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IMPORTANT NOTICE

NO RC CARS ARE TO BE OPERATED IN THE HARVEY NORMAN CAR PARK DURING BUSINESS HOURS

PDNR have been put on notice by management of the Harvey Norman car park that we will lose our privileges if any cars are operated during business hours - that means before 7:00pm.

In addition, on Tuesday nights before racing, no equipment is to be set up before 6:00pm and cars cannot be run until after 7:00pm.

PDNR remind drivers that it is very dangerous to practice in areas where people could get injured - especially without acceptable safety measures in place. As a driver practicing privately i.e. not at an organised race meeting, you leave yourself open to be held liable and sued for any damages.

All drivers are asked to employ common sense and only drive cars when there are no people or cars around and it is safe to do so.

The PDNR Management Committee will impose severe penalties to any drivers who do not abide by these new conditions.

AUTUMN CHAMPIONSHIP ENDS

Yet another championship has been and gone and PDNR would like to thank all the members and drivers who have made the last 15 weeks the success that it was. The number of drivers racing at PDNR continues to increase, with a new record of 121 different drivers participating over the last 15 weeks.

Spectators continue to come down in large numbers, braving the cold weather to watch the excellent racing. PDNR would like to remind everyone that spectators are always welcome and we are anticipating even larger crowds down to watch when the warmer months arrive.

Congratulations to all drivers who participated in the RDJ Sportswear 2002 Autumn Drivers Championship, and well done to those drivers who finished in the top three positions. The final results are in the Paddock Pass section of this newsletter.

NEXT CHAMPIONSHIP - SPRING 2002

The next drivers championship starts with Round 1 on Tuesday, September 3, 2002. It will again be held over 15 weekly rounds concluding with Round 15 on December 10, 2002. The Presentation BBQ will be held the following week, December 17, 2002.

Entry for the Spring Championship is open and Up Front entries are filling up fast, so see Race Control to secure your entry. The entry structure is as follows:

Nightly Entry Fee	\$5.00 per division
Up Front Entry	\$40.00 (Members) \$60.00 (Non-Members)
Additional Divisions	\$20.00

Up Front Entry secures your frequency each week and allocates you a registration plate for quick and independent registration.

Six divisions will be offered to cater for a variety of car types and driving abilities. Championship points are awarded for all divisions excluding Novice.

NOVICE	Novice drivers, no car or motor limit.
OFF ROAD	All Off Road trucks/buggies, no motor limit
SINGLE SPEED	Single speed touring cars up to 15 motor
TWO SPEED	2 speed touring cars, up to 18 motor
TWO SPEED PRO	2 speed touring cars, 1/10 2WD up to 18 performance motor
OPEN PAN	Two speed pan cars, 1/8 & 1/10 Pan, open motor.

SPRING 2002 CHAMPIONSHIP PLAN

Round 1	03/09/02
Round 2	10/09/02
Round 3	17/09/02
Round 4	24/09/02
Round 5	01/10/02
Round 6	08/10/02
Round 7	15/10/02
Round 8	22/10/02
Round 9	29/10/02
Round 10	05/11/02
Round 11	12/11/02
Round 12	19/11/02
Round 13	26/11/02
Round 14	03/12/02
Round 15	10/12/02
Presentation BBQ	17/12/02

All entrants should be aware that the racing rules and guidelines have been revised for this Championship. You can get a copy of the revised rules from Race Control.

CD RACE MANAGEMENT

PDNR remind all drivers that a CD race management system is used to help race meetings run smoothly and on time. All drivers must pit in the Pit/Paddock/Drivers area for insurance purposes, and to ensure announcements are heard .

No responsibility is taken for drivers who do not hear announcements.

PIT/PADDOCK AREA

All drivers are reminded that you must be located in the designated pit/paddock area. It is an insurance requirement and racing will not commence until this requirement is adhered to. PDNR Management will enforce that all drivers must be located in the designated pit/paddock area.

AUTUMN CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRANT PLATES

Entrant plates for the Autumn Championship were awarded to drivers who participated in 5 or more races. For other drivers who participated, there are a limited number of entrant plates available for \$3.00. Drivers must have participated in a race meeting over the last 15 weeks. Entrant plates are available from Race Control.

There are also a few entrant plates available for the 2002 Summer Championship. They are also \$3.00 and are available from Race Control.

PDN KITCHEN

The PDN KITCHEN continues to be a huge success. Open every week with lots of goodies. **Hotdogs \$2.00; Drinks \$1.00; Tea/Coffee/Hot Chocolate \$1.00; Chocolates \$0.50**

PADDOCK PASS - Championship Update

The **RDJ Sportswear 2002 Autumn Drivers Championship** started on Tuesday May 14, and concluded August 20. There has been lots of great racing over the last 15 weeks with many positions being decided at the final round. With only 3 of the 15 Rounds cancelled due to rain, the final standings are as follows:

