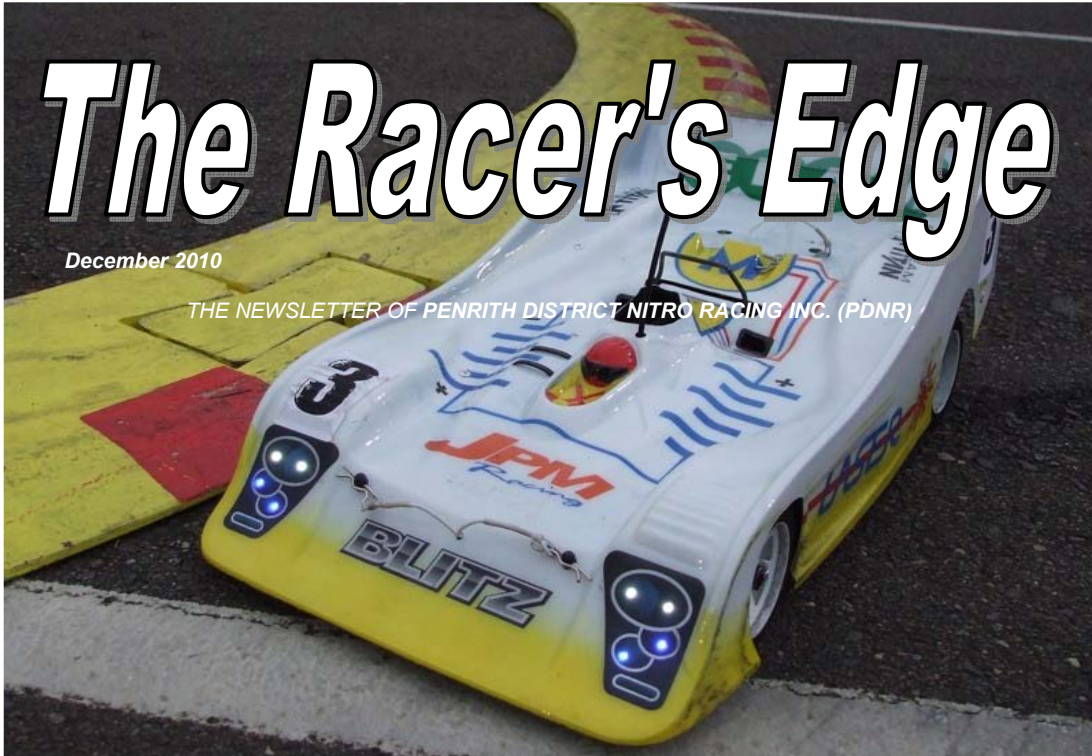


The Racer's Edge

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THE NEWSLETTER OF PENRITH DISTRICT NITRO RACING INC. (PDNR)



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CHRISTMAS EDITION!

Welcome to the Christmas Edition of *The Racer's Edge*. It's been another huge year at PDNR, and it's amazing how quickly the years continue to fly by.

There were many features and highlights during 2010. PDNR hosted the *Racing Lines* GP On Road Winter Championships for the third consecutive year and the annual PDNR Challenge two-day meeting was held with some emerging talent showing that they will be the ones to watch next year.

It was exciting to see that the 2.4 Hour Le Mans endurance race went ahead in December, with nine teams racing in wet conditions for 2h:24mins. We have a race report on this event in this edition so read on for more information.

Off the circuit there were improvements made to the 240V power in the truck, and also distribution amongst the pit area. PDNR also launched their new SMS Notification Service late this year, and we have more information on this in this edition of the newsletter.

Looking ahead to 2011, it will be another great year for PDNR. The member and driver support remains strong, and the trend of drivers getting hooked on PDNR's activities is a sign that something must be right. There will again be a variety of events scheduled, so book your race dates now (before the other half gets there first!).

There are again more drag nights and test n tune night scheduled in 2011 which is exciting, and with the new timing system the Drag Section is expecting big things next year.

There is plenty more information in this edition of *The Racers Edge*, so sit back, relax and we hope you enjoy the read!

Catch you at the track in 2011!!



PRESIDENTS REPORT

Hi All,

Here we are, into December already. I hope everyone has been good, because Santa's watching to see who's Naughty and Nice.

What a year we've had. The Club's Committee seats were kept pretty hot, with quite a few positions seeing a change during the year.

Hopefully all of you have a great time at our end of year bash for the Spring Presentation Night and AGM.

I haven't had a long stint as President, but I have enjoyed the time I've had. I would like to thank all the people who have helped in either setting up or pulling down of the track each week, and a big thanks to those who have helped in organising and running each and every event.

Special thanks to our Committee of 2010:

Vice President	Steve Valletta
Secretary	David Lo Iacono
Treasurer	Michael Turner
Competition Secretary	Tony Firth
Registrar	David Ricketts
Publicity Officer	Jayson Rutherford
General Committee	Nathan Egan
General Committee	Steve O'Connor
General Committee	Rod Morgan
General Committee	Darrel Knight
General Committee	Matthew Oxford
General Committee	Grahame Fraser

Stepped Down in 2010

Publicity Officer	Luke Gunton
President	Kevin Maton
President	Greg Rossiter

Weather has not been kind to us over the past championship with 4 rounds shortened or cancelled due to rain. Here's hoping for better weather in Summer 2011.

Welcome to all new members who joined over the past year, and good luck to all people who are willing to stand for a position and be part of the 2011 Management Committee.

Hope to see you all around the traps somewhere, otherwise have a Merry Christmas and a safe an Happy New Year

President

Rod Albronda



VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT

To the members and visitors of Penrith District Nitro Racing

It's hard to believe that another year has past us by here at Penrith District Nitro Racing. I personally have enjoyed the 2010 season on and off the track. To all my rivals from 2010, I look forward to continuing the banter and the close racing in 2011, and may the camaraderie between the members continue to grow.

