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Welcome to the HRC October Newsletter

The HRC office has moved.....

We are now at 44 Stoddard Rd, Mt Roskill (rear of Auckland Car Club building) and we are open Monday to Friday. New phone number 09 629 4438

The move to Auckland Car Club rooms in Stoddard Rd means that the office will be smaller but will reduce our costs and now the tunnel at Avondale has been constructed access is easier. The rent we pay will now be going into a car club and back into motor sport!

Great news, HRC membership has increased by 25% on last year. In an era when sports clubs and service clubs are experiencing declining numbers it is great to see our sport showing growth.

Another area of growth has been the number women competitors entering our race meetings. HRC has experienced a 300% increase in women competitors, admittedly off a low base.

To join HRC just Go to www.hrcevents.co.nz and press "shop"

The following photos were taken at recent HRC Race Meetings. Thanks to Racing Ray Williams for Sponsoring the Women in Motorsport Banner.





WIMS at Hampton Downs Icebreaker

WIMS at OctoberFast! - Manfeild

#### Thoughts from the Cockpit – Chris Watson



HRC believes some logic and planning needs to happen in Motor Sport in New Zealand. If we continue doing the same thing, we will get the same result. For years, the number of spectators attending events in New Zealand has been on the decline. Realistically, there are too many events and too many classes running and this is diluting crowd attendance and limiting the number of competitors at each meeting. What needs to happen is that the sport needs to explore new initiatives but without too many dramatic changes. The process will evolve and some of the ideas will work and some will fail – but hopefully the final outcome will be for the betterment of the sport in general.

#### **HRC Ideas**

Looking at the overall scene, we have two very successful classes being run on North Island - 2K Cup and GTNZ. We feel that the sport needs a class that is in between these two classes. One that is not a one make class or runs on expensive slick tyres (where you need a new set every meeting to be competitive). Hence we intend to run Improved Production Cars (IPC) which has been very successful in Australia.

Cars are must have an engine of the same make as originally produced, with the same number of cylinders it originally had (ie BMW e30 could have any 6 cylinder BMW engine) and run on road legal tyres. No space frame cars. The two 30 minute races have been very successful for 2K Cup and it is intended to replicate this format. For detailed rules go to <a href="http://www.hrcevents.co.nz/pages.php?id=163">http://www.hrcevents.co.nz/pages.php?id=163</a>

It's good to see that several of the circuits are exploring new initiatives too.....

#### **Hampton Downs**

This coming weekend - as part of the Laser GT meeting, Hampton Downs are running their idea - "Fast and Furious" which is where a safety car comes out after 3 laps and closes the field up and then the race starts again. Should be popular with the spectators. Big prize for the competitors is a \$52,000 Chevrolet Camaro. Surely the biggest prize in the History of New Zealand Motorsport.

#### **Pukekohe Park**

Rebel Round Up is a new weekend event to be held at Pukekohe Park on 16-18th February 2018. Transferring from Rotorua to Pukekohe Park, Rebel Round Up is a totally new motor entertainment concept. It incorporates a fully themed hot rod, vintage, rockabilly festival celebrating a bygone era of historic racing cars, traditional hot rods, vintage vehicles & aircraft, as well as rockabilly music and the associated lifestyle that accompanies it all.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### 2K Cup Challenge

November 25/26<sup>th</sup> is the 2K Cup Challenge meeting at Hampton Downs which will another very interesting HRC meeting. Expect a record 2K Cup entry with usual 2K Cup close racing. The main attraction will be the rejuvenated NZ Tranzam Challenge. As the days go by more and more of these cars are appearing. At present fifteen cars have indicated they will be competing at this meeting. Class contact is Bob Cullinane 0274 939337 <a href="idt@xtra.co.nz">idt@xtra.co.nz</a> or for latest news NZ-Tranzam-Challenge on face book. The Super Lap group continue to grow and they will have 50 competitors who will have prepaid their season entry fees before the first event.

