



Official Newsletter of the Southern California Super Eliminator Association and the K&N Super Eliminator Series

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About the Southern California Super Eliminator Association and the K&N Super Eliminator Series

Race Format

Heads-up drag racing on a 7.90 second index (may be factored for different tracks). All cars in competition must meet NHRA rules and standards, see the NHRA rulebook and our website for more information.

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Race Entry Fees

\$125 (includes \$10 Race Director's fee)
Plus gate and crew fees to enter track

Next Two Races

September 15th & 16th at Fontana CA.
For 2007 there will be 8 races at Fontana; best 7 count for points.
Check the website for updates,
www.super-eliminator.com

UPTON AND JONES SCORE WINS IN RACE #5 & #6

The Auto Club Dragway at California Speedway, (July 7th & 8th)- 13 cars showed up to do battle in the So Cal Super Eliminator race #5 on Saturday, which was won by veteran Super E racer Ken Upton. Upton beat Chris Diycio in the money round to win the **Team C Performance**-sponsored event plus the **Clay Smith Engineering** winner's bonus. Mark Engle led qualifying on the heat-factored 7.99 index to take the **Clay Smith #1 Qualifier Award** of a \$100 gift certificate. The **JE Pistons Random One \$100 gift certificate** went to #9 qualifier Chris Diycio. In the first round, Todd Sternberg beat Shane Turner, Chris Diycio beat points leader Andy Spiegel to take the **Salt Creek Grille "Trash the Champ"** award of a \$100 dining certificate, Tom McBride defeated Dave Kembrowski, Pat Jones beat Rich Swatman with a .001 light to earn the **Starfighter Motorsports "Who Got the Light?"** award of 5 gallons of racing fuel, Brian Schroefer beat Aaron Kinard, Ken Upton prevailed over Shawn Drake, and Engle had a single. In round two, McBride took a narrow victory over Engle with a 7.997 (.026 light) to Engle's 8.009 (.015 light), Diycio advanced over a red-lighting Schroefer, Upton used a .023-initiated 8.055 to get around Jones who left first (.016) but couldn't run the number with a 8.072. Sternberg had problems on this run but still advanced with a single. In the semi-finals, Diycio advanced with a 8.012 (.034 light) over McBride who fouled away a nice 7.999 pass, and Upton went to the final courtesy of Sternberg with an 8.024 to Todd's 8.050. In the final round, Upton left first (.030 light) and crossed the finish line first with a safe 8.061 to take the win over Diycio who was right behind off the line (.037 light) but had mechanical problems and slowed to a 9.693.

In Sunday's race, generously sponsored by **Magnum Motorsports**, 15 cars staged to do battle, led off again by Mark Engle to earn the **Clay Smith #1 Qualifier Award** of a \$100 gift certificate. The **JE Pistons Random One \$100 gift certificate** went to #8 qualifier Pat Jones, who also received the **Clay Smith Engineering** winner's bonus when he defeated Aaron Kinard in the final. In the first round, Tom Dufur beat Rich Swatman, Jeff Derencin defeated a red-lighting Shane Turner, Brian Schroefer beat Shawn Drake, Cecil Wiles unleashed a nice .003 light to earn the **Starfighter Motorsports "Who Got the Light?"** award of 5 gallons of racing fuel and defeat a red-lighting Phil Miller, Andy Spiegel benefitted from Dave Kembrowski's red light, Aaron Kinard defeated Saturday's winner Ken Upton to claim the **Salt Creek Grille "Trash the Champ"** award of a \$100 dining certificate, Pat Jones beat Todd Sternberg, and Engle had a single for qualifying #1.

In round two, Jones continued his march to the final by defeating Dufur, Kinard squeaked past Engle in a close 7.989/.005 to 7.984/.004 double break-out affair, Spiegel used a .002 reaction time to defeat Wiles, and Schroefer benefitted from Derencin's red light. In the semi-finals, Jones nearly went down with a rare .071 light coupled with a 8.000, but Schroefer handed it back with a .025 and a barely too quick 7.987 (7.99 index). On the other side of the ladder, Kinard unleashed a stellar .002 light with an 8.013 to handle Spiegel's .022 and barely too quick 7.983. In the final, Jones left second by .006, .017 to Kinard's .011, but his 8.023 was just enough to take the win over Kinard's 8.030.

