NASCAR Media Conference Pit Lane Interview

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Alex Bowman



Q. Alex, there were flashes of hope throughout the night for you. What do you think cost the team?

ALEX BOWMAN: I don't think really one thing. I don't think you can really point at something that cost us. Being out of tires at the end isn't good, right, and honestly, we just played the hand that we could and stayed out.

But if I had to pick one thing, our cycle tire restarts were just really poor. I couldn't go at all. Zero grip. Our restarts on stickers or even when we'd put our qualifying scuffs on and stuff, it was fine, but cycle tires was really bad.

Hats off to our whole Ally 48 team. They did a good job throughout the course of the day and trying to be better after a rough last two weeks, and I think we swung it the right direction, and we can continue to do that for the next, what do we have, seven weeks left. We've just got to keep digging.

Certainly sucks to not transfer, but our back was against the wall coming in here. We knew it was going to be a tough thing to do.

Yeah, not a terrible day for us, and we'll keep digging.

Q. As you look at the next seven races, what's the big take away from this first round? What can you do to finish the season on a high note?

ALEX BOWMAN: Yeah, we're a plenty capable race team a lot of the time, and just the last two weeks we've just not been very good. I thought those tracks would be a little tough for us but not how they were.

Even coming here, we were typically a good bit better than we were tonight and yesterday when we come here. We have some work to do on our race cars, but everybody is always working, getting better, and tires change and the field changes. We've just got to keep digging to get better.

I think this summer we were so fast every week that I'm a little surprised to be down on speed, but the guys work really hard, and we'll keep digging on it.

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