Other classes include Super Karts, Mini Drivers, NZ6, and Honda Cup. An exciting mix of classes.. entry www.motorsportentry.com

#### **Tasman Revival – TAUPO**

The Taupo Tasman Revival Meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> January is going to be another big meeting with some exciting classes. Big attractions will be the Tranzam Challenge and the Formula Libre grid. Add in the Flemings Trofeo Series, Super Karts, European Classics, PPG Classic Trial, Hooters Vintage series, Pre 65, Super Laps, Historic Formula Ford and Classic Japanese. There should be something for everyone. Entry available at <a href="https://www.motorsportentry.com">www.motorsportentry.com</a>

#### Tasman Revival - HAMPTON DOWNS

The Hampton Downs Tasman Revival meeting is the 20<sup>th</sup> 21th January and will feature Classic Touring cars. These cars will be pre 94 Touring cars ,makes will include BMW, Porsche, Ferrari , Commodore, RX7, Corvette, Datsun, Group A and any pre 1994 British touring car. Each car will considered individually and will be in the "Spirit" of a touring car from the eighties and early nineties similar to the South Island Heritage series with less importance placed on back ground. This is very much a non-contact class. Another feature of the meeting will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of the Formula Libre Series supported by Pre 65, European Classics, Flemings Trofeo Series, PPG Classic Trial and Historic Formula Ford entry <a href="https://www.motorsportentry.com">www.motorsportentry.com</a>

#### **Motor Cup Meeting – HAMPTON DOWNS**

The Improved Production Car Series will now be launched at the NZ Motorcup Meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> January 2018. The is a high profile meeting that is part of MSNZ Championship Series and will feature the Toyota TRS single seaters , F5000 and Formula Libre, Super Karts and Historic Formula Ford, Pro 7, Honda Cup, GT1-4 and Improved Production Cars. Fantastic event for single seater fans. All three of the top classes can go under 60 seconds round Hampton Downs. This event is a joint promotion by Speedworks and HRC. For the improved Production race if you have a car that has the original make of engine and runs on road tyres this event is for you and will give your sponsors excellent value.

#### **TACCOC Events**

TACCOC are running a race meeting at Hampton downs on the 10<sup>th</sup> December for Historic Formula Juniors, Formula Ford, Sports Cars, European Classic, Classic Trial and BMW enduro. Entry <a href="https://www.motorsportentry.com">www.motorsportentry.com</a>

#### **HRSCC Events**

HRSCC are running an event on the Hampton Downs Club track on Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup> November for European Classics, Formula Junior, Formula 3, Historic Formula Ford, Historic Racing Sports cars and VCC cars entry <a href="https://www.motorsportentry.com">www.motorsportentry.com</a>

#### HRC, TR REGISTER TACCOC XMAS BREAKFAST RUN: CHRISTMAS THEME:

#### **SUNDAY 17th DECEMBER**

Lots of racing events over summer but don't forget one our few non-competitive events - the always popular Breakfast Run on the 17<sup>th</sup> December. This year we are back to Salty Dog at Snells Beach.

- Meet at CountDown Supermarket top end of Barrys Point Rd, Takapuna 7.30am
- Convoy meets up the bottom of The Avenue Albany on the main road at 8am
- Arrive at Salty Dog, 8-30am with breakfast available from 8-45am.

#### Buffet style: \$20.00 per person.

Starters – Cereal plus Yogurt and fruit salad with fresh fruit added.

Followed by - Hash browns, Eggs, Tomato, Bacon, Sausage, Toast, tea & coffee.

At the Salty Dog Inn.

242 Mahurangi East Road.

Snell's Beach.

Contact Chris 0274 827542 <a href="mailto:chris@grandprix.org.nz">chris@grandprix.org.nz</a> Booking not necessary but would appreciate a call to get an idea of numbers

#### **Obituary - Charles Lloyd**

Charles was a founding member and President of AMMA - Auckland Motorsport Marshals Association, the precursor to the Motorsport Club as well as Chief Flag Marshal for Auckland Car Club. His knowledge of motorsport was encyclopaedic and he enjoyed nothing more than sharing stories from his Motorsport adventures with everyone. He will be sadly missed from Pukekohe, Hampton Downs and Taupo where he served as a Flag Marshal and Post Chief. Rest in Peace, Charles.

#### **Introduction to Motorsport Days**

HRC Have run several of these days during the winter and are scheduling more.

The day is designed to help people who want to try Motorsport without the pressure of turning up at an event without training. At the event we will have experienced club members as well as tutors which may or may not include young Formula First hotshot Amy Smith, Classic single seater racer James Watson, Racing Ray Williams, Woman in Motorsport competitors Wendy Metcalfe and Bronwyn Leech and 2 liter BMW series driver Raewyn Anderson.

The day is also open to more seasoned competitors who would like some tracktime / coaching and light competition, so fields will be split into groups with time delays.

