



# Horsepower

Newsletter of the South West Touring Car Club

## SWTCC Trade Hire 2013 Round 4 winners - Congratulations!



Round 4 was another great event, and there was even some sunshine so the track went from great globules of mud flying around to loosing the cars in clouds of dust! Don't say we don't give you a variety of driving experiences.

New sponsors Trade Hire added a bit of colour to the event with stickers galore, some cars using them for decoration, others to hold bits of the car together!

Some drivers probably wished that Trade Hire had some of their equipment with

them, to straighten out bonnets and put back unattached number plates (always a brave competitor that drives their car to the Autocross and then hopes they'll be driving it home again!).

On the sponsors ride Expert driver Ron Ferguson said he'd never had such an enthusiastic passenger and no doubt we'll be seeing a new name in the competitors list soon.

Thanks again TradeHire, a great event.



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TD Civilworks Volunteers Award  
Round 4 Graeme Miles & Ross Johnson





Round 4 was another soggy start after considerable rain overnight.

But to everyone's surprise we didn't get any more rain for the rest of the day and the track dried out nicely. So much so that a few cars got a whole bunch of grip they didn't expect and came to grief, ending up seeing the world from a whole new angle. It also saw one of the closest saves you are likely to see at any track, up on two wheels – was it good driving or good luck Daniel? Either way, don't try that at home kids!!

Some solid competition was had and unfortunately Mike Beckingsale's and Team Carnage's Paul Fontanini's cars retired feeling a bit worse for wear. Mike's car was having CV issues and Paul's car creating a new 'breather hole' in the side of the block. Let's hope a new knuckle and a hole plug (although I think it might need more than that) can be found in time for the round 5. We also had a few good attempts at moving the trackside tyres with varying success. Don't forget fellas you are supposed to go around them.

The Ladies class are powering ahead with Sally Dixon pulling the first Ladies time under 1.20 for the season. Well done Sally. Don't let that rev limiter rest on its laurels!!

Our juniors are also doing well and producing a time spread of only 41 seconds between the quickest and the tail end. The best yet for the season. Well done to all our juniors.

Another big thank you to the officials and volunteers for their great work in making the day happen. I hope you all enjoy round 5 whichever direction we go.

Dave Lathwell, Event Secretary.



Ever wondered why everyone raves about the Beverley events, well here is your chance to see for yourself.

September 15th : **Autocross**  
and  
**Junior Motorkhana**

Check out the details at [www.bormsa.asn.au](http://www.bormsa.asn.au)



Still chilly in the front row but at least the sun is out this time.

A big thanks once again to our St John crew.

Don't forget St John are always looking for volunteers - talk to the crew about joining up.



### Bunbury Track Records

Direction 1: 1.11.62, Seane Stone, 19th June, 2011, Run 3

Direction 2: 1.15.93sec, Ron Ferguson, 11th August, 2013, Run 4

### Club Merchandise: (available from the canteen)

100mm  
Stickers \$2

Windscreen Stickers  
\$20

Stubby Holders  
\$7.50

T-shirts

S,M,L,XL,2XL



\$30



SOUTH WEST TOURING CAR CLUB



# Results SWTCC Autocross Round 4, 11th August, 2013

Place	Experts	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Ladies	Junior
First	Garry Butler 310.3 sec Ford	Shaun Bartlett 319.3 sec Subaru	Gerald Hann 331.54 sec Nissan	Ryan Andersen 332.05 sec Toyota	Sally Dixon 330.92 sec Excel	Kody Reynolds 325.08 sec Impreza
Second	Jason Humble 316.55 sec Subaru	Greg Miles 329.61 sec Laser	Scott Hann 332.57 sec Nissan	Andrew Massey 335.58 sec Corolla	Kathy Miles 342.58 sec Laser	Justin van de Wyngaard 330.77 sec Holden
Third	Ron Ferguson 318.13 sec Corolla	Mark Huitenga 340.71sec RX7	Sarah Dixon 332.56 sec Hyundai	Rebecca Lathwell 344.73 sec Cordia	Kat Heijstraten 364.43 sec Probe	Ben Lathwell 344.17 sec Corolla

Fastest lap of the day: Garry Butler, 1.15.40sec, Run 3



## Round 5 Sponsors Shannons

Shannons have again sponsored a round in our Autocross series and Doug has been there at every event to fulfil your insurance needs—rain, hail or shine (and this year it's been mostly rain!).

Shannons can provide insurance on almost anything you want insured so make sure you go and see Doug and I'm sure he'll be able to help you out.



## How big is the shackle on your tow point?

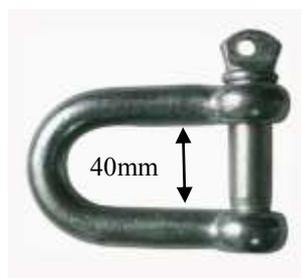
Everyone hopes that they DON'T have need of a helping hand from the Rocky Recovery Crew but if you do .....

And they need to latch on to your tow point....

Then it has to be big enough.

Tow points are all clearly marked , and you can use the original tow point as an anchor but you may need to add a D shackle of an appropriate size. If you zip tie it to the anchor point then you won't have it clanging around while you are driving (that's if you can hear it above all the other rattles and echoes from the stripped interiors!

