

2009 Iron Butt Rally, Day 7
Sunday, August 30, 2009

Jeff Earls remains in first place and Jim Owen remains in second place at the end of Leg 2. In addition to the rest bonus, gas bonus, and two call-in bonuses, Earls scored 30 other bonuses for a total of 45,809 points. Added to his Leg 1 score, Jeff has a total of 62,438 points.

Owen did 2 more bonus locations than Earls and scored 45,386 points for the leg. Combined with his Leg 1 score, his point total stands at 61,667, just 771 points behind Earls.

Jim Owen and Jeff Earls Being Scored by Lisa Stevens and Helen Austin



Moving up from 5th to 3rd place was Eric Jewell. Eric scored 44,875 points on Leg 2, bringing his total score to 59,951. Andy Mills maintained his 4th place position with a Leg 2 score of 38,992 points.

The other riders now in the top ten are Roger Sinclair (who moved from 7th to 5th), Matt Watkins (who moved all of the way from 40th to 6th), Chris Sakala (who moved from 9th to 7th), Ken Meese (who moved from 38th to 8th), Michael Evans (who moved from 16th to 9th), and Bob Lilley (who moved from 22nd to 10th). Riders slipping out of the top ten were Derek Dickson (who slipped from 3rd to 15th), Greg Marbach (who slipped from 6th to 12th), Mike Hutsal (who slipped from 8th to 20th), and Alan Barbic (who failed to bring all of his items to the scoring table and fell from 10th to 74th).

Eric Jewell Being Scored by Joe Denton



Andy Mills Being Scored by Chuck Hickey



Another significant change in the ranking is Nancy Oswald, now the highest ranking woman, moving from 47th to 16th. Tom and Rosie Sperry, who were the highest ranking 2-up team, slipped from 12th to 54th. Jeff and Milinda Bakker are now the highest ranking 2-up team, moving up from 66th to 30th.

The standings for all riders at the end of Leg 2 are as follows:

Position	Name	Points
1	Jeff Earls	62438
2	Jim Owen	61667
3	Eric Jewell	59951
4	Andy Mills	54645
5	Roger Sinclair	54096
6	Matt Watkins	53830
7	Chris Sakala	53472
8	Ken Meese	52444
9	Michael Evans	52209
10	Bob Lilley	50883
11	Brian Jack	50426
12	Greg Marbach	50278
13	Rick Sauter	50232
14	Mark Crane	49684
15	Derek Dickson	49634
16	Nancy Oswald	49216
17	Peter Behm	49134
18	Bob St. George	48911
19	Dick Peek	48309
20	Mike Hutsal	48191
21	John Jordan	47875
22	Andy Kirby	47607
23	Jerry White	46741
24	Chuck Gittner	46613
25	Bob Lyskowski	45996
26	Kevin Lechner	45886
27	Margaret Peart	45725
28	Bill Wade	45509
29	Joseph Leggett	45336
30	Jeff/Milinda Bakker	45166
31	Gerhard Memmen-Krueger	44832
32	Wendy Crockett	44744
33	Paul Allison	44681
34	Jim Frens	44506
35	Bob Elliot	44096
36	Kevin Healey	43982
37	Davo Jones	43730
38	Rick Miller	43234
39	Tom Loftus	43172

40	George Barnes	43066
41	Terry Neale	42979
42	Greg Rice	42293
43	Buford Neely	42151
44	Dennis Powell	42045
45	Vance Keeney	41849
46	John Langan	41788
47	Jeff/Carol Fremder	41645
48	Bill Thweatt	41619
49	Thane Silliker	41030
50	Bo Griffin	40931
51	Jim Mulcahy	40907
52	Brian Roberts	40839
53	Bob/Sylvie Torter	40382
54	Tom/Rosie Sperry	40293
55	Chris McGaffin	39818
56	Kurt Dix	39795
57	David Nelson	39758
58	Terry/Linda Lahman	39330
59	Glenn Pancoast	39189
60	Steve Short	38969
61	Chris Whitmore	38861
62	Art Garvin	38823
63	Rick Neeley	38269
64	Dave Biasotti	37987
65	David Porter	37970
66	Bob Collin	37581
67	Tony Hudson	37465
68	Winston Oxley	37341
69	Mark Dieck	36883
70	Doug Webb	36860
71	Mike Langford	36634
72	Maura Gatensby	36474
73	David Bourdeaux	36357
74	Alan Barbic	36188
75	Joel Rappoport	35550
76	Charlie Clemmer	35185
77	Jacques Titolo	34931
78	Jennyfer Audet	34931
79	John Stanforth	34760
80	Sal Terranova	34393
81	Gary Jarl	33664
82	Don Fitzgerald	32988
83	Bob Mutchler	32798
84	David Legnosky	32268
85	Tom Bisagni	32217
86	Kent Kidwell	32204
87	Richard Buber	31063

88	David Hicks	29145
89	Neil Ward	28207
90	Barry Bertram	27419
91	Larry Scalzitti	27181
92	Alex Harper	26570
93	Kevin Smart	25568
94	Bob Collins	21643
DNF	Scott LaShier	12103
DNF	Phil Becker	12030
DNF	Bill Rauschenberg	9421
DNF	Kendall Anderson	9097
DNF	John Ferber	8586
DNF	David Riley	7604
DNF	Jim Bain	0

There is little change in the number of riders who are below the target to obtain “finisher” status. 20 riders are below 36,000 points at the end of Leg 2 and, as discussed in more detail below, 7 riders are in the “Did Not Finish” (DNF) category.

A Total of Seven Riders Are Now DNF

In addition to the five riders previously reported to be in the DNF category, two more are out today. Scott LaShier apparently experienced a tire failure somewhere west of Kingman Arizona on Interstate 40, ran onto the median, and then lost control of the bike. He was conscious and able to request that the Rallymaster be called just before he was transported to the closest medical center, but we have not yet been able to obtain any details regarding the extent of his injuries. David Riley is also unable to reach the checkpoint before the close of the window after experiencing tire problems.

Tomorrow

The bonus listing for Leg 3 gets distributed at the 4:00 a.m. riders meeting on Monday morning. Tomorrow’s report will provide a summary of the options available.

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