

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE DLRA

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi Everybody,

Just 74 days to Speed Week (from when this is written). The Committee members in all states have been working hard on covering all the things that needed improvement from last year to make this a better speed week.

To start;

- •We have a new dress code for the **officials**, so that people can identify who they are looking to for help.
- •There are new poles at the Timing **Van**, **Pits** and Start Line with Sat Dishes.
- •We will have new monitors in these areas for people to check drivers and speeds. Letting everyone who is running know their speed after their run. This will cut down on talk over the radios.
- •We hope to be on top of the radio problems that we have had in the past.
- •The radio is hopefully going to be manned all week with team and driver information.
- •Then the upgrade to the Timing Equipment which will be better for multiple entries for cars and bikes.

- Weather station so people can see what tune is needed and wind direction etc.,
- •The Hall of Fame nominations are in and done. The presentation will be held on the Lake and on the Annual Meeting night.
- •I have been talking with Bob Ellis (our Chief car inspector), and he has had some mental health problems in the past year. The good news is that he is getting on top. People have had difficulty getting him and he has apologised. I have told him that he has no need to. If you have any car enquiries, call Bob.
- •We are still looking for volunteers to help with Speed Week, so please get onto the Forum and Register.
- •Does anyone know where John Dent is able to get a MSD 8160, 12 amps Magneto. Please ring John on mobile: 0412 991 224.

Hope to see you all at the Lake.

Merry Christmas to all and a very safe and prosperous New Year.

Norm Bradshaw.

RODS RAMBLINGS

It's almost Christmas and Greg Wapling has asked if I have anything to contribute, he is working on the January, what a great job Greg does and like Carol there wouldn't be a day goes by when something related to the DLRA does not need attention, such as emails, phone calls, enquiries on classes and rule book interpretation, letter drafting, joining new members and merchandise orders not to mention liaising with Bureaucrats, for Greg nothing is too much trouble just ask and it will be done, in fact its "I'll handle that" and this is the same approach President Norm takes, he does a huge amount behind the scenes, thank you all, we would not be in the position of respect we are in today without such people.

A big thanks to all those who attended the working bee, especially Greg Telford and Garry Brennan who oversaw proceedings and organised the arrival of mats (202 more) and the fuel, special thanks must go to Michael Brixton and Peter Noy for delivering the mats to the campsite.

The Bronze Aussie team are hard at work on a few more ideas and a class change, most likely Competition Coupe as the car has run AA/FALT since its inception with a best time of 271 mph.

Watch out if Competition Coupe is your class, Lionel

and crew are after you!

I would also like to congratulate Team Shep from Western Australia, especially Phil Shephard on the fabulous job on the book they have put together called "The World's Fastest E-Type Jaguar", it covers from its build, arrival in Australia, its owners and achievements and its colourful history.

The real gripping and understanding aspect of the book covers the desire and dedication to run at Lake Gairdner, the work involved, the disappointments and the sense of achievement at the finally achieving their goal which we can all relate to. It is a most interesting story and one that would apply to many, recording our history. Do yourself a favour and get a copy, the pictures alone are first class, contact Phil by email at: shephard64@westnet.com.au These books should also be available on the merchandising tent at Speed Week 2017.

I hope everyone has had a Merry and Safe Christmas and are working on going faster this year, get your entry in before the late fee is implemented, read the rule book and I will see you at the merchandising tent at Speed Week.

Rod Hadfield.



SPEED WEEK 2017

The lake inspection in November found the salt moist, but hard. Given that there is some four hot summer months before we race, it's looking very good. So far we have only 30 entries (this was written early December) which is pretty typical. We encourage you to get your entry in early, it really help us with preparing for the event.

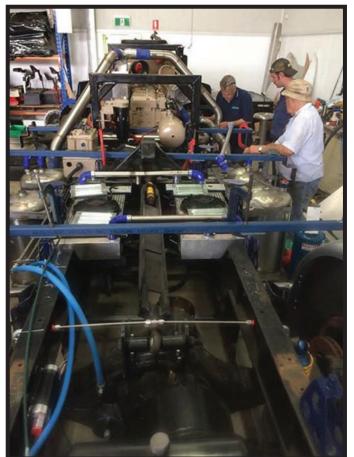
A new car making its debut at Speed Week 2017 will be the lakester of Tony Cook #363 (pictured above). Another car under construction is this 1936 Hudson Terraplane that a team of West Aussies are building. Will be running B/CGALT. These guys have done a tremendous amount of work in a very short time only purchasing the car in May 2016. (pictured below)

The Diesel Arrow will be back on the Lake in 2016... With a new look, and bigger engine!!! Here's some photos under construction (see pictures on the right).

Although the big streamliners aren't coming in 2017, we can look forward to long timer campaigner Jack Rogers and a couple of his mates, namely









Steve Strupp, Lawrence May, Keith Turk (who has been here twice before) and David Freiburger (of Hot Rod Magazine and Road Kill fame). Jack will be driving his A/FALT 1985 Chevrolet

Jack will be driving his A/FALT 1985 Chevrolet Camaro, Steve another B/FALT 1985 Chevrolet Camaro and a 1968 Chevrolet Camaro will be shared by the other three guys (pictured below).

Note: Pre-Entries close on the 15th January 2017. (Save yourself \$165.00!)