To get technical—the tow point must be “capable of accepting a 40mm outside diameter cylindrical test object”



Some great links for you to check out the action from Round 4:

Andrew Massey has some fabulous pics again

<https://www.facebook.com/#!/media/set/?set=a.568823569830409.1073741844.224999567546146&type=1>



And if you missed Daniel's driving exhibition or want to see it again, check out this link

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bsw9YEuj\\_KY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bsw9YEuj_KY)

(you'll also get to hear some commentary from one of our brilliant commentating duo, Rod Barrett)

# Autocross Round 4, 11th August



Jason Humble and Ron Ferguson in another battle to the finish

Photos by Murray Parke



Cody Burns doing a great job again.



Kyle Sproule on one of his early runs of the day.



Jakob Whitton with another clear run.



Jordan Roos, a novice junior.



Kat Heijstraten, taking a bit of mud for ballast, and to hide the missing number plate maybe!



Mary van de Wyngaard making her return to the track, and loving it by the big smile on her face!

# Volunteers—you make our day..... happen!



Rosco enjoying his “hut on the hill” experience.



A personal escort by the Clerk of Course, now not everyone gets that—you have to do something pretty special eh!



The start line crew in action.

4 Seasons in one day..  
Round 4 started out like this... with the mud flying



and ended like this....



There really is a car in amongst all that dust.



Yep, pretty sure Marnitz isn't going to worry about cleaning the car down before he puts it on the trailer this time!

**Come join the gang - it's fun!**

Once again the volunteers did a wonderful job making the event happen. If you would like to get more involved with running the events please talk to one of the committee members. There are lots of jobs, big and small so there is sure to be something to suit you.

# SWTCC 2013 Series Leaderboard after Round 4

## Grade 1

Marnitz van Aardt
Shaun Bartlett
Greg Miles
Paul Fontanini
Dave Lathwell
Mark Huitenga
Rod Chambers
Phillip Vinci
Tim Murray
Justin O'Malley
Craige Boyle

## Grade 2

Scott Hann
Sarah Dixon
Gerald Hann
Barry Halligan
Daniel Humble
Paul Johnson
Brian Jarvis
Brendan Quartermaine
Rodney Eade
Vince Cole
Anthony Phillips-Jones
David McDonald
Terry Van De Wyngaard
Daniel Hampton
Jonathan Morland-Barrett
Tim Hingston
Andrew Barsby
Daniel Hampton

## Grade 3

Ryan Andersen
Andrew Massey
Rebecca Lathwell
Michael Wadsworth
Alan Bywaters
Les George
Mark Stevenson
Brad Morgan
Roger McNaughton
Trent Donnelly
Douglas Richards
Colin Morgan
Harley Smith
Trevor Dace
Scott Giacomel
Brian Davis
Rob Homes
Paul Stevensen
Aaron Evans
Joshua Smith
Andrew Brown
Charlie Fabry
Frankie Druskovich
John Wallis
Chris Wood
Grant Dalgleish
Johann Roos
Ryan Doe
Dillon Ugle

## Junior

Kody Reynolds
Ben Lathwell
Justin Van De Wyngaard
Jason Bywaters
Jakob Whitton
Tom Taylor
Daniel Wallis
Cody Burns
Adam Harbeck
Corey Gilbert
Jake Davison
Kyle Sproule
Mitchell Gray
Shaun Murray
Alex Quartermaine
Jessica Murray
Jordan Roos
Jarck Roos
Cody Beresford
Brayden Armstrong

## Expert

Garry Butler
Jason Humble
Ron Ferguson
Daniel Bartlett
Adam Barrett
Kyle Grant
Peter Dixon
Rod Barrett
Michael Beckingsale
Garry Whittle
Jon Nannen
Garry Grant
Carl Rattenbury
Graeme Miles
Garth McGuire

## Ladies

Sally Dixon
Kathy Miles
Kat Heijstraten
Leanne Murray
Mary van de Wyngaard
Tracey Rattenbury

## Pit Safety

- ◇ No kids under 14 in pit area during competition
- ◇ No smoking within 10m of pit area
- ◇ No alcohol in pits
- ◇ No pets
- ◇ No trailers to be in pits area
- ◇ Support team—max of 3 people plus the driver (or drivers).



## Penalties

**Not too many but here they are, just so you know**

- ◆ Jump the start—plus 20secs.
- ◆ Deliberately shortening the circuit or deviating from the course—double the fastest time.
- ◆ Failing to stop or exit the track on the correct circuit after completion of the run will be cautioned for the first offence and a penalty of double the fastest time for subsequent offences.

### Want to join the SWTCC—Easy!

Log on to the SWTCC website at [www.swtcc.com.au](http://www.swtcc.com.au) and download the membership form or pick it up from the Secretary at any of our events.

Once it's filled out, send it, along with membership fee to:

Post: Secretary (SWTCC, PO Box 289 Bunbury, 6231) or

Email: **Entry form and online banking receipt to:**

**secretary@swtcc.com.au**

**Name: South West Touring Car Club BSB 306 004 Account: 4188115**

**Narration: "your name" membership**

#### Membership

Single \$40.00

Family \$60.00 (includes adult couple and any dependant children under the age of 18 as of the 1st of January of that membership year).

## SWTCC Autocross Calendar of events 2013

Shannons

Round 5

1st September

WA Regional Builders

Round 6

5th October

Round 3

Round 4

Round 5

Round 6



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