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Gray Gaulding #20 Krispy Kreme TruMoo Milk Toyota Camry "NASCAR Hall of Fame 150" Recap

Gaulding Recovers with Top-10 Finish at "The Madhouse"

Mooresville, NC (June 4th, 2013) After having over a month off from NASCAR K&N Pro Series competition Gray Gaulding, and the Krispy Kreme TruMoo Toyota team returned with an action packed day resulting in an 8th place finish at Bowman Gray Stadium - a quarter mile flat asphalt oval known better as "The Madhouse."



After having a mechanical failure and losing brakes halfway through first practice that resulted in Gaulding hitting driver side along the outside wall, the team led by veteran crew chiefs Doug George and Doug Howe jumped into gear repairing the slightly wounded Krispy Kreme TruMoo Milk Toyota Camry.

Gaulding made his way back onto the speedway with only 15 minutes remaining in the final practice session, after turning only 18 laps and posting the 4th quickest time the team regrouped and went back through the Krispy Kreme TruMoo Milk Toyota Camry.

Gaulding would be the 8th car to hit the track and try to set the fastest time for the evening NASCAR Hall of Fame 150. With a fast time of 14.634 Gaulding would start 4*.

Gaulding started 4th and knew patience would win this race. When the green flag dropped he quickly got down onto the bottom line and began riding through the first portion of the event.

Gaulding reported under a lap 17 caution that his water temperature was about 270, Doug George (crew chief of the #20 Krispy Kreme Toyota) brought Gray to pit road. The crew went to work cooling the motor and removing tape before sending Gray back on his way.

After restarting lap 21 in 20°, Gaulding made his charge moving forward by missing wrecks and picking up positions on every restart. "I knew I couldn't leave anything on the table at this point. If there was a hole, I had to fit my car in it" said Gaulding.

At the halfway point Gaulding had moved into the 11th place running position and was working to crack back into the top-10. After a lap 84 caution Gaulding restarted in 9th on the bottom where he wanted to be. Gaulding quickly moved into 7th and at lap 108 cracked the top-5.

Gaulding went to work moving into 4th and eventually 3rd. Gaulding lined up 4th for the final restart with 7 laps to go. He would hold on for all he had before getting pushed up in turn 3 resulting in him sliding back to 8th, where he would finish out the final laps.

"I cannot say enough about this team," said Gaulding. "We fight adversity head on, after losing brakes and for them to go back through the front end of this car and then qualify 4th is awesome. To leave Bowman Gray with a top-10 finish after the day we had is amazing. I love racing on the bull rings, but I cannot wait to get to Iowa Speedway next weekend (Casey's General Store 150)."

Gaulding is 8th in the 2013 NASCAR K&N Pro East points and 2nd only 3 points back in the 2013 Sunoco Rookie of the Year points.

The next event for the #20 Krispy Kreme TruMoo Milk Toyota team will be Friday, June 7th at Iowa Speedway in Newton, IA. Qualifying is at 5:00 PM followed by the Casey's General Store 150 with the green flag dropping at 8:00 PM CST. A full schedule for Gray and the Krispy Kreme TruMoo Milk Toyota team can be found at GrayGaulding.com/schedule.

Visit KrispyKremeRacing.com to find out when Gray Gaulding and the #20 Krispy Kreme Toyota Camry will be at a Krispy Kreme Shop near you.

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