

Impound Insights for El Mirage September 2018

If you were on the lakebed for the September Meet there was no doubt you knew exactly where you were given the wind and temperatures that greeted the SCTA volunteers, the racers, their crews, families and the fans. A light meet as expected but 3 rounds of racing were squeezed in and 74 competitors made 122 passes down the course. There were 30 records set with the split being 6 car and 24 motorcycle. There was one new entrant in to the Dirty Two Club and to say it is special would be a huge understatement. Steve "Papi" Chappell is now officially a member and after 10 years of trying, it has finally paid off with a 202.554 mph speed and the coveted Merlot colored hat. Congrats Papi! To honor Steve's record and recognize the efforts of the motorcycle crew this past weekend, I'll give you the bike records first.....

Pat Womack riding a Hayabusa in the 1350/MPS-BF class opened impound and ran the record up to 234.110mph. Cathy Butler made her first appearance of the day after she rode the Van Butler Racing entry to a 180.205mph speed to set the record in the 650/MPS-F class. Leslie Hoogerhyde was next in and she rolled the throttle on her Suzuki GSX-R to a 165.344mph record in the 750/MF class. John Noonan's first visit came after he rode a Hayabusa to a 219.986mph speed in the 1350/MB-G class. 30 minutes later Mr.Noonan returned after posting a 185.892mph run in the 2000/MG class aboard another Hayabusa. Mark Summitt dropped in after running the record in the 350/MPS-PG to 108.312mph for the Moto Italia entry while aboard a Harley Davidson. Billy Jahn pushed the 1000/MPS-F record to 184.560mph aboard a Suzuki. The record in the 650/M-VF class now stands at 115.617mph thanks to Jess Thomas and a Triumph T-110. Derek McLeish pushed the 50/M-VG class record to 52.53 mph while aboard a Harley Hummer powered Sportster for the Team McLeish H-D team. Wes White now holds the record in the 500/MPS-VF class after twisting the grip to a 113.432mph speed for the Four Aces Wes entry. H.Alex Balogi riding for his namesake team ran the 50/SC-G record to 81.667mph while aboard a sidecar of special construction. The Burt Crow entry and Leslie Cadwallader now own the 100/M-G record after rolling to a 96.993mph speed while aboard a Kawasaki KX-85. David Consalvo rode a Suzuki GSX-R for the Ridgerunner Motorsports entry at 187.429mph to set the bar in the 1350/MPS-G class. Mikey Hanrahan rode a Kawasaki KX-100 for the Green Fiend entry at 104.146mph to set the record in the 100/A-G class. The last rider of the morning was Steve "Papi" Chappell. You know the end result of his 202.554mph blast aboard a Kawasaki ZX-14. He now holds the first record over 200mph in the 1350/MPS-G class. Again, congrats!! Dave Brant was riding the Speranza Brant Robinson entry in the 2000/SC-PBG class and has pushed the record to 173.449mph. Billy Jahn made another pass on his Suzuki GSX-R 1000 and bumped his earlier record to 190.987 for the Lost Boys Racing entry. The Triple Nickel entry with Stacie B.London aboard an H-D Sprint ran the record in the 250/M-PF class to 97.538mph. Leif Lewis now owns the 500/A-VG record after posting a 136.315mph speed for the Leif Racing entry on a Triumph T-100. Cathy Butler made another visit after bumping the record she set earlier in the day to 183.968mph aboard her Honda CBR-600. The True Radius Bending entry had Brian Rochlitzer riding a Honda NSF-50 in the 50/M-F class to a 63.240mph record. Another bumped record came from Pat Womack on the Womack LSR entry Hayabusa. Pat pushed the 1350/MPS-BF record to 234.796 mph. The Hoogerhyde Honey entry with Leslie Hoogerhyde on the pegs pushed her earlier record to 176.412mph. On to the cars..

Tyler Osborn pushed the Osborn & Ferguson entry in XXO/GMR to a 174.656mph record. The Aardema Braun Lattin entry had Cal Rothe behind the wheel and he ran the E/FRMR record to 203.567mph. Neil McAlister piloted the BMR Ferguson Racing entry in the XXF/BGALT class to 172.823mph to claim the record in class. The J/BGL record now stands at 197.695mph thanks to Mark Vigeant's efforts for the Rice Vigeant Racing entry. Paula Burns was behind the wheel of the Burns Callaway Warnock entry in G/FR and she upped the record to 153.335mph. And to round out the day, Jim Hoogerhyde pushed the Costella Hoogerhyde in the J/GL class to 174.220 mph.

Fast car of the day was the Arnold-Leggitt-Salkins-Hoddinott entry at 245.309mph and the fastest motorcycle was the Womack LSR entry at 234.796mph

A big thank you to all of the SCTA volunteers for making the meet a safe and successful gathering of the tribes! The next meet of the season will take place during World Finals at the Bonneville Salt Flats the week of October 1st. If we don't see you on the Salt, we'll be back on the lakebed October 20th and 21st. Until then, be safe and keep it between the lines!

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