We start the day with an introduction to the team, then cover safety elements (Helmet, Overalls, Flags etc). There will then be a track walk to help you understand the "Racing Line" before we open the track for you to either circulate at your own pace, take race car rides with our instructors or receive instruction in your own car. There will be a maximum of 6 cars on track at any one time and you will be divided up into groups of similar ability.

For more seasoned competitors, we can arrange for you to sit your Race Licence Exam and we will also be able to answer any questions you may have about Authority Cards and will be doing Authority Card Inspections for anyone who is interested.

Towards the end of the day we have some light competition to see how much you have learned -2 car (Dual) Sprints.

#### **Morning Session**

- Sign On
- Safety Briefing / Track Walk
- Coaching Sessions / Tracktime

#### Lunch

#### **Afternoon Session**

- Coaching Sessions / Tracktime
- Dual Sprints

#### We will have 3 categories:

- Women in Motorsport
- First Time / Slower Drivers
- Faster Drivers

Cost for the day will be \$195 per Driver. Passengers \$30. Spectators FREE

This cost includes – HD H&S Levy, MSNZ Permit and Levy, Marshals, Ambulance and Recovery, Professional Instruction, Helmet and Overall Loan if required and Transponder Hire.

If this appeals to you or your partner, PLEASE REGISTER YOUR INTEREST WITH TIM – Once we have sufficient numbers we will secure a date. tim@hrcevents.co.nz

#### FAQ

#### What Safety Wear do I need?

To enter, you will need a single layer cotton overall (Buy from a Safety Shop) and a suitable helmet. We will have some overalls and helmets available to loan – please advise if you need one when registering.

#### What Car can I bring?

You can bring your everyday road car (Must be of Warrantable Standard) or a race car with MSNZ Logbook.

#### What Licence do I need?

Your NZ Driving Licence is all that is required. If you have a MSNZ Race or Clubsport Licence, these are also acceptable.

#### Can I take a passenger?

Passengers can only be carried in cars with Roll Cages and Full Harnesses. All passengers must wear appropriate safety wear.

#### Is it safe?

We will be holding the event under a MSNZ Clubsport permit. There will be Ambulance and Rescue facilities in attendance.

#### Why can't we run it on the Big Circuit?

The reason for using the Club Circuit is to keep costs and speeds down. We want you to take your pride and joy home intact. As we are running under a MSNZ Permit, we are limited to 6 cars on track at any one time. The Club circuit is sufficiently challenging and you will have plenty of time on track.

#### XXXX Track is only charging \$xxx

Check what is included in the price. (Pitlane Exit Pass, Compulsory neck restraint, H&S Levy, Membership of "Club", In Ears Communication Device, R&M Levy, Transponder hire, Helmet Hire, Overall Hire, Tuition)

Following the Introduction to Motorsport Days, we will be running some Clubmans Dual Sprints at the iconic Pukekohe Park Raceway. Again, like the Introduction Day, we will have experienced competitors on hand to assist you during the day. Dates TBA.



Like us on face book to get the up to the minute news



#### Are you a member of HRC?

Now that the new season is upon us, it's important that you have everything lined up to enable you to compete successfully.

- MSNZ Licence Is your Race Licence still Valid?
- Vehicle Logbook Have you got enough pages left for your scrutineering audits?
- Club Membership Are you a member of a MSNZ Affiliated Club? If not, you will not be able to race.

HRC are an affiliated Club and are probably the cheapest to join.... Only \$50 a year!

If you would like to become a member of the Historic Racing Club, order online at <a href="https://www.hrcevents.co.nz/shop.php">www.hrcevents.co.nz/shop.php</a> for a small payment of \$50.00. You can pay by cheque, credit card, direct credit or cash. We are MSNZ affiliated and under that we administer, promote, and develop automobile sport in accordance with the objectives of MSNZ.

