

For Immediate Release

Thomas Tire & Automotive Joins Germain Racing for Trip to Track Too Tough to Tame

April 8, 2014 (Mooresville, NC) – Heading into the “Bojangles Southern 500” race weekend at Darlington Raceway, Germain Racing announces that North Carolina’s Thomas Tire & Automotive joins the team as an associate sponsor on the No. 13 GEICO Chevrolet SS driven by NASCAR Sprint Cup Series winner Casey Mears. Thomas Tire & Automotive will be on board for Saturday’s 501.3-mile race to be held in Darlington, SC, at the 1.366-mile race track located just an hour from two Thomas Tire & Automotive locations in Aberdeen, NC.

Thomas Tire & Automotive has several locations to bring customers the best in tires, maintenance and repairs, resulting in a total auto care experience. Founded by Paul Thomas, and now in its second generation, Thomas Tire & Automotive remains a family-owned business with operations in Aberdeen, Archdale, Asheboro, Burlington and Randleman, NC.

As Thomas Tire & Automotive continues to thrive and adapt to an ever-changing marketplace, the company strives to be recognized as an industry leader who provides customers solution-based, value-added services that optimize convenience, efficiency and technology. Thomas Tire & Automotive continually invests time to ensure customers receive the best value

for tires, the best value for oil and maintenance services, and the best value for complete automotive repairs. Thomas Tire & Automotive is a proud supplier of Castrol Oil and Thomas Tire & Automotive operates the Castrol Premium Lube Express in Aberdeen, NC.

Darlington has been a competitive track for the GEICO Chevy team. The Southern 500 at Darlington is an event where fans, crew, drivers are all on edge, every inch of every lap. The team had a very successful test session at Darlington just last week.

Mears and the No. 13 GEICO Chevrolet SS begin the race weekend at the “Track Too Tough Too Tame” with Thomas Tire & Automotive on board for two practice sessions on Friday, April 11th at 11:30 AM and 2:00 PM ET. Qualifying follows Friday night at 6:10 PM (ET). Saturday’s 367-lap Bojangles Southern 500 will be broadcast FOX beginning at 6:30 PM (ET). MRN and Sirius XM Ch. 90 will carry the radio coverage of the event.

Thomas Tire & Automotive news, contests and information can be found at ThomasTire.com or Like Thomas Tire & Automotive on [Facebook.com/ThomasTire](https://www.facebook.com/ThomasTire).

Germain Racing will feature live commentary via Twitter @GermainRacing or check in at GermainRacing.com for news and information on the team.

Darlington Raceway fans can visit DarlingtonRaceway.com for tickets, schedules, the track history and more. On Twitter, follow @TooToughToTame or Like Darlington Raceway on Facebook.

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To learn more about the GEICO Racing program, please visit: www.caseymearsracing.com

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