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# **Joe Denette Motorsports News & Notes**

Dover International Speedway NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Race No. 6 of 22

#### **Ron Hornaday**

No. 9 Anderson's Maple Syrup Chevrolet

#### Fast & Fun Facts...

- Ron Hornaday is one of only two active NASCAR Camping World Truck Series (NCWTS) drivers that have been to victory lane at Dover International Speedway.
- Eye In the Sky...Ted Musgrave, the 2005 NCWTS Champion will serve as Hornaday's spotter for Dover. Musgrave was a 2002 winner at the 1-mile oval.
- Hornaday has completed 100 percent of laps attempted in 2012 (1116 of 1116) and has improved his
  finishing position in each of the series' first five events.

**Welcome Back...** Anderson's Maple Syrup is back on board with Ron Hornaday and the Joe Denette Motorsports team at Dover. The Cumberland, Wisconsin company was last seen in the season opener at Daytona International Speedway and will adorn the sides of the No. 9 Chevrolet in select NCWTS events throughout the 2012 season. Anderson's Maple Syrup provides families with a pure, all-natural, and healthy alternative to artificial "maple-flavored" syrups. Visit <a href="PureMapleUSA.com">PureMapleUSA.com</a> to find out why other families are choosing pure maple syrup from Anderson's.

**Dover Details...** In seven NCWTS starts at Dover, Hornaday has one pole, one win, three top-five and five top-10 finishes. The four-time series champion has led 275 laps with an average start of 6.1 and an average finish of 8.9 and has completed 88.8 percent of laps attempted (1247 of 1404). In 2011, Hornaday started fourth and finished ninth.

**This Week's No. 9 Chevrolet...** Hornaday will pilot chassis No. 06 in the 13th Annual Lucas Oil 200 at Dover. This is the same Joe Denette Motorsports chassis that Hornaday piloted to a sixth-place finish at Kansas Speedway in April and a fifth-place finish at Charlotte Motor Speedway in May.

**In The Loop...** According to NASCAR's loop data statistics, Hornaday has the following stats at Dover:

- Hornaday has a driver rating of 112.6
- · Fifth among average running position (7.998)
- First among fastest laps run with 110
- First among laps in the top-15 with 1182
- First among laps led with 275

**Rearview Mirror-Charlotte...** Making his eighth start at Charlotte Motor Speedway, Hornaday conserved fuel to finish fifth in the N.C. Education Lottery 200. The strong finish was Hornaday's sixth top-five finish at the 1.5-mile quad-oval and his first top-five finish of the 2012 season.

**Get to the Point...** After capturing his first top-five finish of the 2012 season at Charlotte, Hornaday is up to sixth in the 2012 NCWTS point standings, a mere one point outside the top-five and 31 points behind series point leader, Justin Lofton.

**Drive For Autism...** For the sixth consecutive year, Dover International Speedway has teamed up with Autism Speaks to create awareness and raise funds for the cause. Joe Denette Motorsports, along with other NASCAR teams in all three series, will carry the Autism Speaks blue puzzle piece logo as a sign of support for the nation's leading autism science and advocacy organization.

## A Penny For Your Thoughts...

From the driver, Ron Hornaday... "Dover, being a concrete track, is challenging because of the way that you have to run around that place; the way tires wear out, the way the rubber gets put down there. You've got to be fast through the corner. Two-thirds of your lap time is through the turn rather than down the straightaway, so you definitely have to make sure that you have a good handling truck; one that's good in the beginning of the run on low air pressure and one that's good at the end of the run on high air pressure. It's a place where track position and pit stops are crucial to your success at the end of the day. I'm confident that we will unload with a great package and be able to start and stay up front Friday night. We have been improving every week and last weekend we broke the barrier into the top-five. Dover has been a strong track for me in the past and I feel like it's just a matter of time before this team gets its first victory."

From the crew chief, Jeff Hensley... "I really like Dover. It's a track that I look forward to. I have sat on the pole twice with Mike Skinner and won the race with Brian Scott in 2009. The two things you are going to concentrate on at Dover is fuel and tires. I've seen this race go green for 150 laps and people are running out of gas. The drivers get comfortable and just race the track, so going green for a long time isn't unusual. Pit stops will be critical and I'm sure pit strategy will play a key role; it's not uncommon to see a lot of teams take two tires on their last stop because track position is so important."

### **Hornaday's NCWTS Stats:**

Starts: 305 Top-5: 147 Top-10: 210 Poles: 27 Wins: 51

Laps Led: 9,530 Average Start: 8.3 Average Finish: 9.3 Laps: 49,274

**About Anderson's Maple Syrup...** In 1928, Paul Anderson first shared the distinct taste of Wisconsin's Northwoods, delicately sweet pure maple syrup. Three generations later, the Anderson family carries on its sugar making heritage by bottling pure maple syrup from the same sugar bush their grandfather tapped for so many years. A healthy all-natural delicacy, authentic maple syrup is a nutritious and natural alternative to artificial sweeteners and maple-flavored syrups. From its roots in Cumberland, Wisconsin, Anderson's Maple Syrup can today be found in supermarkets and specialty shops across the country.

For more information on Anderson's Maple Syrup log onto: <u>AndersonsMapleSyrup.com</u>

**Tune In...** Qualifying for the Lucas Oil 200 at Dover will air live on SPEED at 10:00 a.m. ET on Friday, June 1 and the sixth event on the 2012 NCWTS schedule is slated to kick-off at 4:30 p.m. ET on SPPED. For even more coverage you can tune into SiriusXM NASCAR channel 90 or follow us on twitter: Twitter.com/TeamJDM924

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## Race Info:

Event: Lucas Oil 200 Date: Friday, June 1
TV: SPEED, 4:30 p.m. ET
Distance: 200 laps/200 miles
Track: 1-mile oval