#### **HRC Membership Benefits**

New for 2017/18 Season, we have included the following benefits as part of your HRC Membership

• Free Entry for current HRC Members to spectate at any of our Race Meetings (On production of valid Club Membership Card)

#### **HRC Office**

Testing for competition licences is available at the HRC office as is testing for Authority Cards also check out our shop on <a href="https://www.hrcevents.co.nz">www.hrcevents.co.nz</a>

Last but not least like us on face book so you can get instant updates on coming events. HRCEventsNZ

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## **Upcoming Events 2017 / 18 Season**

Meeting Name	Venue	Date	Date
2K Cup Challenge	Hampton Downs	25-Nov-17	26-Nov-17
	Salty Dog – Snells		
TR Club Breakfast Run	Beach		17-Dec-17
Tasman Revival	BMMP Taupo	6-Jan-18	7-Jan-18
Tasman Revival	Hampton Downs	20-Jan-18	21-Jan-18
Motor Cup Meeting	Hampton Downs	27-Jan-18	28-Jan-18
Rebel Round Up	Pukekohe	16-Feb-18	17-Feb-18
Tasman Revival	Pukekohe	24-Feb-18	25-Feb-18
Legends of Speed	Hampton Downs	17-Mar-18	18-Mar-18
Great Lake Meeting	BMMP Taupo	7-Apr-18	8-Apr-18
Season Finale	Hampton Downs	5-May-18	6-May-18
2018 NI Endurance Round 1	BMMP Taupo	19-May-18	
2018 NI Endurance Round 2	Hampton Downs	16-Jun-18	
Dunlop 800	Hampton Downs	1-Jul-18	
2018 NI Endurance Round 3	Pukekohe	14-Jul-18	

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#### **Racing Classes News**

#### **Superlap News**

Now that WTAC is done and dusted, it's time to get your own time attack fix here in NZ! We've sold out 4 grids already so due to popular demand, we've opened up a 5<sup>th</sup> grid and there's a only a handful of spots left in it.

Challenge yourself and the clock. If you're looking for some affordable, fun yet competitive track time without the pressure of head to head racing, this is the series for you!

We're open to almost all makes and models, with very few restrictions to mods/times etc. So if this sounds like you, head to our website for more info and to secure your spot today!

#### www.nzsuperlap.co.nz

Thanks to <u>Prowear</u>, <u>Endless Brakes New Zealand</u> and Zestino Tyres (<u>The Bling Company</u>)



#### **Formula Libre News**

The Formula Libre Summer Series points rounds will now be run over the three meetings in January on 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> January at BMMP Taupo, 12<sup>th</sup>,13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> at Hampton Downs (International Track) and 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> at Hampton Downs on the National Track supporting Toyota Racing Series & F5000. Don't forget Hampton Downs are offering lock up garages at \$50+gst per week for the weeks of the series.

I have organised very comprehensive online video coverage with Adam Jones of Fast Files that will run on You Tube and Face Book. This give better exposure then TV and his coverage of the recent North Island & South Island Endurances series has been a huge success with over 50,000 views between You Tube and Face Book.

Check out this coverage <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z7QLqm-TQg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z7QLqm-TQg</a>

I am sure you will agree it is extremely professional and very watchable. I have also organised features in Petrol Head Magazine which has a monthly Distribution of 22,000 and HRC's Newsletter that goes out to over 6,000 subscribers so we are going to get great coverage. I am also working on having hospitality suites for sponsors and supporters at the two Hampton Rounds.

Unfortunately, business commitments have kept me extremely busy over the last couple of months and I have had little time to chase sponsorship for the series to cover the costs. So I am throwing it over to you competitors to help me help you. Quite a few of you own your own businesses — so here is your opportunity for a bit of really good promotion at a very affordable price. I need one main naming rights sponsor and five smaller supporting sponsors.

This is a great way to reach your customers as the Naming rights sponsor your brand will be featured on screen the whole time the video is playing and as a supporting sponsor your branding will scroll along the bottom the whole time. In addition Adam and I will do special features on your business. This is the way of the future, as television is on the way out and more and more people are following sport online. Think about it – television usually plays something two to three weeks after it happened and it is a 15 to 20 minute bite that hardly anybody watches and the cost is astronomical. Whereas Online, it's there instantly and can be accessed straight away and can be viewed as often as people want to watch it.

So, if you want great exposure for your business either as naming rights sponsor or supporting sponsor please get in touch with me and I'll give you the run down.

John Tomlin Formula Libre 021 759 820

#### **BMW Race Driver Series**

The BIG news this month from the BMW Race Driver Series was the on track proposal of marriage between car 333 and car 666. Congratulations to Rae and Simon on the news. We wish you all the best for your future together.



