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## **Chicago Pneumatic Dealers Entertained at NHRA Events**

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Chicago Pneumatic kicked-off the 2008 NHRA POWERade Drag Racing Series by hosting customers, partners and vehicle technician students at the first two events of the season, the CARQUEST Auto Parts Winternationals at the Auto Club Raceway at Pomona and the Checker Schuck's Kragen NHRA Nationals at Firebird International Raceway, in Chandler, Ariz.

CP's Southwest Zone Manager of Vehicle Services David West invited five distributors to the Pomona, Calif., event February 7-10. They included California Tool, Hall Distributing, Jack-X-Change, Myers Tire and Vern Rose Quality Products. Some of the guests received the exclusive opportunity to smell the nitro up close with the use of CP's designated sponsor viewing area passes. Located near the starting line, the sponsor viewing area provides access for sponsors and their guests to watch a couple passes of drag racing action.

The Pomona event was also the first NHRA event of 2008 for Chicago Pneumatic partner Rich Evans. Evans displayed his *Hardcore Knight*, a 2007 Ford Mustang GT custom designed and built from the ground up by Evans and his team at Huntington Beach Bodyworks, at the CP Tool Box on the Manufacturer's Midway. As always, Evans' project drew a crowd and questions from race fans and teams alike, inquiring about how long it took to build the project and the different steps he used. Evans signed autographs and posed for pictures Friday through Sunday.

In Phoenix, February 22-24, Jason Spratt, Southwest Zone CP Turbo Truck driver, invited two distributors and a technical school to enjoy a day at the races during the Checker Schuck's Kragen NHRA Nationals. Everyday, students from East Valley Institute of Technology's, better known as EVIT, vehicle services program joined Spratt and had the opportunity to walk around and take in the whole experience a NHRA race has to offer. Guests from KAM Tools and ETW also took in the ambiance of the event.

The next NHRA event is the ACDelco Gatornationals at Gainesville Raceway in Gainesville, Fla., March 13-16.

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