

KENNISON “CHUMMY” BROWN

CREW CHIEF / OWNER

Kennison “Chummy” Brown has had a long and distinguished presence in Maine racing history spanning over 70 years. From humble beginnings repairing race cars with a winch in a tree to today’s high-tech chassis jigs, Chummy has seen it all, and succeeded at every level of the sport. Serving as Crew Chief or Chief Mechanic, he has worked with a “who’s who” of Maine Hall of Famers, including Bob Bushley, Ralph Cusack, Dick Walstenhulme, Larry Tanguay, Jeff Stevens, and Homer Drew. Chummy also ventured into car ownership teaming up with Pete Peterson through the 60’s, and he has fielded cars for many drivers since then. Through the 70’s he was part of a super team that included owner Jerry Seavey, engine builder Goodwin Hannaford, and driver Homer Drew. Through Chummy’s leadership, the famous J-2 Camaro dominated the open circuit throughout the Pine Tree State. Into the 80’s and the advent of the newer high-tech purpose-built Late Models, Chummy continued to change with the times and continued to find victory lane with drivers that included Bobby Babb, Steve Reynolds, Glenn Cusack and eventually his own son-in-law Wayne Poland. Today he continues to lend his expertise to his grandson Rusty Poland among others. All told Chummy Brown picked up checkered flags with every driver he has worked with – to the tune of over 100 career wins. Through his obsessive work ethic and dedication to excellence, Kennison “Chummy” Brown earns his rightful place in the Maine Motorsports Hall of Fame, class of 2022.