Icebreaker 2017 - Round One blog, by E30 Scholarship Winner Tim Dawson

Practice: It was my first time out in the wet, and I was crawling round trying to get a feel for the car and the grip levels. Unfortunately, part way through the second practice session the fan belt popped off. With my very limited mechanical knowledge I unpinned the bonnet and stood there scratching my head pretending I knew what I was thinking would be wrong. Thankfully someone who knew a bit more about what they were doing came to my rescue. Thanks Ian. A couple of laps into my next practice the belt was back off. We decided to put it on the trailer and take it back to P&S. Mr Griffin kindly towed the car back to P&S and then gave me a ride to my car. Thanks to P&S for getting the car ready and back to me in time for qualifying.

I am beginning to wonder if this was all part of the E30 scholarship initiation!

Qualifying: After limited time in the car on the Friday we were straight into qualifying midmorning on Saturday. I spent the first couple of laps getting a feel for the car in the dry and tried to spend as much time tucked in behind the fast guys before trying to get a decent lap together. The lap times slowly kept coming down however, I only managed to qualify 33rd a few seconds off the pace.

Race 1: The track was dry....that was a great relief to me.

Light's went out and the first race of the season was underway, unfortunately the racing was short lived as Peter V had some clutch issues and couldn't get off the line properly.

Take two - The grid was reset back to the original starting positions. I got a decent run off the line and managed to find some clear bitumen on the outside of turn one. The first corner wasn't as daunting as I had first thought, probably because everyone behaved themselves and got through relatively easily. I tucked in a found a little bit of a groove however, I was still struggling for pace. I managed to pick up a couple of spots and finish 31st.

Race 2: Before race two I was trying to think of the positives...It was raining and I'm starting from pole...I better not stall...at least I could see going through turn 1!

I got an ok start and slotted into P2. I had a couple of decent duels throughout the race but I was pretty friendly to the folks around me. I managed to finish 7th after a couple of D1NZ moments into turn 1, I'm not sure it's the fastest way around the track but it sure was fun!

Race 3: Another wet race and I was starting from 20th. This time it was much harder to see following the majority of the pack. My confidence has grown a bit and I a getting used to close racing and having cars around me. Dealing with understeer and being patient is something I need to learn! I managed to finish 23rd.

All in all, I had a great weekend and I don't think anything further could have been thrown anymore at me....a couple of small mechanical issues, safety cars, race restarts, dry and wet conditions! Car is in one piece, first race and round out of the way and I met some awesome people.





Photo Credit: Matt Smith

#### **Rebel Round Up**

#### Sick and tired of being a support category stuck out the back.....

This event has you racing front and centre based in Pit Lane.

#### Presenting Rebel Round Up 2018 (16-18th Feb 2018)

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It is anticipated, that with the right involvement of the period, correct participants for this event will grow into a truly international spectacle of world class standard.

There are other automotive events in NZ but this is your chance to be part of a truly unique & special experience unlike any other offered in this country.

The event will have activities within activities and to that end we have ring fenced Friday and Saturday time slots for "Motor Racing".

The Motor Racing will be organised and run by HRC Events in conjunction with Pukekohe Park. Due to the overall theme of the event, the organisers want Pre-1980 American/European types of cars.

#### **Proposed Format:**

Friday will be run as an "open test day" as per normal by the Park.

At around 4pm the track will be for the sole use of the race competitors with on track activities to end at around 8.30pm. Over this 4 hour period we would expect to hold a 15min practice, a 15min qualifying and a top ten shoot out. A prize giving will follow in the Garden Bar for all drivers and teams, awarding Pukekohe Park's inaugural Rebel Round Up Top 10 Shoot out Cup for the winner and place getters.

Saturday will start on track at 9am and we envisage practice, qualifying and 4 races for the competitors in all out action day styled on the old school way we used to race - "**run what you brung**" philosophy. Winning trophies based on race points as well as spot prizes are awarded at the prize giving at around 5pm.

#### **Competitor offer:**

Entry fee of \$320 plus MSNZ levy of \$53. This includes pit lane sheds, power,  $4 \times 3$  day pass to the Rebel Round Up event, including camping and entry to Friday open testing.

Pukekohe Park and Rebel Round Up have committed to a large marketing budget for this event and the motor sport component will be exposed in all marketing and promotional material, including social, print, apparel and TV. The event poster is attached.

Time is of the essence, we need to lock down the competitors wishing to attend this unique inaugural event, so that the marketing team can get into full swing. Make sure you attend this event this year, as we know this event will grow in popularity. We will offer all first timers to 2018 event a guarantee entry to 2019's event.



