

Welcome to another of our regular competitor bulletins. We are still getting over a mammoth 2013 NT Titles where we had over 100 entrants with a number of new PB's and records set! A big thank you to everyone that helped pack up at the end of the night, it was fantastic to see the club spirit as everyone banded together to pack away light towers, bins and a host of other items. It was this same club spirit that allowed us to repair our scoreboards early Saturday morning after a component failed late on Friday night. A big thanks to Top End Access and Brandt McGlade for getting it going again.

Also a big thank you to those teams who helped out with the clean-ups. We've had a good run all year so there had to be at least one night where we had that dreaded "O" word spill out. Hopefully there was not too much damage and we see the guys back out again soon.

These major events are getting bigger and bigger with some officials not finishing until 3-4am. With that in mind the committee is planning to divide some tasks further with Jay attempting to delegate his multi-page event list. If you have some free time mid-week to carry out a few tasks we are sure it will reduce his blood pressure!

ANDRA DRAG RACING SERIES

As you are no doubt aware, we are hosting the ANDRA Drag Racing Series from 16-17 August. As this is a national event featuring Top Alcohol and Top Bike there are a number of things that we are changing to accommodate the event. We also welcome a number of teams that are travelling from WA who are competing in Modified Bike, Top Sportsman and Outlaws for this event.

SCRUTINEERING LOCATION

As we need to introduce weight testing for Group 1 at the ANDRA event the scrutineering bay will be relocated to Pit bay 1/2 with scales based on the track side of the shed for teams to be able to tow through and get weighed.

PIT ALLOCATIONS

We are working towards numbered pit allocations for this event so everyone knows exactly where to park. This will be dependent on working bees to help map out the pit area in coming weeks. Group 1 teams will fill the available pit garages which will also see containers and transporters located behind the garages in the same style as you would see at V8 Supercar events.

We will be arranging a couple of 20kVA generators to provide power around the general pit area to assist teams that would normally be based in the garages.

2013 SEASON CALENDAR

Mar-29	Off Street / T&T
Apr-12	BTH Off Street
Apr-27	Season Opener
May-03	BTH Off Street
May-18	Track Champs Rd2
Jun-28	BTH Off Street
Jul 12-13	2013 NT Titles
Jul-26	BTH Off Street
Aug-03	Track Champs Rd4
Aug 16-17	ANDRA Pro Series
Sep-07	Track Champs Rd6
Sep-21	Season Finale
Sep-27	BTH Off Street

**TRACK CHAMPS RD 4
ENTRIES CLOSE
SUNDAY 28 JULY**

**2013 ANDRA SERIES
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SUNDAY 4 AUGUST**

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EVENT SCHEDULE

Due to the size of the event the standard schedule will change. While the final schedule won't be released until after entries close the preliminary schedule will be earlier than usual so be sure to ask the boss for Friday afternoon off work.

FRIDAY 16 AUGUST	
GATES OPEN	4:00PM
QUALIFYING SESSIONS 1, 2, 3	6:00PM

SATURDAY 17 AUGUST	
FINAL QUALIFY SESSION (SELECTED BRACKETS ONLY)	2:30PM
RACING	5:00PM

INVESTING IN OUR CLUB

With the risk of race delays always at the forefront of our mind we are investing further in club assets to ensure we are able to further enhance our clean-up processes. The faithful old blue tractor is being retired and will be up for sale if anyone is interested in a solid 2wd Iseki tractor. We have replaced it with another John Deere unit. We are also investigating another sweeper/scrubber unit and additional attachments that will further speed up our clean-up times. With our local track crew having worked closely with Willowbank Raceway over the last 4 years and being invited to assist with such events as the Adelaide Pro 1000 and the Winternationals we should all be proud of the volunteers that dedicate their time not only on race day but in the weeks leading up to every one of our events!



SHADE PEGS

Please remember that you are not allowed to use tent pegs in the bitumen paddock area as this damages the surface. If you need to secure your shades please ensure you use suitable weights as an alternative.

COMPETITOR TROPHIES

After receiving feedback at recent events we could see the difficulty of conducting presentations without any form of trophy or recognition for your efforts. While it was always the intent to provide trophies at major events such as the NT Titles we will be re-introducing trophies to all Track Championship events starting from Round 4 in early August. Whether it be behind the bar or in the shed,

trophies will once again be available for you to put on display.

MOTORSPORTS NT TRAVEL ASSISTANCE

Motorsports NT is able to assist competitors travelling interstate to represent Northern Territory and their respective club at State or National level by means of financial support. Events must be related to the activities of the respective club and be at a state or national level.

