





ARIC ALMIROLA Go Bowling Racing Team Report Round 27 of 36 – Cook Out Southern 500 – Darlington

Car No.: 10 Go Bowling 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

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

Darlington Notes of Interest:

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

Front Tire Changer: Clay Robinson Hometown: Simi Valley, California Rear Tire Changer: Daniel Coffey Hometown: Granite Falls, North Carolina

- Almirola will make his 12th Cup Series start at Darlington Sunday night. He earned his first top-10 finish at the 1.366mile egg-shaped oval in his most recent start May 20.
- This marks the third year in a row since joining Stewart-Haas Racing that Almirola has made the NASCAR playoffs. It will be his fourth playoff appearance in his nine-year full-time career. His best playoff run was in 2018, when he finished fifth in the season standings.
- Regular season: Almirola earned five top-fives, 14 top-10s, and led 287 laps.
- Career: Almirola has career totals of two wins, two poles, 23 top-five finishes, 76 top-10s and 824 laps led in 342 starts.
- Playoff Standings: Almirola begins the playoffs 12th in the reset standings with 2,005 points.
- 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.
- **Go Bowling** will adorn the No. 10 Ford this weekend at Darlington for the second time this year. The *Go Bowling America* league program focuses on bringing families, young adults and kids back to the lanes in a healthy and safe fashion, as centers around the country have implemented strict measures to ensure the wellness of its employees and customers who come to bowl. Go Bowling, in conjunction with its industry partners, has introduced detailed safety protocols to the thousands of U.S. bowling centers that include social distancing recommendations, use of personal protective equipment where required, and guidelines for sanitizing balls and shoes, as well as other equipment in the facility. Additionally, the *Go Bowling America* league program provides every bowler

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Crew chief Mike Bugarewicz is in his fifth full-time season at SHR and his first with Almirola. To learn more click here.

ARIC ALMIROLA'S DARLINGTON PERFORMANCE PROFILE:

Year	Date	Event	Start	Finish	Status/Laps	Laps Led	Earnings
2020	5/17	Darlington 400	5	12	Running, 293/293	0	N/A
	5/20	Darlington 500k	9	7	Running, 208/208	0	N/A
2019	9/1	Southern 500	30	17	Running, 366/367	0	N/A
2018	9/1	Southern 500	12	14	Running, 367/367	0	N/A
2017	9/3	Southern 500	15	20	Running, 365/367	0	N/A
2016	9/4	†Southern 500	26	32	Accident, 346/367	0	N/A
2015	9/6	Southern 500	11	11	Running, 367/367	0	\$137,141
2014	4/12	×Southern 500	3	24	Running, 372/274	0	\$127,641
2013	5/11	Southern 500	18	20	Running, 366/367	0	\$130,141
2012	5/12	×Southern 500	13	19	Running, 368/368	0	\$124,416

* 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

 \Diamond Race length was extended due to overtime finish