



# IN THE PITS

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## **KEEPING TRACK** - News

### NEW PDNR WEBSITE

<http://www.pdnracing.org> is where you will find the new PDNR website. It is updated regularly and has heaps of pictures, news articles and sponsor's details as well as lots of other useful information. It is definitely worth a look if you have access to the internet and be sure to join the PDNR Pit Crew to be kept up to date with news and events.

### GOING FOR INC.

A recent article in the Penrith Press highlighted the risk and liability issues concerning small groups and clubs that are not incorporated. In response, the organisers of PDNR are planning to become an Incorporated Association (INC.). This essentially means that PDNR will be recognised as a legal entity, and can therefore take actions to protect their members. Becoming incorporated has many benefits but requires careful planning and management - such as the setting up of office bearers and a committee. Anyone who would like to volunteer their services, should express their interest to Steve or Kevin. It is planned to have the incorporated association operational by January and more information will be posted as it comes to hand.

### PDNR RACING GUIDELINES

It is essential that all drivers and members read the Racing Guidelines, and sign the register at Race Control. The guidelines will ensure that all members understand their

rights and responsibilities when participating in race meetings. Members and helpers who may not be racing are also encouraged to read the Racing Guidelines so that everyone involved understands and abides by the accepted practices as outlined in the guidelines.

### **FREQUENCY BOARD WORKING WELL**

The new frequency board introduced a few weeks ago is working very well. We have had very few run aways which is good news for all drivers. One issue that drivers need to be aware of is to check the actual frequency on the crystal itself, and not the sticker on the plastic clip. Please remember that there are no exceptions to this rule and all members are encouraged to enforce this system. If you turn on your controller without the corresponding frequency peg being attached, you can be held responsible for the consequences. If your frequency is not on the board, please see Tony and accommodations will be made for your frequency.

### **PDNR CHEF OUT OF GAS**

Unfortunately the PDNR kitchen has been closed lately. We would like to thank Peter for all his efforts and PDNR organisers are now calling for new ideas as to how you would like the kitchen to operate. It is too hard for a driver member to be responsible for all the cooking - as you know there never seems to be enough time to work on your car as it is. If anyone would like to operate the kitchen on Tuesday night or has suggestions please let one of the organisers know.

### **SPLITTY'S BIG RIDE DAY**

Splitty has kindly invited PDNR members out to his place on Sunday 9th September for a bike day. The day is being held at Splitty and Gillian Miller's place "Waterloo", 453 Tizzana Rd, Ebenezer 2756. It is about 40 minutes from Penrith, 13 minutes from Windsor and 8 minutes from Indy 800 go-kart track at Wilberforce. Please see Splitty if you need more directions. When 'In The Pits' tracked him down, Splitty had the following to say about the day,

"We live on 25 acres - mostly rideable with a few bush tracks and one BLACK RUN. I have a Suzuki TS 250 road trail / access to a XL 500 and my brother in law has a 350 4-wheeler ag bike (quad). The last day out was great fun - no injuries apart from a few burst eardrums (thanks Kev). We had time for a ride in the morning - a good rest over lunch and a bit more riding in the arvo. Tizzana Winery is only a 10 minute walk down the road for those who are interested."

### **TREASURE HUNT & OBSERVATION RUN**

Nepean Valley Car Club are holding a Treasure Hunt and Observation Run, 7:30pm Saturday September 1. NVCC have invited all PDNR members to get involved and it

sounds like lots of fun and I urge all members and friends to show their support and get involved. It costs \$10 per person and you need a registered vehicle and two people per team. Please meet at Jamison Park, Penrith on the night and call Scott - 0412 825 756 for more information.

### ENTRY TO NEXT CHAMPIONSHIP

The next Championship starts on October 2, and from September 11, you can pay your \$25.00 entry fee up front to guarantee your frequency. Please note that frequencies are allocated on a first in first served basis. See Steve, Kevin or Tony to confirm your entry. If you choose not to pay up front, entry will be \$3.00 each week and a one off \$5.00 to enter the Championship points.

### PDNR GOLF DAY

On Sunday October 14, Leura Golf Club will host the first PDNR Golf Day. There are a limited number of spaces so confirm your spot with Tony - 0414 935 866 or Lincoln - 0410 570 254 by providing full payment as soon as possible. We are planning a fun sociable day with the tournament being a 4 Person Ambrose event - this essentially means that each group of four play as a team. After all team members have had their go, the best shot is selected and you all play from there. More details will be provided on the day. The Entry Fee is \$30.00 and covers the 18 holes and prizes. Tee off is at 9:00am sharp and there may be a BBQ lunch after the round.