If you are attending an event before 30 June, 2014 and would like to apply for funding assistance please complete the [Competitor Travel Policy and Application form](#) and return to mail@hiddenvalleydrags.com for approval. Applications must include a copy of the receipt for race entry.

Applications must be presented to the MotorSports NT office 30 days prior to any of the events or costs listed on the application. Handwritten (excluding signatures), late or incomplete applications will not be accepted

Limited funding available - GET YOUR APPLICATIONS IN EARLY!



Just some of our dedicated volunteer officials including; Jay Rossiter, Ray Joy-Warde, Glenn Bull, Ed Forman, Ian (Jordy) Jordan, Peter Williamson, Steve Dwyer & Al Ballinger

CREW PARKING

As we reminded teams during the NT Titles, there are a number of crew that are parking in the pit area which is in turn causing issues for fellow racers. Please remember that non-essential trailers and ALL crew cars (other than designated tow vehicles which should have your race number and bracket written on the front window) should be parked along the back fence of the pit area. Thank you to those who did move their vehicles on Saturday night, it was greatly appreciated.

2014 RACE SEASON

As we have mentioned at recent drivers briefings the NT Government is commencing upgrades to the overall Hidden Valley Motorsport Complex in 2014. A media release from the NT Government in May 2013 stated more than \$5 million has been allocated for Hidden Valley in the 2013-14 Budget for resurfacing the V8 track circuit (2.9km) and upgrading V8 concrete barriers to meet the national

standards required to host national and regional motor sporting events

An additional \$4.12 million will be provided in 2014-15 to upgrade sewerage, toilet blocks and drainage and redesign Turn One of the Hidden Valley circuit.

This is at a very early stage with the Government so it is unclear what impacts it may have on our racing season. Preliminary discussion suggests it could be scheduled between June and September 2014. As we find out more we will keep you in the loop.

ANDRA CHANGES TO STREET CARS

The Australian National Drag Racing Association is set to make big changes to its rules for street cars, with modern 'street registered' vehicles being permitted to run without roll cages down to a limit of 10.00 seconds for the first time.

Under the new safety rules, vehicles manufactured post January 1, 2008 will be able to run as quick as 10.00 seconds and as fast as 140mph (225.30kph) (whichever is the lesser) for the quarter mile without a roll cage. For the full report click [here](#)

PIT SPEAKERS

For those that may not be aware, there is an individual speaker in each pit garage. These have individual volumes so don't forget to check it out at the start of each event as they may be turned down and you could miss important PA calls.

ANDRA VOLUNTARY CREW

The system of voluntary ANDRA crew membership has now been formalised across all tracks and provides a new option for crew members to avoid lengthy queues for signing an indemnity.

Crew membership is available for just \$44 a year and includes all the benefits of ANDRA associate membership such as the current ANDRA rulebook plus new rulebooks if

the membership is still current, the quarterly ANDRA Fastlane magazine, two ANDRA stickers and an ANDRA membership card. You will also get a free divisional drag racing licence for vehicles 11.00 seconds and slower where applicable along with Category 2 ANDRA Personal Accident Cover at off-street meetings.

In addition, ANDRA crew membership allows the holder to sign an annual indemnity which means they are no longer required to sign in for an arm band at each event. Instead a clear pouch containing your blue membership card and event ticket must be worn whenever in 'hot' areas (those areas where an indemnity must be signed to have access) at the track. For the full release click [here](#)

2013 NT TITLES WINNERS

DRAG RACING CLASSES

JUNIOR DRAGSTER WINNER - JODIE COLES
JUNIOR DRAGSTER RUNNER UP - MADDISON SPERRER
STREET CAR WINNER - MATTHEW HARDING
STREET CAR RUNNER UP - ELLEN MUSK
STREET BIKE WINNER - MARK TATTINGHAM
STREET BIKE RUNNER UP - TAURIE MINOGUE
SUPER STREET WINNER - TROY MCGREGOR
SUPER STREET RUNNER UP - DAVID VOYSEY
SUPER SEDAN WINNER - DANIEL FOREMAN
SUPER SEDAN RUNNER UP - GRANT ROWE
MODIFIED BIKE WINNER - CLIVE MAINLAND
MODIFIED BIKE RUNNER UP - DALE SMITH
TOP SPORTSMAN WINNER - ANDREW ARMISTEAD
TOP SPORTSMAN RUNNER UP - GRANT RADCLIFFE
OUTLAWS WINNER - DIETER HERRMANN
OUTLAWS RUNNER UP - TODD KNIGHT

BURNOUT CLASSES

V8/BLOWN

First - Casper
Second - SMKSHW
Third - Matthew Harding
NT AUTO AIR 4/6/ROTOR

First - Jesse Guy
Equal Second - Brad Schluter, Leigh McKay
Third - Brenden Parrott

