The man burns and Burners break camp

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Black Rock City erupted in cheering as the gigantic wooden man burned on Saturday night at Burning Man.

Following fireworks and fire dancing, the man exploded in a ball of flame and collapsed into ashes after about 45 minutes. The vibration of music lasted through the night and well into the early morning.

By sunrise, however, it was quite a different story.

While some Burners had left earlier in the week due to high winds throughout the event, the bulk of 70,000 attendees were getting ready to leave by Sunday.

Traffic on Pyramid Highway and Interstate 80 was expected to be heavy Sunday and Monday, with varying degrees of backed-up traffic.

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