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FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

In re:

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(Jointly Administered)

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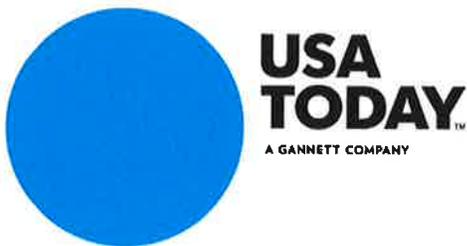
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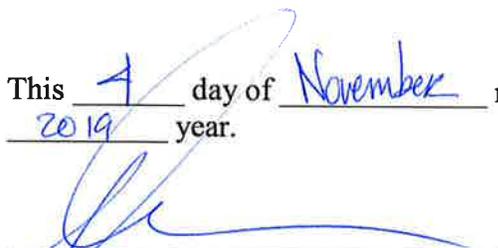
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# Harvick gets title shot after victory

Stephen Hawkins  
The Associated Press

FORT WORTH, Texas — Kevin Harvick won the fall Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series race at Texas for the third year in a row Sunday, again taking one of the championship-contending spots for NASCAR's season finale.

Harvick won from the pole, leading 120 of 334 laps in the No. 4 Ford for Stewart-Haas Racing. He took the lead for the seventh and final time on lap 255 and finished ½ seconds ahead of teammate Aric Almirola. Daniel Suarez, another Stewart-Haas driver who is unsigned for next season, finished third.

With Martin Truex Jr. already locked in for the final four on Nov. 17 at Homestead-Miami Speedway, the final two spots for the title run will be determined next week at Phoenix.

Playoff contender Joey Logano finished fourth at the ½-mile Texas track, while Truex was sixth, ahead of Kyle Busch and Ryan Blaney, with Kyle Larson 12th. The other playoff contenders, Denny Hamlin and Chase Elliott, had crashes that put them deep in the field.

Harvick entered Texas in fifth, below the cutline to race for the title.

His fourth win this year was the 49th of his career, matching car owner Tony Stewart for 14th on NASCAR's career list. Harvick's only championship in his 19 Cup seasons came after a win in the finale at Miami five years ago.

Hamlin was second in points starting the day but got loose coming out of the fourth turn on the 81st lap and slid off the track and through the infield. The No. 11 Joe Gibbs Racing Toyota was damaged after slamming hard across the grass and over asphalt.

His 28th-place finish, six laps behind Harvick, dropped Hamlin to fifth and 20 points behind Logano in fourth.

Busch is third in the standings, only

two points ahead of Logano.

Larson and Blaney are both 23 points below the cutline and Elliott is now 100 back.

■ **Contending with trouble:** Elliott was in the eighth and final playoff spot coming into the race and stayed there after getting into trouble early. He will have to win at Phoenix to get in the final four.

On the ninth lap Sunday, Elliott got loose and slammed hard into the wall. After an extended time on pit road for repairs, he got back on the track and finished the race. He finished 22 laps behind in 32nd place.

Elliott was the runner-up at Kansas last month but finished 36th at Martinsville last week after a mechanical failure. There was also his last-place finish among 38 cars at Dover, where his engine gave out after only eight laps.

■ **Flashback at front:** Seven-time Cup champion Jimmie Johnson has gone a career-long 93 races without winning, but he led nearly half of the second stage at Texas.

Johnson led 40 laps in the second 85-lap segment at Texas, where he has won a record seven times. His last win there came in the 2017 spring race, about two months before his last Cup win at Dover.

His only pole this season was at Texas in the spring race seven months ago, when he led 60 laps. He had led only 27 total laps in the 26 races since then before Sunday.

Just a few laps after the race resumed following the second stage, while still in the top three, Johnson got loose and couldn't keep the No. 48 Chevrolet off the wall. The Hendrick team got him back on the track for a brief time, but the car had too much damage to continue. He finished 34th.

■ **Six to none:** There were six cautions in the first stage Sunday, but the second 85-lap segment was run without a yellow flag. There were 11 cautions overall.