NOVICE		OFF ROAD		SINGLE SPEED	
-	Waleed K 19 laps	1	Geoff B 336	1	Steve P 360
-	Shaun C 0 laps	2	Chris M 291	2	Bruce G 338
-	Kirt M 11 laps	3	Darren S 234	3	Scott L 286
-	Bevon A 9 laps	4	Stephen O 198	4	Shane C 282
-	Desmond S 23 laps	5	Desmond S 130	5	Mathew L 237
-	Mark W 27 laps	6	Peter M 56	6	Martin H 155
-	Ron S 20 laps	7	Neville G 42	7	Wayne Mc 125
-	Brian W 0 laps	8=	Ron G 34	8	Jamie S 80
-	Bradley H 11 laps	8=	Robert D 34	9	Peter C 70
-	Scott B 22 laps	10	Peter A 30	10	Mark O 65
-	Mark O 7 laps	11	George D 25	11	Laurie O 53
-	Phillip P 25 laps	12	Joel W 24	12	Matthew R 36
-	Jamie S 18 laps	13	Craig B 17	13	Tod H 21
-	David H 17 laps	14	Kim O 15	14=	Aram S 5
-	Darren S 18 laps	15=	Jamie A 10	14=	Thomas S 5
-	Shane N 0 laps	15=	Jamie D 10	16=	Richard N 0
-	Chris M 24 laps	15=	Darryl S 10	16=	Phillip P 0
-	Nathan L 0 laps	15=	Daniel B 10	16=	Kirt M 0
-	Jamie A 8 laps	15=	Craig R 10	16=	Dylan Mc 0
-	Chris L 21 laps	15=	Neil L 10	16=	Jamie A 0
-	Dane S 7 laps	21=	Kyle E 5		
-	Garry P 21 laps	21=	Trent F 5		
-	Steven C 13 laps	21=	Joe H 5		
-	Philip W 26 laps	21=	Jarard F 5		
-	Jamie T 13 laps	25=	Phillip P 0		
-	Roy P 2 laps	25=	Dane S 0		
-	Kevin F 14 laps	25=	Warren S 0		
-	Craig F 16 laps	25=	Murray D 0		
-	Mathew W 9 laps				
-	Rod F 18 laps				
-	Terry F 18 laps				
-	Danny B 20 laps				
-	Trevor W 14 laps				
-	Ricky B 17 laps				
-	David L 7 laps				
-	Adam F 25 laps				
-	Michael S 9 laps				

*Please note:
There are no championship
points awarded for Novice.*

TWO SPEED

1	Philip W	373
2	Mitchell L	322
3	Mark G	241
4	Hassan K	226
5	Jonathan F	216
6	Jason B	145
7	Graeme D	101
8	Stephen A	76
9	Mick V	71
10	Mick M	35
11=	Dale R	34
11=	George D	34
13	Chris M	19
14	David A	17
15	Matthew R	15
16=	Shannon G	10
16=	Darren S	10
18=	Wayne S	5
18=	Garry P	5
18=	Mark W	5
18=	Sean N	5
18=	David Mac	5
18=	Kim O	5
18=	Mark W	5

TWO SPEED PRO

1	David W	380
2	Peter G	339
3	Lucas P	283
4	Peter A	159
5	Jason K	117
6	Mark W	52
7	Tomas B	49
8	Garry P	35
9	Stephen A	32
10	Scott S	30
11	Tim L	28
12	Aram S	24
13	Chris S	22
14	Dean S	19
15=	David B	15
15=	Mick M	15
17	Zolyan N	12
18	Joe O	10
19	Shannon G	5
20=	Craig B	0
20=	Robert P	0
20=	Fab M	0
20=	Matthew R	0
20=	Chris W	0

OPEN PAN

1	Tony F	359
2	Kevin M	287
3	Craig G	268
4	Splitty M	231
5	John C	171
6	Steve McD	159
7	Steve O	88
8	Adam W	84
9	Mark W	73
10	David W	40
11	Eddy S	16
12	Murray D	10
13	Peter W	5
14	Peter G	0

Championship Points are awarded as follows:

P1	- 20 pts
P2	- 16 pts
P3	- 14 pts
P4	- 12 pts
P5	- 10 pts
Participation	- 5 pts

More than 10 laps must be completed for P1 to P5 points to be awarded.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL DRIVERS
DUE TO INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

1. ALL DRIVERS/PIT CREW MUST WEAR COVERED FOOTWEAR
2. NO ALCOHOL PERMITTED DURING RACE MEETINGS
3. NO CARS ARE TO BE RUN BEFORE 7:00 pm ANY DAY OF THE WEEK
3. BEFORE RUNNING YOUR CAR(S) ALL DRIVERS MUST:
 - CHECK-IN AT RACE CONTROL (6:45 - 7:15 pm)
 - PUT A FREQUENCY PEG ON YOUR CONTROLLER.
4. DRIVERS MUST RETURN THEIR FREQUENCY PEG AND ID FLAG IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE RACE FINISHES
5. ALL ENTRANTS MUST PIT IN THE DESIGNATED PIT/PADDOCK AREA
6. ALL MARSHALS MUST WEAR AN ORANGE VEST

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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 a committee member for more details.

EVENTS CALENDER

- September 3** Start of Spring Championship (Round 1)
- September 3** PDNR General Meeting - After Racing 10:30 pm
- December 3** Annual General Meeting - After Racing 10:30 pm

TRADING POST

Due to the increase in items for the trading post, it is now available on our website. If you have any items you would like to sell, please put them in writing at Race Control or email the details to tony@pdnracing.org

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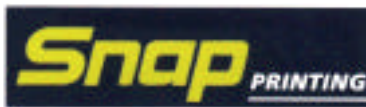
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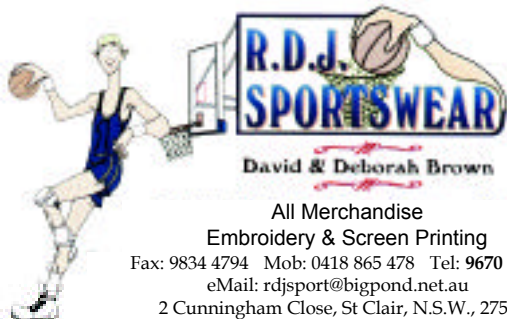
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