

Frank Hawley's Drag Racing School Graduates New Drivers From Various Backgrounds in Houston

Another successful Super Class was held at Royal Purple Raceway in Baytown, Texas, just outside of Houston and the first of two stops at the NHRA championship facility for Frank Hawley's Drag Racing School in 2011.

Each of the school's classes are quite unique in the vast array of students who may attend any one given class. Drivers of all ages and backgrounds take part in the Super Class, the school's most popular course, and a good example stems from the most recent Houston class including Ryan Flach whose father, Bryan Flach, participated in the second class ever held by Frank Hawley back in 1985. Now, some twenty-six years later, Bryan attended the Super Class while his son Ryan drove one of the school's Super Comp Dragsters.



Also attending the Super Class at Royal Purple Raceway were two former JR dragster competitors, Jordin DeWald and Regan Webb, looking to step up their programs and make the move into the full size cars.



Jordin has spent the last five years racing JR dragsters, both bracket and outlaw, in NHRA, IHRA as well as some ADRL competition. Jordin's father, Mark DeWald, who attended with her, spoke of their reasons for choosing Frank Hawley's Drag Racing school, "Couple reasons, the school was here at Royal Purple Raceway and we thought it would be good for her resume considering the clientele of racers that have attended the school."

"I thought the class was good as did she," he continued. "In fact we are planning on furthering her license as she gets older and more comfortable driving faster cars. The class helps a driver understand what it takes to drive faster and what not to do at the faster speeds. We are currently building a 37 Chevy Top Sportsman truck for Jordin and she will start out in Super Gas and move up. Her dream is to drive a blown Pro Mod."

"We would also like to send a special THANK YOU to Jimmy [Montgomery] for his help and guidance with Jordin in the car, she appreciated it very much," he added.



Fellow classmate Regan Webb also has aspirations to make the move up to Pro Modified competition.

“I began racing JR Dragsters not long after I turned 8,” said Regan. “I have bracket raced all over Texas and went to Denver for the Western Conference Finals for 5 years. Then after I turned 12 I raced Outlaw Jr Dragsters for the rest of my Jr career, we traveled to all over the south, also from Georgia to Nevada.”

Along with Jordin, Regan also earned her NHRA 4B license during the course in one of the school’s Firebirds and was very pleased with the entire course. “I found it very informative, I learned much more than I could from anyone else. Frank showed me how to be a better racer than I thought I could ever be. It was a very huge change for me and a perfect experience. I would recommend it to anyone, new to racing and veterans. Both the classroom and seat time along with watching the video after your run really shows you what you did wrong, when you thought you did it all right. It changes your perspective in the way you handle the car.”



Regan’s father, Larry Webb noted they chose Frank Hawley’s Drag Racing School because of its reputation and was very pleased with the class curriculum, “It was very informative to me as her crew chief to help her become the best racer that she can be. Regan really enjoyed the class. It was a change for her as it wasn’t DAD trying to teach her, which was a GREAT experience for her.”

“I saw great improvement in her [driving] even between the first and second day,” he added. “I also saw awesome improvement the very next weekend

when we took her car to the track. We plan on running a sportsman class till she is of age to move up. We will be back to Frank’s school in the short future to get our Top Sportsman license in her car.”

“I would love to pursue a career in Pro Mods, but I will get there when I’m ready,” Regan pointed out about her next step to work on her license upgrade in Hawley’s new Top Sportsman class.

Frank Hawley’s Drag Racing School is scheduled to return to Royal Purple Raceway to conduct another Super Class September 27-28. Limited seats are available for driver’s to work on earning their NHRA competition license in 4A, 4B or even both [7.50 and up quarter mile], driving one of the school’s dragsters or Firebirds. The Bring Your Own Car



Matt Milano prepares a driver to make their next pass in one of the school’s Dragsters

program is available during the session as well as the Classroom Only/Reaction Time Clinic for those just looking to improve their skills.

For more information on the Super Class at Royal Purple Raceway or any of Frank Hawley's Drag Racing School's courses and locations across the US, visit www.frankhawley.com – Call 1-866-480-7223 [Outside the US 678-804-8835]. Also on Facebook and YouTube.

In addition to Super Comp and Super Gas, classes are also offered in Top Dragster, Top Sportsman, Top Alcohol Dragster, Top Alcohol Funny Car and Pro Stock Motorcycle.