

# Hord Racing

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Pictured right:

The BOSS Snowplow, Kumho Tire, Amsoil, Mazda works it's way around the track at The Quarry in Chula Vista, CA.



## Hord Charges Hard at The Quarry

CORR Round 11 -

### Friday Practice/Qualifying:

Chad was happy with the performance of the BOSS Snowplow, Kumho Tire, Amsoil, Mazda in the two practice rounds on Friday. While going over the truck after practice, the belts were worn. Upon further inspection, a bad bearing was found in the engine and there was not enough time to change it before qualifying. Chad and the crew got to work and changed the engine, knowing that they would be starting last in the field of 28 trucks.

**Saturday Practice:** Chad was able to turn some great laps in the Boss Snowplow #9 Pro-Lite. He was confident that his Kumho Tires would hook up and with Amsoil protection in the Mazda power plant his truck would withstand being

pushed to the limits and make it to the front of the field. His only concern was whether he would have enough time before the checkered flag flew.

**Race Recap:** With SPEED Channel covering Saturday's action live, you could sense the extraordinary level of excitement among the fans packed into the stands at The Quarry, located in Chula Vista, CA. When the green flag signaled the start of the Pro-Lite race, Chad's Kumho tires hooked up and he began to work through the field. By the end of the 1st lap of this technical track Chad had worked his way into 20th. The huge elevation changes, rhythm sections and table tops in the straight— always, were no match for Chad's Fox Shox as the truck sailed smoothly over every demand the track had to offer. At the end of two laps

half of the field had been passed by Hord as he charged his way forward. When the mandatory caution came out Chad was sitting in 8th place. Confident with Amsoil lubricants protecting the Mazda power plant, transmission and rear end, Chad knew the truck would withstand being pushed to the limits. On the restart Chad was able to overcome a few more and by lap 10 he was in fifth place. Through lap 11 he picked off two more and was in third. For the next three laps Chad continued the grueling pace he had set from the beginning and was making up significant ground on the leaders. Running out of time, Chad finished a commendable 3rd place, only 1.9 seconds behind the leader after overtaking 25 trucks.



Above: An excited Chad is interviewed on the podium after passing 25 trucks to finish third, only 1.9

## Sunday Qualifying

After Saturday's demanding race, the truck needed some minor changes. The left rear hub had been damaged and needed replacing. The crew got right to work and had the truck repaired and prepped for Sunday's action.

Confident in his crew and his track Chad put down some great lap times and qualified second for Sunday's race, picking up three extra points toward the championship.



**Pictured above:  
Chad charging hard in  
Saturday's race action.**

**Pictured Left: Pushing  
the limits on Sunday.**



# Sunday Race Recap

CORR Round 12– Starting third in the field of 28 trucks as a four was pulled for the inversion, Chad was eager to get to the front. Quickly making gains on the truck ahead of him it looked like Chad was picking up right where he left off Saturday. In turn one, the truck of Chad bicycled and was sideways in the track ahead of him. Quick to respond, Chad checked up to avoid hitting the truck and damag-

ing his own. Unfortunately, the two trucks behind Chad did not react as quickly. They both hit Chad and the #9 Pro-Lite was in 8th place. In the second lap Chad gained back one position and by lap six he was in 6th place. In lap 11 Chad overcame fifth place and was right on third and fourth. As a result of the hit in lap one, the truck suffered minor damage and the power steering was cutting in and

out intermittently. The unpredictability of the power steering made a clean pass difficult. Chad would need to be patient and wise, to wait for an opportunity to make a clean pass. Unfortunately the opportunity did not arise and Chad finished a respectable fifth place.

## Scott Douglas Injures Leg in Practice – Chad Hord Gets Behind the Wheel

El Cajon, CA (September 15, 2008) – After a horrific, end over end practice crash, Chad Hord got behind the wheel of the team's backup truck, looking to garner as many points as possible for the #7 AMSOIL Kumho Tire Sycuan Casino Ford F-150. Coming into this weekend of racing, Scott Douglas had a nine point lead in the PRO-4 championship chase.

