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## COMING EVENTS: March – May, 2007

<b>6 April</b>	1st Friday	<b>GOOD FRIDAY - RACE MEETING CANCELLED</b>	Brush Farm Netball Courts, Lawson Road, Eastwood
<b>7 April</b>	1st Saturday	<b>EASTER SATURDAY - RACE MEETING CANCELLED</b>	Blenheim Park, Blenheim Road, North Ryde
<b>6/8 April</b>		<b>AARCMCC EP OFF ROAD NATIONALS</b> <i>Entries close: 26 March 2007</i>	Maitland - Entry Forms are now available.
<b>7 April</b>	1st Saturday	<b>EASTER SATURDAY - RACE MEETING CANCELLED</b>	Blenheim Park, Blenheim Road, North Ryde
<b>8 April</b>	2nd Sunday	<b>Off Road – Series 1 ; Round 5</b>	Blenheim Park, Blenheim Road, North Ryde
<b>20 April</b>	3rd Friday	<b>On Road – Series 1 - Round 7 - Final Round</b>	Brush Farm Netball Courts, Lawson Road, Eastwood
<b>21 April</b>	3rd Saturday	<b>RACE MEETING CANCELLED - Racing next day</b>	Blenheim Park, Blenheim Road, North Ryde
<b>22 April</b>	4th Sunday	<b>Off Road – Series 1 ; Round 6 – Final Round</b>	Blenheim Park, Blenheim Road, North Ryde
<b>4 May</b>	1st Friday	<b>On Road – Series 2 - Round 1</b>	Brush Farm Netball Courts, Lawson Road, Eastwood
<b>5 May</b>	1st Saturday	<b>Off Road – Series 2 - Round 1</b>	Blenheim Park, Blenheim Road, North Ryde
<b>13 May</b>	2nd Sunday	<b>Off Road – Series 1 ; Round 7 – Final Round</b>	Blenheim Park, Blenheim Road, North Ryde
<b>13 May</b>		<b>Round 2 - 2007 Challenge - On Road</b>	Tempe (SMA)
<b>18 May</b>	3rd Friday	<b>On Road – Series 2 - Round 2</b>	Brush Farm Netball Courts, Lawson Road, Eastwood
<b>19 May</b>	3rd Saturday	<b>Off Road – Series 2 - Round 2</b>	Blenheim Park, Blenheim Road, North Ryde
<b>27 May</b>	4th Sunday	<b>Off Road – Series 2 ; Round 1</b>	Blenheim Park, Blenheim Road, North Ryde
<b>27 May</b>		<b>Round 2 - 2007 Challenge - Off Road</b>	Maitland

♪♪♪ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** ♪♪♪

**April 2007**

**1<sup>ST</sup> KEN ANDERSON**

**14<sup>TH</sup> THOMAS MATLEY**

**17<sup>TH</sup> GREG WATERS**

**23<sup>RD</sup> ROGER TO**

### **NEW MEMBERS for 2007**

The Committee extends a very warm welcome to our new club new members; we hope you have an enjoyable and productive time racing with us.

**Cameron Fisher – on road**

**NOTE: Urgently needed, club members with Stadium Trucks – we have a number of new members with Trucks and they have no one to compete with – please give them some competition and brush up your skills at the same time.**

**Remember, we have the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sydney Cup and 1:10<sup>th</sup> EP Off Road State Championships approaching – now would be the time to brush up your skills and helping you to gain that added edge over the rest of the State.**

## **IMPROVING THE STANDARD OF MARSHALLING AT EVENTS**

This is a kindly reminder to all members and competitors entering our race meetings – if you wish to race, then you are REQUIRED to marshal. I apologise if this message sounds a bit tough, but races are starting without ALL marshalls present and the countdown is having to be stopped because marshalls are not returning to the track immediately following their races.

This year, I am seeing a growing number of competitors shirking their marshalling duties and we must get back on track because this cannot happen at our up and coming 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sydney Cup or at the Off Road State Championships later in the year.

### **Reminder:**

1. If you enter 2 classes – **IT IS YOUR DUTY** to get a competitor to marshal for you – **remember you are required to inform the Race Director with a replacement** (Name) who will be marshalling for you in this Round and you do this each round and final if the clash continues.
2. When your race is completed, you return the transponder, take your car to your pit area, unplug everything and **IMMEDIATELY** return to the track to marshal. **You DO NOT** stop at the compressor and blow off your car, have a chat about the race, start repairing your car – you have at least 40 minutes between rounds to do any repairs, have a chat and top up batteries.
3. You are to MARSHAL even if your car is in pieces – a broken or damaged car is **NO EXCUSE for NOT MARSHALLING** – all drivers continue to abuse the marshalling rule – will be **docked their best QUALIFYING result for the meeting OR best FINAL RESULT** for that meeting – depending on where the refusal to marshal occurred.
4. **2 x BONUS RACE POINTS** will be awarded to each driver who follows the correct procedure each race:
  - Leave the track – stops car immediately race has concluded
  - Returns transponder (if use a club unit) to rack in correct order
  - Returns vehicle to pit area, unplug batteries
  - Is at the marshalling area waiting for the next race to commence by the 2 minute call for start of next race.

