

Seraphine Race Report

This is Brenda and Brandon's race report for the month of May. We had two Div 7 races and four track races traveling over twelve hundred miles this month.

Our first race was in Sacramento Ca (<http://www.sacramentoraceway.com/>) May 16/17th. This race was also a NHRA National open for big cars as well as Jr's. Saturday was just a fun race with a Wally for the winners and with a 330 race also. Brenda's day in the Rislone car was over pretty early as she was a little tardy on her reaction time and ran too quick first round with a 7.87 at 83 MPH on a 7.90 dial in .Brandon's day was just a little longer as he ran into the same problem second round in the Bar's Leaks car running a too quick 7.87 also. This track is well known to be very quick even though we put a lot of weight in the cars. I will touch real quickly on the 330 race, Brandon won his first round with a hole shot and would have won second round but the car fell off.

So Sunday was another day that was just plain wrong after driving over five hundred miles to get here. I take full responsibility for the Rislone Jr dragster losing first round of the Div 7 race after qualifying with a great 7.92. We dialed in a 7.90, but with me being as old as I am (52) and my eyes I could not see that someone put the incorrect dial of 7.93 on the board, and Brenda goes out and takes the stripe with a perfect 7.90. The Div 7 director says tough luck and the people we raced said they would rerun us but I just said my fault and it will never happen again. Then next up Brandon the NHRA 2008 Div 7 champion in the Bar's Leaks car cuts a great .005 to the other cars .013 and they both break out with Brandon running a 7.87 to the other cars 7.88 to end his day. But to be honest not a bad deal when you have a real long ride home and the kids have to be in school the next day.

Now onto our next race at Barona raceway (<http://www.baronadrags.com/index.shtml>) May 30/31st for three track races and a Div 7 race on Sunday. I will try not to drag this out as the Bar's Leaks car went fourteen rounds Saturday and the Rislone car went a few Sunday. Saturday they have two track races and if you win one you go to a third race which they call a gambler for some money to the winners. Well Brenda came to race this weekend even though she went out first round in the first race with a good run of 7.93. The second race the Rislone car went two rounds before ending her day. Now all I can say is the Bar's Leaks car driven by Brandon was on fire Saturday. We had a little problem during time trials with red lights but made a clutch adjustment and all was good for the day. First race he went three rounds before going to fast with a 7.88. Now the second race there was no stopping the Bar's Leaks car as he goes all the way to the finals running 7.91,7.91 and 7.92 with a final of another 7.91 for the win. So this now puts him in the third race of the day for the money, he goes and wins the first two rounds with a 7.93 and a double break out of 7.85 which outs us in the finals. He has had great lights all day but is a little late and runs a 7.91 on a 7.90 dial in but is not the winner. Time to light the BBQ and enjoy everything that went on this day, and that's what we did. Now Sunday was a day of magic and great driving from Brenda in the Rislone car in the Div 7 race. But first Brandon in the Bar's Leaks car had a short day as he lost first round with a 7.95 to the other cars 7.94. Now Brenda's car just did not want to do anything we wanted

it to do but with her driving there was no stopping us this day. First round with her .007 light she was able to take the win with an 8.00. Second round she wins with a 7.97 and third round wins with a 7.95. So now we know the car is getting quicker so we dial in a 7.93 and she runs a perfect 7.93 to advance the Rislone car to the finals. So believe it or not but we have to race car drivers that are both cheerleaders at the there high schools squaring off for the big trophy. Well today would be Brenda's day as the other car goes red and the Rislone car runs a 7.87 for the win.

Off of the race track things are going great as Brandon is about ready to graduate from Jr High School with a 4.0 GPA. He says he is going to try out for football this year even though he has not played a day in his life, but hey we will give it a try as everything is during the week which will allow us to race on weekends next year. Brenda also made the senior varsity cheer squad (third year in a row) and will be going to school with her brother for her last year of high school. She also had her high school prom this month.

With things the way they are in this economy I am glad we can do what we are doing as I feel we are very lucky. And last of all I hope everyone at Bar's Leaks / Rislone is doing well and would like to thank all for your support over the years.