

DRAG RACING AT GREAT LAKES DRAGAWAY

Saturday, May 11, 2019

Is there anything better in the world than sleeping on your MyPillow Giza Dreams Sheets? Oh yes, there is, drag racing with your friends at [Great Lakes Dragaway](#) in Union Grove, Wisconsin. Well almost. Ten members came out to enjoy a day of racing, but were bogged down by the unseasonal weather and of course, long delays.

Right off the bat we had to wait for the track to open for test and tune. There was dew on the track that had to be eliminated, a tough task when the ground is cold. Instead of 10:00 AM, at around 11AM the track went hot, not literally, but it opened for racing.

Daryl Ullberg, David Deisinger, Wilbur Buckle, Larry Latko and Frank Punzio got the chance to hone their skills, doing fun runs in preparation for the bracket racing later in the day. After a two or three runs, most agreed that the track was not optimal. With an outside temperature of 50 degrees, and damp conditions, the tires were having a tough time gripping down the track. After Wilbur ran three times and Larry ran twice, they had enough and decided to call it a day, not happy with the track conditions. In the meantime, the track had to be cleaned due to a break down, which delayed things to well after lunch.



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After lunch, with the track running again, Debbie, David and Frank decided to do a last fun run before our club bracket race began. Well, wouldn't you know, as soon as they got to the staging lanes, another break down that led to another track cleaning session. Both of the delays were caused by street drag cars popping wheelies over 45 degrees (without wheelie bars!) and slamming down, causing damage to their cars and the track.

It seems that the drag racing cars had no traction issues, just the cars with street tires.

David decided to wrap it up, seeing no end to this.

Debbie and Frank waited a little longer before realizing it just wasn't going to happen that day. Another event would have to be scheduled in the future. The drivers did get to spend a lot of time with our spectator members; Eric Kirchner, Gale Egle, Sue Radder and Tom Arvidson. While we were loading the cars to leave, a slight drizzle started, confirming that our day was done. And yes, it got me thinking on the way back home in the rain, that commercial, on how sleeping on some Giza Dream Sheets might be the best thing in the world. Today, it may have been true.

See all [pictures](#).



Frank Punzio