Going into the final weekend of racing for the 2007 season, Spiegel is leading the points chase with 370 points, followed by Kenny Upton, Pat Jones, Team Lennie Diycio/Todd Sternberg, Brian Schroefer, and Mark Engle. The next race weekend for the Edelbrock/K&N Super Eliminator Series will be September 15th and 16th, also at the Auto Club Dragway in Fontana, California. **K&N Performance** sponsors the entire 2007 Southern California Super Eliminator Series, with bonus and contingency awards posted by **Clay Smith Engineering, JE Pistons, Salt Creek Grille Restaurants, Mike's Transmission, Continental Converters, and Edelbrock**. See our website (www.super-eliminator.com) for details.



Ken Upton beat Chris Diycio to win SE race #5



Pat Jones defeated Aaron Kinard in the race #6 final

K&N SUPER ELIMINATOR SERIES 2007 BONUS AWARDS

Clay Smith Cams Winner's Bonus

Race #1.....	Andy Spiegel
Race #2.....	Todd Sternberg
Race #3.....	Dave Kemblowski
Race #4.....	Andy Spiegel
Race #5.....	Kenny Upton
Race #6.....	Pat Jones

Clay Smith Cams #1 Qualifiers

Race #1.....	Pat Jones
Race #2.....	Jeff Derencin
Race #3.....	Brian Schroepfer
Race #4.....	Kenny Upton
Race #5.....	Mark Engle
Race #6.....	Mark Engle

JE Pistons Random One Winners

Race #1.....	Rich Swatman
Race #2.....	Mark Engle
Race #3.....	Pat Jones
Race #4.....	Dave Kemblowski
Race #5.....	Chris Diyco
Race #6.....	Pat Jones

Salt Creek Grille "Trash the Champ" Award

<u>Race #</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>Winner</u>
1.....	Andy Spiegel	Andy Spiegel
2.....	Andy Spiegel	Chris Diyco
3.....	Todd Sternberg	Brian Schroepfer
4.....	Dave Kemblowski	Andy Spiegel
5.....	Andy Spiegel	Chris Diyco
6.....	Kenny Upton	Aaron Kinard
7.....	Pat Jones	

StarFighter Motorsports - Who got the Light Award

5 gallons of Fuel to who ever has the best reaction time in round one, win or lose

<u>Race</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Reaction Time</u>
Race 1	Kenny Upton.....	.003
Race 2	Chris Diyco002
Race 3	Cameron Ferre000
Race 4	Mark Engle011
Race 5	Pat Jones.....	.001
Race 6	Cecil Wiles Jr.....	.003

Contingency Awards

<u>Company</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Awards (win/r-u)</u>
Edelbrock.....	Intake Manifold	\$200/100
Edelbrock.....	Cylinder Heads	\$200/100
Edelbrock.....	QwikData	\$200/100
Mike's Transmission	Transmission	\$50/25 certificate
Continental Converters	Torque Converter	\$50/25 certificate

SUPER E BARBECUE & KARI'S 18TH BIRTHDAY BASH ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

The success of our first "Super E Hoedown" barbecue has inspired us to make this Saturday after the race barbecue a semi-regular part of the K&N Super Eliminator Series. Our next "Hoedown" will be on Saturday after the conclusion of race #7, which will also be **Race Director Kari Mills' 18th birthday!** It will be Pot-Luck style, and one of our racers has anonymously volunteered to provide the hot dogs, so the rest of us can all pitch in to supply buns, salads, desserts, soft drinks, paper plates, etc. There is a sign-up form on our web site, or call Rick at 562-598-1874 to find out what is still needed. All Super E racers, crew, family and friends are invited, so let's make this one more reason that the Southern California Super Eliminator Association is the best group to race with!

