

Langdon, Hight, Edwards and Hall earn wins at Indianapolis

NHRA Top Fuel points leader Shawn Langdon made it a memorable double-win weekend by racing to the Chevrolet Performance U.S. Nationals victory Monday at Lucas Oil Raceway at Indianapolis.

Robert Hight (Funny Car), Mike Edwards (Pro Stock) and John Hall (Pro Stock Motorcycle) also were winners at the world's most prestigious race, the 18th of 24 NHRA Mello Yello Drag Racing Series events. It was the last race in the NHRA's regular season and set the stage for the six-race Mello Yello Countdown to the Championship playoffs which began Sept. 13-15 at zMAX Dragway near Charlotte, N.C.

Torrence and Bob Vandergriff secured the final two positions in the Countdown to the Championship. Everyone will start out chasing Langdon, who has plenty of momentum on his side as he is seeking his first Top Fuel world championship title.



Langdon, who earned a class-best fifth victory of the season and sixth of his career, also beat Pat Dakin, Terry McMillen and Doug Kalitta to reach the final round.



Hight broke a 35-race winless streak and claimed his 28th career victory and third at Indy by beating Jack Beckman in the final round.



Pro Stock points leader Edwards earned his sixth season victory and 40th in his career by topping V Gaines on a holeshot in the final round to continue his banner season. Edwards posted a winning time of 6.63



In Pro Stock Motorcycle, John Hall picked up his second win of the season by beating teammate Matt Smith in the final round. Hall beat defending world champion Eddie Krawiec, Michael Ray and L.E. Tonglet to set up the memorable matchup with Smith.

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