



Smithfield



ARIC ALMIROLA

Smithfield Racing Team Report

Round 11 of 36 – Homestead 400 – Homestead

Car No.: 10 – Smithfield Ford Mustang

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Primary Team Members:

Driver: Aric Almirola
Hometown: Tampa, Florida
Car Chief: Jerry Cook
Hometown: Toledo, Ohio
Engine Tuner: Matt Moeller
Hometown: Monroe, New York

Crew Chief: Mike Bugarewicz
Hometown: Lehigh, Pennsylvania
Engine Builder: Roush Yates Racing
Headquarters: Mooresville, North Carolina
Spotter: Joel Edmonds
Hometown: Dobson, North Carolina

Over-The-Wall Crew Members:

Gas Man: James “Ace” Keener
Hometown: Fortuna, California
Tire Carrier: Tyler Bullard
Hometown: King, North Carolina
Jackman: Corbin Martin
Hometown: Winston Salem, North Carolina

Front Tire Changer: Clay Robinson
Hometown: Simi Valley, California
Rear Tire Changer: Coleman Dollarhide
Hometown: Hickory, North Carolina

Homestead Notes of Interest:

- Almirola will make his 11th NASCAR Cup Series start at Homestead-Miami Speedway this weekend to bring his total of career **Cup Series starts to 328**.
- Almirola has earned one top-five finish and three top-10s in 10 Cup Series starts at Homestead.
 - The Tampa native’s highest Homestead finishing position of fourth was earned in 2010.
- **Career:** Almirola has career totals of two wins, two poles, 18 top-five finishes, 64 top-10s and 543 laps led in 327 starts.
- **Points:** Almirola sits 14th in the driver standings with 264 points – 188 behind leader and SHR teammate Kevin Harvick.
- **Last win:** Almirola’s Oct. 14, 2018 win at Talladega (Ala.) Superspeedway was his most recent in the Cup Series.
- **‘Beyond the 10’** – Almirola is back with season two of his YouTube documentary series, where fans can get VIP, behind-the-scenes access by subscribing to his YouTube channel. Episodes showcase never-before-seen footage of Almirola at the racetrack, on iRacing, and “A Day in the Life” during the week, as well as all that goes into a NASCAR Cup Series driver’s season. Click [here](#) to subscribe on YouTube and watch the latest episode.
- **Crew chief** Mike Bugarewicz is in his fifth full-time season at SHR and his first with Almirola. To learn more click [here](#).

Crew Chief Mike Bugarewicz’s Top-Three Finishes at SHR (2016-Present):

- **Wins:**
 - **Martinsville (Va.) Speedway (Bowyer, March 27, 2018)**
 - Michigan Speedway (Bowyer, June 10, 2018)
 - Sonoma (Calif.) Speedway (Stewart, June 26, 2016)

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- **Second place:**
 - Texas Motor Speedway in Fort Worth (March 31, 2019)
 - Talladega (Ala.) Superspeedway (Oct. 14, 2018)
 - Dover (Del) International Speedway (May 6, 2018)
 - Bristol (Tenn.) Motor Speedway (April 24, 2017)
 - Sonoma (Calif.) Raceway (June 25, 2017)
 - Daytona (Fla.) International Speedway (July 1, 2017)
- **Third place**
 - Richmond (Va.) Raceway (April 13, 2019)
 - Charlotte (N.C.) Motor Speedway Roval (Sept. 30, 2018)
 - Sonoma (Calif.) Raceway (June 24, 2018)
 - Atlanta Motor Speedway (Feb. 25, 2018)
 - Martinsville (Va.) Speedway (Oct. 29, 2017)
 - Auto Club Speedway in Fontana, Calif. (March 26, 2017)

Aric Almirola's History at Homestead:

Year	Date	Event	Start	Finish	Status/Laps	Laps Led	Earnings
2019	11/17	Ford EcoBoost 400	14	22	RUNNING, 267/267	0	N/A
2018	11/18	Ford EcoBoost 400	10	9	Running, 267/267	0	N/A
2017	11/19	Ford EcoBoost 400	20	18	Running, 265/267	0	N/A
2016	11/20	◊Ford EcoBoost 400	25	40	Running, 213/268	0	N/A
2015	11/22	Ford EcoBoost 400	14	41	Running, 209/267	0	\$91,666
2014	11/16	Ford EcoBoost 400	18	19	Running, 267/267	0	\$116,276
2013	11/17	Ford EcoBoost 400	19	16	Running, 267/267	0	\$116,421
2012	11/18	Ford 400	5	7	Running, 267/267	0	\$132,446
2010	11/21	Ford 400	24	4	Running, 267/267	0	\$172,840
2008	11/16	Ford 400	40	35	Running, 265/267	0	\$97,783

* Race cut short due to weather.

× Race length extended due to green-white-checkered finish.

= Qualifying canceled due to weather, starting position set via practice speed

◊ Race length was extended due to overtime finish