# PUKEKOHE PARK 17-18 FEB 2018



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a Super Charged 6.2L 2010 Chevrolet Camaro valued at \$52,000. ALL entrants go in the lucky draw to win this V8 machine – the \$595 entry fee per round is essentially the purchase price for your raffle ticket for the car, the weekend of racing you get on our international circuit is a bonus! Worse case the odds will be one in 80 when the draw is made at the conclusion of round 2 on December 9<sup>th</sup>.

FAST & FURIOUS RACING is all about short sharp action packed races that are a whole lot more entertaining for spectators and participants It is best described as 3 x 3 lap restart racing. Cars will line up on the grid for the race start, do three full laps, then pull up behind the safety car to reset the grid before being unleashed for a further three laps by way of a rolling start. All entrants will be qualified into different speed categories and will contest four races at each event. Race one will be determined by qualifying positons. Race two will be reverse grid. Race three will be determined by combined times from race 1 & 2. Race four will again be reverse grid.

ENTRY is open to ALL categories of race car – cars must have full roll cage and MSNZ logo book.

Round 1: Laser Plumbing & Electrical Hampton Downs 500 October 28/29

Round 2: Mazda Mad Mike Summer Bash, December 9th.

Entry Limited to 47 cars per event

You can enter on line here https://hamptondowns.com/fast-furious-rnd1-entry/

Or simply email <u>sales@hamptondowns.com</u> and Mike Marsden will organise a manual entry and invoice.



The NEW 2017/18 Season HRC Wallplanner is now available to download from our website at: <a href="http://www.hrcevents.co.nz/content/49pd46.pdf">http://www.hrcevents.co.nz/content/49pd46.pdf</a>



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### **Upcoming Race Meetings**

Entries now open. Please Enter Online at <u>www.motorsportentry.com</u>

# 2K Cup Challenge Hampton Downs

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Class	Sat 25 Nov	Sun 26 Nov
2K Cup		
SuperKarts		
Sportscars		
Mini Drivers		
NZ6/HQ		
Pro7 / MX5		
NZ Tranzam Challenge		
Superlaps		
Honda Cup		

#### Tasman Revival

#### Taupo

Class	Sat 6 Jan	Sun 7 Jan
TROFEO Series		
SuperKarts		
NZ Transam Challenge		
ERC / Arrows		
Classic Trial (Sat)		
Hooters (Sun)		
Pre 65		
Formula Libre Series		
Superlaps		
Historic Formula Ford		
Classic Japanese		



#### **MESSAGE FROM HAMPTON DOWNS:**

With the summer quickly approaching, I would like to take this opportunity to ask you to all remind your drivers, riders, competitors and entrants alike to read through the Hampton Downs event policies.

In particular, the following sections:

- Asphalt a reminder that jacking boards and base plates under axle stands are require along with then new requirement for spill trays when refuelling or vehicles
- Power Equipment all electrically powered equipment that is intended to be plugged into the HD power supply will need to be Tagged and Tested and have a valid tag present on it
- Pit garage use no cooking of food in permitted inside the pit garages

If you have any questions about the policies, please feel to come back to me at any stage.

Thanks,

#### **Elton Goonan**

Track Manager

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### **MY LAPS TRANSPONDERS**



My Laps Transponders can be purchased from the Historic Racing Club. Order online at **www.motorsportentry.com** or send a cheque to HRC Inc, PO Box 28140 Remuera.

HRC has the new X2 transponders in stock

Advantages are they can be charged in 4 hours instead of 12 hours and they will be compatible with new in car displays available soon

•	X2 Rechargeable Transponder 1 Year	\$220	
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•	X2 Direct Wired Transponder 2 Year	\$335	
•	X2 Direct Wired Transponder 5 Year	\$565	
•	Flexilease Rechargeable Transponder 5 year	\$520	(only 1 in stock)

At the end of the license period to activate your transponder Price is AU\$100 for 1 year, 2 years AU\$181.50 and 5 years AU 368.50.

All My Laps Transponders are used at all New Zealand circuits.

MYLAPS provides personal transponders to fulfil the needs of organizations as well as the needs of participants. With the introduction of the Car/Bike X2 personal transponder, MYLAPS offers a low cost entry solution for racers.

# Upgrade to Iconic Pukekohe Park Motor Circuit

October 13th, 2017 Supplied Article NZ CIRCUIT

Pukekohe Park, the most iconic of all New Zealand motor circuits, has commenced a progressive circuit resurface with an initial investment of over \$600,000.