To the visitors in 2010 that have now become members I thank you for supporting this great club, and I encourage all the new visitors and new members to not hesitate to ask any of the experienced members for any assistance you may require so as to help you enjoy the sport. There's not to may short cuts in the hobby, but I can assure you of one of the top tips is to ask as many questions as you need to keep you on the track, finishing races and improving your personal bests.

As the year draws to a close, I would like to thank the committee for keeping the club functioning like a well oiled wheel that keeps rolling along with out too many squeaks.

As this committee has run its course for 2010 and a new committee will be elected for 2011, they will inherit the club in a very stable position for the future. The drag racing section of PDNR is growing, and with the new timing system 2011 will be an exciting time for the 40m fans.

In closing, I wish all our members and guests a very safe and enjoyable Christmas, and may your 2011 be prosperous and I look forward to seeing you all fresh and ready for battle in January.

Steve Valletta
2010 Vice President



PUBLICITY OFFICER REPORT

"The Festive Season and Warmer Weather – Yippee!"

G'Day All,

Well it's that time of year again! Congratulations to all the drivers that won their respective classes. To all the minor place getters of their respective classes well done and keep up the good work, who knows maybe all that time and effort you put in to make sure your motor vehicle is up to spec and race ready will pay off for you next year.

That brings me to vehicle maintenance. As you all should know that when a championship finishes it is without a doubt the best time to make sure your motor vehicle is properly cared for over the short break so that you are ready to go racing next championship.

"Christmas Time is Here"

Santa is just around the corner boys and girls! And yes he does know if you've been naughty or nice so be good for goodness sake. I hope Santa brings some nice presents for all you youngsters and young at heart. To all that will be travelling over the break please take care and be safe on the roads wherever you are heading.

I also wanted to say a quick thank you to SIRC for use of their facility and to PDNR for holding yet another stella championship. To the sponsors of PDNR, thanks again for your support. Special thanks must go to those members and visitors for all your hard work setting and packing up the track, and by no means last I'd like to thank Tony Firth who spends 95 percent of his time at race control.

Merry Christmas and have a safe and prosperous New Year

Jayson Rutherford
Publicity Officer



MEMBER SMS NOTIFICATION SERVICE

PDNR have recently introduced a new SMS Notification service for members. Current members from October 2010 who supplied a mobile phone number have been added to PDNR's SMS database, and important notifications such as racing cancellations will be sent via SMS.



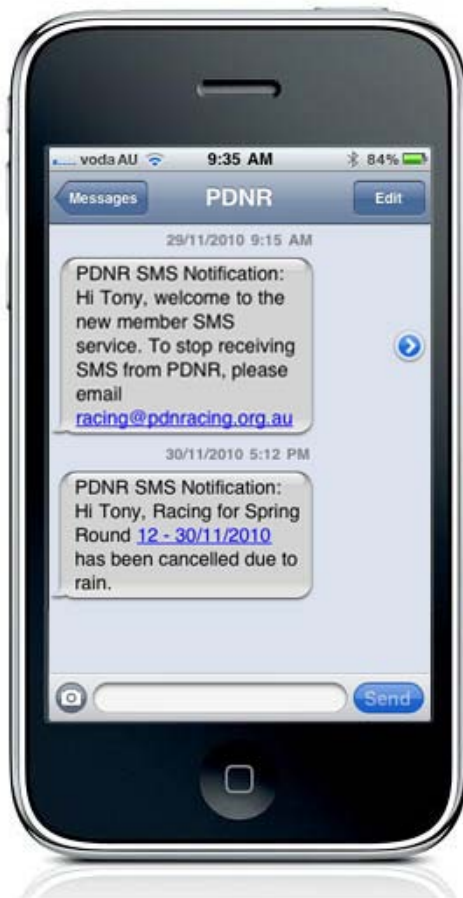
PDNR's new member SMS Notification service went live on November 29.

If you are a current 2010/2011 PDNR member, and you did not receive the welcome SMS (which was sent at 9.15am on Monday 29/11/2010) please contact racing@pdnracing.org.au to ensure you are on the contact list.

There was also a racing cancellation SMS sent on Tuesday 30/11/2010.

The SMS Notification Service will initially be used to advise members of racing cancellations and other important information, but the service may be expanded to distribute other information in the future.

SMS Notifications are only available to PDNR members, so join or renew now to ensure you don't miss out.



Some Say...

he thinks a wreath on the front door means your house won a race.

- Merry *STIG*mas

COUNTDOWN



The format and plans for 2011 have been determined and there are a few changes in the pipe line that look certain to stir up the action at Tuesday night events in 2011. Here are the details:

Details for 2011 (Summer/Autumn/Spring):

- Track to remain the same design and same direction
 - Reduction to 1 x Practice & Registration Night (with transponders) per championship
 - Summer - 1 x Practice & Registration + 13 x Championship Rounds
 - Autumn - 1 x Practice & Registration + 14 x Championship Rounds
 - Spring - 1 x Practice & Registration + 14 x Championship Rounds
 - Round 7 will be - 1 x 10 minute race per division (worth double points)
 - Final Round will be - 1 x 15 minute race per division (worth triple points)
- Note: As per 2010, the final round of each championship can't be dropped

Details for 2011 Summer Championship:

- Same Divisions and same Race Order Rotation (Novice are always first): Nitro Kit, Pull Start, Edam Exer, Buggy, Pro Tourer, Truck, Outlaw, Open Pan
- Same Entry Fees:
Refer to Fee Schedule towards end of this Newsletter
- "Mates Rates" has been extended for 2011 Summer Championship
Mates Rates promotion offers reduced race entry fees for friends of drivers

2011 EVENT CALENDAR - SUMMER

Here is the PDNR Event Calendar for Summer 2011. The complete 2011 event calendar is in this newsletter and also available from the PDNR website.

