

HIDDEN VALLEY DRAG STRIP

COMPETITOR BULLETIN

January 2016

WELCOME TO 2016

Who would believe that it's part way through January already and we are flat out preparing for another great year of drag racing at Hidden Valley Drag Strip. Last year was a hectic year with two major events, Top Fuel for the first time in the Northern Territory and all with a new committee.

This year with some fresh new faces we plan to continue in the ever evolving journey of improvements at Hidden Valley. We would like to introduce the 2016 Committee which is made up of some familiar faces and several new people that we welcome to the Hidden Valley Drag Strip family.

President	Scott MacLean
Vice President	Adam Murrihy
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General	Peter Coles
General	Matt Abel
General	Troy Dunning
General	Clive Mainland
General	Tim Bryan
General	Ray Joy-Warde

We would like to take this opportunity to thank previous committee members and look forward to an action packed year of racing at Hidden Valley.

2016 CALENDAR

Unfortunately we have been a little late in releasing the 2016 calendar, partly due to needing to seek confirmation that we are able to host events during key lockout periods, and also due to the evolving landscape of drag racing in Australia. We are however happy to confirm dates for 2016 and will release further details in the near future. We are still seeking confirmation on venue availability for the Track Championship Round 3 on the 28 May. Depending on the outcome we may make changes to some of our September and October events so stay tuned...

2016 CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
8-Apr	TEST & TUNE/OFF STREET
23-Apr	TRACK CHAMPS RD1
6-May	OFF STREET
14-May	TRACK CHAMPS RD2
28-May	TRACK CHAMPS RD3 (TBC)
8-Jul	MAJOR EVENT (TBC)
9-Jul	
29-Jul	OFF STREET
13-Aug	MAJOR EVENT (TBC)
14-Aug	
19-Aug	OFF STREET
27-Aug	TRACK CHAMPS RD6
2-Sep	OFF STREET
10-Sep	TRACK CHAMPS RD7
7-Oct	OFF STREET
14-Oct	OFF STREET

VOLUNTEER SIGN ON DAY

Coming February 2016

To register your interest please email
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2016 MEMBERSHIPS
OPENING SOON

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2016 MAJOR EVENTS

With the changing landscape of drag racing in Australia we have had numerous discussions with ANDRA and 400 Thunder in relation to the best path for HVDRA to take in 2016.

We have outlined our desires to both groups which includes the concept of hosting a sportsman series in 2016.

We are currently awaiting further details so we can better understand the opportunities available to us and will release further details in the future.

Coupled with these discussions were meetings in November between HVDRA President Scott MacLean and the NT Chief Minister, Mr Adam Giles to discuss long term relations with the Territory Government. A 5 year proposal is due to be submitted shortly.

NTG MASTER PLANNING

On the 9 December we met with Mr Davis Langdon from AECOM regarding NT Government master planning for the Hidden Valley Motorsport Complex.

Multiple topics were discussed including safety of turn 1, sand traps and netting, future of the grassed pit area and potential infrastructure upgrades required to make this area a practical and safe area to re-use, existing buildings including kiosk, bar and canteen areas, and storage of HVDRA assets.

This was a great opportunity to discuss drag racing at Hidden Valley prior to a public forum that was held later in the day.

VOLUNTEER SIGN ON DAY

As has become tradition in recent years we will be hosting a pre-season Volunteers Day in early February to bring everyone together and welcome potential new officials. If you have a family member or friend who is interested in becoming involved get them to drop us a message to mail@hiddenvalleydrags.com. Keep an eye on Facebook and our website in coming weeks for further details.

WHAT'S NEXT?

The HVDRA committee is meeting again this month to further finalise 2016 event details and we will send an update out when memberships and event entries are available online.

MOTORSPORTS NT TRAVEL ASSISTANCE



Motorsports NT is able to assist competitors travelling interstate to represent Northern Territory and their respective club at State or National level by means of financial support. Events must be related to the activities of the respective club and be at a state or national level.

If you are attending an event before 30 June, 2016 and would like to apply for funding assistance please contact us for further details.

Applications must be presented to the MotorSports NT office 30 days prior to any of the events or costs listed on the application. Handwritten (excluding signatures), late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Limited funding available - GET YOUR APPLICATIONS IN EARLY!

LICENSES & TECH INSPECTIONS

Don't forget to check your licenses and log books are up to date prior to the start of the new race season. If you need a tech inspection contact one of our local tech inspectors

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For the latest ANDRA Rule Book updates and Tech Bulletins check out the ANDRA website - www.andra.com.au