Pukekohe Park is arguably one of the fastest circuits in Australasia and is well known for its various challenging bumps that provide nail biting moments for drivers and fans alike. But the degradation and limited maintenance in these areas overtime has caused concerns and safety issues to circuit users.

This initial resurface is focused on the SsangYong Sweeper (turn one), the approach up to the Mount Shop Mountain (turn eleven), the back straight (turn four to the new complex) and the entire Pit Lane. These areas bring the total resurfacing area to just shy of 20,000m2.

The resurfacing will improve the safety to drivers entering the turns and travelling at speed. The works are due to be completed in two phases with the first taking place before November's Supercars event.

Due to the inclement Spring weather not allowing asphalt time to settle, the high load areas of the SsangYong Sweeper and the base of the Mount Shop Mountain will be cut, pre-levelled, and then an initial resurface good enough for top motorsport action. This will alleviate any safety concerns. The final topcoat of asphalt for these two corners will be finished in January.

Pukekohe Park's Chief Operating Officer, Peter Hunt, admits this work is long overdue.

"It is hoped more major motorsport events will come and use NZ's most famous circuit following the resurfacing. Its history and location to Auckland means its ideally suited to attract the regions motorsport fans and participants alike. With the grandstand and function centre, we provide the ideal venue for top class as well as grass-roots motorsport action.

And it's not just motorsport to benefit, as we also have a lot of cycling, duathlon and running events who will enjoy the new surface."

The investment is a huge undertaking by all involved at Pukekohe Park, especially the Park's owners Counties Racing Club. The Club has also invested in a new horse racing surface, resulting in arguably the best horseracing track in the country, upgraded one of the four levels in the grandstands, installed LED race lights and closed-circuit TV on the circuit, as well as installing 28 new pit garages. All of which totals nearly \$4million in the last three years.

Hunt adds "It's really rewarding for all of the staff when someone who hasn't been to the Park for a couple years comes up to them and says how amazing the place looks. With top class horse racing and motorsport plus other major events planned, Pukekohe Park will no doubt attract more people more regularly to a greater range of events, continuing the steeped history of this iconic venue."

The circuit will be holding Open Testing on Saturday 14th October and invites all to come along and test out the new grip levels ahead of the 2017 Supercars round. For more information about the upgrades, contact the Circuit Manager, John Hume, on 021 704 347. For more information about upcoming events or general queries, contact Natalie Jamieson on 029 238 8049 or <a href="mailto:info@pukekohepark.co.nz">info@pukekohepark.co.nz</a>.



The HRC Introduction to Motorsport event gave Motorsport Rentals the opportunity to test two of their newly built BMW 330 race cars. A flawless first time on the track performance had owner Raymond Dufton smiling from ear to ear, no failures, great handling characteristics and a lot of interest from fellow competitors. In the words of Racing Ray Williams "a well balanced, cost effective race car that is going to make its mark in future production and Targa racing events". After adjusting the seat so Ray could reach the pedals, and with owner in the passenger seat, Ray seriously put the car through its paces showing the new to the sport competitors what 50 years' experience does for your driving capability.



The 3 litre powered e46 coupes are available for a range of rental or lease options from one off track day and driver training to full series arrive and drive. The 330 is renowned for if reliability and coupled to a ZF five speed transmission and LSD rear end, the experience is sensational. This makes

the concept a perfect "try before you buy" experience. MotorSport Rentals have a number of identical cars under construction and there are several privately owned cars currently competing. Construction components are of renowned race quality however amazingly cost effective for the DIY home mechanic.

Info on the 330 Rentals cars are

- FIA approved UK built Roll cages
- High Spec E46 330ci with large 355mm Brembo Brakes, Full ST Suspension built by KW Germany,
- Tilton Lightened Flywheel with 7 1/4" race clutch & lots more goodies
- New UK built 18"x 8 1/2 " Race wheels
- All cars are road registered so are suitable for Targa Rally, Targa Tours as well as many track
  events. They are built to spec for the new "330 Race Challenge", "Production Race Series" of
  Auckland car Club & should go well in the upcoming HRC Improved Production Car Series
- Because of the high torque they are suitable for hill climbs etc



#### **Services Available**

- -Full Race cars for U Drive track days
- -Full Pit crew & race team management for all events
- -Corporate Track events run for your customers, staff etc
- -Advice and Sales of Parts on how to build a suitable car

Want to know more, phone or email Raymond Dufton:- 027 4715154 Email motorsportrentals@icloud.com

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1 October 2017

#### Notice to All Hirers - Introduction of Repairs and Maintenance (R&M) Levy - 1 October 2017

Due to rising insurance rates and increasing building and track compliance costs, TMP is to introduce a car and bike levy. The levy is to be applied to car and bike users and is not part of an event promoter or organisers track hire charge, unless specifically negotiated. The levy is now necessary to enable TMP to continue to provide a safe and appropriate track facility for competitors, promotors and track day users.