Summer		
<i>Tue</i>	<i>11-Jan-11</i>	<i>2011 Launch Party (Rowing Club)</i>
<i>Sat</i>	<i>15-Jan-11</i>	<i>Summer Nats (Fairy Meadow)</i>
Tue	18-Jan-11	Registration & Practice 1
Fri	21-Jan-11	Drag Night - Test n Tune
Tue	25-Jan-11	(Australia Day Set up ~ Note: No RC Racing)
Wed	26-Jan-11	Australia Day 2011
Tue	1-Feb-11	R1
Tue	8-Feb-11	R2
Tue	15-Feb-11	R3
Tue	22-Feb-11	R4
Fri	25-Feb-11	Drag Night - Round 1
<i>Sat</i>	<i>26-Feb-11</i>	<i>Sydney Grand Prix - GP (SORMCC - Whalan)</i>
<i>Sun</i>	<i>27-Feb-11</i>	
Tue	1-Mar-11	R5
Tue	8-Mar-11	R6 (South Bank)
Tue	15-Mar-11	R7
Fri	18-Mar-11	Drag Night - Round 2
Tue	22-Mar-11	R8
Tue	29-Mar-11	R9
Tue	5-Apr-11	R10
Tue	12-Apr-11	R11
Tue	19-Apr-11	R12 (South Bank)
<i>Thu</i>	<i>21-Apr-11</i>	<i>2010 NSW IC State Championships (Venue - TBA)</i>
<i>Sun</i>	<i>24-Apr-11</i>	
Mon	25-Apr-11	ANZAC Day (Public Holiday)
Tue	26-Apr-11	R13 *
Fri	29-Apr-11	Drag Night - Round 3
<i>Tue</i>	<i>3-May-11</i>	<i>Summer Presentation Night (Rowing Club)</i>
* Note: 26/04/2011 above is substitute Public Holiday for Easter Monday		

2011 LAUNCH PARTY

A new year brings a new start, and for the first time PDNR are holding a “Launch Party”. This is not a night where everyone sends rockets up in the air, but a social night to catch up with family and friends after the festive season. You could think of it as a presentation night without the trophies!



PDNR 2011 Launch Party - January 11 (from 6.00pm at Nepean Rowing Club)

MATES RATES – PROMO EXTENDED

During the 2010 Spring Championship, PDNR introduced a special “mates rates” offer – and the good news is that this promotion has been extended for Summer 2011.



So take advantage of your friends or neighbours’ new Christmas presents, and bring them along to Tuesday night race meetings and they can race their first two nights at a discounted rate. New entrants who are introduced by an existing PDNR driver get their first two race nights for only \$8 per division. See Registration for more details.

SOCMAN’S NEW WHEELS!

Most of you would know Steve O, and if you don’t, he is the guy now zipping all around the place in his awesome new “toxic green” wheel chair!

A few PDNR members attended a recent trivia night to help raise funds for SOC’s chair, so it’s exciting to see him now experiencing the benefits of all the hard work his wife and family put in to organise the event.



AARCMCC UPDATE

AARCMCC are responsible for sanctioning State and National RC events in Australia. For any drivers who may be attending a sanctioned IC on-road event in 2011, or drivers running in Pro Tourer at PDNR, the following information regarding rule changes which are taking effect in 2011 will be important to you.

Full information is available from the AARCMCC website – www.aarcmmc.org

1/8th Scale changes

Here is one of the noteworthy changes for 1/8 Scale

Rule 4.14 Maximum height for the body and side, including a separate wing/spoiler is 170mm with the chassis raised on a 10mm spacer. This maximum height is excluding the gurney strip where it is directly attached to the body, but including the gurney strip in case of a separate wing/spoiler.

From 2012 the body height and side/rear wings will have a maximum height of 160mm (chassis on a 10mm spacer). Overall maximum height including a gurney strip is 170mm (chassis on a 10mm spacer)

1/10th 200mm Nitro Tourer changes

There have been a number of changes for 2011. Some of the noteworthy changes are listed below. Visit the AARCMCC and download the latest Technical Rules for full details.

- INS Boxes are mandatory
- Rear Wing/Spoiler overhang will be measured from the rear bumper
- Tyre wide (across sidewalls) maximum 31mm

1/10th 200mm Pull Start Nitro Tourer changes

There were a number of recent changes adopted following voting by clubs.

(Update) 2.2 The original Kit/RTR engine may be replaced with the identical type engine or a commercially available after-market engine. Engines must be commercially available within Australia, either separately or as part of a complete pull start kit, and sold specifically as a "pull start" engine defined above. The maximum capacity of an after-market engine is 2.11cc (0.12cu.in.), and may have a maximum of four ports, including the exhaust port, as seen from above with the piston at bottom dead centre.

(New) 2.6 No internal or external engine modification of any type are allowed.

(New) 2.7 INS Box must be used but is not mandatory on standard engines with small diameter carburettors.

Changes to AARCMCC IC General Rules

There have been a number of changes to the General Rules.

(Update) 5.5.5 The competitor requesting the delay may remove their car from pit lane to the pit area for repairs. All other cars must return to pit lane for the duration of the delay period. All cars in pit lane must have their engines shut off for the duration of the delay period, however the car may be worked on by their mechanics.

5.5.x If controlled fuel is being used, fuel bottles and refueling guns cannot be removed from pit lane. The returning car must have an empty fuel tank when returned to pit lane.

(New) 5.5.x Other competitors or mechanics, who have not called the delay, may remove their car from pit lane to the pit area for repairs in the delay period on the approval of the Race Director. These cars will start as normal.

(New) 5.5.x Cars requiring an engine replacement during the delay period must be verified by a race official. A car removed from pit lane to the pit area for an engine replacement during the delay period may be started in the pit area, or other designated area, for tuning purposes only. The engine must be off should the car be returned to the pit lane within the delay period.

(New) 5.5.x A delay period can be reduced only if all competitors competing in the race are in full agreement.

