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Falcons top Cowboys in shootout

By SCHUYLER DIXON

The Associated Press

ARLINGTON, – Matt Ryan and Julio Jones kept Atlanta rolling with help from fill-in running back Devonta Freeman.

The Dallas Cowboys failed their first test without Tony 39-28 on Sunday. Romo and Dez Bryant.

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Freeman's third score early Ryan and Jones connect- in the fourth quarter capped ed for two touchdowns, a rally from a trio of 14-point Freeman ran for 141 yards deficits for the Falcons (3-0), and three scores, and the who didn't win their third ing with a sling supporting

and Week 13 in 2013.

100-yard game to start the and a clinching 2-yard score completions to 16 to start the in the fourth quarter.

The Cowboys (2-1) had a six-game winning streak in second-quarter interception the regular season snapped in backup quarterback Brandon Weeden's ninth straight loss as a starter.

With Tony Romo watch-Falcons beat the Cowboys game until Week 10 last year, his broken left collarbone,

and Bryant also in street Jones had his third straight clothes because of a broken right foot, Weeden started season, finishing with 164 9 of 9 to push his streak of season.

But the run ended with a that turned the game in the Falcons' favor. Dallas running back Jo-

on his first three carries, Please see FALCONS on 3B

seph Randle had 85 yards

Falcons quarterback Matt Ryan passes against the Cowboys in the first half Sunday in Arlington,





Phenom pulls away for 4-shot win to cap breakthrough year

By DOUG FERGUSON

ATLANTA — Jordan Spieth • Champions, Web.com and treated the Tour Championship as European Tour roundups, 3B if it were a major. He played like it was, too.

Looking for a fitting finish to a sensational season, Spieth poured never gave Henrik Stenson or any-His final stroke was an 8-foot par Cup. putt that was right in the heart for a 1-under 69, and he leaned back with

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a smile of pure satisfaction.

The 22-year-old Texan became golf's first \$22 million man — a in putts from all over East Lake and PGA Tour record with just over \$12 million in prize money, and the one else much of a chance Sunday. \$10 million bonus for the FedEx

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TOP: Jordan Spieth hits from the tee on the second hole in the final round of the Tour Championship on Sunday at East Lake Golf Club in Atlanta. RIGHT: Spieth makes a long birdie putt on the ninth hole with Henrik Stenson looking on.

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NASCAR New Hampshire

Kenseth wins as Harvick runs out of gas

By DAN GELSTON

The Associated Press

LOUDON, N.H. — Matt Kenseth pushed Kevin Harvick down the stretch and took the lead for good when the defending series champion ran out of gas Sunday at New Hampshire Motor Speedway in the second race of the Chase for the NASCAR Sprint Cup Championship.

Kenseth advanced to the second round of NASCAR's playoffs and gave Joe Gibbs Racing its fourth straight win.

Harvick had the dominant car and led

the most laps but a gamble to stretch his fuel to the end backfired and he faded to 21st. He finished 42nd last week in the Chase opener

and will surely have to win next week at Dover to advance to the second

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round. JGR continued to prove it will be the organization to beat in the Chase. Denny Hamlin, the winner last week at Chicagoland, was second for JGR. Chase drivers took eight of the top 10 spots.

The 16-driver Chase field will be cut to 12

"We had to be there to win it," Kenseth said. "I was giving Kevin everything I had. I thought he had us beat. He had the better

Kyle Busch, Paul Menard, Harvick and Clint Bowyer are the final four drivers on the brink of elimination. They would advance with a victory, but Jimmie Johnson stands in their way at Dover, where he has a track-record 10 victories.

"Dover is a good track for us. A victory would be a good shot in the arm for us," Johnson said.

Kenseth won for the fifth time this season and stalked Harvick over the final tense laps that ended when the No. 4 Chevrolet had nothing left in the tank.

Harvick was knocked out of the race last week when he connected with Johnson and blew a tire. He later got into an altercation with Johnson in the motorhome

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Harper helps Wando rally past St. James for title

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ery was waiting to see posted.

The Wando golf coach already School Invitational. Left unre-The scores started coming in a knew his team had overcome a solved was whether anyone had

flurry, except for the one Jeff Em- four-shot deficit to St. James in rallied from even further behind Sunday's final round of the High — in particular reigning state

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