



Cecil County Dragway is a gem of a drag strip tucked away in scenic northern Maryland, and it is always a pleasure to race there. Great fans, excellent spectator attendance, and a recent repave to boot!

Qualifying Results

Low Reaction Time	Ted Phillips	0.025
Low ET	Bob Bower	9.378
Top Speed	Bob Bower	143.26

This ECG event was a 15 car field.

Eliminations Round One:

Race One: The first elimination was between Dan Belancio and Scott Hasko. Scott had the better light (.165 to Dan's .255) but Scott broke out running a 11.31 on a 11.35 dial so Dan advanced

Race Two: This was a race of Jersey boys in tri-five Chevys with Jack Zeilsdorf matched against Ray Bruno. Jack had a .04 RT advantage

and ran a 12.00 on his 11.96 dial for the win. Ray was way off his 11.25 dial and broke out with a 10.95 ET.

Race Three: Race three was a race of the Demings with Clayton and Bruce going at it. Clayt had a slight RT advantage (.221 to Bruce's .277) but Bruce ran closer to his dial (10.321 on a 10.31.) Clay ran a 10.439 on his 10.38 for the victory. Instinctively this looked like a close one so I ran the numbers. Margin of victory was .008 second and 1'5" at the stripe!

Race Four: Ed Linus and Bob Bower were matched for this one. Bob was on his reaction time game with a .055 light but ran too fast breaking out with a 9.378 on his 9.41 dial. Ed ran a 9.71 on a 9.63 for the win.



Race Five: Brian Hutchinson and Kevin Lynch lined up for number five. Kevin back in the game with a fresh power plant after a one year hiatus wasn't rusty cutting a .064 light to Brian's .118. Kevin ran too fast with a 10.08 on a 10.11 index. Brian advanced with a 11.85 on his 11.77 dial.

Race Six: Two Jersey boys in this one. Ron Carson vs. Dan Bergeron. Both racers ran .05 over their dial ins but Ronnie's .046 light was better than Dan's .149 and enough to turn on the win light.



Race Seven: Luis Montalvo and Robert Carson lined up for this one. Another two Jersey boys race..and two 55 Chevys. Luis had the better light and ran closer to his dial and advanced with a 10.69 on a 10.63.

Race Eight: Ted Phillips had the bye and logged a 10.23 on a 10.02 dial. On to round two!

Eliminations Round Two:

Race One: Clayton Deming and Ron Carson started off round two. Ron went red with a -.012 light handing the win to Clay who ran a 10.413 on a 10.41 dial.



Race Two: Race two featured two 56 Chevys, and two south Jersey boys, Ed Linus and Jack Zeilsdorf. Both racers ran close to their dial but Ed's quicker .119 RT to Jack's .243 was the deal-maker for the win.

Race Three: Luis Montalvo faced Brian Hutchinson in race three. Luis lit the red build (-.041) handing the win to Brian who oddly had a .041 RT and ran 11.84 on his 11.77 dial.

Race Four: The last race of the round pitted Dan Belancio against Ted Phillips. Dan had a very slow .680 RT and at first glance you would think the race is over...but Ted ran way off his dial with a 10.69 on a 10.02. Dan actually ran close to his dial with a 10.99 on a 10.85, and took the win! Math time: Margin of victory was .007 seconds and 1'2". Crazy stuff, this drag racing!

Eliminations Round Three (Semi-Final):

Race One: Brian Hutchinson and Dan Belancio lined up for this one. Dan's 10.975 on a 10.85 dial was closer than Brian's 12.16 on an 11.77 but Dan's slow .533 reaction time (vs. Brian's .164) got him this time and Brian advanced to the final round.



Race Two: This one had Clayton Deming facing Ed Linus. Both racers had similar lights but Clayt's 10.418 on a 10.41 was better than Ed's 9.76 on a 9.71 and enough to send him to the final round.

Eliminations Round Four (Final): Clayton and Brian staged for the final round. Both racers had been on their game all day. Brian had a .217 RT and ran 11.88 on his 11.77 dial. Clayt had an .071 light and ran a 10.472 on his 10.40 dial for the victory. Congratulations to both!



Clayton Deming - Top Eliminator/Event winner.



Brian Hutchinson - Runner Up



Sportsmanship







Some final thoughts: As previously stated, Cecil is a great track to race at and their nostalgia event is always a blast. Add to that some nice weather and good friends and you have a near perfect day!

Ray Bruno

Please excuse and errors or omissions, they are purely accidental.

