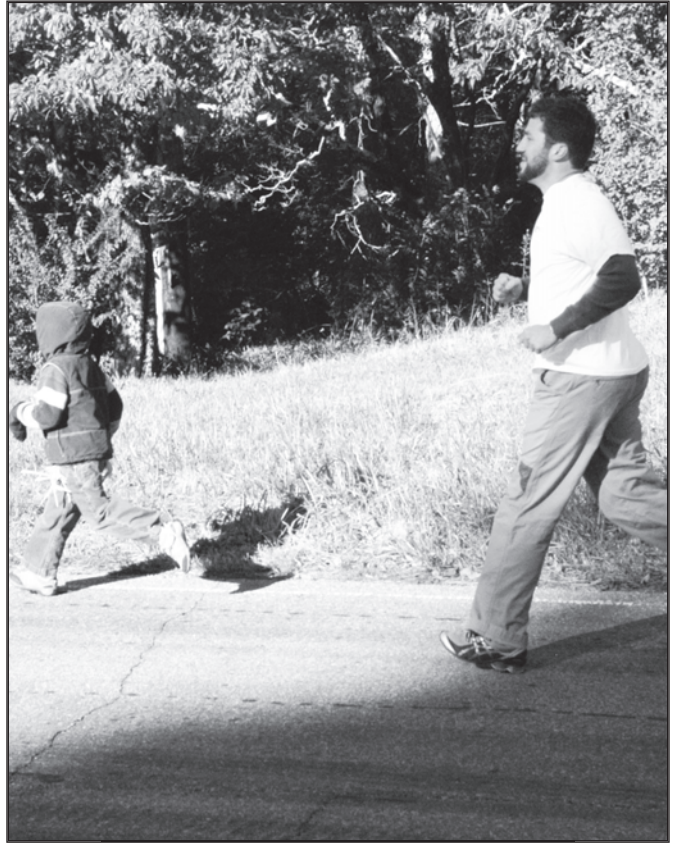


# Runners brave cold temperatures in annual Run Above the Clouds

**RESULTS - Overall**  
 Male: Korey Harkins 38:40,  
 Overall Female: Jessica Butts  
 Time: 54:51.  
 19 years and under:  
 first male, first female: Logan  
 Turner 41:00, Rebecca Helton  
 62:00.  
 Second male, second  
 female: Francis Yellow Boy  
 42:30, Sadie Shamblin 68:00.  
 20-29 years: first male,  
 first female, Korey Harkins  
 38:40, Jessica Butts 54:51.  
 Second male, second  
 female: Michael Nelson 47:35,  
 Kristin Bratton 54:53.  
 30-39 years: first male,  
 first female, Chad Brooks  
 46:19, Krystal Barker 57:53.  
 Second male, second  
 female: Ashley Wilkins 69:01,  
 Kelly White-Bryant 64:54.  
 40-49 years: first male,  
 first female: Russ Barker 78:00,  
 Kelly Leech 60:00.  
 Second female: Nikki  
 Shamblin 64:00.  
 50-59 years: first male,  
 first female: Ronnie Abernathy  
 47:03, Pam Abernathy



56:54.  
 Second male, second  
 female: Don Cummings 47:09,  
 Jackie Hughes 58:27.  
 60-69 years: first male,  
 first female: Gary Kenny 53:01,  
 Judy Kean 63:00.  
 Second male: Charley  
 Sweet 59:54  
 70& over: first male:  
 Fritz Elmhorst 68:00.



## Bowling scores

**Monday Night Ladies:**  
 Joyce Trenton 202, Kathy  
 Brandenburg 184, Nell Rice  
 183, 183.  
**Monday Night Men:**  
 Mike Newsome 212, Del  
 Neiffer 211, Taz Matetzschk  
 235, 221, BJ Gilbert 207,  
 225, Chris Ellinwood 231,  
 214, Tom Griffiths 207, Brett  
 Hogsed 235, 210, Jay Burrell  
 220, 204, Larry Cannon 213,  
 Gary Brown 224, 234, John  
 Stevens 202, 201, Ray Everett  
 233, 203, Jeb Plott 218, 214,  
 217, Chris Roberts 223, 223,  
 Bob Bischoff 226, 203, Bill  
 Cox 208, Steve Whittenburg  
 201, Ernest Rice 210, Mickey  
 Whatley 200, Joe Teague 245.  
**Hazel Farmer League:**  
 Del Neiffer 216, Ron Gaucher  
 227, Bart Rogers 212, Claudia  
 Harrison 195, Pete Craig 224.  
**Thursday Night Fun**  
 Mixed: Pam Bierce 212, Am-  
 ber Gilbert 212, BJ Gilbert  
 215, Ken Clark 221, 253, Bon-  
 nell Thomas 200, John Moore  
 205, 214, 206, Zach Moore  
 209, 232, 213, Kirk Bass 233,  
 Russ Southcott 202, 232, 214,  
 Stanley Tyler 201, Mike Da-  
 vis 208, 208, Bob Landis 254,  
 248, 222, Series 724, Johna-  
 than Everrett 203, 211, Tony  
 Lynch 227, Ray Everett 235,  
 211. N1008Z13JCA

## Lady Panthers host Rabun on Tuesday with berth in Region finals on the line

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This Tuesday the 8-AA Region Tournament begins for the 24-4 Lady Panthers when they host Rabun County in the Region semi finals.