# McIlroy putting finish touches on big year

The Associated Press

SHANGHAI — Given another shot at winning the HSBC Champions, Rory McIlroy delivered his best of the day.

Even though he never trailed over the last 14 holes Sunday and he didn't make a bogey all weekend, McIlroy felt fortunate to be standing on the tee at the par-5 18th in a playoff with defending champion Xander Schauffele.

On the final hole in regulation, McIlroy thought his drive was in the water, relieved to find it was a foot from the red hazard line.

After five hours of an exquisite battle among McIlroy, Schauffele and Louis Oosthuizen, the pivotal moment was when Schauffele reached into a hat on the 18th tee for a white slip of paper with "2" written on it. That meant McIlroy would go first in the playoff.

And there was no doubt about his next two shots.

He followed a soaring drive down the middle of the fairway with a 4-iron from 223 yards into the wind to 25 feet that set up a two-putt birdie for the victory.

"If anything over the last few years ... for the most part, I've been able to get the best out of myself when I've needed it, and that's been a learning curve for me," McIlroy said. "But I've had enough experiences, and I've got a lot of great memories to draw back on. There's so many shots that I've hit under pressure that I can draw on."

He added another one at Sheshan International.

And he needed every one of them to hold off a bold performance by Schauffele, who spent four days trying to recover from the flu and nearly left Shanghai as the only player to win back-to-back in the HSBC Champions.

"I tried my best. Played great," Schauffele said. "I beat him on the day just to get in a playoff, and unfortunately I couldn't pull it off. I would have much rather played a par 3 for a playoff. He's the best driver in our game. Couldn't be happier for him. Like I said,

I played great all week, fought. It was nice to have a chance."

McIlroy did everything right, closing with a 4-under 68 and going bogey-free over the last 39 holes he played.

Schauffele made him do a little more with birdies on two of the last four holes for a 66 to force a playoff at 19-under.

McIlroy won for the fourth time this year. It was his third World Golf Championships title and his first since the Match Play at Harding Park in 2015.

■ **Bermuda Championship:** Brendon Todd ran away Sunday for his second PGA Tour title, shooting a 9-under 62 after flirting with a sub-60 round at calm Port Royal Golf Club in Southampton. Needing to birdie the final two holes to shoot 59, Todd missed a 20-foot birdie try on the par-5 17th and closed with a bogey after taking three shots to reach the green on the par-4 18th. He finished at 24-under 260 for a four-stroke victory over Harry Higgs in the first-year event. Todd earned a two-year exemption, \$540,000 and spots at Kapalua, The Players Championship and the PGA Championship. He won the 2014 Byron Nelson for first PGA Tour title.

■ **Invesco QQQ Championship:** Colin Montgomerie won the PGA Tour Champions tournament in Thousand Oaks, California, with a par on the first hole of a playoff after Bernhard Langer took four strokes to get out of a green-side bunker. With Langer finally on the par-4 18th green in six shots, Montgomerie two-putted for the victory, with the 56-year-old Scot tapping in from 2 feet to end the second of three events in the PGA Tour Champions' Charles Schwab Cup playoffs. The top 36 in the season standings advanced to the season-ending Charles Schwab Cup Championship next week in Phoenix. Points leader Scott McCarron closed with a 77 to tie for 43rd at even par.

■ **LPGA Swinging Skirts:** Defending champ Nelly Korda birdied the first hole of a three-way playoff Sunday to win in Taipei. Korda and Minjee Lee both birdied the final hole of regulation to finish at 18-under 270 and force a playoff with Caroline Masson, who shot 68.

# 6th F1 title for Hamilton

Chris Medland  
Racer.com | USA TODAY Network

Valtteri Bottas took victory in the United States Grand Prix, but second place for Lewis Hamilton was enough to give him his sixth Formula One drivers' championship.

With Bottas winning, Hamilton only needed to finish in the top eight to guarantee the title, but an audacious one-stop strategy attempt almost enabled the Briton take a remarkable victory. In the end Bottas passed him with five laps remaining after the pair went wheel-to-wheel, and Hamilton then held off Max Verstappen in the final laps to make it a Mercedes one-two and move clear of Juan Manuel Fangio to sit one title behind Michael Schumacher's record.

