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KEEPING TRACK - News

INAUGURAL PDNR GOLF DAY

The inaugural PDNR golf day was held on Sunday October 28 at Leura Golf Club. A fun day was had by those members who travelled to the beautiful Blue Mountains. The game was a team ambrose event, however a few members thought they were going bushwalking, and Adam thought his was an olympic hammer thrower! The victors on the day were Lincoln, Daniel and Graheme with a five over par round of 74. Second went to Steve, Kevin, Splitly, Gill and J.T. with a six over par 75 and third place went to Adam, Lindsay, Mitchell and Tony with a seven over par 76. There were a number of longest drive (LD) and nearest the pin (NTP) prizes and the winners were as follows:

NTP 2nd Lindsay **NTP 7th** Not won **NTP 9th** Adam **NTP 15th** Kevin
LD 3rd Graheme **LD 6th** Steve Mc **LD 14th** Steve Mc **LD 16th** Lincoln

For photos and full results check the members news section of the PDNR website.

PDNR RACING GUIDELINES

It is essential that all drivers and members read the revised 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. Your attention is drawn to the amendment made to the frequency peg system where due to recent events a \$20.00 fine will be incurred if you are found to have switched on your radio without your frequency peg attached.

FREQUENCY BOARD NEWS

ITP is sorry to report that there have been a few problems with some members using the frequency board system incorrectly. The organisers have had no other option but to introduce a \$20.00 penalty to encourage all drivers to abide by this system. The frequency board was made for the benefit of all members but it will only work with everyone's support. For members who are unsure of the system, follow this simple rule:

**DO NOT TURN ON YOUR RADIO GEAR WITHOUT YOUR
FREQUENCY PEG ATTACHED - NO EXCEPTIONS -
OR FINE WILL BE IMPOSED - MINIMUM \$20**

**AND RETURN YOUR PEG AND FLAG IMMEDIATELY
AFTER YOU HAVE FINISHED USING IT.**

It is the responsibility of everyone, not just the organisers to enforce this system. PDNR organisers would like to thank all those drivers who have used the frequency board correctly and ask you to continue to do so. If your frequency is not on the board, please see Tony, and accommodations will be made for your frequency.

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP

PDNR organisers would like to thank all those members who have helped with race scoring as well as setting up and packing up the track over the last few weeks. It makes the job so much easier if everyone does a little bit to help, so keep on helping and sharing ideas and PDNR can only get better.

PDNR RAFFLE WINNERS

The latest raffle was drawn last Tuesday with 70 scratchies up for grabs, and that is exactly what happened. Jason and Lisa won 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes giving them all 70 scratchies. Congratulations! ITP spoke to Jason and Lisa about their winnings and can report that after an hour, two dust busters and RSI they had won a grand total of \$38.00. The highest win on any one scratchie was \$4.00. Jason had the following comment about their prize "It was nice to win but the moral would have to be, do not spend money on scratchies, you won't win." The money raised will go towards transponders and a computerised race management system.

PDNR organisers are now calling for suggestions for not only raffles but other fundraising ventures. Some suggestions for raffle prizes include fuel, bodies and gift vouchers. If you have any ideas or comments please let an organiser know.

NVCC RAFT RACE AND BBQ

Nepean Valley Car Club are holding a Raft Race and BBQ, November 25 at the Nepean River. The idea is you can build a raft out of anything which was not intended to be used

as a floating or water bound item and race other teams and clubs across the river and back. There must be two people only per raft, and entry fee is \$20.00 per team. There will be a BBQ on the day so even if you are not going to race a raft come along and shout support from the river bank. Please RSVP for catering purposes and for more information or to clarify rules please contact Scott on 0412 825 756.

PDNR PROMOTIONAL VIDEO

Any members who were at racing a few weeks ago may remember the presence of a video camera. Lisa and Jason have generously offered to make a short promotional video on PDNR. They have asked for members who have PDNR shirts to wear them to racing and are now calling for driver interviews. If you have a few spare minutes and would like to be party to a few impromptu questions please let Jason, Lisa or an organiser know.

INC. UPDATE

PDNR have applied for insurance cover and are awaiting a reply. This is the last step before we can apply for Incorporation. Becoming an Incorporated Association will mean a few changes to the current operations of PDNR such as annual membership, committee meetings and the need for office bearers, coordinators and committee members. There will be many positions available so have a think about what you might like to help with and please discuss any ideas or suggestions with the organisers.

PDNR KITCHEN IDEAS

PDNR has been supplied with a BBQ and organisers are calling for volunteers to operate it at race meetings, and suggestions for what you would like to have. Anyone interested is asked to contact an organiser. The previous PDNR kitchen was an effective revenue raiser and it is anticipated that if organised it will again raise valuable funds that are required for improving the club.

