



CHASE BRISCOE: Driver, No. 98 Ford Mustang

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Chase Briscoe is a third-generation racer whose career began on dirt tracks in and around his home state of Indiana. Since he was 13, Briscoe has followed in his grandfather's and father's footsteps, racing sprint cars on the rough and tumble bullrings of the Midwest.

It's a lineage that makes Briscoe a natural fit for Stewart-Haas Racing with Fred Biagi (SHR), as the NASCAR Xfinity Series team is co-owned by three-time NASCAR Cup Series champion Tony Stewart, an Indiana native who also began his career on dirt and despite massive success in multiple racing series, remains true to his dirt-track roots by continuing to race sprint cars.

Briscoe is well on his way to expanding his family's name into NASCAR. This was best showcased on Sept. 29, 2018 when in just his 14th career Xfinity Series start, Briscoe won the inaugural race at the Charlotte (N.C.) Motor Speedway Roval. It was Briscoe's first Xfinity Series win and it came with SHR, as Briscoe tapped into his dirt-track experience to wheel the No. 98 Ford Mustang to a strong 1.478-second margin of victory.

"It drove like a dirt track instead of a road course, and it felt like I was in a sprint car," said Briscoe after the race. "I just tried to make sure the rear tires never spun. I had to give up a little time coming off the corner, but I'd make it back up down the straightaway, and that's why I was always better at the end of the run."

A prelude to Briscoe's Xfinity Series win at Charlotte was his victory two months earlier in the NASCAR Truck Series race at Eldora Speedway in Rossburg, Ohio. In his lone Truck Series start of 2018, Briscoe led three times for a race-high 54 laps on the three-quarter mile dirt oval, but still had to battle throughout the 153-lap race, taking the lead on the final lap to score his second career Truck Series win.

It's no surprise that Briscoe's two NASCAR victories in 2018 have ties to dirt. After all, the Briscoe name is a venerable one in the sprint car community.

Chase's grandfather, Richard Briscoe, is a legendary sprint car team owner, who over time has fielded entries for 37 different drivers including such renowned wheelmen as Chuck Amati, Dave Blaney, Dick Gaines, Jack Hewitt, Steve Kinser and Rich Vogler. Chase's father, Kevin Briscoe, raced sprint cars for over 20 years and won more than 150 feature events. He claimed track championships at Tri-State Speedway and Bloomington Speedway five times, including a streak of three straight titles.

Chase Briscoe's first time behind the wheel of a racecar came in 2001. Driving a quarter midget, he won his first heat race and then won the feature event later that evening. Briscoe moved on to mini sprints and when he was 13, stepped into a 410 sprint car where, in his first race, he finished 10th in a 40-car field. In a rookie season that saw 37 starts, Briscoe racked up eight top-five and 17 top-10 finishes, including a win in the last race of the season, where he broke NASCAR Hall of Famer and four-time NASCAR Cup Series champion Jeff Gordon's record as being the youngest person to win a 410 sprint car race.

Briscoe continued to race 410 sprint cars in the Midwest region and people began to take notice. Soon, the switch from sprint cars to stock cars was on. Cunningham Motorsports hired Briscoe in 2016 to pilot its No. 77 Ford Fusion for a full-time drive in ARCA. Briscoe responded by winning six races and the championship by a whopping 535 points.

Briscoe has thrived in his transition to NASCAR, which was boosted by that ARCA title. He advanced to the NASCAR Truck Series in 2017, earning four poles and winning the season-ending Ford EcoBoost 200 at Homestead-Miami Speedway. His 10 top-five and 14 top-10 finishes allowed Briscoe to make the playoffs, finish sixth in points and score the series' Rookie of the Year and Most Popular Driver awards.

Briscoe parlayed a limited Xfinity Series schedule in 2018 where he drove for both SHR and Roush-Fenway Racing into a full-time drive in 2019 where he pilots the No. 98 Nutri Chomps Ford Mustang for SHR.