

Taupo Car Club Newsletter



Hey... Long time no see..

Sorry for my tardiness in getting this out, I can give you all the excuses in the world but that just won't cut it...

But have been a little busy since the last newsletter, chasing other things with motors that blow your ear drums out... its been fun!

Right... where were we?

Lets just do **Photos** for now aye??



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These are from the correct me if I am wrong, the May 2nd/3rd meeting.
Just a few random photos, with some rather important people in them... yes the volunteers!

Hands up who know's the gentelman on the bottom left??

Winter Series! Do many of you know that there are a couple of young people racing in the Dual Sprints? They do an amazing job on the track, with a few off moments to be had by them.... but, that is part of learning is it not? And a lot of learning too I would imagine.

Keep an eye on these two... who knows, they may be the next Scott Dickson.

One of our own had an interesting day to say the least; This is his accounts of what happened....

Heres my blurb for round 1 of Clubmans 19 July

Day looked a lot more promising than Saturday weather wise, Track was wet but Sun was Trying hard to stay out.

- Qualifying Car Felt good, been a few months since I had her Out.

Checked my qualifying times to my horror was in the slow group, at least it was on pole! haha

Race 1 , Off the start missed a gear shift and the Corolla beside me went around me in turn 1 , that didn't last for long passed him and I was away.

Pulling away from the rest of the field, I had noticed the CRX of Roger Maisey had worked his way through the field and was the next car behind me.

A Suzuki had a mishap which brought the safety car out, which was good closed the field up again.

After a great restart I pulled away , lead for the next few laps and won the race.

Race 2 - I had been moved up into group two, Great right amongst the Taxis!

There were showers on & off during the morning, track conditions were from wet to damp and then drying,

Took the gamble and put on Slicks, wrong choice , Started slow due to conditions and spun out coming out of turn 5 , nothing like doing pirouettes on the infield on wet grass! Around & Around I go!

By this time the hole field had gone by and was at least 1/2 a lap ahead.

So just made the most of a drying track, and had abit of fun and got the feel back again! Yeha bring on race 3

Race 3 Group 2 Reverse grid handicap

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Track was dry, Had slicks on.

Had an awesome start, jumped a couple of cars in my flag drop.(Towards the rear of field)

On the second lap Going into turn 2 got a nudge from behind , bloody taxi! Kerry Tong at his best!

Chasing Brian Hamilton through turns, 4 & 5 right on his tail, Went around the outside of him in turn 7, Awesome I was away, Man this thing is flying!

Coming out of turn 11 onto the back straight I could see the 3 front cars in the distance, I wound her up, wow that last Tune is awesome ! Full noise just about to hit the braking zone, Then holly SHIT !!! A big bang, shudders & smoke coming from everywhere! Oh F#@**#!

I was on the right hand side so just headed down the dragstrip trying not to drop oil etc all over the track!

Coming to a halt I knew it was pretty much all over for the engine!

Bugger, Never have had a ride on the tow truck yet! oh well there's always a first time ! haha Thanks to the Rob & Hayley for getting me back to the pits in one piece !

So was a very eventful day which had its highs & Lows, But that's Racing & God do I love It!

So the cars in rebuild mode and are hoping to be at the Last round in September All Going well!

Anton Bryant.

Good luck Anton!

Bad Oil

At the weekend of the 25 August the V8 Utes lost their founder, chairman and friend Ash Cairns.

A great driver and a racer at heart, Ash was the inspiration and the organiser for a Trans-Tasman Ute one off challenge at Manfeild in 2006. That led directly to the formation of the V8 Ute series in New Zealand in 2008. He was also a huge help behind the scenes to a number of up and coming drivers and was held in high

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esteem in the Australian V8 Ute community too. Most of all, he was just a great bloke.

RIP Ash, you will be missed.



Credit <https://www.facebook.com/v8utes?fref=nf>



Another was Justin Wilson.

Wilson, 37, died Monday in an Allentown, Pa., hospital following a traumatic head injury suffered in Sunday's race at Pocono Raceway, Hulman and Co. officials announced Monday night. In what can only be considered a fluke accident, Wilson was struck in the helmet by a large piece of debris bouncing around on the

track after the crash of race leader Sage Karam.

Open link below to see what happened.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P7EFP_wr2fo

Change of Oil

Our lunches have had a change, what do you think about the food?? I hear the V pies are excellent...

Clean Oil

A bloke goes to the local council to apply for a job in the office.

The interviewer asks him, "Are you allergic to anything?"

He replies, "Yes, caffeine."

"Have you ever worked for the public service before?"

"Yes, I was in the army." he says, "I was in Iraq for two tours."

The interviewer says, "That will give you 5 extra points toward employment."

Then he asks, "Are you disabled in any way?"

The guy says, "Yes. A mine exploded near me when I was there and I lost both of my testicles".

The interviewer grimaces and then says, "O.K. You've got enough points for me to take you on right away.

Our normal hours are from 8.00am to 4.00pm...

...but you can start tomorrow at 10.00am - and carry on starting at 10.00am every day."

The bloke is puzzled and asks, "If the work hours are from 8.00am to 4.00pm, why don't you want me here until 10.00am?

I'm not looking for any special treatment y'know"

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"What you have to understand is that this is a council job," the interviewer says,

"For the first two hours, we just stand around drinking coffee and scratching our balls.

There's no point in you coming in for that."

Credit, our lovely Robyn

So the last round is:

September 19th Winter Series Dual Sprints - Round 4

Track 2

September 20th Winter Series Clubmans - Round 4

Track 1

AGM to be held Sunday 27th September @ 10.30am at the club with BBQ & Bar & a complimentary drink. I'm sure we all have something to bring up, this is the best time to do it.

If anybody would like to share stories with the rest of the world (our little world at least) please don't be shy to share with me 😊

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Lol just for you Brian...

