

Subject: Great Race - Day 4

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Greetings,

I am so sorry for not getting an article out yesterday. I wasn't able to access the internet. Here is a recap from Day 4. We have some great news and some not so good news.

ANOTHER ACE FOR SCW. Not to be outdone by Don and Chris Kloth's ACE in car #95 in Stage 3, Rod and Tom Jones of the John S. Chaney Memorial Team, Car #32, got their own ACE in Stage 4. They did mighty well at the other check points too and had a score of 23.75 for the day. This put them in 54th place for the day and also 54th place in the cumulative score. What a great job, Jones boys.

The John S. Chaney Memorial Team, Car #32, is the only three-member and three generation team entered in the Great Race. Tom Jones from Sun City West is the Navigator along with his granddaughter, Taylor Jones. Rod Jones, Tom's son, is the driver. Tom's wife, Suzanne, is driving the support vehicle should/when they need assistance. She hauls the team luggage and picks up supplies along the way. The team name is in honor of Suzanne's grandfather, John Chaney, who was the original owner of the car they are driving, a 1960 Ford Fairlane. This Rookie category team is improving each day, coming across the finish line for the day within a minute of the time predicted. They scored their first ACE on the first leg on the way to Santa Fe.

Car #95, Don and Chris Kloth, had a great day too. Although there was not another ACE, they had a score of 33.60 and finished in 66th place. Their cumulative score is also 66.

The news from Car #102 was not so good. It was a rough day with car breakdowns and roads torn up. Parts of Route 66 were closed because it was oiled and graveled. They also had a steady climb upward. After a valiant beginning, Team Monten joined two other cars that had to be trailered into Santa Fe. This is the end of the race for these teams. Vapor locks and the fuel pump continue to be a constant problem for Team Monten. The car would not go above 35 mph today, a dangerous situation on a 75 mph interstate during transitions. The Buick will be shipped back to Sun City West and the

team will join the support crews until they reach Flagstaff.

Gordon said the race was like in 1965 when he drove all the way to Alaska on the Alcan Highway before it was paved. He is sure glad he did the Great Race, but it is probably a one-time experience with both adventures.

Tomorrow on to Gallup, NM

Patty and Mary Jo