

## President's Message for October 2018

After getting the call on Friday that the lakebed would open Saturday AM all of our volunteers were hard at work Saturday morning & by noon, Inspection & Registration were up and running with cars & bikes trickling in. At one point we were stuck on 30 entries. It didn't look good for the home team, but entries kept coming. At the final count on Sunday morning, we ended up with a respectable 76 entries (44 Cars & 32 Bikes).

Promptly at 7am, Rick Head got the Patrol Meeting going, followed by yours truly with the Drivers Meeting. With Mr. Wayne Hardcastle providing our morning prayer & Wendell "Old Golden Throat" Burns leading us in our National Anthem, we were ready to go!

With our Fire & Ambulance crews in position, we made our first run at 7:43am. Little or no wind kept the dust hanging for a bit but we were able to keep a steady stream of vehicles running. Actually, other than just a bit of dust it was a beautiful day weather wise.

All in all we made 137 runs for the day & completed 3 full rounds. We had one flat spin, which the driver gathered up & actually made it to the Return Road (GOOD JOB!) and we also had one "Turn In" due to a tire failure. The driver did exactly what he was supposed to & everything was fine, except for needing a new tire of course. Other than that we were able to run uninterrupted to the end.

We set 16 records, 8 Car & 8 Bike for the day. We had 13 runs over 200mph. Our Fastest speed of the meet went to Rick Yacoucci in Car 788 with a speed of 268.734mph! On the Bike side the fastest speed went to Pat Womack on Bike 1974B with a speed of 218.398! CONGRATS TO BOTH!

It was a good meet & we kept everyone safe! We made the last pass at 2:15PM. A huge THANK YOU to all of our amazing volunteers!

Only one meet left, our year ending 2-DAY Meet in November. Don't miss it!

"SEE YA ALL ON THE DIRT!" .....Pat