"Right now, it's hard to understand what I'm feeling right now," Hamilton said. "Naturally it's just pure happiness. I feel more humble than ever. I saw my parents as I came in and just looking at my dad's smile just says it all. He's supported my from day one, as did Linda (stepmother), as did my mum and they worked so hard for me to be here today."

Hamilton won the title in style having started from fifth place, overtaking Sebastian Vettel with a beautiful move around the outside of Turn 8 on the opening lap. Vettel was struggling in the opening laps before a right rear suspension failure at Turn 9 ended his race early, while Ferrari teammate Charles Leclerc was a distant fourth.

Bottas and Verstappen ran close together in the opening stint and when Hamilton closed in on the Red Bull, Verstappen pit earlier and committed to a two-stop strategy.

Bottas responded a lap later and pulled out a good out lap to withstand pressure from Verstappen, while Hamilton ran long and only pit for hard tires once Bottas retook the lead from him.

Mercedes told Hamilton it was touch and go whether the tires would hold on until the end of the race, but he managed his pace well to put himself in contention.

Verstappen pitted for a second time on lap 34 for medium tires with Bottas again stopping a lap later, giving them just over 20 laps to chase down Hamilton. The leader used traffic well to keep the gap around five seconds to Bottas for



Lewis Hamilton is sprayed with champagne after winning his sixth F1 world title. JEROME MIRON/USA TODAY SPORTS

a while before the Finn closed in, trying to pass around the outside of Turn 12 with six laps remaining and being pushed wide before getting the move done a lap later using DRS into the same corner.

Hamilton then had to turn his attentions to Verstappen, who had closed in as the front two battled, but a yellow flag after Kevin Magnussen suffered an apparent brake failure at Turn 12 ensured Verstappen couldn't attack at the best overtaking spot for the final two laps.

An emotional Hamilton pulled into a special painted parking space under the podium and stood on the car with the Union Jack flag draped behind him to celebrate a sixth world championship, five of which have come with Mercedes including the last three in a row.

Leclerc finished over 50 seconds behind the race winner as Ferrari showed no pace during the race, although his own two-stop strategy saw him fit soft tires for the final stint and secure the extra point for the fastest lap.

Alex Albon was involved in light contact with Carlos Sainz on the exit of Turn 1 at the start of the race and was sent airborne, necessitating a first lap pit stop and a three-stop strategy, pulling off a strong recovery drive to finish fifth.

Daniel Ricciardo, sporting a special Texas Longhorns race helmet, delighted the "home" crowd with sixth place as he made a one-stop strategy work after a race-long battle with Lando Norris.

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### IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re: Chapter 11  
GUE Liquidation Companies, Inc., et al., Case No. 19-11240 (LSS)  
Debtors. (Jointly Administered)

#### NOTICE OF (A) DEADLINE FOR CASTING VOTES TO ACCEPT OR REJECT PLAN OF LIQUIDATION, (B) HEARING TO CONSIDER CONFIRMATION OF PLAN OF LIQUIDATION AND (C) RELATED MATTERS

##### PLEASE TAKE NOTICE OF THE FOLLOWING:

1. On October 28, 2019, GUE Liquidation Companies, Inc. (f/k/a FTD Companies, Inc.) and the other above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") filed (a) the *First Amended Joint Plan of Liquidation for the Debtors* (Docket No. 839) (as the same may be amended or modified, the "Plan") and (b) the related *Disclosure Statement for First Amended Joint Plan of Liquidation for the Debtors* (Docket No. 840) (as the same may be amended or modified, the "Disclosure Statement").<sup>2</sup>

2. Pursuant to an order of the Bankruptcy Court dated October 28, 2019 (the "Disclosure Statement Order") (Docket No. 837), the Disclosure Statement and certain related materials (collectively, the "Solicitation Package") have been approved for solicitation of votes to accept or reject the Plan.

