

NHRA Summer Nationals

Sabrina Peccora invited a select group to represent Nostalgia Racing in the Garage area. We were lucky to be invited to help with Pure Adrenaline in the garage for the NHRA Summer Nationals. We had fellow Juggers, Boyd and crew, in the garage with us.

We arrived on Wednesday evening and was led to the best camping spot on the grounds. Who cares that it was the farthest camping spot from the track, it has the best view of the rolling hills and the San Francisco bay way off to the right. Everyone at the Juggers meeting thought it looked like the Sahara Desert but it was the Golden Hills of California! I teleworked from the mountain top Thursday and Friday, what a way to get paid to work. Really, I worked! I am just glad we didn't have to pay for the accommodations. The places right near us were going for 900.00 for the weekend. (Holy COW!)



Racing, yep there was some of that going on. I made sure I hit record before I left the house. I was too busy enjoying the outdoors and the interactions with people to actually go stand there to watch the cars. It was beautiful weather, not too hot but pretty warm. We saw Tom Finale and Joe Simpson working on Tony Juardo's Capital Punishment Funny Car. They made the race but didn't get past Ron Capps in the first round.



On Friday night there was a Cacklefest and guess who got invited to go Cackle? CHAMP did! I know usually it is not our thing but he wanted a reason to pour a little nitro in the tank and light her up. We got to lead the string of Cackle cars through the pits and out in front of the crowd. The grandstands started filling up, man there were a lot of people in the crowd, the whole front row was Juggers rooting us on.



Champ looked like a little kid in a candy store, his smile was so wide. He was having such a great time. He watched the grandstands fill to almost capacity and then they had us fire up. I wish it would have been a little later so you could see the flames but I got a quick snap of the smoke leaving our pipes. There was about a dozen cars in front of the crowd.



On the other end of the line was one of our soon to be members Scott Chamberlain in his Shamrock Shaker, NE II car.



Sunday came around, Winners were being crowned and one of our own, Dan Borg, in that beautiful red Top Sportsman was there in the end. He picked up one of those amazing Gold statues, that all of the big

boys fight for every week. A WALLY! Great Job Dan.



See you next time at the race track! Stay safe, stay healthy, and check on someone you love.