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Bruderheim resident places second in the largest motorcycle drag race in the world

More than 500 motorcyclists flocked to the South Georgia Motorsports Park to participate in the *Manufacturer's Cup* drag racing event on the November 11th weekend. Bruderheim resident Mike Pelrine was among them as one of the eleven participants of the 'Top Fuel' headlining event. Top Fuel bikes are as big as they get in the racing world.

Incredibly, Mike placed second in the category at 6.257 seconds and gained title for the fastest pass ever for a Canadian racer on a 2 cylinder Top Fuel bike. His brother Devin from Lamont also qualified in the event, which was said to be the fastest Nitro Bike field in history. Devin held the spot for the fastest 'bump' ever in Top Fuel racing. The 'bump' is the time you need to beat to qualify.

"We are a racing family," says Mike's wife Sue. "Our race team—All Steel Builders (ASB) Racing—is owned by Mike's Dad, Ray Pelrine." Mike's brother and uncle are also involved. "Mike has been racing for five years now, but this is his first season on the Top Fuel. His bike is a 200 ci 2 cylinder Top Fuel Harley, with a 1,000+ horse power motor."

Setting records isn't something that's new to the Pelrines. Mike was the Canadian National Champion in Pro Fuel in 2009 and 2010. He holds the Canadian record for 1/4 mile and 1/8 mile per hour records in Pro Fuel, and had the 1/4 mph record in the US as well. "I think it is really exciting that our little town has a resident who is the fastest man in Canada," says Bruderheim Mayor, Karl Hauch. "I can see that Mike is a very gifted motorcycle rider."

The Pelrines do a number of races throughout the year, travelling across Canada and the United States with help from their sponsors All Steel Builders, Scotia Air, Lamont General Auto, and Total R Insulation. The race at the Manufacturer's Cup has served as

inspiration for their future. "Our goal for next year is to set new Top fuel Canadian and American records," says Sue.

"The Town congratulates the Pelrines for their achievements and wishes them luck in the future," says Mayor Hauch. "The Pelrine family is valued and well-known in our community for their support and volunteer efforts for a number of programs and events in town, especially with the Bruderheim Minor Sports Association and the Bruderheim School."



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