DLRA Speed Week 2017 27th February to 3th March 2017

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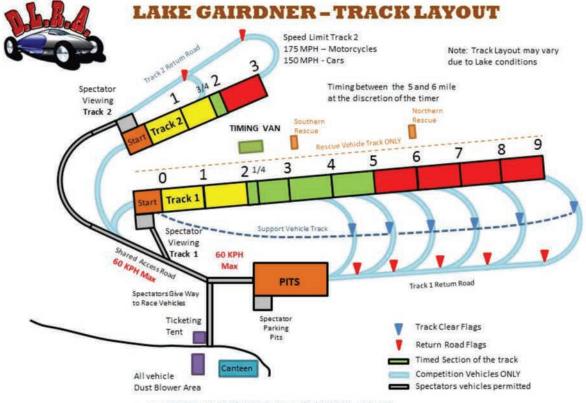
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I, the undersigned, my successors and assigns, in consideration of the timing, track, accommodation and other facilities, accept full and entire responsibility for any and all consequences, injuries or otherwise that may arise from the operation of my vehicle operated by me and waive any and all legal liability and / or cause of action that I may now have or hereafter acquire against the Dry Lakes Racers Australia, or any of its members or anyone employed or acting as timers, starters, inspectors or in any other capacity in conducting such races and / or timing event at Lake Gairdner or any other place.

By my signature I swear and affirm that I have read and understand the rules and regulations of the event and will comply with them.

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All details must be complete, failure to do so will result in your entry NOT being accepted and returned to you.



- ALL VEHICLES MUST REMOVE DUST WHEN ENTERING THE LAKE AND REMOVE SALT WHEN LEAVING THE LAKE
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Dry Lakes Racers Australia Driver/Team Profile

To aid the radio announcer when you are about to make your run, could you please provide some details about yourself, your vehicle, and your team. Here's your big chance to recognise those people that have helped you get here.

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2017 RULE BOOK

The 2017 DLRA Rule Book is now published. You can buy a hardcopy from Carol (give her a call or drop her an email - Price \$15.00 each) or download on from the website: http://www.dlra.org.au/rulebook.htm

DLRA HALL OF FAME

At the 2017 Annual General Meeting we will be announcing the inaugural DLRA Hall of Fame inductees.

Annual General Meeting 26/02/2017 5:00pm on the lake in the pits.



MEETING MINUTES

Did you know that members have online access to the minutes of all meetings? If you are a DLRA member just send an email to: info@dlra.org.au asking for access and you will be sent the address and password.

ACCOMMODATION FOR SPEED WEEK 2017

Once again we would like to work with you by supplying all accommodation at a 15% Discount for all competitors and spectators heading to and from the lake.



We do now have a sausage sizzle every Friday evening between 6.00pm and 7.00pm. So you will all be welcome to that as well. You need just to supply chairs and a drink!

I am going to put it on our website and also the Big4 website.

In return would you be able to give us mention in your newsletters.

Jenny Reception Discovery Parks Port Augusta Port Augusta SA 5700

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DLRA SPEED WEEK 2017 T-SHIRTS

The Speed Week 2017 T-shirt features Lionel West in the Commodore who set a new AA/FALT record of 271.801 mph (not a bad way to get your red hat either). Also, long time competitor, Rebecca Robinson riding her Yamaha V Max M-G 2000 set a new record of 169.651 mph and Craig Rogers' first time out with his brand spanking new E/BGL lakester who set a new record of 202.020 mph and picked up a red hat in the process.

Congratulations to each of them on a very big 2016. Looking forward to a huge 2017.

Colours: Black or White

Sizes: Mens S-XXXXXL, Ladies 10-20, Kids 8-14. Price is \$25.00 each, plus \$15.00 postage

Contact: Carol Hadfield

address: PO Box 349, Castlemaine VIC 3450 email: secretary@dlra.org.au or go to our website:

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We would like to welcome Wiring Harnesses Australia as a new t-shirt sponsor for Speed Week 2017. We hope that some of our members may be able to show them



some support as well. their website is below: http://wiringharnessesaustralia.com.au/

BUY, SWAP, SELL

FOR SALE: The club has a **AquaNova B&B waste water treatment plant** for sale. Never been installed or used, stored at Bacchus Marsh \$5,000 ono. Contact Greg Wapling 0434 821 307.

FOR SALE: Full Nitrous kit to suit Big Block Chev including two full on board bottles, filling station, G sized storage bottle, all plumbing, lines and more, cost \$5,000.00 sell \$1,500.00.

Doug Nash heavy duty Pro Stock four speed gearbox with vertical gate shifter, suit Chev or Ford bolt pattern, never used \$3,000.00.

Contact Rod Hadfield phone: 03 5472 3868 or mobile 0428 122 206.



WHAT: General Meeting

WHEN: Sunday 5th February 2017,

WHERE: NSSR Clubrooms, 25/196 Settlement Road,

Thomastown VIC

WHAT: Speed Week 2017

WHEN: Monday 27th Feb to Friday 3rd March 2017

WHERE: Lake Gairdner, South Australia

Book your holidays, accommodation and

transport now!

Pre Entry cut off 15th January 2017

WHAT: Annual General Meeting WHEN: 26th February 2017 5:00pm on the lake in the pits.

WORKING BEE

The working bee was a great success with many of jobs being completed as well the delivery of an additional 200 mats that will be used to protect the surface of the salt at the access to the Lake. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the following people for their efforts. Andrew Begg and his wife Sue, Alan Lacey, Greg Telford and his wife Pam, Rod Drabsch, Greg Butler, Garry Brennan, Trevor Beck, Peter Noy and his son, Dean Adamson and Greg Hayes.

BOOK REVIEW

One of our members Phil Sheppard has recently published the book, "The World's Fastest E-Type Jaguar, The Quest for the Record".



This is the

story of Team Shepard and their quest for speed on the dry salt of Lake Gairdner in South Australia. Their desire to push man and machine to the limit. The book tells the story of the pursuit of speed, how they developed the car to go faster and faster and the records they set and broke along the way. It is the story of Salt Lake racing on the edge.

Available from www.motoringpast.com.au

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