

TOTAL CHAOS Invades the VORRA Yerington 300

Despite my broken back that's kept me pretty low key since March, the Nor Cal TC/Locos Mocos crew of Mike Koenig & Troy Robinson offered Matt (TC owner) the opportunity to get some seat time behind the wheel of their race truck at the VORRA Yerington 300. With Vegas to Reno scheduled and around the corner, we did what all racers do, loaded the rig & headed up HWY 395 for an off road adventure in Nevada. This was the first VORRA event we have ever attended and we must admit that it was a great opportunity to compete in a different series, with fresh new terrain that was high speed and technical. I highly recommend that more Southern California racers load up their trailers next Memorial Day and make the trek to this annual event. It's a different off road scene, with new terrain for Southern California racers and a great family event! The VORRA organization puts on a terrific show that even includes a driver's parade lap down main street to show off their cars & toss freebies into the streets for the assembled crowd after tech.

The prerun of the course on Saturday pretty much summed up the type of race day we would have. The TC/LM crew headed out and nearing the end of the lap the Mike's Tundra pre runner ripped the factory lower ball joint bolts out of the spindle (Toyota upgraded the Tundra lower ball joints in 2004). Meanwhile Lamont tossed his keys to his wife during the prerun lap and Courtney ran out of talent and pre-rolled his Tacoma. "DIRT HURTS" egos & elbows in this crew again!!!! Making the best out of the situation, Lamont decided to enter the race the night before. There was not much more body damage that could be done that was not already destroyed. The Tacoma fired right up after the roll over.

TOTAL CHAOS now had a Gen 3 Caddy kit & Tacoma long travel kit competing in the Yerington, Nevada 300!! 11 trucks in class were scheduled to run 6 – 50 mile laps with the cars & trucks racing at 10am. VORRA races also include a quad class in the morning.

Koenig Racing #603 completed the first lap in 3rd place, 18 minutes behind the leader. A loose ignition switch caused some down time while co driver Mark Naugle resolved the situation. Low and behold the last minute TC entry of Lamont plucked his first lap flawless with the stereo and air conditioning blasting. They pulled into the pit for inspection, 5 gallons & headed back out. Each lap Lamont pulled in we performed a skid plate carnage inspection of the TC truck decal. Looks like the last few laps had some deep W's. Koenig brought #603 into main pit completing lap 2 and Matt was scheduled for 2 laps. 10 miles into lap 3 the 3rd member let loose. Another Locos Mocos Ranger entry had lost a tranny so the team decided to rob the 3rd member from Rogers

Racing's truck & repair the Toyota truck. Matt and co-driver Troy Robinson's mechanical issues did not end there! Lap 4 was just as brutal with drive line failure on #603. Koenig Racing timed out completing 4 out of 6 laps of the race.

Meanwhile, the care free last minute entry of Lamont ran his own race pace and he drove the pre-rolled Tacoma home completing all 6 laps & 300 race miles in his Tacoma finishing 4th in class.

THANKS TO: Our support crew for chasing us around the desert all afternoon, we could not have done it without you. BCG1, Matt, Troy, Mike for swapping out 3rd member, Squeegie and Bobby Hill for giving up the third member. Mongo for sitting at check point 1 all day with no radio, Momma's Boy and Jerry's kid for chasing south end, 3-Ball, Baja Bros and Nurse Naughty for just being there, the day care center for entertaining 7 kids while at a safe distance from the track and pits, N & M-Chaos for making their first trip to a VORRA race, Matt for not killing me over the stadium jump even though it hurt for a while (it's Thursday and it still hurts, don't ever get in the race car without a d- cel), and our wives for letting us do this.

