

= 2010 Goody 's Fast Pain Relief 500 =

The 2010 Goody 's Fast Pain Relief 500 at Martinsville Speedway in Martinsville , Virginia was the sixth race of the 2010 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series season . It was scheduled to start at 1 p.m. EDT on March 28 , 2010 , but due to rain it ran on March 29 , 2010 at 12 noon EDT . The 2010 Goody 's Fast Pain Relief 500 was televised on Fox and was broadcast on MRN radio . This race was the first race that the spoiler replaced the wing on the Car of Tomorrow . The race had eight leaders , 26 lead changes , and 13 cautions .

= = Race report = =

= = = Practices and qualifying = = =

During the first practice on March 26 , 2010 the fastest were Ryan Newman , Mark Martin , Marcos Ambrose , Jeff Gordon , and Denny Hamlin . There was no major contact during first practice except for between Tony Stewart and Travis Kvapil . Qualifying for the Martinsville race was canceled because of rain showers in the area which caused them to line @-@ up by points . The pole @-@ sitter was Kevin Harvick , and Casey Mears , Terry Cook , and Johnny Sauter did not qualify . During the second practice on March 27 , 2010 the fastest were Mark Martin , Jeff Burton , Brian Vickers , Juan Pablo Montoya , and Jeff Gordon ; there was no major contact in the practice . The faster cars in Happy Hour (the final practice) on March 27 , 2010 were Jamie McMurray , Jeff Burton , Clint Bowyer , Jeff Gordon , and Denny Hamlin .

= = = Race summary = = =

The race was scheduled to start on Sunday , March 28 , 2010 , but rain delayed the event until noon EDT on Monday , March 29 . The pre @-@ race ceremonies began with Joey McNeil from Fort Trail Baptist Church saying the invocation . The Martinsville High School Jazz Band played the US national anthem , and Henry County administrator Benny Summerlin gave the command " Gentleman Start Your Engines ' " . Robby Gordon was sent to the back of the starting grid because he changed engines after Happy Hour . NASCAR announced before the race that there would be a competition caution on lap 50 . At 12 : 16 p.m. , the green flag waved with Kevin Harvick the leader . Kevin Harvick stayed the leader until lap 41 when the first caution stopped the field because of a tire going down on Joe Nemechek 's car . Since this caution came out near NASCAR 's schedule competition caution on Lap 50 , NASCAR canceled the competition caution . On lap 46 , Kevin Harvick led to the green flag with Kurt Busch second . After a ten lap run , Jeff Gordon passed Kevin for the lead . Then on lap 63 , David Stremme spun in turn four to bring out the second caution . Jeff Gordon , who stayed out of pit road , was still the leading when the green flag waved . Afterwards , on lap 75 , David Reutimann spun in turn one to cause the third caution of the race . Jeff Gordon was still leading the race when race resumed , but a lap later Kurt Busch edged Jeff to lead lap 82 . Then Jeff passed Kurt to lead again on lap 89 .

After the lead change , the race experienced a run of 46 laps . During the laps , Kevin Harvick took his Chevrolet to the garage because of brake issues , and on lap 125 Juan Pablo Montoya collided into the wall ; he went to the garage with major damage . The run ended because Robby Gordon , who blew a tire , caused the fourth caution to be waved . After all of the lead lap cars pitted the leader was Jeff Gordon . On lap 140 , Kurt Busch passed Jeff for the lead , but on lap 149 Jeff Burton passed Jeff and Kurt to get the lead . Thirteen laps later the fifth caution was given because Greg Biffle spun after having contact with Marcos Ambrose . During pit stops , Mark Martin stayed out to lead the field to the green flag on lap 168 . On lap 170 , the sixth caution was given because Elliott Sadler spun in turn four after contact with David Stremme . On the restart the leader was Mark Martin . A lap later , Mark Martin was passed by Kurt Busch on the backstretch . After leading eight more laps , Kurt Busch was passed by Mark Martin for the lead . On lap 199 , Kurt Busch was falling

back while Jeff Burton passed Mark for the lead .

After the lead change on lap 199 , most of the passing was from the back , but on lap 230 Denny Hamlin passed Jeff Burton for the lead . Four laps later the seventh yellow flag was given because Regan Smith and Robby Gordon couldn 't get to pit road after getting in to the wall . On the restart , Denny Hamlin took the field to the green flag . Soon after , Jeff Burton passed Hamlin to lead again . On lap 264 , Burton was leading by seven @-@ tenths of a second . By lap 277 , Burton was passed by Hamlin again .

On lap 303 , the eighth caution came out as a result of Elliott Sadler spinning in turn two . Jeff Burton led them to the next green flag on lap 310 . After five laps under green , the ninth caution came out because Marcos Ambrose had a tire deflating on his car . On lap 319 , the green flag waved with Burton the leader . Jeff Burton battled Denny Hamlin for several laps until Hamlin passed for the lead on lap 358 . Six laps later , the tenth caution came out because David Stremme spun in turn one . Denny Hamlin kept the lead after pit stops for the leaders were finished . Hamlin led 18 laps until Burton passed him back on lap 390 . He kept the lead until Hamlin passed him on lap 405 .

The eleventh caution was given because Kevin Conway got into the turn four wall . All of the lead lap cars pitted ; Hamlin returned to the track as the leader . The green flag came out on lap 426 with the rest of the top @-@ five being Jeff Burton , Kyle Busch , Clint Bowyer , and Matt Kenseth . On lap 429 , Jamie McMurray received a black flag because the rear panel of his car coming loose . There was a long run of sixty @-@ six laps after the eleventh caution , but the run ended because Jeff Burton 's tire deflated causing the twelfth caution of the day . Under the caution , second place Kyle Busch and leader Hamlin went to pit road which gave Jeff Gordon the lead . The green flag was given on lap 498 , but with a little more than one lap to go the thirteenth caution came out because Kyle Busch got sideways as a result of racing side by side with Paul Menard and Marcos Ambrose , causing a green @-@ white @-@ checker . After the caution the race extended passed the scheduled distance with the green flag on lap 506 . On the restart , Denny Hamlin passed Ryan Newman while he was also passing Jeff Gordon . Then Matt Kenseth , who was the leader , was passed by Hamlin after being bumped by Jeff Gordon . On the checkered flag Denny Hamlin got his third win at Martinsville and his first of the year .

= = Race results = =

In conclusion , the race had 8 leaders , 26 lead changes , and 13 cautions for 79 laps . Denny Hamlin led the most laps by leading 171 of the 508 laps .