2007 SO CAL SUPER ELIMINATOR RACE SCHEDULE

Location: Auto Club Dragway, Fontana, CA

<u>Event/Sponsor</u>	<u>Notes</u>	<u>Date</u>
Race #1/Parcorp.....	Completed	April 14
Race #2	Rain-out/cancelled	April 15
Race #2/Vaughn Investments.....	Larry Winter Tribute Race...	May 19-20
Race #3/Charles Johnson Roofing	Completed	June 9
Race #4/Spiegel Racing Engines/Engle Cams....	Completed	June 10
Race #5/Team C Performance Center	Completed	July 7
Race #6/Magnum Motorsports.....	Completed	July 8
Race #7/Mondello Performance/Engle Cams.....		Sept 15
Race #8/PJ Trailers	SE Finals	Sept 16

PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS FROM RACE #5 & #6

photos by Trish Turner and Tom Dufur



Ken Upton celebrating his race #5 win with his wife Debbie, son Andrew and Race Director Kari Mills



This tribute to former Track Manager Dave Danish graces the starting line in his memory



Pat Jones celebrating his race #6 win with his #1 fan and Race Director Kari Mills



Rich "Dog" Swatman explaining the principles of flight to Speed Scene's Scott "Lucky" Hudson



Race Director Kari Mills and SE photographer Trish Turner bring a touch of class to our association



Grille Master and So Cal Super E President Rick Dessinger showing off his shiny new barbecue grille



Chaplain Mitch Barber from the Racers for Christ stopped by to bless our gathering and share in the good times



Chris Diyco accepting the Salt Creek Grille "Trash the Champ" award from Ken Upton in race #5



Aaron Kinard won the Salt Creek Grille "Trash the Champ" award on Sunday when he defeated Ken Upton



Ken Upton getting ready to do battle with help from his son Andrew before Saturday's final



Chris Diyco puts on his "race face" before facing Upton in Saturday's final, his second final round this year



Saturday's Super E Hoedown proved to be a popular event with racers, crew and sponsors all having a great time

Current Points

Team/Driver	Race #									Total	Team/Driver	Race #									Total
	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#1			#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8			
Andy Spiegel	85	63	53	85	31	53	0	0	370	Cameron Ferre	0	41	42	31	0	0	0	0	114		
Kenny Upton	64	52	42	53	85	31	0	0	327	Jeff Derencin	0	52	0	0	0	42	0	0	94		
Pat Jones	53	30	42	31	42	85	0	0	283	Scott Drake	0	30	0	0	31	31	0	0	92		
Team L. Diyco/Sternberg	0	95	53	42	53	31	0	0	274	Tom McBride	0	0	31	0	53	0	0	0	84		
Brian Schroeffer	31	41	64	31	42	53	0	0	262	Phil Miller	31	0	0	0	0	31	0	0	62		
Mark Engle	42	30	31	64	42	42	0	0	251	Team Gates - Guy	31	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	61		
Chris Diyco	0	74	31	42	64	31	0	0	242	Cecil Wiles Jr.	0	0	0	0	0	42	0	0	42		
Dave Kembrowski	0	30	85	31	31	31	0	0	208	Randy Scott	0	41	0	0	0	0	0	0	41		
Shane Turner	31	41	31	42	31	31	0	0	207	Harold Owens	0	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	31		
Team Dufur/Dessinger	31	30	31	31	31	42	0	0	196	Tom Pendergast	0	0	31	0	0	0	0	0	31		
Aaron Kinard	0	41	0	0	31	64	0	0	136	Justin Davis	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	30		
R. Swatman	31	30	0	0	31	31	0	0	123	Chuck Swift	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	30		

Sponsors

The Southern California Super Eliminator Association is indebted to our sponsors, without whose support we wouldn't have the high quality of racing that exemplifies our Series. Please remember them whenever you need their products or services, and let them know that their support is appreciated.

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