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## **Victories Aplenty for Snap-on Drivers**

*Castroneves & Briscoe Finish 1-2 at IRL Race in Texas;  
Coughlin and Tony Pedregon Capture NHRA Titles in Chicago*

**KENOSHA, Wis. – June 8, 2009** – The checkered flag was waving furiously over the weekend for Snap-on sponsored drivers as Helio Castroneves and Ryan Briscoe captured first and second place at the Indy Racing League (IRL) event Saturday night at Texas Motor Speedway and two of Snap-on's National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) drivers, Jeg Coughlin (Pro Stock) and Tony Pedregon (Funny Car), won titles at the NHRA Nationals on June 7 at the Route 66 Raceway in Joliet, Ill.

"What a great weekend for the Snap-on drivers," said Alicia Smales, vice president of marketing for Snap-on Tools. "Helio and Ryan are each having an incredible season and we want to congratulate them on another awesome race. We also want to congratulate Jeg and Tony for not only winning their race, but doing it in front of the more than 1,500 Snap-on customers and franchisees in attendance at the race, making those two victories even better."

This was the third time Castroneves has won at Texas Motor Speedway, as he edged out teammate Briscoe for second place. It was Briscoe's second-straight, second-place finish which helped move him into first in the overall IRL points standings. Castroneves moved into fourth place overall. The Penske team drivers return to the track on Sunday, June 21 when they travel to Iowa for the Indy 250 at the Iowa Speedway in Newton.

Coughlin notched his fourth win of the season to continue his lead in the season-points standings. It was the 44<sup>th</sup> win of his Pro Stock career and 57<sup>th</sup> overall. Tony Pedregon picked up his first win of the season and did it in wire-to-wire fashion from the number one spot as he won all eight rounds. It was the 41<sup>st</sup> win of his career. The Snap-on NHRA drivers will be racing again this weekend at the NHRA Supernationals in New Jersey.

To learn more about Snap-on tools and its racing program, visit [www.snapon.com/racing](http://www.snapon.com/racing).

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