

2010 Camaro Design Director Brings Something Special to Hawley Drag Racing School's Latest Ohio Class



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Drivers that attended the most recent remote class for Frank Hawley's Drag Racing School were given a little extra treat during the School's latest trip to Norwalk, Ohio.

Among the Super Class students at Summit Motorsports Park was Tom Peters. Peters is the General Motors Director of Design Global Rear Wheel Drive Performance and Corvette. He was the lead design director for the 2010 Camaro currently storming into dealerships across

the country. Both he and his daughter Adrienne rode to class in an example of the finished product--- a stunning red 2010 Camaro RS/SS model with a roaring four-hundred-twenty-two horsepower.

Frank Hawley's Drag Racing School has had a longtime relationship with GM Performance Parts and utilizes their ZZ 572/720R crate engine in each of the school's Super Class cars. So, as Peters and the other students worked on earning their NHRA competition licenses in the GM powered race cars, even the teacher got to have a little fun of his own driving after class.

"Tom let me take the new Camaro for a spin," Hawley grins widely. "It is certainly a very exciting vehicle and the kind of car a lot of folks are going to want. I was very impressed with everything about it and glad we were all able to see this car up close. Pictures just don't do it justice and the only way to truly experience everything this car has to offer---is to drive one."

Peters was just as impressed with the two days he and his daughter both spent in Frank Hawley's Super Class, driving one of the school's Super Gas Firebirds and taking part in Hawley's Reaction Time Clinic.

"Oh wow, the class was way more than I expected it to be. Every chance I've had to talk about it to someone since," he paused. "I just can't stop talking about it. I told Frank this was much bigger than just drag racing. His classroom portion was a life lesson on a lot of different levels, both physiological and psychological. I'm in a leadership role and I feel Frank's class has a direct application toward that in learning how people think, work, perceive and handle situations. These are things you can use everyday both on and off the track."

"I wish I would have had this class many years ago. I am so glad that I had my daughter there for this class, too. This was perfect for her as well in so many ways," he added.

While Tom and Adrienne Peters were first time students to the famed Hawley School one in attendance was a returning driver, George Pascal of Kentucky, making his third trip to the class.

Pascal, a longtime pilot, has completed the Super Class at Frank Hawley's School twice before over the last year, once during a previous trip to Summit Motorsports Park and once at the home location in Gainesville, earning his license in both Super Comp and Super Gas.

"I just want to have the best foundation possible," explained Pascal. "The experience I have gained at Hawley's school has been just phenomenal. The higher confidence level Frank's teachings have provided me with are actually---priceless. Based on the notes I take each time, I pick up something new to use, to better myself. In

all actuality, I can say that this won't be my last time in one of Frank's classes. There is just so much to learn from him plus it's just fun."

Pascal also compared returning to Hawley's school much the same as pilot training. "We have something in the aviation industry we do each year called recurrent training. We are no less of a professional say than we were last year, but what they have now found out is that there are certain things that need to be emphasized and practiced again each year. I kind of put the same thought to drag racing and to going back to Frank's class. Who couldn't use a little recurrent training to be the best they can be and as safe as possible?"

Summit Motorsports Park provided the fantastic facility for this first of two planned Super Classes at the Norwalk, Ohio location for 2009 and its President, Bill Bader, Jr. was thrilled to see Frank and his staff return.

"Being very honest, we have hosted every drag racing school out there, all of them. I was most excited to work with Frank and the Hawley Drag Racing School because for one, if anyone can teach people, Frank can. His temperament, his passion and just everything about Frank Hawley is nothing but top shelf. After our first classes with Frank last year, our guests and customers raved about their experiences, raved about Frank and as far as I'm concerned," Bader reflected. "There is only one school in drag racing and it is Frank's."

Super Classes continue to take place year-round at Frank Hawley's Drag Racing School's home location in Gainesville, Florida with numerous remote classes planned throughout the U.S. Among those are an upcoming June stop in Las Vegas, Nevada, a July trip to Denver, Colorado, a return to Summit Motorsports Park in August and a newly added stop to Reading, PA and Maple Grove Raceway now planned for September.

"We are excited about returning to Maple Grove," Hawley stated. "It's been a little while since we have had classes there and it's always a great time for our staff and our drivers. Folks who have questions about the specifics can give us a call or contact us via our website frankhawley.com."

To find out more about all programs and their respective locations available at Frank Hawley's Drag Racing School, visit the school's website - www.frankhawley.com or call toll-free 866-480-7223 (outside the U.S. 352-336-8111).