## **PADDOCK PASS** - Championship Update

The second drivers championship has seen seven rounds with top of the table a fairly bunched state of affairs. The championship standings after round 7, August 21 are as follows:

SINGLE SPEED/NOVICE			TWO SPEED		TWO SPEED PRO			
1	Jason	73	1	Tony	62	1	Joe	38
2	Roy	45	2	Splitty	59	2	Kevin	26
3	Wayne	34	3	Adam N	40	3	David B	23
4	Brett	23	4	Matt D	8	4	Steve Mc	22
5	Jarard	12	5	Daniel W	5	5	Steve M	20
6	Adam W	4	6	Kevin	3	6	Zoltan	19
7	Peter C	2	7	Lindsay	2	7	Adam N	15

## **THE RACING LINE** - Driver Information

The Racing Line is a regular section that informs drivers about important information they need to know.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL DRIVERS**

**BEFORE STARTING YOUR CAR(S) ALL DRIVERS MUST:**

- **CONFIRM ATTENDANCE OR CHECK IN AT RACE CONTROL**
- **GET A FREQUENCY PEG AND PUT IT ON YOUR CONTROLLER.**

A few reminders, during a race it is essential that all drivers are within the designated driving area. Failure to comply may result in a penalty. Another important point is that if you are late entering or rejoining a race, you must enter from the race re-entry point located to the immediate left of the drivers area.

### **NEW PIT AND PADDOCK PLAN**

The new pit and paddock plan continues to be working well, but important notice is made to all members that announcements will only be made to this area. No responsibility will be taken for entrants located in other areas of the car park missing information announcements. If members see drivers not in the paddock area please explain to them the pit and paddock plan and encourage them to join us.

### **HELP NEEDED**

Please remember that all drivers are encouraged to help set up, and pack up equipment at race meetings. If it continues to be the responsibility of the same people, organisers may be forced to allocate tasks to members.

## SMALL TORQUE - Hints, Tips & Links

### WET WEATHER RACING

A notice to new members, when it is wet, we meet at Judges car park. Access is from Woodriff St or Station St, Penrith. There are no organised races as space is limited but most get their cars out for a bit of a play.

### YOUR SAY?

So far we have received no response or feedback to this section of Small Torque. If this is because everything is perfect then great, but this is probably not the case. If you have any suggestions, stories, hints, tips or links, please put them in writing at Race Control, or email them to [info@pdnracing.org](mailto:info@pdnracing.org)

## TRADING POST

If you have any items you would like to add to the PDNR Trading Post please put them in writing at Race Control or email them to [info@pdnracing.org](mailto:info@pdnracing.org)

**MERCHANDISE** - We have shirts & caps with the club logo for sale. Place order with Kevin if your size is not available. PDNR merchandise is great value with shirts at \$27.50 and hats \$10.00. Jackets are also available through special order only.

**PARTS, PARTS, PARTS!** - Kevin & Steve have obtained some parts for our cars if you need something just ask if we don't have we may be able to get it or direct you to the supplier.

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## EVENTS CALENDER

Here you will find all the important events you can add to your diary.

<b>September 1</b>	NVCC Treasure Hunt and Observation Run
<b>September 9</b>	Splitty's Big Ride Day
<b>September 15 to 23</b>	IFMAR 1/8 World Championships at Moorebank
<b>September 25</b>	Social Presentation and BBQ night for current Championship
<b>October 2</b>	Start of Spring Championship (Round 1)
<b>October 14</b>	PDNR Golf Day at Royal Leura Golf Club
<b>December 18</b>	Social Presentation and BBQ night for Spring Championship

### DOES YOUR CAR NEED WORK?

If you are having problems tuning or setting up your gas car, or your car requires maintenance or repairs, PDNR can put you in contact with the right experts who can help you for the right price. Please see Steve or Kevin for more details.

## ADVERTISE WITH PDNR

PDNR have a number of affordable advertorial packages available for any companies or businesses that would like to promote their operation, while supporting PDNR.

Packages are available in 3 month blocks with both the monthly 'In The Pits' newsletter, and [www.pdnracing.org](http://www.pdnracing.org) website included.

### Specifications

PDNR promotional package:      \$25.00

Including:

- 3 Issues of 'In The Pits'  
Approximately one business card sized ad.
- 3 months on the PDNR website  
Website promotion includes a link to your website if you have one and a promotional webpage containing image(s) and information provided by the sponsor.  
Conditions Apply.

Funds go towards covering the costs of publishing the newsletter and hosting the website. If you are interested in a promotional package please see Tony or email [pdnr@pdnracing.org](mailto:pdnr@pdnracing.org)



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