



DuPont Motorsports Post-Race Report  
Sprint All-Star Race  
Lowe's Motor Speedway  
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**Team DuPont Finishes 15th in All-Star Race at Lowe's Motor Speedway**

Jeff Gordon and Team DuPont did not win the \$1 million during the annual All-Star event at Lowe's Motor Speedway on Saturday night, but they hope the information gathered in finishing 15th pays dividends in the future. Kasey Kahne, who was voted into the "non-points" event, won the 100-lap event broken up into four 25-lap segments.

Gordon, who started second, had fallen to sixth by the end of the first segment.

"I'm loose in, good through the middle of the corner but loose off," Gordon explained to crew chief Steve Letarte over the team radio. "I have no drive off the corner."

Several chassis adjustments were made to the No. 24 DuPont Chevrolet during the four-tire pit stop, but the changes hurt the handling.

"I'm still sideways on exit," Gordon reported on lap 34 while running 13th. "But we've 'killed' the middle of the corner."

During the 10-minute break at the 50-lap mark, Letarte called for major chassis adjustments. Gordon restarted 14th, but lost one position during the 25-lap run.

In an effort to gain track position, only right-side tires were changed during the final pit stop at lap 75. Gordon restarted 11th for the final segment, but lost four positions during the final run to the checkered flag.

"This race showed that clean air and pit strategy are extremely important," Gordon said after the caution-free race. "You've got to have the car close and that was our problem. We could never gamble to get the track position because we weren't close enough."

"I was surprised there weren't any cautions because I thought I was going to be the first caution in the first corner of the first lap."

"The handling went back and forth during the race. We could never get it dialed in, but I think we learned a lot which should help us next week."

Next Sunday, the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series returns to Lowe's Motor Speedway for the Coca-Cola 600. FOX will broadcast the race live beginning at 5 p.m. EDT while PRN Radio's live broadcast begins at 5:30 p.m. EDT.

All-Star race results (unofficial)

1. Kasey Kahne
2. Greg Biffle
3. Matt Kenseth
4. Jimmie Johnson
5. Tony Stewart
6. Ryan Newman
7. Sam Hornish, Jr.
8. Dale Earnhardt, Jr.
9. Mark Martin
10. Carl Edwards

**15. Jeff Gordon**