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**TREND**  
Performance

**Did you know Trend Founder Bob Fox helped develop the Spintron, a valve test machine that revolutionized testing valve movement in a big way?**

This electrically powered machine revealed profound and inadequate push rod designs, and says writer Sam Logan in January's *Drag Racer*, this creation changed push-rod design irrevocably.

It was during Fox's earlier work as a tech representative for nearby Diamond racing, when Diamond became aware of troubling issues in pushrod manufacturing. Logan says it was this encounter that caused Fox to contemplate life as a pushrod maker.

Trend was the first to recognize the many-faceted processes that affects product integrity. Fox

told *Drag Racer* "it begins not in the machining centers but in first ensuring the raw material is custom made to Trend's specifications; checking for specs before going into production; strict procedures for cutting, forming and machining; and lastly the heat treatment processes that follow. This summer Trend announced a new, premium tool steel solid flat tappet.



Racer Kevin Stoa says, "When I first experi-

enced tool steel tappets I could not believe what I saw—they ran for hours and hours at full throttle, and when I removed them they still looked like new."

The chief advantage is multiple usage. The tappet can also operate on different cast iron camshafts and they can be rebuilt and their crowns re-ground...in fact these tappets can last indefinitely by simply returning them to Trend for refurbishment when necessary.

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**MILESTONES IN RACING**

**Force Hood's First Funny Car win is named NHRA Greatest Moment No. 8**

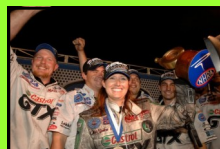
More than 30 years after Shirley Muldowney recorded the first win by a woman in a Top Fuel dragster, a woman had yet to win a race in NHRA's Funny Car class.

On April 27, 2008, Ashley Force Hood secured the first win by a women in a Funny Car at the Summit Racing Equipment NHRA Southern Nationals at Atlanta Dragway. The landmark victory came, ironically enough, against her father, who was seeking to achieve a milestone of his own – his 1,000th round-win – a milestone that he would achieve one race later in Madison, Ill.

Left: Shirley Muldowney



Below: Ashley Force Hood



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## Where's Milestone?



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## Fast Cars!



Above: Hot Rod Week in Topeka, KS  
Below: Brainerd, MN Races



Above and below: The Brainerd, MN Races



## What Makes Them Go Fast!



Above: Myers Engine Service, Ness City, KS  
Below: Champion Brands at Hot Rod Drag Week in Topeka, KS



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### Top 10 Laws of Auto Racing

10) The number of times you get hit in a pileup is directly proportional to the number of times you said "I think it will go ok today". 9) You only get the lead when you need fuel. 8) If a tire can go on the wrong side, it will. 7) A part will never break during a test session, only during a race.

6) The driver behind you is always the one you punted last week. 5) The part you left at the shop is the one you need. 4) The number of laps remaining is always one more than the amount of fuel left in the car. 3) Your good car will get wrecked, your bad car will finish the race, two laps down. 2) The concrete wall is harder at the tracks you wreck at. 1) A 10-car pileup will never happen \*behind\* you!