(New)

5.10 Engine Allowance

5.10.1 A Competitor may use a maximum of two engines per class during qualifying and finals.

5.10.2 At least one engine must be sealed by Technical Inspection before qualification rounds commence.

5.10.3 The engine cooling head and button may be opened at any time by the competitor or their mechanic.

5.10.4 A competitor who exceeds their engine allowance will be disqualified from the Championship.

5.10.5 The engine backplate of each engine will be marked and sealed for the duration of the championship. The seal will have different indicators for each engine.

5.10.6 Each engine may be opened once for maintenance. Maintenance means that one or more components may be replaced, or maintained, within the engine before the engine is resealed.

5.10.7 At the completion of a final or heat, any engine found to have a broken seal will result in the engine using its rebuild. Use of engines that have had the seal broken more than once will result in disqualification from the Championship.

5.10.8 Unsealed engines used during practice are not counted towards the competitors' engine allowance



PDNR RAFFLE

As has been the case for many years, PDNR have a raffle car each championship. Graham has again given his support to PDNR, and the Spring Championship Graham's Hobby Centre have generously donated a Kyosho Fazer!

Graham's HOBBY CENTRE RAFFLE CAR

KYOSHO FAZER
TICKETS - \$1.00 ea.
DRAWN: December 14, 2010



PureTen GP
FAZER

KYOSHO
THE FINEST RADIO CONTROL MODELS

HANDY MUST HAVES

~ MyLaps RC4 Personal Transponder ~

NOW IN STOCK

From \$112.50 ea.

PDNR now have in stock the new MyLaps RC4 personal transponder.

We brought you a sneak peak of these new products in the last edition of the newsletter, but PDNR now have the awesome new little transponders in stock and available for drivers. The good news is they are cheaper than the old version at \$135 ea. If you buy 3 they drop to \$120 ea. and if you buy 6 or more they are \$112.50ea.

If you don't yet have a personal transponder, now is a great opportunity to invest in one - they are one of the most essential items and RC racer can have.



SAVE THE DATE



PDNR
Family Event

Car Observation Rally

Sunday, March 6th 2011

\$20 per car entry

Meet 8:30am for 9:00am start

Start location TBA (somewhere in Penrith)

Unknown destination

Must bring: Sense of adventure, BBQ lunch, digital camera, tank of fuel, sunscreen, pens/pencils ...

Judges decision final.

Any and all bribes to the judges may be considered.

REAR VIEW MIRROR – PDNR IN 2010

2010 was another busy year at PDNR. There was racing every Tuesday night, drag nights and major events to keep all the different RC enthusiasts occupied. Here are some of the highlights from 2010.

A fun new addition to Tuesday nights during the year was the random race night competitions. This involved a number of mini challenges such as best standard deviation of the night, or the first driver to get a triple digit best lap time. A variety of drivers from different divisions received PDNR merchandise and donated prizes.



During the year PDNR made several improvements. One of the most notable was the new power outlets in and around the truck. This enabled race control to have it's own designated phase, while also providing better (and much needed) distribution of 240V to the pit area.



One of the most exciting racing events was the 2010 IFMAR World Championships. PDNR member Phil Woodbury was in Texas USA competing, and finished 6th – an absolutely fantastic and highly deserved achievement against a world class field of top RC drivers from around the world. Many Aussies stayed up all night to watch the live web stream from liverc.com



In the media, the PDNR drag section made the cut for a great spread in Street Machine Magazine, and PDNR features a few times in Racing Lines magazine with coverage from the Winter Champs and PDNR Challenge.



2010 also brought the end of the Nitro Interclub Series with the series organiser feeling the NIS had run it's course for the time being.



RACE REPORT

~ 2010 2.4 Hour Le Mans ~

The 2010 2.4 Hour Le Mans was the endurance event to break the drought at PDNR as it had been almost two years since the previous endurance event had gone ahead. Both attempts to hold the event in 2009 were abandoned due to a lack of interest. The 2010 event appeared to be headed in the same direction, all be it a late surge in entries allowed organisers to press ahead with the event.



The 2010 2.4 Hour Le Mans was held on Saturday December 4 at SIRC. The event was initially scheduled for the P5 South Bank car park, but during the week leading into the event the P1 island car park (where we usually race) became available, so the event was held on the regular Tuesday night circuit.

This year the drought was broken in more ways than one, with rain falling the entire week leading into the event. Rain fell on the morning of the event too. Luckily there was just enough dry time to get the track and equipment set up before the rain would fall yet again. Open Practice was held to a much reduced schedule, and this session was mostly free of rain, although the circuit was still damp in patches from the morning drenching.

The start of qualifying was dry, but then the rain started to fall, and from then on the majority of the event was held during rain - but it was dry for the start of the main race. Teams did a fantastic job to brave and battle the conditions, which can best be described as “crazy wet”. The 2.4 Hour Le Mans is one of the few events on PDNR's event calendar that can proceed in wet conditions, so despite the moisture on the circuit, organisers went ahead with the event, and so did nine out of the eleven teams that had entered.



There was a revamped format for this year's event, with the endurance event accommodating a number of divisions within the one race – just like the real Le Mans. Unfortunately there was no entry in the LMP1 division.

- LMP1** - 1/8th Scale (similar to Open Pan on Tuesday nights)
- LMP2** - 1/10th 200mm Open Tourer - Lola
- GT1** - 1/10th 200mm Pull Start - Sedan Body
- GT2** - 1/10th 200mm Nitro Sport - Sedan Body
- EP** - Open On-Road Electric - Open Body

Qualifying started on a mostly dry track, with all teams heading onto the circuit within the first few minutes of the session to take advantage of the conditions. With the weather still looking overcast, teams took the opportunity to post a qualifying lap in the dry. Kyosho Dragons (LMP2) set the early bench mark, and then improved with eventual TQ being taken with a 17.887. JPM Racing (EP) posted a 17.935 to take second, followed by Valmorgmat Racing (LMP2) with a 17.989. As qualifying is not all that critical, given the length of the 2.4 hour endurance race, bragging rights and position on the drivers stand was enough motivation for the teams to push it all to the limit.