Friday afternoon, during a practice session for CORR Rounds 11 and 12, Scott Douglas went end over end as he drove over the start finish line table top jump. The ensuing incident left Scott Douglas with a trip to the hospital, and a totaled race truck. The injury sustained to his left leg, prevented Scott from racing this weekend. Chad Hord, champion PRO-Lite driver, was tabbed to fill the seat, in the Douglas Motorsports back-up race truck, for the weekend events in Chula Vista. After the doctors examined Scott's left leg, they found a broken tibia, fibula, and ankle, as well as a dislocated knee. Quickly, Douglas Motorsports went to work prepping the backup truck for Saturday. Later in the evening, Bill Smith and Jason Schampers went looking to find a competent driver that would go out and take care of the equipment without trying to prove something. Chad Hord was the ideal candidate. Chad Hord agreed to get in the AMSOIL Kumho Tire Sycuan Casino Ford F-150 backup truck. The crew put the final touches on the truck as Chad took the time to familiarize himself with the cockpit of the Pro-Fab built machine.

Saturday morning, Scott was back at the track, watching his team, and talked about the incident.

"On our off time, Bill Smith tried some new suspension changes, with our Fox Shox that really worked. We went out in practice, with a damp track and the Kumho Tires really hooked up. My confidence with the truck was at an all time high. On that lap we came through the quads, cleanly cleared the triple, and headed for the table top. For that brief moment I felt invincible, but then I found out that I wasn't."

After a discussion that CORR officials had with the rest of the PRO-4 drivers, Chad Hord was allowed to start both races, one lap down, without having to attempt a driver change on the first lap. (The usual driver change typically takes about one lap's worth of time.) This will allow Douglas Motorsports to continue its quest for the PRO-4 championship without endangering anyone during the driver change.

The team had the backup truck ready for Saturday morning practice. Chad Hord, had only a few laps to get acquainted with the all wheel drive, 900 horsepower AMSOIL Kumho Super Truck. Chad got up to speed as best as he could, and was anxious for his first PRO-4 race to begin.

### Saturday Round 11

The AMSOIL Kumho Tire Sycuan Casino Ford F-150 started last, in fifteenth position. The race was more like fifteen laps of on the job training than an actual CORR points race. Chad stayed out of trouble and came across the finish line in eleventh place, the first truck one lap down. If it weren't for the one lap handicap, Chad Hord would have finished in the eighth position.

### Sunday Round 12

Sunday morning Chad went out for qualifying, stopping the clocks, tenth fastest out of the fifteen PRO-4 trucks. The AMSOIL Kumho Sycuan Ford still had to start at the tail end of the field due to the one lap handicap instituted by CORR. Chad Hord climbed back into the #7 AMSOIL Kumho Tire Sycuan Casino Ford F-150 for Round 12 and finished with a repeat performance. The Upper Michigan native stayed out of trouble and crossed the finish in twelfth place the first truck one lap down. The events of this weekend dropped Scott Douglas out of first place in the standings, but thanks to the great Douglas Motorsports crew, headed by Bill Smith, and the driving of Chad Hord; the team's championship hopes are still alive. Scott Douglas went back to the hospital and was preparing for Monday morning surgery. The "08" truck is headed to Bill Smith's Pro-Fab Motorsports to get the chassis ready for Primm.

Before heading back to the hospital Scott Douglas commented;

"I just want to thank Bill Smith and my crew for keeping our race program going this weekend. The crew put in a lot work getting the backup truck ready. Thanks go to Chad Hord for filling in for me in a moments notice. Chad did a great job out on the track. A special thanks goes to Bill Smith for designing a building a very strong chassis. That was the hardest hit I've ever taken and the driver's compartment withstood the impact and really saved me from a serious injury."

Chad Hord looked back on the weekend as well.

"Scott took a really hard hit and I was honored when they came over to ask if I could drive their truck. Heck, I had never driven a PRO-4 before, and if Scott and Bill had the confidence in me to do it, I said "you bet." Bill put together a game plan, got me comfortable in truck, and was a big help on the radio while I was on the track. Thanks to everyone involved getting this weekend put together. I expect to see Scott back behind the wheel in Primm."

- Mike Reusche, mtgraphics@gmail.com

Pictured in Background: Chad behind the wheel of the Pro-4

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### Points Standings After 12 Rounds

1	15	Marty Hart	1078
2	4	Jeff Kincaid	1055
3	36	Rodrigo Ampudia	1040
4	54	Robert Naughton	1031
5	9	Chad Hord	995
6	46	Todd Cuffaro	961
7	55	Jeff Huseman	907
8	12	Bruce Fraley	891
9	2	Casey Currie	889
10	58	Brian Deegan	874



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