#### iTucker Hibbert #68

# **BIO**

## THE BASICS

**BIRTHDATE:** 6.24.84

**BIRTHPLACE:** Driggs, Idaho

**HOMETOWN:** Pelican Rapids, Minnesota

TURNED PRO: November 2000

**NICKNAME:** T-Train

FIRST SNOWMOBILE: Arctic Cat Kitty Cat

FIRST SNOCROSS RACE: West Yellowstone, Mont. // Age 11

FIRST MOTOCROSS RACE: Idaho Falls, Idaho // Age 8

**INTERESTS:** Mountain biking, cycling and graphic design

**FAVORITE FOOD:** Hot Stuff Hawaiian Pizza

## **TUCKER BY THE NUMBERS**

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### 2010 FIM SNOWCROSS WORLD CHAMPION

**10 ESPN WINTER X GAMES SNOCROSS MEDALS** 2011: Gold // 2010: Gold // 2009: Gold // 2008: Gold // 2007: Gold // 2005: Silver // 2004: Silver // 2003: Bronze // 2002: Silver // 2000: Gold - The youngest gold medalist in Winter X Games history - Age 15

67 NATIONAL PRO SNOCROSS WINS 126 Starts // Second Winningest Pro in History

6 NATIONAL PRO SNOCROSS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2011: Open // 2011: Super Stock // 2008: Stock // 2002: Open // 2002: Stock // 2001: Open

- 19 NATIONAL SEMI-PRO SNOCROSS WINS 24 Starts // Winningest Semi-Pro in History
- **8 AMA MOTOCROSS 250 TOP-15 FINISHES**
- 4 AMA SUPERCROSS 250 TOP-10 FINISHES, ONE HEAT WIN
- **6 CMRC MX2 MOTO WINS**

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#### NOTEWORTHY

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- : Has only raced for one snowmobile manufacturer his entire career Arctic Cat.
- : One of Monster Energy's first sponsored athletes 2003.
- : The owner and rider of Team Monster Energy/Arctic Cat est. 2006.
- : 2011 ESPN ESPY Award Best Male Action Sport Athlete Nominee.
- : Competes in AMA Pro Motocross events during the summer.

TIMELINE	

**1992:** Tucker entered his first motocross race at age eight. The following winter, he competed in his first snowmobile race.

**1996:** After spending a few summers racing motocross and a full season racing snowmobile ice ovals, he entered his first snocross race at West Yellowstone. With his background in motocross, he introduced a stand-up riding style that had never been seen in the sport of snocross. Today, it's the only style used.

**1998-2000:** In 1998, the national snocross tour voted to allow him to skip the Sport class and move directly to Semi-Pro level of competition. Of the 24 finals he entered, he won 19 and finished in the top-ten in all 24, making him the winningest Semi-Pro in history. The following year, he qualified for Winter X Games as the only Semi-Pro in an all-Pro field. At only 15, he took the holeshot and won the gold medal, becoming the youngest gold medalist in history.

**2001-2002:** The summer of 2000, he earned his professional motocross license and entered his first AMA National at Spring Creek Motocross Park. That winter, he turned pro in snocross as well. As a rookie, he won the National Snocross Pro Open Championship and finished second in the Pro Stock Championship. He was leading Winter X again but crashed due to a mechanical failure. The following season, he won both snocross National Championships and the silver medal at Winter X.

**2003:** He finished second in both National Championships and won the bronze medal at Winter X. At the end of the season, he announced his retirement from the national snocross tour to race motorcycles full-time.

**2004-2005:** He moved to California to compete in the AMA Supercross and Motocross Series' but still competed in one snocross event yearly. While making a name for himself in the professional motorcycle world, he won back-to-back silver medals at Winter X.

**2006-2010:** November 2006, he formed Monster Energy/Arctic Cat and returned to the national snocross tour on a limited schedule. In four years, he racked up 30 more pro wins and won his fourth National Championship. During the 2008-09 season, he was undefeated at all four national snocross events [both pro stock and pro open, including heat races] and won his third consecutive Winter X gold medal. Winter 2010, he made history by winning his ninth overall Winter X medal with a gold medal four-peat and became the first American to win the FIM Snowcross World Championship in Sweden.

**2011:** For the first time since the 2002-2003 season, he raced the full ISOC National Snocross Tour. In January, he made his 12<sup>th</sup> consecutive appearance at Winter X and won his fifth-straight gold medal. He went on to win both National Pro Championships and take third at the FIM Snowcross World Championship in Finland. That summer, he was nominated for an ESPY Award in the Best Male Action Sport Athlete category.

**2012:** He will defend his Pro Open Championship on the eight-venue, 15-final event ISOC National Snocross Tour. Once the snow melts, he will trade his skis for wheels to race select AMA Pro Motocross Championship events in the premier 450 class.