



HVDRA COMPETITOR & MEMBERS BULLETIN

17TH March 2016

Hello everyone and welcome to the March Competitor Bulletin.

What a huge season we had here last year at Hidden Valley with the running of the very successful Nitro Up North and the NT Titles which played host to interstate race teams who were mighty impressed with our venue and the high caliber of race teams we have here in Darwin.

Building from last year we hope the 2016 season will be bigger and better and word is the migration of interstate racers is going to be huge!

HVDRA INFORMATION NIGHT

Dear Competitors and Club Members

Hidden Valley Drag Racing Association conducted an information night at Motorsport house on Saturday 27th February.

This information night was to inform competitors, members and stake holders about the current situation of drag racing in Australia and what that means for the future of HVDRA.

Since the information night took place all information gathered from both ANDRA and Thunder 400 has been reviewed and assessed. All questions that were submitted to 'The Information Box' have been forwarded to the relevant parties and responded to accordingly and the HVDRA committee will present this at our next member discussion.

In light of the information session HVDRA committee has been involved in several discussions with Motorsport NT regarding the future direction of drag racing, as it currently stands the HVDRA constitution is bound to ANDRA.

If the members of this association decide to vote for a change then quiet a complex situation will arise for this outcome to be successful.



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Some of the issues faced will be having to seek approval from Sport and Recreation as well as having to change the constitution in the first instance.

After bringing together all information to date HVDRA's committee has made a short term decision to stay with ANDRA and continue business as normal until the above has clear definition.

As all local competitors would be aware our season is closing in quickly, also the committee is aware of the fact that competitors need to arrange Tech Inspection, log books and licenses.

To keep moving forward HVDRA would like to extend an invitation for you to attend Motorsport House on Wednesday 23rd March at 6pm so we complete the information night questions, pass forward up to date information, and cast a vote. We anticipate this won't take any longer than an hour.

BUSINESS AS USUAL FOR 2016

In the meantime, and after considering all information to date, HVDRA's committee has made a short term decision to stay with ANDRA and continue business as normal, until we are able to clearly understand the impacts of the decisions.

As all local competitors would be aware, our new season is almost upon us and competitors need to arrange Technical Inspections, log books and licenses.

Now that we've been able to put this release out please make sure you fill out your membership nominations on the website.



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LOOKING AHEAD

There are quite a few projects and upgrades taking place to make sure our track is second to none and one of those projects will be undertaken by the NT Government.

This work will commence sometime in April and it will involve repairs to the track at the 330ft mark due to inconsistencies with the surface at the transition. An additional 20 metres of concrete will be added to both lanes and whilst this is not an ideal time for this to be happening, these repairs are necessary and will be welcomed by us all here at the Hidden Valley Drag Strip.

Whilst the loss of the Test and Tune is inevitable we are hoping to reschedule any events that may be lost to the down time but we will advise in future bulletins.

HVDRA SECRETARY

As the HVDRA has been moving ahead with bigger and better events over the last few seasons it has now become apparent that we need some help and that has come in the form of Dale Gummow .

Dale has commenced as Secretary of HVDRA and brings with her over 18 years of experience in the Drag Racing industry as a racer, an official and just recently finished as an Event Coordinator at the Perth Motorplex.

Dale will be happy to help you in any way so please don't hesitate to contact her.