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Busch Pole Qualifying for the FanShield 500k at Phoenix

Date: March 7, 2020
Event: Busch Pole qualifying for the FanShield 500k
Series: NASCAR Cup Series
Location: Phoenix Raceway (1.022-mile oval)
Result: Daniel Suárez (31st, 26.873 seconds at 133.963 mph)
Pole Winner: Chase Elliott of Hendrick Motorsports (26.065 seconds at 138.116 mph)

Format:

- Two-lap, single-car qualifying runs for all drivers. (Sets positions 1-38.)

Suárez, driver of the No. 96 CommScope Toyota Camry:

“The CommScope Toyota is actually quite good in racing trim. We never made a qualifying run yesterday so we took our best swing at it today, just thinking about the big picture, which is the race on Sunday. My first lap was better than my second lap, but overall I think we have something good to work with on Sunday. We will just do what we do and hope for the best, show at least a little bit of improvement each week.”

Notes:

- Suárez will start Sunday’s FanShield 500k from the inside of the 16th row.
- Elliott earned his ninth career Busch Pole, his first of the season, and his first at Phoenix. He edged second-place qualifier Kevin Harvick by .045 of a second.

Next Up:

The FanShield 500k starts at 3:30 p.m. EDT on Sunday with live coverage provided by FOX and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio.

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