3. A hearing to consider the confirmation of the Plan (the "Confirmation Hearing") will be held before the Honorable Laurie Selber Silverstein, United States Bankruptcy Judge, at the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Bankruptcy Court"), 824 Market Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Courtroom No. 2, Wilmington, Delaware 19801, on **December 18, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern time)**. The Confirmation Hearing may be continued from time to time without further notice other than an adjournment announced in open court or a notice of adjournment filed with the Court and served on the entities who have filed objections to the Plan, without further notice to other parties in interest.

4. Pursuant to the Disclosure Statement Order, the Bankruptcy Court approved certain procedures for tabulation of votes to accept or reject the Plan. If you are the holder of a Claim against one of the Debtors or the means set forth on the Ballot as established by the Disclosure Statement Order in Class 2 or 4, you should receive a ballot form (a "Ballot") and voting instructions appropriate for your Claim, as well as a copy of the Disclosure Statement and related solicitation materials. The following procedures apply with respect to voting your Claim:

For your vote to accept or reject the Plan to be counted, you must complete all required information on the Ballot, execute the Ballot and return the completed Ballot to the address indicated on the Ballot or by the means set forth on the Ballot so that it is received by 5:00 p.m., prevailing Eastern time, on **December 2, 2019** (the "Voting Deadline"). Any failure to follow the voting instructions included with the Ballot or to return a properly completed Ballot so that it is received by the Voting Deadline may disqualify your Ballot and your vote. **You are encouraged to read the voting instructions carefully and review the Disclosure Statement before you vote.**

Your Claim has been temporarily allowed solely for purposes of voting to accept or reject the Plan in accordance with the tabulation rules approved by the Bankruptcy Court in the Disclosure Statement Order (collectively, the "Tabulation Rules").

The temporary allowance of your Claim for voting purposes does not constitute an allowance of your Claim for purposes of receiving distributions under the Plan and is without prejudice to the rights of the Debtors in any other context, including the right of the Debtors to contest the amount, validity or classification of any Claim for purposes of allowance and distribution under the Plan. If you wish to challenge (i) the classification of your Claim or (ii) the allowance of your Claim for voting purposes in accordance with the Tabulation Rules, you must file a motion, pursuant to Rule 3018(a) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, for an order temporarily allowing your Claim in a different amount or classification for purposes of voting to accept or reject the Plan (a "Rule 3018 Motion") and serve such motion on the Debtors so that it is received on or before November 22, 2019 by 4:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern time). Such motion will, to the extent necessary, be heard at the Confirmation Hearing. Unless the Bankruptcy Court orders otherwise, your Claim will not be counted for voting purposes in excess of the amount determined in accordance with the Tabulation Rules.

5. Requests for copies of the Disclosure Statement and the Plan by parties in interest may be made by writing to GUE Liquidation Companies, Inc., Ballot Processing c/o Omni Management Group 5955 DeSoto Ave., Suite 100, Woodland

Hills, CA 91367. Copies of the Disclosure Statement and the Plan (along with exhibits to each as they are filed with the Bankruptcy Court) and the Motion are available for review, without charge, via the internet at <https://omnimat.com/GUE>. Any Plan Supplement documents will be filed with the Bankruptcy Court on or before November 22, 2019.

##### Releases

6. In connection with confirmation of the Plan, the Debtors are seeking approval of certain releases, including releases of certain non-Debtor entities, that will become effective and binding on the Effective Date in accordance with the terms of the Plan and the Confirmation Order. **These releases and related provisions are described in detail in the Disclosure Statement and are set forth in Section VII.F of the Plan.**

##### Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

7. On the Effective Date, except as otherwise provided herein, each of the Debtors' Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases not previously assumed or rejected pursuant to an order of the Bankruptcy Court shall be deemed rejected as of the Effective Date in accordance with the provisions and requirements of sections 365 and 1123 of the Bankruptcy Code except any Executory Contract or Unexpired Lease (a) identified on **Exhibit G** to the Plan (which shall be filed as part of the Plan Supplement) as an Executory Contract or Unexpired Lease designated for assumption, (b) which is the subject of a separate motion or notice to assume or reject filed by the Debtors and pending as of the Confirmation Hearing, (c) that previously expired or terminated pursuant to its own terms or (d) that was previously assumed by any of the Debtors.