Keep in mind that 10 bonus points could make a very big improvement to your overall meeting score, but failure to adhere to the above procedure will lose you points.

## **RACING START TIMES**

This is a reminder to everyone, that we have official start times for our race meetings.

Friday nights racing is starting later and later, causing the organisers to drop 1 round and push the event to uncomfortable time frame.



If you all want to have the maximum of 5 races per night, then you are asked to log your entries using the 'ONLINE' facility on the club website or be at the Netball Courts by no later than 6.00pm so that the large number of entries can be logged allowing us to commence racing by 7.00 pm.

Ryde drivers, you have no excuse for not logging on at the "ONLINE" all you have to do is enter your Competition Race number and the class – and you are entered. So come on everyone, lets get racing started earlier and make Friday Nights a more pleasant evening of racing.

**Reminder: Race Times -**

**Off Road Sunday - Registration starts at 9.30 am, Racing by 10.00 am**

**Off Road Saturday - Registration starts at 3.30pm, Racing by 4.00 pm**

**On Road Friday - Registration starts at 6.00 pm, Racing by 7.00 pm**

**NON PERMITTED USE OF PETROL CARS ON RYDE TRACK**

You should, once you have read this notice put the Rangers phone number into your Mobile phone – David Ngeru, Senior Ranger – Regulatory Service, City of Ryde - 041 998 6848.

**25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY DINNER & RACE MEETING**

Thank you to those club members who have returned their Information Sheet for inclusion into the 25 Year in Ryde booklet, we still need many more so if you have achieved some special recognition within the club please let us know, if you were a Club Champion, State or National Champion please complete the form and return it to your club secretary.



Invitations and Tickets are presently being prepared for mailing. If you do not receive one in the mail, chances are that you forgot to send in your Information Sheet so send Jennie an email at [jenthorn@optusnet.com.au](mailto:jenthorn@optusnet.com.au) and you will be forwarded one by mail.

We are looking for old club photos, if you have anything depicting our early years 1982 to 1989 Jennie would like to borrow them for a short time, a PowerPoint presentation is being prepared but photos are needed. Jennie will require these by mid May at the latest.

We are starting to receive some special gifts from Community supporters which will be awarded at the Dinner and Race Meeting, so far we would like to acknowledge:



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If you intend entering the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Race Meeting on Sunday, 24 June you can go online and place your entry, but please note the Pre 1990 and Post 1990 categories. If you are unsure about Pre 1990 rules, we suggest you log onto the club web site and take the link to Knox off road site where they have some rules for Vintage racing, they are simple and keep the older cars in the manner in which they were raced.

Remember, we will also be racing our current day vehicles – so if you have a buggy or truck after 1990 then it will race in Post classes.

## **NEWS FROM PAST MEMBERS**

Its been awhile I haven't heard news from u guys anyway I just find out about 25th anniversary of the club I wish I can be there to join all of you well back here in Jakarta I have a new hobby now (electric chopper)

Please send my regard to everyone especially you, Ian and Kierra....

I miss U guys.... take care

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## **SAFETY FENCE AROUND BLENHEIM PARK RACE TRACK**

Members will be please to know that we have had 2 quotes to have the safety fence installed around our race track at Blenheim Park, North Ryde.

We are currently waiting for some small adjustments to the quotes, and then we will see some work happening to install the fence keeping the kid of the track during racing, the enormous number of push bikes and scooters of the track during the hours we are not there.

Thanks to Ryde Council and their fantastic wisdom to clear the undergrowth from the hill area above our track, this has now allowed kids on push bikes to race down the hill, over the track and across the tabletop which is causing some serious damage to the track surface. To help the kids have a clear run they have demolished our shrubs around the track because they were in their way.

Hopefully we will then be able to put up our signs, to get the word around that Bikes are NOT Welcome on our race track. COME ON....THE FENCE.....

