## **RACE REPORT**

Aspen Dental Dirt Derby Eldora Speedway July 20, 2016

## Red Horse Racing at Eldora Speedway

It was time for NASCAR Camping World Truck Series teams to get down and dirty at Eldora Speedway this week, and teams traveled to the the Rossburg, Ohio track for the Aspen Dental Dirt Derby. During two practices on the half-mile clay oval on Tuesday evening, Timothy Peters was 17th and 13th fastest in the No. 17 Red Horse Racing Toyota Tundra, while Jake Griffin in the No. 11 Backlot Auctions Toyota Tundra was eighth and 11th fastest. On Wednesday, Griffin posted the sixth-fastest time during single-truck time trials, which earned him the second-place starting spot in the first qualifying race. Peters recorded the 34th-fastest lap while battling the handling on his Tundra, and started the fourth qualifying race in seventh. Griffin finished his qualifying race in the third position, earning the 11th starting spot in the main event, while Peters also transferred into the main event, finishing fourth and securing the 19th starting spot for the Aspen Dental Dirt Derby. The 150-lap race was divided into three segments of 40, 50 and 60 laps. Griffin secured the best finish of his career in just his fifth NCWTS start, with a strong fourth place run, while Peters battled the handling in his Tundra and then fell laps down due to repairs after contact with another competitor, finishing 27th.

Jake Griffin

No. 11 Backlot Auctions Toyota Tundra

## Jake Griffin Earns Fourth-Place Finish at Eldora Speedway

On Wednesday evening, 17-year-old Jake Griffin earned a top-five finish in his first start in the No. 11 Backlot Auctions Toyota Tundra. The young dirt track ace, making only his fifth NASCAR Camping World Truck Series start, was fast right off the bat. In two practices on Tuesday evening, Griffin was eighth and 11th fastest. In the first practice, Griffin hit the wall, requiring repairs to the right front suspension. In single-truck time trials, Griffin was sixth on the board, securing the second-place starting spot in the first qualifying race. Griffin finished the qualifying race in third, earning him the 11th position to start the Aspen Dental Dirt Derby. The 150-lap race was divided into three segments of 40, 50 and 60 laps. By lap 20, Griffin was in fifth and reported that his Tundra was running well. Under a yellow flag on lap 39, Griffin pulled to pit road for four Goodyear tires and Sunoco fuel, restarting in fourth. A tight handling condition on the No. 11 Tundra caused Griffin to fall back to the eighth position. By the end of the second race segment, Griffin was in the sixth position, but restarted in 13th after taking four tires and fuel. He returned to the top 10 and was in eighth position with 48 laps to go. He continued to battle forward and moved into the top-five by lap 110. The checkered flag waved and Griffin crossed the finish line in the fourth position, recording his best career finish in the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series.

Start - 11 Finish - 4 Owner Points Position - 11 Laps Led - 0

## Jake Griffin Quotes:

"I'm very thankful for the opportunity that Tom DeLoach and Red Horse Racing have given me. They gave me a great Toyota Tundra and Scott Zipadelli and the guys all worked really hard this weekend to get it back to where we needed to be after we had a problem in practice."