



Hello to you all,

Well that is our Winter season Sprint Series over and done with!! And we just about got thru the whole season without a major accident. Our last meeting we had a few incidents which made it a long day racing. Firstly Ricky had an argument with a pine tree which he unfortunately lost. Then followed with several other smaller incidents. All in all we were very lucky with the weather all winter.

Ricky's first time passenger, Brooke (wishing you a speedy recovery Brooke!!) had to be cut out of her overalls, which had been borrowed from another club member. We want to say a huge THANKYOU to Richard Lester of Vortex race wear who has agreed to replace them for us. This is an amazingly generous gesture and I really hope any of you who are after any overalls, raceboots, etc for racing would support Vortex, who are local to Pukekohe. Thanks again Richard!!

We will be putting out another newsletter before Christmas and our first Track Meeting but we do have a lot of information coming out in the next weeks between now and January 8th so please keep an eye out for extra emails. I make no apologies for too much information. Also we are using Facebook a lot more now also. If you are not our "friend" then please check us out and 'friend' us so you can keep up to date with what's going on.



## Reminders & News

### SCRUTINEER

Aaron Wech has been appointed as our new Head Scrutineer. We will need some assistants to help him each race day. Please register your availability asap if you are able to help so that we can put a roster together. Please contact Aaron on 021537437 with any queries about your car.

### CHRISTMAS PARADE'S

Please advise as soon as possible if you are available for either of the local Christmas Parades. Contact Jason Hodgson (0274515072) .  
Pukekohe (4th December 2pm-3pm) and Waiuku (10th December 2pm –3pm)

### CONGRATULATIONS

To Hayden and Debi on the safe arrival of your precious baby. Another Dirt Track driver??

### DRIVERS MEETINGS

Will resume the month of December. Always being on the 1st Tuesday each month.  
Tuesday 6th December, Tuesday 3rd January

### FUNNY

I have attached a funny on the back I came across recently. I particularly relate to the very last one. We are off to Sydney for our wedding anniversary.....to watch the V8 supercars!!!  
I think we might be racers honey!!

### FOR SALE

Seat Belt. 5 point RYS Belt. October 09 Manufacture.  
All attachment points wrap around Roll cage. \$70.00 Phone Graeme 0274887348  
HONDA CIVIC 3door with a roll cage, no motor. Ph Jeremey with OFFERS 0274532231

### PRE SEASON SCRUTINEERING

Pre season scrutineering days have been set. Saturday 3rd Dec and Saturday 17th Dec.  
Between 1pm and 4pm  
115 Rogers Road, Puni. (Westy's yard)  
Please ph Aaron for more details. 021537437

### TRACK WORKING BEE

There will be a working Bee on Sunday 11th Dec down at the track. If we can get a good crew together then we may be able to get all the pre season chores sorted in one day. This would be great considering it is such a busy time of year. Please bring Shovels, Grubbers, old paint brushes and Bladed weed eaters if you can.

### WAIHEKE ISLAND TRIP FUND RAISING

We are very keen to get a team going over to Waiheke this season. We are very aware of the increasing cost in getting cars over there. We are looking at a few options in keeping costs down. If you are interested in going please make it known as soon as possible. We are raising funds to support our drivers getting there by selling raffles for meat packs and \$50 notes. If you have a local hangout which you could sell tickets at please let Amanda or Nicky know. We are only too happy to provide all resources for you to help out in fundraising.



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Lets get some positive stuff in the News too. Any thing you think your fellow members need to know or would enjoy will be considered. Please email. [amandave@farmside.co.nz](mailto:amandave@farmside.co.nz)

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## YOU MIGHT BE A RACER IF...

- You take your helmet along when you go to buy new eyeglasses or check out cars (seats).
- You feel compelled on a road trip to beat your previous best time.
- You are happiest when your street car's tires are worn to racing = depth (wear bars showing).
- When something falls off of your car, you wonder how much weight you just saved.
- You sometimes hear little noises from your passengers when you get on the throttle right after turning in.
- You thoroughly enjoy showing the tailgater behind how to drive around a highway off-ramp.
- Your email address refers to your race car rather than to you.
- You bought a race car before buying a house.
- You bought a race car before buying furniture for the new house.
- You're looking for a tow vehicle and still haven't bought furniture!
- You find that you need a new house because you've outgrown your garage and the neighbors are threatening violence if you park one more vehicle on the street or in the front yard.
- You measure all family acquisitions in terms of the number of race tires that could have been purchased.
- You sit in your race car in a dark garage and make car noises and shift and practice your heel and toe, while waiting for your motor to get back from the machine shop.
- You look at the purchase of tools as a long term investment.
- Your partner says, "If you buy another set of tires, I'm getting jewellery."
- Your garage holds more cars than your house has bedrooms.
- You have enough spare parts to build another car.
- More than one racer supply house recognizes your voice and greets you by name when you call.
- You have car parts in your cubicle at work.
- If you can't remember when you last worked on weekdays and rested on weekends.
- After your answer to "What did you do this weekend?" the next question is always: "And you do this for fun? Right?"
- You are known by the off's you have had. "OH, your'e the one who rolled it on point 3!"
- Your first date involves asking him to crew for you.
- Your friends hardly recognize you without a helmet and suit.
- You plan your wedding around the race schedule.
- You remember the dates and details of every race you've ever been in, but can't remember your wedding anniversary.
- When you're asked for your number you give your race number.
- You refer to the corner down the street from your house as "Turn One."
- You always do a toe & heel downshift while whoever might be your passenger gives you a real funny look.
- You can't stand anyone telling others how to drive. Of course, you are the best.
- You always want to change something in your street car to make it handle better.
- You've found your lawn mower runs pretty good on 108 octane gas
- You would choose a roll bar over air conditioning if it were an option.
- You enjoy driving through wet, empty parking lots and using the emergency brake to kick the back end out.
- White smoke coming out from under your tires is a common sight.
- You consider the redline a "conservative suggestion" and the rev limiter "a fun limiter"
- Your idea of a good time is sitting around figuring out gear ratios and the ideal final drive ratio for given situations.
- You own five cars and only one of them is street legal.
- After you tell your husband where you'd like to go on your vacation he answers: "Why... is there a race there?"