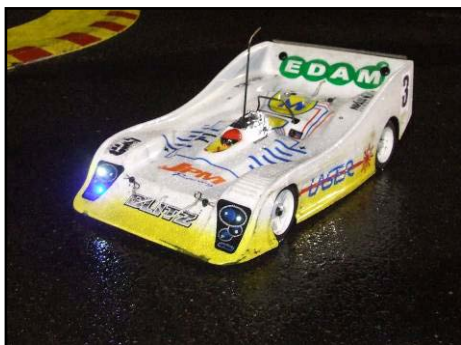
The race started with the traditional historic “Le Mans” starting procedure – which in RC terms means the pit crew need to run across the track, start the cars and then place them on the track. Kyosho Dragons had the jump from pole position, and a quick start enabled them to lead the opening moments of the race.

The pace was reasonably quick in the first couple of laps, but then the clouds started to open, and the lap times plummeted. It’s interesting to note that all teams recorded their best individual laps time within their first 5 laps.

With the rain slowing the cars down, surprisingly the attrition rate was low with all cars staying on the track for a considerable period of time. It was suggested that the low damage rate due to accidents was a result of the cars circulating slower, nevertheless all teams did a great job to adapt and adjust to the conditions.

Shortly after the rain settled in, it was easy to identify the teams who had experienced heads calling the shots, and those in the know quickly switched to rubber tyres. In wet conditions, rubber tyres perform much better than foam tyres, and the teams that had switched to their wet tyres were lapping some four to five seconds a lap faster. The exception to this was JPM Racing (EP) who were close to matching the times of the leaders thanks to an awesomely controlled drifting by Michael Turner.

All teams had their fair share of time at the front, and at the back of the field, and after being last in the early stages, a super solid middle stint in the wet on rubber tyres brought Red Bull (GT1) back into contention. They were chasing down Team Bandicoot (GT2), The Golden Dragons (GT2) and current leaders Gizzmo Racing (GT2). Unfortunately the gremlins that occur when water mixes with the receiver started grabbing teams and pulling them off the track and out of the race. Three of the four retirements were due to electrical problems.



The Golden Dragons were in a solid position early after a great opening stint by Chad Donnelly, who then handed the controller to the two young PDNR drivers of Nicholas Freund and Rhys O'Connor. Some drive issues mid race lost them tons of time, but a consistent back end of the race had them climbing up the order lap after lap. Team Principal Steve O even had a drive, but it was left to the junior drivers to bring it home – which they did in a respectable 2nd place.

In the dash to the chequered flag, Gizmo Racing had a comfortable margin while leading, but they spent some time off the track which passed the lead to Red Bull. Being in a great position with a car which was now totally suited to the conditions, it looked like Red Bull were cruise control to the finish until one of the rubber tyres they were using had a blow-out. The team left with no option but to put foam tyres back on the car. This brought a nervous wait, but they maintained a conformable margin over the field and were never challenged for the victory.

One of the special features of the PDNR Le Mans events, is that in order for a team to be classified as “finished”, they need to pass under the bridge and take the chequered flag within 90 seconds of the race ending. Five teams met the chequered flag at the end of the wet 2h:24min race.

Here are the results from qualifying and the 2010 2.4 Hour Le Mans.

2010 2.4 HOUR LE MANS - QUALIFYING					
Pos	Car	Name	Details	Laps	B/Lap
1	2	KYOSHO DRAGONS	LMP2 - KALTENBACHER/QUARM/BALLANTINE /	28	17.887
2	3	JPM RACING	EP - TURNER/PATANE/PATANE/PATANE /	20	17.935
3	1	VALMORGMAT RACING	LMP2 - VALLETTA/MORGAN/MATON /	29	17.989
4	6	STS RACING	LMP2 - PODMORE/HODGES/GREENER/KALTENBACHER	43	18.484
5	9	THE GOLDEN DRAGONS	GT2 - O CONNOR/DONNELLY/O CONNOR/FREUND /	20	19.178
6	5	OVERTHEHILL RACING	GT2 - GAVIN/REILLY/FERGUSON /	7	20.095
7	4	RED BULL	GT1 - KNIGHT/ROSSITER/ISAACS /	5	20.585
8	8	BANDICOOT RACING	GT2 - BLOOR/COHEN/COHEN/COHEN /	24	20.883
9	7	GIZMO RACING	GT2 - DUNN/AVRAM/BURROWS /	19	21.091

2010 2.4 HOUR LE MANS - FINAL POSITIONS								
Pos	Car	Name	Details	Laps	Total Time	B/Lap	A/Lap	StDev
1	4	RED BULL	GT1 - KNIGHT/ROSSITER/ISAACS /	221	2:24:05.6	19.926	39.12	1.237
2	9	THE GOLDEN DRAGONS	GT2 - O CONNOR/DONNELLY/O CONNOR/FREUND /	204	2:24:11.2	19.551	42.408	6.279
3	8	BANDICOOT RACING	GT2 - BLOOR/COHEN/COHEN/COHEN /	193	2:24:23.6	22.965	44.889	4.582
4	7	GIZMO RACING	GT2 - DUNN/AVRAM/BURROWS /	185	2:24:09.8	22.318	46.755	9.999
5	3	JPM RACING	EP - TURNER/PATANE/PATANE/PATANE /	90	2:24:13.3	18.017	96.147	9.999
DNF	2	KYOSHO DRAGONS	LMP2 - KALTENBACHER/QUARM/BALLANTINE /	116	1:05:34.7	17.989	33.92	5.714
DNF	1	VALMORGMAT RACING	LMP2 - VALLETTA/MORGAN/MATON /	99	1:31:51.1	18.351	55.667	9.999
DNF	6	STS RACING	LMP2 - PODMORE/HODGES/GREENER/KALTENBACHER	72	0:42:22.4	19.066	35.311	5.942
DNF	5	OVERTHEHILL RACING	GT2 - GAVIN/REILLY/FERGUSON /	68	0:37:57.1	15.95	33.487	19.94



FINAL CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS – Spring 2010

Here are the Final Championship Points from 2010 Spring Championship. Results are after Round 13, which was held on Tuesday December 7. Rounds 1, and 12 were cancelled due to rain, and Rounds 2 and 9 were declared after Round 1 due to rain.

