

MOTOR SPORTS ROUNDUP

Dixon grabs his 1st victory of season in Top Fuel

Win pulls him within 1 point of leader Tony Schumacher in the season standings

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Larry Dixon raced to his first Top Fuel victory of the season and 42nd overall Sunday, beating Dave Grubnic in the final of the Checker Schuck's Kragen NHRA Nationals at Firebird International Raceway in Chandler, Ariz.

Jack Beckman and V. Gaines also won their divisions in the second NHRA Powerade Drag Racing Series event of the season.

Dixon drove his dragster to a 4.532-second, 327.19-mph victory over Grubnic to tie Tony Schumacher for ninth place on the NHRA career victory list.

The victory pulled Dixon within one point of Schumacher for the Top Fuel points lead after two events.

Beckman drove his Dodge Charger R/T to a 4.868-second run at 320.20 mph to edge Robert Hight for his fourth career Funny Car win. Hight still leads Beckman by 27 points in the Funny Car standings.

In Pro Stock, Gaines grabbed his first win in seven years, driving his Dodge Stratus to a 6.702 at 205.38 against Jason Line. Greg Anderson leads the Pro Stock standings by four points over Jeg Coughlin.

Supercross heads to Indy

Georgia rider Davi Millsaps raced to his first Monster Energy AMA Supercross victory late Saturday night, beating Kevin Windham in front of 67,429 fans at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta.

"I had a lot of friends and family here tonight, so winning in front of them is huge, especially my first win in this class," said Millsaps, from Cairo.

Chad Reed, who finished sixth, leads the series points race with 184. Kevin Windham,

who was second in Atlanta, also is second in points with 159.

Torco Fuels Honda's Trey Cannard won the Eastern Regional AMA Supercross Lites race, leading all 15 laps in the main event.

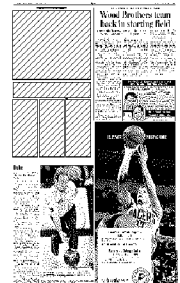
The series' next event is Saturday night at the RCA Dome.

Nationwide race delayed

Steady rain Saturday night forced the postponement of the NASCAR Nationwide Series race until Sunday, following the Sprint Cup series race at Auto Club Speedway in Fontana, Calif.

Officials waited more than two hours, making several attempts to dry the 2-mile oval, before finally giving up in the face of a worsening forecast.

The Sprint Cup race began about 2½ hours after its scheduled start time Sunday, was slowed by two early crashes and then halted as NASCAR and track officials looked for a way to stop water seeping through the seams of the 2-mile oval.





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JUST TOO FAST: Larry Dixon, Avon, Ind., speeds toward a victory in the NHRA's Top Fuel final in Chandler, Ariz. Dixon turned in a run of 4.532 seconds with a top speed of 327.19 mph in defeating Dave Grubnic.