



Mannstedt & Son, FabSuite user, Race Car Owner

From the time he was six years old, Brad Mannstedt, of Mannstedt & Son, started going to the race track. Brad fell in love with racing at this tender age and attended as often as possible. As the 'Son' in Mannstedt & Son, Brad grew up working at his dad's company, growing into ownership as an adult. Though, while Brad's hands were in the family business, his heart was on the race track.

When it became available, Mannstedt & Son began using Structural Software, one of the first steel management software systems. Perfecting their use over time, Mannstedt & Son used Structural Software for everything from estimating to cutting tickets and shipping. Brad, preparing for the inevitable, kept his backed up files in a safe box at the bank, and so was prepared when the

Structural Software Company closed. Seeking other options, Mannstedt & Son then purchased several seats with FabTrol, though had continuing problems with onboarding. Brad knew he was going to need to find better steel management software for his company.

Shortly after Structural Software closed, and efforts with FabTrol were not working out, Brad attended the NASCC in San Antonio, Texas (back in 2006!). While exploring the conference floor during the exhibitor set up, Brad was attracted to the booth entitled 'FabSuite – Formally known as Structural Software'. It was there that Brad met Bill Issler – the man who upgraded Structural

Software and turning it into FabSuite – and Paul Parks, owner of P2 Programs. Brad, not an exhibitor himself, was asked by a security guard to leave that day as the conference was not yet open, so Brad left with the promise that he would return first thing in the morning. Brad showed up at 8am and was there much the whole day!

Brad was so excited about the possibilities of FabSuite and P2 Programs for his company that he did purchase FabSuite right then on the NASCC floor. Soon after the purchase Bill Issler and Paul Parks went to the Mannstedt & Son's shop in Wisconsin for the install and the 5-day training on everything FabSuite and P2 Programs had to offer. Mannstedt & Son has added Estimating and Remote Link to their FabSuite package since that time and are proud to say that their shop has gone paperless!

Eleven years after becoming one of FabSuite's first clients, Mannstedt & Son is happy to be adding FabSuite to their list of their company race car sponsors!

After years of being in the Steel Industry Brad Mannstedt was approached by a good friend to get a race car and join the racing industry; helping Brad to realize one of his lifelong dreams! With his wife Nancy's blessing, Brad bought their first race car. Driver Ty Majeski was placed in the Mannstedt & Son car and now performs over 60 races a year for them. Brad and Nancy knew Ty was good, though they did not realize just how good until he started racing for them! There have been many wins in the past year. Mannstedt & Son now has three race cars.

The eleven plus years of friendship between the two companies has led to beautiful things and FabSuite is excited to be one of the sponsors of the Mannstedt & Son race car!



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