SATURDAY NIGHT OFF ROAD COMPETITOR CLASS POINTSCORE 2007		OFF ROAD CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP POINTSORE 2007		OFF ROAD SUNDAY MEETING CLUB MEMBER POINTSORE 2007	
Ser 1					
<b>2wd Senior Stock</b>		Wayne Dickerson	160	<b>2wd Stock</b>	
Gary Boyce	216	Alastair Langley	155	Wayne Dickerson	57
Paul Dyker	164	Ian Thorn	150	Ken Anderson	49
Greg Waters	122	Ken Anderson	149	Lochiel Langley	43
Matthew Immer	118	Jennie Thorn	139	Gavin Bruce	40
Gavin Bruce	115	Aaron Bruce	139	David Couper	38
Ian Thorn	101	Gavin Bruce	120	Ian Thorn	35
Barry Hayman	83	Gary Boyce	118	Peter Vander Linden	34
Kevin So	73	Alec Langley - Jnr	99	Gary Boyce	32
Lochiel Langley - Jnr	55	Craig Norris	98	Roger To	30
Jimmy Britz	51	Greg Waters	97	Ian Fuller	20
Robert Sheppard	46	Lochiel Langley - Jnr	85	Barry Hayman	19
Peter Vander Linden	19	Peter Van Der Linden	81	Greg Waters	18
<b>Trucks - Modified</b>		Roger To	79	Michael Fretin	10
Mike Bellamy - trk m	194	Luke Waters	70	Mike Bellamy	10
Robert Sheppard - trk m	60	Barry Hayman	64	Jademon Kiang	10
<b>Stock Trucks</b>		Zheng Ye	64	Paul Dyker	10
Greg Waters	77	David Warner	57	<b>2wd Modified</b>	
Ian Thorn	72	David Couper	57	David Warner	28
Matthew Immer	68	Mitchell Kennedy - Nov	55	James Deane	10
Zheng Ye	48	Ian Fuller	35	<b>4wd Stock</b>	
<b>4wd Modified</b>		Paul Dyker	13	Aaron Bruce	48
Alec Langley	143	Michael Fretin	10	Mitchell Kennedy - Jnr	30
Kevin So	63	James Deane	10	<b>4wd Modified</b>	
Alastair Langley	50			Craig Norris	38
<b>4wd Stock</b>				Alec Langley	32
Mitchell Kennedy - Jnr	195			Alistair Langley	26
Zac Murphy - Jnr - Nov	125			David Warner	10
Aaron Bruce	65			<b>Truck Stock</b>	
<b>Mini-T</b>				Zhang Ye	38
Shaun Chapple	199			<b>Mini - T</b>	
Alastair Langley	168			Alistair Langley	50
Jennie Thorn	144			Jennie Thorn	46
Greg Waters	64			Luke Waters	34
Adam Smith	49				
Todd Smith	47				
Luke Waters	21				
<b>2wd Modified</b>					
David Warner	258				
Cale Wilson	73				
Brett Hennessy	62				
Chris Wilson	39				

FRIDAY NIGHT ON ROAD COMPETITOR CLASS POINTSCORE		ON ROAD CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP		ON ROAD FRIDAY NIGHT CLUB MEMBER CLASS POINTSCORE	
2007	Ser 1	2007		2007	
<b>540 Class</b>				<b>540 Class</b>	
Chris Greenaway	146	Tim Lee	249	Chris Greenaway	76
Peter Vander Linden	68	Martin Choy	232	Peter Vander Linden	40
Harn Goh	63	Yung Wang	220	Chris Nolan	19
Chris Nolan	39	Erik Lee	214	Paul Dyker	19
Cameron Fisher	60	Ian Thorn	209	Harn Goh	16
Ken Evenoff	31	Paul Chen	207	Cameron Fisher	12
Ian Webber	40	Thomas Matley	194	<b>4wd Stock</b>	
Paul Dyker	34	Steven Jefferys	190	Shaun McPhee	20
Matt Willis	31	Mike Bellamy	170	<b>19 Turn - Modified</b>	
<b>4wd Stock</b>		Chris Greenaway	151	Martin Choy	81
Shaun McPhee	40	Jennie Thorn	124	Erik Lee	78
Adam Beniston	35	David Chan	102	Mike Bellamy	73
Joshua Beniston	35	Barry Hayman	88	Yung Wang	72
Bob Beniston	29	Alastair Langley	73	Ian Thorn	67
<b>19 Turn - Modified</b>		Peter Vander Linden	72	Paul Chen	57
Martin Choy	162	David Warner	49	Alec Langley	18
Erik Lee	153	Alec Langley	44	<b>4wd Modified</b>	
Yung Wang	147	Shaun McPhee	43	Tim Lee	100
Ian Thorn	145	Chris Nolan	39	Thomas Matley	68
Mike Bellamy	138	Paul Dyker	39	Steven Jeffreys	68
Paul Chen	136	Adam Jones	39	David Warner	19
Alec Langley	39	Thomas Park	34	Martin Choy	15
<b>4wd Modified</b>		Cameron Fisher	31	<b>Mini</b>	
Tim Lee	195	Dean Jones	10	David Chan	47
Thomas Matley	128			Barry Hayman	43
Steven Jeffreys	120			Alastair Langley	34
David Warner	34			Jennie Thorn	32
Martin Choy	30			Martin Choy	31
<b>Novice 540</b>				Steven Jeffreys	10
Adam Jones	33			<b>Novice</b>	
Jennie Thorn	32			Adam Jones	18
<b>Mini</b>				Jennie Thorn	17
Mark Tesoriero	108				
David Chan	108				
Clarence Mak	82				
Matthew Davis	79				
Jonathan Roach	79				
Barry Hayman	78				
Jennie Thorn	67				
Alastair Langley	64				
Martin Choy	61				
Armin Tiqui	52				
Veni Stephens	33				
Thomas Park	30				
Stephen Jeffreys	30				
Daniel Pribila	29				
Kelvin Ng	21				