

Force, Schumacher, Johnson & Hines earn historic wins at MOPAR MILE-HIGH NHRA NATIONALS

The two winningest drivers in their respective classes in NHRA history, John Force and Tony Schumacher, scored historic victories Sunday at the Mopar Mile-High NHRA Nationals at Bandimere Speedway near Denver.

Allen Johnson (Pro Stock) and Andrew Hines (Pro Stock Motorcycle) also were winners at the first NHRA Mello Yello Drag Racing Series finals in history to be televised live on a national broadcast network.

It was the first win of the season for both legendary drivers, who have earned the most world championships and victories in Funny Car and Top Fuel, respectively. They gave epic performances to the national television audience watching the finals live on FOX.

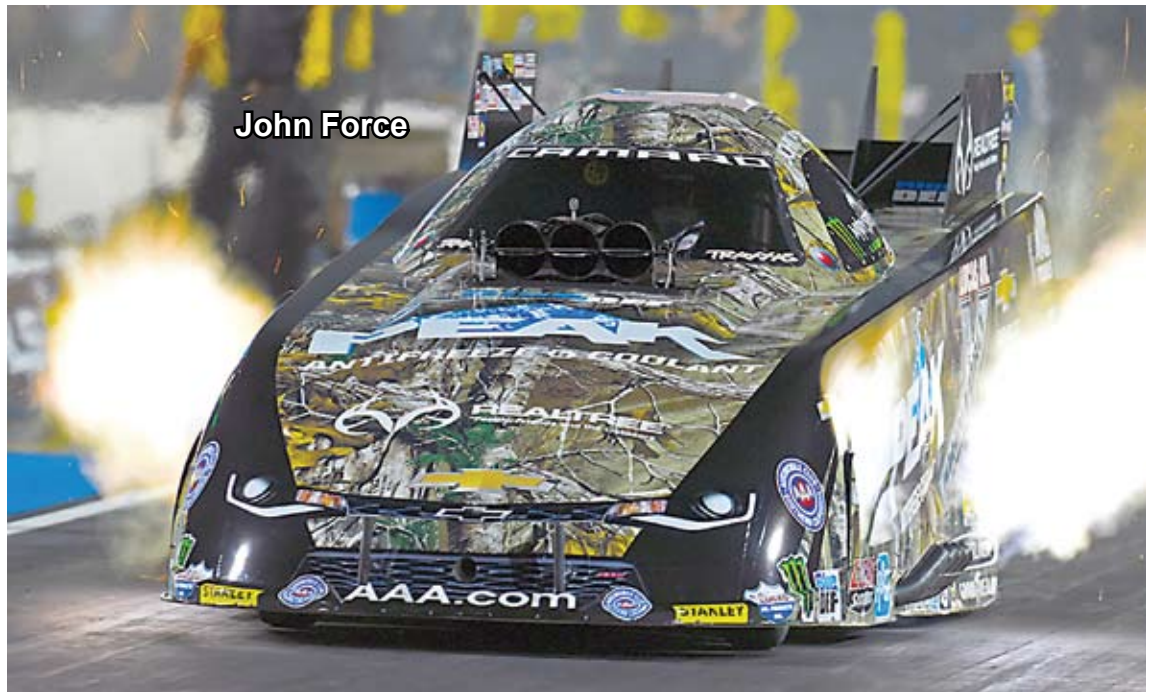
Force defeated his daughter Courtney in a close Funny Car final. In a battle between Chevy Camaros, he finished in 3.965 seconds at 319.45 mph in his Realtree Peak Antifreeze Camaro to her performance of 3.963 at 314.75 in her Traxxas Camaro.

It was the elder Force's first win of the season, seventh at Denver and 144th of his career. Force hadn't won a race since June 2015 in Epping, N.H. "I didn't have a monkey on my back, it was a gorilla," said Force, the 16-time world champ who at age 67 becomes the oldest driver in NHRA history to win a Funny Car race.

"Let's face it, the competition is the best I've ever seen," Force continued. "It's tough to race my little girl there and it was a close one. I can do this game. I love it. I don't have anywhere to go. I am going to keep doing this. I want to keep building this sport."

Force, who also made history earlier in the weekend by clocking the first three-second Funny Car run ever at Bandimere Speedway, outran Jeff Diehl, Matt Hagan and defending world champ Del Worsham to advance to the final. In the final against his daughter he said he needed to totally forget who was in the opposite lane.

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John Force



John Force versus Courtney Force



Tony Schumacher



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