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Stout 29th at ORP with Lilly Trucking



JC Stout in the Lilly Trucking #31 entry for Rick Ware Racing ran in the top 25 for most of Saturday nights NASCAR Nationwide Kroger 200 at the O'Reilly Raceway Park in Indianapolis, IN.

“It was a long, hot day for the crew, but they hung in there and gave me a competitive racecar. Our sponsors from Lilly Trucking of Virginia were there to support us. The ending was unfortunate, but I can’t thank everyone enough for helping me put this deal together,” Stout said after the race.

With the teams entering the track at 6:30 am and not racing until 8:00 pm, Stout and the RWR team fought triple digit temperatures for most of the day. Throughout both practice sessions, Stout and crew shaved over a second off their initial practice speeds.

“Throughout the day, Gary (crew chief) and the crew made the right adjustments to make the car faster. We were a little tight in qualifying, but I felt we’d have a competitive car for the race,” Stout explained.

While running a competitive race, Stout’s day ended prematurely on lap 162. Trying to give way to the oncoming leaders, Stout and KHI driver Ron Hornaday collided entering turn 3.

“In the drivers’ meeting, NASCAR requested all lap down cars go to the bottom, and give the leaders the top groove. Hornaday caught me going down the backstretch and dove under me getting into turn 3. Unfortunately, I was already committed to the bottom, trying to stay out of his way and giving him the preferred groove. It was two drivers going for the same real-estate, and I hate it for both our crews,” Stout said following the accident.

“I spoke with Hornaday after the accident and expressed my regret over the situation. We’ll go back, regroup, repair, and focus on how we can avoid these accidents in the future,” Stout said.

“In the end, we accomplished substantial television time in qualifying, and the race and ultimately the wreck on TV which was part of our responsibility.”

The RWR team will compete in the NASCAR Camping World truck series this weekend at the Pocono Raceway.

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