:** 16 among 7 drivers: M. Truex Jr. 1-10; Kyle Busch 11-28; J. McMurray 29; Kyle Busch 30; M. Truex Jr. 31-63; J. Logano 64-72; M. Truex Jr. 73-89; Kyle Busch 90-93; M. Truex Jr. 94-123; Kyle Busch 124-130; K. Kahne 131; W. Byron # 132; Kyle Busch 133-160; M. Truex Jr. 161-163; D. Hamlin 164; Kyle Busch 165-168; M. Truex Jr. 169-200.

**American Ethanol Green Flag Restart Award:** Martin Truex Jr, #78

**Fastest Lap:** Martin Truex Jr, #78

**Mahle Clevite Engine Builder of the Race:** Toyota Racing Development (TRD), #18

**Moog Go the Extra Mile:** Denny Hamlin, #11 crew chief Michael Wheeler, -0.202 seconds

**Sunoco Rookie of the Race:** William Byron, #24

(i) Ineligible for driver points in this series

**Next Race:** Mar. 25, 2018 - Martinsville Speedway