As is always the case there were some close divisions and some runaway divisions. Matt Oxford has already secured history as being PDNR's most winning buggy driver, and he continued to cement this record winning all three Buggy Championships in 2010 – an achievement that also earned him the honour of being crowned PDNR Club Champion for 2010.

Here are the final championship classifications:

Division Sponsor PIRTEK AUSTRALIA		
PULL START		
P	Name	Pts
1	Steve Valletta	344
2	Shaun Kaltenbacher	307
3	Rod Morgan	257
4	Chris Stanley	225
5	Joseph Patane	200
5	Bruce Berg	200
7	Kevin Maton	161
8	Nathan Ryan	119
9	Trevor Hodges	65
10	Graham McMillan	52
11	Barry Gavin	48

Division Sponsor BARCLAY'S RC & HOBBIES		
OUTLAW		
P	Name	Pts
1	Chris Stanley	277
2	Adrian Isaacs	250
3	Trevor Hodges	249
4	Steve Podmore	201
5	Kevin Maton	165
6	John Reilly	158
7	Rick Seymonsbergen	141
8	Michael Schroder	134
9	Paul Burchdan	129
10	Bruce Berg	125
11	Michael Khoudeir	109
12	Peter Wilson	94
13	Jayson Rutherford	71
14	Nathan Bloor (M1)(T1)	43
15	Aaron Lee	40
16	Vic Tucciarone	39
17	David Graham	35
18	Joseph Patane	18
18	Jonathan Lo Iacono	18
20	Ben Dunn	13
21	Barry Gavin	11

CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS Cont'd

Division Sponsor GRAHAM'S HOBBY CENTRE		
PRO TOURER		
P	Name	Pts
1	Tony Firth	361
2	Rick Seymonsbergen	308
3	Shaun Kaltenbacher	237
4	Steve Valletta	220
5	Adrian Isaacs	212
6	Rod Morgan	192
7	Trevor Hodges	135
8	Steve Podmore (M1)	130
9	Matt Ferguson	71
10	Philip Woodbury	40
11	Michael Schroder	38
12	Aaron Lee	18

Division Sponsor		
EDAM EXER		
P	Name	Pts
1	David Lo Iacono	308
2	Michael Turner	296
3	Darrell Knight	282
4	Paul Bourchdan	213
5	Grahame Fraser	181
6	Rod Albronda	173
7	Rick Seymo (M2-P=M0)	70
8	Greg Rossiter	16

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OFF ROAD BUGGY		
P	Name	Pts
1	Matthew Oxford	340
2	Chris Abela	297
3	Flavio Cataldo	262
4	Tom Harrison	240
5	Mark Swan	187
6	Chris Ciappara	111
7	Dean Barnes	109
8	Jonathan Hart	99
9	Ryan Crook	60
10	Tim Linos (M2)	46
11	Peter Mallet	40
12	Ryan Borg	33
13	Stewart Kaye-Smith	31
14	Daniel Jackson	20
15	David Manczak	18
16	Maurice King	7
17	Jesse McGurn	0

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OFF ROAD TRUCK		
P	Name	Pts
1	Darrell Knight	356
2	Will Shield	306
3	Flavio Cataldo	266
4	Don Bishop	60
5	Mark Youan	50
6	Steve O'Connor	32
7	Charles Pilotto	12

CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS Cont'd

Division Sponsor		
OPEN PAN		
P	Name	Pts
1	David Lo Iacono	315
2	Michael Turner	306
3	Grahame Fraser	247
4	Darrel Thompson	208
5	Rod Albronda	174
6	Matthew Oxford	144
7	Nathan Egan (M1)(T1)	122
8	Daniel Miner	76
9	Ray Wallace	51
10	Mark Swan	24
11	Greg Rossiter	20
11	Luke Gunton	20
13	Chris Newland	19

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P	Name	Pts
1	David Graham	341
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4	Don Bishop	207
5	Ben Dunn	196
6	Nathan Bloor	167
7	Simon Greener	144
8	Kris Albronda	125
9	Roy Hanmore (T1)	111
10	Rhys O'Connor	100
11	Frank Deak	83
12	Barry Gavin	33
13	Corey Fraser	27
14	Paul Crass	13
15	Dean Barnes	11
16	Will Shield	10
16	Payton Braddock	10
18	Stan Hudson (T1)	5



PDNR 2010 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

PDNR have had three Club Champions since it's inception. Tony Firth was the inaugural winner in 2007, Roy Hanmore (2008) and Shaun Kaltenbacher (2009).

The 2010 club champion results are indicative of the performance of PDNR members, and twelve months of consistent performances, with a clean sweep of the buggy division has secured Matthew Oxford as PDNR Club Champion for 2010. Below are the top 30 results for the 2010 PDNR Club Champion.

The Club Champion recognises the most successful member at PDNR during a year of competition, and it is calculated by combining the points scored in all three championships. Drivers competing in multiple divisions, have their primary division counted.