##### Objections to the Plan

8. Any objection to the Plan must: (a) be in writing; (b) conform to the Bankruptcy Rules and the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice & Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware; (c) state the name, address, telephone number, and email address of the objecting party and the amount and nature of the Claim or Interest of such entity; if any; (d) state with particularity the basis and nature of any objection to the Plan; and (e) if practicable, a proposed modification to the Plan that would resolve such objection; and (f) be filed, contemporaneously with a proof of service, with the Bankruptcy Court and served so that it is actually received by the following notice parties set forth below no later than **December 2, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time)**: (i) counsel for the Debtors, Jones Day, 90 Lakeside Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44114 (Attn: Heather Lennox, Esq. (helennox@jonesday.com) and Thomas A. Wilson, Esq. (twilson@jonesday.com)); Jones Day, 77 West Wacker, Chicago, Illinois 60601 (Attn: Brad R. Erens, Esq. (berens@jonesday.com) and Caitlin K. Cahow, Esq. (ccahow@jonesday.com)); and Richards, Layton & Finger, P.A., One Rodney Square, 920 N. King Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801 (Attn: Daniel J. DeFranceschi, Esq. (ddefranceschi@rlf.com) and Brett M. Hayward, Esq. (bhaywood@rlf.com)); (ii) the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware, 244 King St., Suite 2207, Wilmington, Delaware 19801, Attn: Timothy J. Fox, Esq. (timothy.fox@usdoj.gov); (iii) counsel to the Creditors' Committee, Kelley Drye & Warren LLP, 101 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10178 (Attn: Eric R. Wilson, Esq. (erwilson@kelleydrye.com), Jason R. Adams, Esq. (jadams@kelleydrye.com), Lauren S. Schlussel, Esq. (lschlussel@kelleydrye.com), and Maeghan J. McLoughlin, Esq. (mmcloughlin@kelleydrye.com)); and Benesch Friedlander Coplan & Aronoff LLP, 222 Delaware Avenue, Suite 801, Wilmington, Delaware 19801 (Attn: Jennifer R. Hoover, Esq. (jhoover@beneschlaw.com) and Kevin M. Capuzzi, Esq. (kcapuzzi@beneschlaw.com)); and (iii) counsel to Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent under both the Debtors' prepetition secured credit facility and postpetition secured credit facility, Moore & Van Allen, PLLC, 100 North Tryon Street, Suite 4700, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202 (Attn: James R. Langdon, Esq. (jmlangdon@mvalaw.com)), and Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney PC, 919 N. Market Street, Suite 990, Wilmington, Delaware 19801, (Attn: Mary F. Caloway, Esq. (mary.caloway@ibjpc.com)).

9. The Debtors are the following 15 entities (the last four digits of their respective taxpayer identification numbers, if any, follow in parentheses): GUE Liquidation Companies, Inc. (5852); Bloom That, Inc. (9930); GUE Liquidation Delivery, Inc. (6960); FlowFarm, Inc. (2852); FSC Denver LLC (7104); FSC Phoenix LLC (7970); GUE Liquidation, Inc. (1271); GUE Liquidation CA, Inc. (7556); GUE Liquidation, Inc. (4509); GUE Liquidation Group, Inc. (9190); GUE Liquidation Mobile, Inc. (7423); GUE Liquidation GiftCo, LLC (5832); Provide Cards, Inc. (3462); GUE Liquidation Commerce LLC (0019); and GUE Liquidation Creations, Inc. (8964). The Debtors' noticing address in these chapter 11 cases is 3113 Woodcreek Drive, Downers Grove, IL 60515.

10. References to Exhibits and capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this Notice have the meanings given to them in the Plan and the Disclosure Statement Order, as applicable.

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