

Up-Coming Events:

- March 1: Club Race Day
- March 15: Club Race Day
- April 5: Club Race Day
- April 19: Club Race Day
- May 3: Club Race Day
- May 17: Club Race Day
- June 7: Club Race Day
- June 21: Club Race Day
- July 5: Club Race Day
- July 19: Club Race Day

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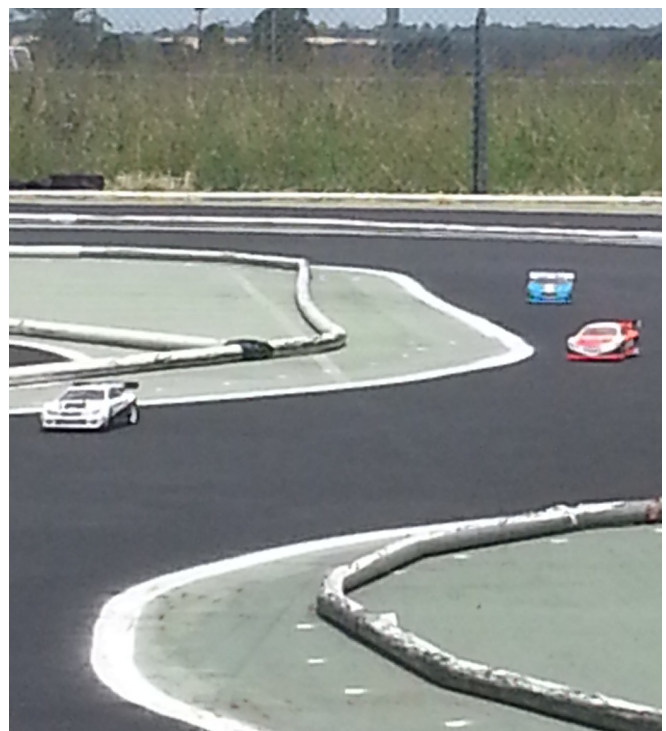
Newsletter

What is great start to the year!

All 3 events leading into March have had over 50 cars compete and grid numbers from all classes are strong. It has also been fantastic to see so many new faces enjoying their new hobby.

Behind the scenes, the committee has worked hard to get more improvements to the club and its facilities, including a new fridge and an air-compressor. The date and format for the Newcastle Grand Prix has also been decided on. This year the GP will be held on the 12th and 13th of September. Further details are in the newsletter.

The committee welcomes feedback from all club members so if you an issue or question do not hesitate to ask a committee member.



Marshalling

For all club members here is a quick rundown/refresher on marshalling rules and expectations.

- Always marshal after your race unless you have a valid excuse (e.g. back-to-back races).
- After your race is completed please put your car away and get onto the track to marshal as quickly as possible. We don't want to have to hold up the start of the

next race.

- Marshal other cars as you would like your car to be marshaled.
- When marshalling for 1/10th Nitro cars always try to keep to car upright. (Don't carry a stalled car back to the pits upside down)
- Focus on the corner/ area you are marshalling. While the race

might be exciting, please focus as much attention as possible on your corner/area.

- If you can't marshal for any particular reason, if possible ask another club member to marshal on your behalf.

Those who chose to not marshal may be disqualified from their previous heat.

Championship Point Scores:

(at the conclusion of the 15th of February race meeting)

1/5th Scale

- 1. Tony Coleman 123
- 2. Clifford Coleman 123
- 3. Roy Scully 120

Novice

- 1. Sam Brooks 148
- 2. Nikita Bartlett 97
- 3. Daniel Beeton 92

1/12th Scale

- 1. Greg Brooks 150
- 2. James Turner 118
- 3. Malcolm Sidney 83

Mini

- 1. Anthony Bryant 140
- 2. Chris Bartlett 106
- 3. Alex O'Connor 68

Open Nitro

- 1. Anthony Bryant 129
- 2. Tony Wolfgram 124
- 3. Malcolm Sidney 99

Stock 13.5

- 1. Greg Brooks 150
- 2. Brendon Young 86
- 3. Rob Moxey 86

Vintage Trans-Am

- 1. Michael James 90
- 2. Simon Lenton 85
- 3. Greg Wood 78

Formula 1

- 1. Eden Watson 96
- 2. Wayne Bradshaw 87
- 3. Iain Turner 64

Sportsman

- 1. Greg Wood 129
- 2. Ewen Banks 86
- 3. Sam Walker 82

Newcastle RC Grand Prix 2015

For 2015, the Newcastle RC Grand Prix will be held on the 12th and 13th of September.

This will be the 5th time the Newcastle On-Road RC Car Club has hosted a Grand Prix and we look forward to welcoming competitors from all over the state.

The event will be held over 2 days with practice on Saturday the 12th and racing on Sunday the 13th. The race format will have 4 qualifying heats and 3 finals for the A groups (all other groups will get 1 final).

Classes that will run are:

- Stock 13.5
- 1/10th Modified
- Sportsman 21.5
- Vintage Trans-Am
- 1/12th Euro-stock
- Formula 1
- Mini
- Novice (TBC)

Please note we will need at least 6 entries for a class to run.

Costs for entering will be \$25 for one car and \$15 for every car thereafter.

There will be no cross-entering for Stock 13.5, 1/10th Modified and Sportsman 21.5 and chassis swapping is also disallowed.

As with previous big events we will need volunteers to run the canteen and to help with scrutining all cars (we will be making an effort to be much more thorough this year).

Any feedback from our club members is welcome.

Penalties & Scrutinizing

Our club is growing and becoming more professional, so as a result, the committee feels that it is best that we start addressing driving standards and other rules more often.

Firstly penalties. We will introduce the following system:

- 1. For repeated dangerous/unfair driving a warning will be given by the race director.
- 2. If the dangerous/unfair driving continues the competitor

will be given a 30-second stop-and-go penalty.

- 3. If it happens again, a 1-minute stop-and-go penalty will be given.
- 4. If driving does not improve after this the competitor in question will be ordered off the track.

Next to Scrutinizing. We have agreed to implement 'random' scrutinizing to make sure that all cars are legal.

Elements that we will be focusing are:

- Car weight
- Body shell/rear wing height
- ESC/motor

We should stress that this is not a witch-hunt. We simply want to make sure everyone is following the rules. Therefore cars will be selected at random.