PADDOCK PASS - Championship Update

Four rounds of the Spring championship have been completed and there are seven rounds left. There have been some excellent races over the last few weeks such as a recent Two Speed Pro race where a record four cars finished on the lead lap in a tight battle for first. It is an indication of the high standard of cars and drivers we are fortunate to have racing at PDNR.

There will be no championship points table this month as they were not finalised at the time of printing.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL DRIVERS

BEFORE STARTING YOUR CAR(S) ALL DRIVERS MUST:

- **CHECK IN AT RACE CONTROL (7:00 - 7:15 pm)**
- **PUT A FREQUENCY ON YOUR COTROLLER.**

DRIVERS ARE ASKED TO RETURN THEIR FREQUENCY PEG IMMEDIATELY AFTER YOU HAVE FINISHED WITH IT

A few reminders, during a race it is essential that all drivers and only 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.

PIT AND PADDOCK AREA

Notice is made to all drivers that announcements will only be made to the Pit and Paddock Area. No responsibility will be taken for entrants located in other areas of the car park missing race 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.

PDNR TAKE NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY DRIVER NOT IN THE PADDOCK AREA MISSING ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS WILL NOT BE MADE TO DRIVERS OUTSIDE THE PIT AND PADDOCK AREA

MARSHALLING DUTY

All drivers are required to marshal the race that immediately follows their own. Drivers failing to perform their Marshalling Duties will have points deducted. If a driver is unable to perform their marshal duties, they must ask someone to marshal on their behalf and let an organiser know who this is, otherwise a penalty will be incurred.

Members please be aware that we need people to help with lap scoring. We are in the process of raising funds for transponders but until then lap scoring will be a manual and labour intensive task. Any members who have a complaint about the lap scoring system are invited to get involved and help raise funds for a better system. The lap scorers decision is final.

SAFETY DIRECTIONS

PDNR organisers ask all competitors to use common sense if family or friends come down to watch. Please keep all spectators, especially children back from the track and

away from race control, pit area and the drivers area during races.

Please note that only marshals are authorised on the track to retrieve cars, and only drivers are permitted in the driver's area.

The riding of bikes/scooters/rollerblades/skateboards/etc is not allowed on the track or in the paddock area at any time. This is for the childrens own safety as well as 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?

If anyone out there has any suggestions, stories, hints, tips or links, please let us know so we can include them in 'In The Pits' and the website. Please give them in writing to Tony, or email them to 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

MERCHANDISE - Shirts \$27.50 Hats \$10.00

There are a limited number of PDNR shirts & caps with the club logo for sale. They are selling fast for such great value so be sure to get in quick.

There are also plans for anyone interested to put a few dollars away each week for jackets in time for next winter. If you are interested please see Kevin for more details.

FORMULA ONE NITRO CAR - \$350.00 Contact Steve Mc for information.

KYOSHO MKII SPIDER - \$300.00 including the following:

- Force 12 motor
- Radio gear
- VS Police body with working lights
- Lots of parts and spares
- Original GS 11R motor (needs piston and liner)

Contact Roy on 0415 631 379

PICCO 2WD PAN CAR WITH DIGITAL CONTROLLER - \$700.00

- 15 motor - BRAND NEW
- New body
- Mars FM Digital Controller

Contact Lincoln on 0410 570 254

DURATRAX 10PC R/C TOOLKIT IMPORTED FROM THE USA - \$60.00

- Chrome vanadium with hardened tips
- easy to grip rubber handles
- All are metric size

BRAND NEW NEVER USED! - set includes:

- Flat head 2.5 x 75mm Screwdriver
- Flat head 3.0 x 75mm Screwdriver
- Phillips #0 x 75mm Screwdriver
- Phillips #1 x 75mm Screwdriver
- Ball Hex Driver 1.5 x 75mm
- Ball Hex Driver 2.0 x 75mm
- Ball Hex Driver 2.5 x 75mm
- Nut Driver 4.0 x 75mm
- Nut Driver 6.0 x 75mm
- Nut Driver 7.0 x 75mm
- Roll-Up Fabric Storage Pouch

Contact details: wolf5@ihug.com.au or 0408 425 418

RECHARGABLE 12V 7A STARTER BATTERIES - \$30.00 Contact Kevin
Arecharging service between race meetings is also available for only \$2.00

EVENTS CALENDER

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

November 25	NVCC Raft Race & BBQ - Nepean River
December 11	Finish of Spring Championship (Round 11)
December 18	Social Presentation and BBQ night for Spring Championship

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 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



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10% Discount to PDNR Members – Call Kevin

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If you would like to advertise your business here, read the previous page for more information .

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.