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The Brown Bulletin

The pre-race release of 24-time NHRA winner Antron Brown and the Matco Tools/U.S. Army Top Fuel team

***29th annual Lucas Oil Nationals
Aug. 12-15, 2010
Brainerd International Raceway
Brainerd, Minn.***

Antron Brown on Brainerd

"I'm excited to get back to Brainerd. It's a track I've had a lot of success at. We're looking at getting this Matco Tools dragster back on track and hopefully get the No. 4 position heading into the Countdown (to 1). We have a great team, now it's time to bring it home for Matco Tools and all the distributors that support us."

Brian Corradi (crew chief) on Brainerd

"We ran well at Brainerd last year and we hope to continue that. We can usually run pretty well there with the weather conditions. Our goal, like always, is to qualify well. We've been doing that lately. We just need to improve our consistency on race day and we should be able to go some rounds and hopefully move up to fourth place in the standings before the Countdown (to 1) begins."

Antron Brown Brainerd NHRA Notebook

-Three weeks ago at the Mile-High Nationals near Denver, Brown earned his fifth No. 1 qualifier of this season after pacing the field with a lap of 3.961 seconds. It was his second straight pole at the Denver race. On race day, he defeated Terry Haddock before the Matco Tools dragster dropped a cylinder and fell to Brandon Bernstein in round two. It ended a streak of three straight final round appearances for the Matco Tools car at Denver.

-Last year at the Brainerd NHRA race, Brown won his 14th straight round before falling to two-time champion Larry Dixon in the semifinals. After sweeping the Western Swing, Brown qualified sixth at B.I.R. at 3.947 seconds at 304.46 mph. On race day, Brown defeated Terry Haddock and seven-time champion Tony Schumacher before the Matco Tools car smoked the tires against Dixon in the semifinals. Brown earned top speed of the meet honors at 318.69 mph.

-Brown is a four-time Pro Stock Motorcycle winner at Brainerd. His four wins in the North Star State are the most at any track on the NHRA tour. Brown has won races at 14 current NHRA tracks and

has multiple wins at six facilities. He also has two No. 1 qualifiers at B.I.R.

-Brown, who won a category-best six races last season, enters the 17th race on the 2010 NHRA schedule ranked fifth in the Top Fuel standings. He trails two-time champion Larry Dixon by 393 points. Brown has six final-round appearances this season (Gainesville, Charlotte 1, Houston, Englishtown, Norwalk and Seattle) and five No. 1 qualifiers (Gainesville, Las Vegas 1, Topeka, Bristol and Denver). Last year, Brown had 10 finals and seven poles. His average qualifying position in 16 races this year is 4.5.

Antron Brown... Did You Know?

-Brown was a track star at Mercer College in New Jersey competing in the 100 and 200-meters, long jump, and 55-meter indoor. He ran quick enough to qualify for the U.S. Olympic trials in the 100-meters.

-Brown's first team owner was former NFL star cornerback Troy Vincent.

-Brown is the only racer in NHRA history to win races (8 TF/16 PSM) in and lead the standings both Top Fuel and Pro Stock Motorcycle.

-Brown's co-crew chief, Mark Oswald, won the 1984 NHRA Winston Funny Car championship. Oswald is one of 14 drivers in NHRA history to have won races in both Top Fuel and Funny Car. Oswald won the Funny Car title at the Brainerd race in 1984 and earned the pole at B.I.R. in '87.

-Brown's father, Al, and uncle, Andre, race a Top Sportsman dragster in NHRA Division 1 competition.

2010 NHRA Full Throttle Drag Racing Series Top Fuel Standings (16 of 23 races)

1. Larry Dixon (8) 1,520 - - -
2. Tony Schumacher (4) 1,291 -229
3. Cory McClenathan (3) 1,259 -261
4. Doug Kalitta (1) 1,160 -360
5. **ANTRON BROWN** 1,127 -393
6. Brandon Bernstein 1,049 -471
7. Shawn Langdon 761 -759
8. Morgan Lucas 725 -795
9. Steve Torrence 673 -847
10. Terry McMillen 609 -911
11. David Grubnic 590 -930

Antron Brown's Career Results at Brainerd International Raceway

Year Qualified Finish/Winning Driver

1998 No. 2 Second round-Gary Tonglet

1999 No. 5 First round-Gary Tonglet

2000 No. 3 **WINNER**-def. Tony Mullen

2001 **No. 1 WINNER**-def. G.T. Tonglet

2002 No. 3 Semifinals-Craig Treble

2003 No. 13 **WINNER**-def. John G. Smith

2004 **No. 1** Semifinals-Angelle Sampey

2005 No. 6 Semifinals-Andrew Hines

2006 No. 8 **WINNER**-def. Steve Johnson

2007 No. 11 First round-Matt Smith

2008 No. 7-3.929 ET First round-Morgan Lucas

2009 No. 6-3.947 ET Semifinals-Larry Dixon

Brown's Brainerd NHRA Schedule

Date/Time Event/Location

Wed., Aug. 11, 6-9 p.m. Matco Tools Customer Appreciation Event Beard's Plaisance Park at Lake Harriet

Fri., Aug. 13, 3:30/6:15 p.m. TF Qualifying 1/2, Brainerd Int'l Raceway

Sat., Aug. 14, Noon/3 p.m. TF Qualifying 3/4, Brainerd Int'l Raceway
Sun., Aug. 15, 11 a.m. Final Eliminations, Brainerd Int'l Raceway

Brown's Career-Best Performances

E.T./Speed	Location	Date
E.T.-4.495 seconds	Pomona, Calif.	Feb. 2008
MPH-331.94 mph	Madison, Ill.	May 2008
E.T.-3.777 seconds*	Baytown, Texas	April 2010
MPH-321.96 mph*	Baytown, Texas	April 2010
E.T.-3.841 seconds*	Brainerd, Minn.	Aug. 2009
MPH-318.69 mph*	Brainerd, Minn.	Aug. 2009

*1,000-foot

Lucas Oil Nationals TV Schedule (ESPN2)

Date/Time (ET)	Coverage
Sat., Aug. 14, 11 p.m.-1 a.m.	Qualifying Highlights
Sun., Aug. 15, 10-10:30 a.m.	NHRA Race Day
Sun., Aug. 15, 10 p.m.-1 a.m.	Final Eliminations Coverage

Don Schumacher Racing, headquartered in Brownsburg, Ind., consists of six professional NHRA teams: The U.S. Army Top Fuel dragster driven by seven-time world champion Tony Schumacher; the FRAM dragster of Cory McClenathan, and the Matco Tools/U.S. Army dragster of Antron Brown. The Funny Car teams are the NAPA AUTO PARTS Dodge driven by Ron Capps, the Valvoline/Mail Terminal Services Dodge piloted by Jack Beckman, and the DieHard/shelor.com Dodge driven by Matt Hagan. DSR also manages the Abu Dhabi/Yas Marina Circuit Top Fuel dragster driven by Rod Fuller. Since 1998, Don Schumacher Racing teams have won 146 national events in 281 final rounds and eight world championships.

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