2010 PDNR CLUB CHAMPION					
Name	RANK	TOTAL	TOTAL SUMMER	TOTAL AUTUMN	TOTAL SPRING
Matthew Oxford	1	994	338	316	340
Tony Firth	2	957	360	236	361
Darrel Knight	3	920	276	288	356
Steve Valletta	4	910	262	304	344
Michael Turner	5	866	277	283	306
Shaun Kaltenbacher	6	831	322	202	307
Will Shield	7	818	280	232	306
Flavio Cataldo	8	804	284	254	266
Rick Seymo	9	768	162	298	308
Paul Bourchdan	10	741	243	285	213
Rod Morgan	11	732	221	254	257
Adrian Isaacs	12	727	283	194	250
David Graham	13	713	167	205	341
Steve Podmore	14	709	266	242	201
Bruce Berg	15	692	298	194	200
David Lo Iacono	15	692	138	239	315
Chris Stanley	17	667	348	42	277
Rod Albronda	18	654	248	232	174
Tom Harrison	19	622	185	197	240
Denny Kady	20	556	152	153	251
Frank Deak	21	553	232	238	83
Grahame Fraser	22	536	114	175	247
John Reilly	23	532	171	203	158
Kevin Maton	24	505	140	200	165
Joseph Patane	25	484	284	0	200
Darrel Thompson	26	419	147	64	208
Roy Hanmore	27	395	150	134	111
Jake Brett	28	388	232	156	0
Greg Rossiter	29	380	208	152	20
Brad Tarrant	30	375	0	151	224

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DRAG RACING

~ 2010 Championship Series ~



Drag Update after Round 10 – (26/11/10)

Well Round 10 for the 2010 Drag Racing championship has been completed and finally sorted out the men from the boys for 2010. What a great night with speed records been broken by Steve O'Connor with his Electric XRAY M18 in the Micro Division and Brandon Dimoski with his Electric Top Fuel.



Well what a year for the PDNR Drag Racing section. This year has had it's highs and lows, but mostly highs with a lot of speed and time records being broken. This year we were fortunate enough to have a visit from a Street Machine Photographer/Editor who came out and wanted to take photos of our drivers' cars in action and also get some info on PDNR's R/C drag racing. The article was completed and released in the November issue of Street Machine Magazine.



We also had some changes this year with the splitting up Top Fuel into EP and GP, also the splitting of Door Slammer/Funny Car EP and GP which made for some interesting passes.

Starting at the first round there were a lot of drivers out to break records and cars. I think one of the most interesting things for this year was to see who could launch their car the highest of the finish line launch ramps. It was almost every round that a car would be unintentionally launched off the ramp.

I would like to thank the drag section committee for all their help and assistance throughout the year.

David Lo Iacano
Drag Head.

Final 2010 Drag Racing Championship Points – Cont'd

TOP FUEL GP		
P	Name	Pts
1	Brandon Dimoski	905
2	Zac Stojanovski	565
3	Nathan Johnston	540
4	Leigh Naylor	525
5	Michael Fellowes	480
6	Clinton King	180
7	Charles Pillotto	160
8	Robert Dimoski	115
9	Thomas White	80
10	Peter Wilson	40
10	Steve Valletta	40

D/SLAMMER / FUNNY CAR GP		
P	Name	Pts
1	Nathan Johnston	840
2	Zac Stojanovski	460
3	Robert Dimoski	345
4	Goran Tadorski	300
5	Charles Pilotto	200
6	Frank Naylor	120
7	Andre Lolcano	100
7	Luke Gunton	100
9	Brandon Dimoski	95
10	Jason Taylor	80
10	David Lolcano	80
12	Clinton King	75
13	Ben King	60
14	Leigh Naylor	40
14	Anthony Ciaparra	40
16	Graham Fraser	0

D/SLAMMER / FUNNY CAR EP		
P	Name	Pts
1	Brandon Dimoski	600
2	Clinton King	470
3	Luke Gunton	430
4	Andre Lolcano	260
5	Leigh Naylor	200
6	Goran Tadorski	145
7	Nathan Johnston	140
8	Jason Taylor	80
8	David Lolcano	80
10	Ben King	60
10	Scott van der Dray	60
12	Zac Stojanovski	0
12	Graham Fraser	0

Records (As of Round 10 – 26/11/10):

DIVISION	ET RECORD	SPEED RECORD
TOP FUEL GP	1.882 sec - Leigh Naylor (15/05/2010)	130.9 km/h - Brandon Dimoski (15/05/2010)
DOORSLAMMER / FUNNY CAR GP	2.068 sec - Robert Dimoski (12/06/2010)	110.76 km/h - Leigh Naylor (16/04/2010)
TOP FUEL EP	1.484 sec - Robert Dimoski (14/08/2010)	148.99 km/h - Brandon Dimoski (26/11/2010)
DOORSLAMMER / FUNNY CAR EP	1.708 sec - Brandon Dimoski (19/02/2010)	133.3 km/h - Brandon Dimoski (16/04/2010)
SUPER STOCK GP	2.372 sec - Jake Cash (12/07/2008)	100 km/h - Ryan Palmer (16/10/2010)
SUPER STOCK EP	2.105 sec - Jim Brown (19/03/2010)	118.03 km/h - Jim Brown (19/03/2010)
OFF ROAD EP/GP	2.433 sec - Clinton King (19/02/2010)	98.63 km/h - Clinton King (16/10/2010)
JUNIOR DRAGSTER - U16 1/10th EP/GP	2.465 sec - Kyle Lo Iacono (23/10/2009)	100.00 km/h - Brandon Dimoski (15/05/2010)
STREET GP	N/A	N/A
MICRO EP/GP	2.409 sec - Steve Oconnor (15/05/2010)	120.0 km/h - Steve Oconnor (26/11/2010)
OPEN PAN 1/8th GP	2.366 sec - Rod Albronda (14/08/2010)	98.63 km/h - Rod Albronda (24/09/2010)

