Gaughan Brings New Friendships to Martinsville following the New-Style Talladega Racing

 - Gaughan drives the No. 62 South Point Hotel & Casino Tundra

 - He 8 wins in the Truck Series & 2 NASCAR K&N Pro Series West Championship Titles

 - Gaughan won in the GT class in the Rolex 24 at Daytona this year

Mooresville, N.C. (Oct. 27, 2011) - NASCAR Camping World Truck Series driver Brendan Gaughan loves traditions—and one he always tries to keep going is his 'loathing' of the short-track located in Martinsville, VA, that hosts two Truck Series events each season. Martinsville Speedway is a challenging circuit for many drivers. Gaughan actually runs fine there and enjoys racing for the Martinsville fans.

"My approach to Martinsville Speedway is the same every time I race there. I'm going to tell Mike Smith, the track PR director, that I hate Martinsville, just to keep the folks at the speedway happy with me. He'll send me to the town early to do some pre-race promotion. I love the fans, I love the show that the track puts on and I love visiting the Martinsville community. This week, I'm meeting with the Boys and Girls Club of Martinsville and I'm excited about that. But, I hate Martinsville," smiled Gaughan.

Gaughan has driven 11 Truck Series races at the .526-mile track. He's earned an average finish of 14.8 with three top-ten and three 11-place finishes. In the spring 250-lap event, Gaughan led the field and earned a ninth-place finish.

"I run better at Martinsville than I give myself credit for. What I've got to do is get my qualifying better. Starting 30th there just makes for a long day trying to come out of there with a top-ten finish. I want to start top-ten and finish top-ten," explained Gaughan.

Coming out of last week's event at Talladega, Gaughan says he isn't bearing any grudges heading into the short-track race at Martinsville.

"We actually kind of made new friendships at Talladega. We had the opportunity to race with some different drivers and it went well. So, for a change, there are really no grudges to be paid back at Martinsville We are just looking forward to racing the South Point Hotel & Casino Tundra and getting another top finish there," said Gaughan.

See and hear Gaughan and the No. 62 South Point Hotel & Casino Tundra competing in the Kroger 200 from Martinsville Speedway live on SPEED, MRN Radio and Sirius-XM NASCAR Radio, channel 90. SPEED pre-race coverage begins at 1:30 PM ET; MRN Radio broadcasts starting at 1:45 PM on Saturday, October 29. Practice is live on SPEED, Friday at 2 PM, with qualifying live Saturday, 10:40 AM.

Brendan Gaughan holds eight Truck Series victories to go along with his two K&N Pro Series West championship titles. Follow Gaughan at www.BrendanGaughan.com or on Twitter @Brendan62.

Germain Racing has earned two championship titles in the Truck Series. The Toyota team owns 22 victories and 9 pole awards in the series that continues to grow ratings on SPEED. For more information on Germain Racing, visit www.GermainRacing.com or follow the team on Twitter @GermainRacing.

About South Point…The South Point (http://www.SouthPointCasino.com) is a 2,200-room resort in Las Vegas, Nevada providing affordable luxury while catering to visitors and locals alike. This casino destination features a world-class spa, bowling center, eight restaurants, showroom, equestrian arena, convention center, exhibit hall, bingo and all of the casino games that made Las Vegas famous. The South Point opened in December 2005.

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