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### ***Busch Pole Qualifying for the 62<sup>nd</sup> Daytona 500***

**Date:** Feb. 9, 2020  
**Event:** Busch Pole qualifying for the 62<sup>nd</sup> Daytona 500  
**Series:** NASCAR Cup Series  
**Location:** Daytona (Fla.) International Speedway (2.5-mile oval)  
**Format:** One-lap, single-car qualifying – sets front row for the Daytona 500  
**Result:** Daniel Suárez (36<sup>th</sup>, 48.523 seconds at 185.479 mph)  
**Pole Winner:** Ricky Stenhouse Jr. of JTG Daugherty Racing (46.253 seconds at 194.582 mph)  
**Outside Pole:** Alex Bowman of Hendrick Motorsports (46.305 seconds at 194.363 mph)

#### **Suárez, driver of the No. 96 Toyota Certified Used Vehicles Camry:**

“We just have to race our way in. We knew we had a lot of challenges and we did. We didn’t have the raw speed, but I know what I can do. We’ll have to get it done Thursday. Our main goal has been focusing on our Daytona 500 car. Obviously, we have to push harder and we have to keep working hard. We were all very shocked to see we didn’t have the raw speed we needed yesterday. I know we’ll be in good shape Thursday, and we just need to stay out of trouble.”

#### **Notes:**

- Only the front row is locked into the Daytona 500. Remainder of 40-car field will be set by the results of Thursday’s Bluegreen Vacations Duel.
- Suárez will start 19<sup>th</sup> in Duel No. 1.
- Stenhouse won the Busch Pole to score his third career pole and first at Daytona.

#### **Next Up:**

The Bluegreen Vacations Duel – twin 150-mile heat races that set the rest of the Daytona 500 field – takes place at 7 p.m. EST on Thursday, Feb. 13 with live coverage on FS1. Daytona Speedweeks then culminates with the 62<sup>nd</sup> running of the Daytona 500 at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 16, with live coverage provided by FOX beginning with its prerace show at 1 p.m.

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