PDNR 2011 Racing Calendar

Last Updated - 11/12/2010

Summer		Autumn		Spring	
Tue 11-Jan-11	2011 Launch Party (Rowing Club)	Tue 10-May-11	Registration & Practice 1	Tue 30-Aug-11	Registration & Practice 1
Sat 15-Jan-11	Summer Nets (Fairy Meadows)	Fri 13-May-11	Drag Night - Round 4	Fri 02-Sep-11	Drag Night - Round 7
Tue 18-Jan-11	Registration & Practice 1	Tue 17-May-11	R1	Tue 6-Sep-11	R1 (South Bank)
Fri 21-Jan-11	Drag Night - Test n Tune	Tue 24-May-11	R2	Tue 13-Sep-11	R2 (South Bank)
Tue 25-Jan-11	(Australia Day Set up - Note: No RC Racing)	Tue 31-May-11	R3	Tue 20-Sep-11	R3 (South Bank)
Wed 26-Jan-11	Australia Day 2011	Tue 7-Jun-11	R4	Tue 27-Sep-11	R4 (South Bank)
Tue 1-Feb-11	R1	Sat 11-Jun-11	2011 NSW Drag Tiles	Tue 4-Oct-11	R5
Tue 8-Feb-11	R2	Tue 14-Jun-11	R5	Fri 08-Oct-11	Drag Night - Round 8
Tue 15-Feb-11	R3	Tue 21-Jun-11	R6	Tue 11-Oct-11	R6
Tue 22-Feb-11	R4	Tue 28-Jun-11	R7	Tue 18-Oct-11	R7
Fri 25-Feb-11	Drag Night - Round 1	Sat 25-Jun-11	Racing Lines - Winter Champs (PDNR)	Tue 25-Oct-11	R8
Sat 26-Feb-11	Sydney Grand Prix - GP (SORA/MCC - Whaler)	Tue 28-Jun-11	R8	Tue 1-Nov-11	R9
Sun 27-Feb-11	R5	Sat 09-Jul-11	Drag Night - Round 5	Tue 8-Nov-11	R10
Tue 1-Mar-11	R6 (South Bank)	Tue 12-Jul-11	R9	Tue 15-Nov-11	R11
Tue 8-Mar-11	R7	Tue 19-Jul-11	R10	Fri 18-Nov-11	Drag Night - Round 9
Tue 15-Mar-11	R8	Sat 23-Jul-11	Drag Night - Test n Tune	Tue 22-Nov-11	R12
Fri 18-Mar-11	Drag Night - Round 2	Tue 26-Jul-11	R11	Tue 29-Nov-11	R13
Tue 22-Mar-11	R9	Tue 2-Aug-11	R12	Tue 6-Dec-11	R14
Tue 29-Mar-11	R10	Tue 9-Aug-11	R13	Fri 09-Dec-11	Drag Night - Round 10
Tue 5-Apr-11	R11	Sat 13-Aug-11	Drag Night - Round 6	Tue 13-Dec-11	AGM & Presentation Night & Sanitar (Rowing Club)
Tue 12-Apr-11	R12 (South Bank)	Tue 16-Aug-11	R14		
Tue 19-Apr-11	2010 NSW/TC State Championships (Venue - TBA)	Tue 23-Aug-11	Autumn Presentation Night (Rowing Club)		
Thu 21-Apr-11	ANZAC Day (Public Holiday)				
Sun 24-Apr-11	R13 *				
Mon 25-Apr-11	Drag Night - Round 3				
Tue 26-Apr-11	Summer Presentation Night (Rowing Club)				
Fri 29-Apr-11					
Tue 3-May-11					

* Note: 26/04/2011 above is substitute Public Holiday for Easter Monday

?	TBA	PDNR 2.4 Hour Le Mans
?	TBA	

?	TBA	PDNR Challenge (SIRC - Penrith)
?	TBA	

Yellow	Tuesday Night - Championship Race Meetings
Light Blue	Tuesday Night - Non Championship Race Meeting Presentation Nights
Blue	(South Bank) Temporary Move to P5 (RTA)

Orange	SIRC Events
Light Green	Events not held at SIRC
Green	AARC/MCC Events of Interest
White	(BUNT) Need to Bunt off P1

Yellow	PDNR Special & Major Events
Light Blue	Other Events of Interest
Blue	PDNR Drag Nights
Grey	Social Events

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Light Blue	Tuesday Night - Non Championship Race Meeting Presentation Nights
Blue	(South Bank) Temporary Move to P5 (RTA)

PDNR Fee Schedule

Membership

Annual Renewal – Due 30 th September	\$30.00
New Member – 30 th September through 30 th June	\$40.00
New Member – 1 st July through 30 th August	\$20.00
New Member – 1 st September through 30 th September	\$40.00 – 13 month membership
Junior – Under 16 years, nonvoting.	\$15.00
Full adult membership entitles the member to nonvoting membership for their partner and children under 16 years of age.	

Weeknight Racing – Casual

All casual entries need to fill out a Championship Entry Application once per championship	
Kids Division (School holidays only, 13 and under)	\$2.00
Junior per division – Under 16 years	\$5.00
PDNR Member - 1 st division	\$10.00
PDNR Member - Additional division	\$8.00
Visitor - 1 st division	\$14.00
Visitor - Additional division	\$12.00

Weeknight Racing – Championship (Members Only)

1 st Championship Division	\$100.00
2 nd and subsequent Championship Divisions (each)	\$50.00
Junior	\$60.00 1 st \$50.00 2 nd Division

Merchandise

RC4 Personal Transponders (MyLaps)	\$135.00 ea. \$120 ea. (3 buy) \$112.50 ea. (6 buy)
Frequency Crystal Set (TX/RX AM 27MHz, 29MHz)	\$18.00
PDNR Cap	\$15.00
PDNR Beanie	\$15.00
PDNR Polo Shirt	\$35.00
PDNR Torque Shirt	\$60.00
PDNR Torque Jacket	\$90.00

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PDNR have a variety of merchandise available. See Race Control for more information or to try a size.

Race Jacket	:	\$90.00
Polo Shirt	:	\$35.00
Moto (Torque) Shirt	:	\$60.00
Race Cap	:	\$15.00
Beanie	:	\$15.00
Stickers	:	\$ 2.50





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