Getting past Rabun and not only reaching the Region finals, but taking care of business when they get there is priority number one, especially for the seniors.

As freshmen, Courtney Busbee, Crystal Busbee, Hallye King, and Kelsey Nix joined a Region Championship team. And now, as seniors, nothing is more important than handing the program over to next year's freshmen in the same shape as they received it.

When the four senior softball players started 9th grade back in 2011, they joined a Lady Panthers team who were fresh off an 8-AA Championship and a State Runner Up finish.

With All-State pitcher Angie Hughes returning for her senior season in 2011, then-freshman Courtney Busbee was named the starting catcher going into the season opening Lanier Invitational, and she's caught every game since.

"We would all be blessed to hold another region championship title, and to come together as a team to accomplish something so memorial," Courtney Busbee said. "I want the younger girls to have a huge start knowing they can win it again."

In 2011 the Lady Panthers went on to win Region 8-AA



Head Coach Jessica Stewart and four-year starting catcher Courtney Busbee are looking to earn a shot at their third 8-AA Championship Game. The duo are 2-1 in the Region finals. Photo/Todd Forrest

## Lady Panthers JV finish with a win over White County and a pair of wins over Fannin County

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Union County's JV squad slid past Fannin in a 6-5 nailbiter but followed it up with a 5-1 win over White and a 9-5 victory over Fannin.

In the 6-5 win vs Fannin, freshman Logan Seabolt went 5 innings, striking out seven, allowing 7 hits, and 3 earned runs.

The Lady Panthers trailed 4-2 but got three in the fourth and one in the fifth to edge the Lady Rebels.

Seabolt went 3-for-3 at the plate with a run, an RBI, and 2 stolen bases, Braden Poteete was 1-for-2 with a run and an RBI, while Jillian Lawn was 1-for-3 with a run, an RBI, and a steal.

Miranda Miller was 1-for-1 with a run, an RBI, and a stolen base, Megan Lockaby walked twice and scored, and Channa Carroll walked, scored, and drove in a run.

Sarah Dills and Maci Everett each singled.

In the 5-1 win over White County, Lawn yielded one unearned run in the first but settled down to punch out seven Lady



Jillian Lawn had two wins and 6 RBIs in three games. Photo/Todd Forrest

Warriors in a two-hit, two-walk outing.  
 Lawn also blasted a two-run homerun in the fifth inning to put the game out of reach. She finished with a 2-for-3 day with 4 RBIs and a run.  
 Poteete went 2-for-3 with 2 runs and 2 stolen bases, Seabolt was 1-for-3 with a



## NASCAR 2014

By Gerald Hodges/the Racing Reporter

### Logano gets second Chase Win

KANSAS CITY, Kan. — Joey Logano won Sunday's Cup race at Kansas, assuring himself a spot in the third round of this year's four-round Chase for the Sprint Cup championship.

Logano led 122 laps of the 267-lap race, twice as many laps as the next best driver, Kevin Harvick.

Logano was never really pushed near the end of the race, but runner-up Kyle Larson kept the pressure on to finish .47-seconds back.

"Man it's been fabulous the past few weeks," said Logano. "Our car and the 42 car (Kyle Larson) were about equal there at the end. It was just fortunate that I was ahead of him."

"I could stay ahead of him, but wasn't able to put any distance between him. I think if the race had gone another 10 laps, he might have caught me, because I could feel my car beginning to slip a little in the corners."

Larson, who battled for the lead several times during the race is not one of the Chase contenders.

"I don't know if he was any better than us, but he got the lead and track position on us," said Larson. "I could get a run on him, but wasn't able to pull around."

Kyle Busch, winner of Saturday night's Nationwide race finished third.

"I actually thought we had about a seventh-place car," said Busch. "So to finish third is great. The team did an awesome job of piecing together all the changes that made this run possible."

"I'm happy with it because those other two guys were flying."

Martin Truex finished fourth, followed by Carl Edwards, Ryan Newman, Denny Hamlin, Austin Dillon, Paul Menard, and Brian Vickers.

AJ Allmendinger finished 11th, while polesitter, Kevin Harvick, who led 61 laps was 12th. Harvick thought he had tire problems about midway of the race, and lost a lap.

Matt Kenseth, another Chase driver came home 13th, while Jeff Gordon was 14th. Gordon was involved in a minor accident on the track, and a tire got away from his pit crew during a regular pit stop. Both incidents cost him positions.

Several Chase drivers had tire problems.

Brad Keselowski had a right front tire blow. He hit the outside wall and wound up 36th.

Blown tires cost Dale Earnhardt Jr. and Kasey Kahne a chance to win. Earnhardt had a right front go during lap 204 and he was unable to finish the race. Kahne lost one during lap 260.

