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Date: March 26, 2017

Event: Auto Club 400 (Round 5 of 36)

Series: Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series

Location: Auto Club Speedway (2-mile D-shaped oval)

Format: 200 laps scheduled, broken into three stages (60 laps/60 laps/80 laps)

Start/Finish: 38th/29th (Running, completed 200 of 202 laps)

Point Standing: 28th (64 points)

Race Winner: Kyle Larson

Fontana (California, USA) March 26, 2017 — After missing qualifying like many others due to a tech-inspection issue, Matt DiBenedetto was determined to move forward. On Sunday, although the California-native started in the 38th position alongside Jimmie Johnson, the 2016 Cup Champion, he quickly took his seat in a group of 5 drivers who fought continuously for a top 25, eventually bringing home the Can-Am/Kappa Ford in 29th finish place.

“Our weekend definitely had some ups and downs but the hard work and experience of our team pulled us through,” said DiBenedetto. “We had a few problems in qualifying with our Can-Am/Kappa Ford that set us back a little bit, but we were able to push through and get the car pretty good. The guys worked hard to make our car fast on the long run.”

The driver of the No. 32 car added, “It’s another solid result with a car in one piece that sits us 28th in owner and driver points in the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series. Of course, we seek to overachieve, but we also need to be realistic. We are still running better than much bigger teams, thus we have something to be proud of.”

Matt DiBenedetto and the No. 32 Can-Am/Kappa team currently sit 28th in owner and driver points in the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series. The series will be traveling from one of its biggest racetracks on the circuit at California to Martinsville Speedway which sits at just over a half-mile.

Next Up:

Heading to Martinsville, the “paperclip” track, the No. 32 Ford will run the Keen Parts/CorvetteParts.net scheme this weekend. The race starts at 2:00 p.m. with live coverage provided by FOX.

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