As of 1 October 2017, drivers/bikers will be levied a repairs and maintenance charge of \$25.00 per car per day. For bike riders, the levy will be \$15.00 per bike. In the case of a multiple day events, the levy will be capped at \$35.00 per car and \$25.00 per bike. Each charge is inclusive of GST. The R&M Levy provides cover for the first \$1,000 of damage caused by the driver's car or rider's bike at the event, whether the damage is to a building, fence, Armco barrier, track surface or edge, marshals' flag or lights point, or any other facility. The R&M Levy does not indemnify the driver or rider against a charge imposed by the hirer of a track for damage caused during the hirer's track day or event.

Track Members or Circuit Club members will be given a rebate.

Track hirers are to collect R&M Levies from each driver and rider (except members of the Circuit Club Inc. or Track Members) and pay them to TMP Ltd on the first day of the hire. R&M Levies collected are in addition to the event hirer's (promoter's) track and facility hire charges. Taupo Car Club events are covered by the new policy. The R&M Levy will be collected at signing-on for each Taupo Car Club event. In this case TCC will need to provide TMP with a schedule of entrants to ensure accuracy of charging.

**Track day garage hires** – Until 31 March 2018, the R&M Levy will be absorbed into the current track day garage hire rate which will remain unchanged i.e. track day + garage + R&M Levy will remain at \$250.00 per garage.

For drivers and riders who do not hire a garage, the R&M Levy is payable to TMP on top of their track day or meeting entry fee.

Yours faithfully **TMP Limited** 

Tony Walker

Managing Director

# Vigilance Required When Purchasing Any Safety Equipment

MotorSport NZ advises caution and awareness when purchasing any item of motor sport safety equipment from online auction sites. We continue to advise that all safety equipment should be purchased from an agent authorised to sell that product.

Two recent instances of counterfeit and misrepresented items of motorsport safety equipment being sold through online auction sites within New Zealand have highlighted the dangers faced when purchasing online.

The two identified examples involve the sale of counterfeit Safety Harnesses, and misrepresented and fake Race Overalls. Both displayed labelling and badges of known brands but were not the genuine product. Both safety items were for sale at a price well below the market price for that same item.

These safety items were potentially dangerous and would not have provided the purchaser with the level of protection expected from the genuine article.

When purchasing any item of safety equipment remember, the purpose of the item is entrenched in its title... "Safety". Price should always be a secondary consideration.

Any members who suspect they may have purchased one of these items should contact the MotorSport NZ office for further advice.

Sincerely,

The Motorsport Team

FOR SALE: Triumph Dolomite Sprint Race Car



Well known classic race car having competed in 105 MNZ race events since 2000. Mostly in Leisuretime/AES series – winner 2008 and twice runner up. Currently also been running in 'Historic Saloon Cars'. Previously also competed in Arrow Wheels Series, Whittakers, Domain and MG hillclimbs, Classic Trials, Waiuku street race and NZ Festival of Motor Racing. Featured in televised races and in motoring press race reports.

Lap times:

Pukekohe 1:24.7 Hampton Downs 1:22.8 Taupo (full circuit) 1:55.8 Manfeild 1:28

Road registered. Has previously been registered and WoF (subject to MNZ authority card). LVV certification plate. MNZ logbook, Certificate of Description. Reshelled in 2010. 1998cc, 4 cyl, 16v, SOHC. NZ new car, originally from Wellington. Km quoted are since 2013 'new' engine.

Modifications intended to comply with Motorsport NZ schedule T&C (thoroughbred and classic), based on period British Leyland Group A specification for the Dolomite Sprint.

For test drives, search Youtube for 'Dolomite Sprint No 20'. Pics on groundsky.co.nz

\$25,000 as last raced. With trailer \$28,000. Includes spare Dolomite shell, 90% complete, plus various spares such as new brake rotors, pads, oils etc.

Price is firm, no test drives, will not split anything off car, nor will the trailer be sold separately. Please call mobile phone Geoff Sparkes 0274948119