Jimmie Johnson, the fourth Hendrick driver was in-

olved in a four-car accident on lap 87. His crew made repairs to his car, but he was unable to finish, and was credited with a 40th-place finish.

Top-12 leaders (The current 12 Chase drivers will be reduced to eight after two more races): 1. Logano-3048, 2. Kyle Busch-3042, 3. Edwards-3039, 4. Newman-3039, 5. Hamlin-3037, 6. Harvick-3033, 7. Kenseth-3031, 8. Gordon-3031, 9. Kahne-3023, 10. Keselowski-3009, 11. Earnhardt-3008, 12. Johnson-3004.

Kahne, Keselowski, Earnhardt, and Johnson are the four drivers currently on the Chase bubble. If either driver were to win at Charlotte or Talladega, he would automatically advance to the next round.

### "ROWDY" KYLE BUSCH GETS SIXTH NATIONWIDE WIN

Kyle Busch ran down Kevin Harvick, who was leading Saturday's Nationwide race, and held on for his second consecutive series win, and sixth of the season.

Harvick, who led a race high 47 laps finished second. Ryan Blaney was third, followed by Paul Menard, Ty Dillon, Matt Kenseth, Elliott Sadler, Trevor Bayne, Brian Scott, and Chase Elliott.

Top-10 leaders after 29 of 33: 1. Elliott-1-1068, 2. Smith-1030, 3. T. Dillon-1028, 4. Scott-1011, 5. Sadler-1008, 6. Bayne-971, 7. C. Buescher-874, 8. Gaughan-846, 9. Reed-791, 10. J. Buescher-779.

### TWO CHASE DRIVERS; TWO DIFFERENT TYPES OF STRATEGY

This past Sunday's race at Kansas was the first of three races in the Contender round of this year's four-round Chase playoff. Charlotte and Talladega comprise the other two races.

Joey Logano, winner of the Kansas race, is the youngest member of the 12 Contenders, but has driven like a seasoned pro in 2014. Even though he has five wins and leads all drivers in several categories, he has never won at either Charlotte or Talladega. His average finishing position at both tracks is 17.5.

"Momentum is confidence," said Logano. "We have confidence in not just myself but the road crew, the pit crew, everyone is feeling good about what we've done. Last week we had a strong car and got a solid finish out of it. That's what we have to do the next round. Get us some top-5s and get us into the next one. Hopefully get another win and not have to worry about the points."

Ryan Newman switched from Stewart-Haas Racing at the end of the 2013 season to Richard Childress. He has not



Joey Logano, Kansas Sprint Cup race winner (Furnished by NASCAR)

won a race this season, but made the Chase on points.

"Like I said, you want to win one of them, and maybe not wreck, because there are a lot of crashes that happen at Talladega," he said.

"Sometimes it happens quite a bit early in the race, so I think qualifying is going to be very important, so we don't have to adjust our strategy going into Charlotte and Talladega."

"Win. I mean, it sounds so simple, and we've tried so hard for the first 29 races, whatever it's been, but in the end it's just about going out there and doing the best you possibly can. The point system the way it is, is more of an advantage for us. Where we are now, being equal in points, to me, it's the exact role reversal, than I guess you could say with the first three races of the season. Now we're going to a couple of different race tracks and finishing at a restrictor plate track."

"It was a challenge getting through the first round, losing a tire in Chicago, and nose damage in New Hampshire, but finishing up with a solid day that kind of locked us in. We've been that consistent guy."

"But we got two top-5 finishes in the entire season, so we've got to shine that up. That's going to be very important. Not necessarily for this next round of three, but that last race."

**Weekend Racing:** It's on to Charlotte for the Cup and Nationwide teams. This will be the last night race of the season for both. The trucks do not race again until Oct. 18.

Fri., Oct. 10; Nationwide Series race 30 of 33; Starting time: 7 pm ET; TV: ESPN2. Sat., Oct. 11; Sprint Cup race 31 of 36; Starting time: 7 pm ET; TV: ABC.

**Racing Trivia Question:** When did NASCAR hold its first race at Charlotte Motor Speedway?

**Last Week's Question:** Which Cup teams does Kevin Harvick drive for? Answer: He drives the No. 4 Stewart Haas Chevrolet.

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## Union County Recreation Basketball

Age Group	Registration Begins	Season Starts	Season Ends
5/6 yrs old	September 29	October 13	November 21
7/8 yrs old	September 29	October 13	November 21
9/10 yrs old	September 29	December 1	January 17
11/12 yrs old	September 29	December 1	January 17

Registration fee is \$50.00 and is open to both boys and girls.

Registration can be completed online at Meekspark.com or in person at the Recreation Office at 310 Wellborn Street.

If you need any additional information, please call 706-439-6074



## VFW Golf Tournament

VFW Golf Tournament will be held at Chatuge Shores Golf Course on Thursday, Oct. 9th at 8:30 a.m. Join fellow veterans and supporters for a day of fun and golf. Call 404-295-6462 for more info.