

## Presidents Report 2018

### Thanks

Firstly, thanks to everyone who took part in the series last year, here are a few numbers.

A total of 109 competitors entered rounds during the last season, 5 in Open A, \_ 9 in open B, 15 in open C. There were 41 E30 competitors and 39 2ltr competitors

Please show your appreciation to all our committee members who do put in a lot of hours to make this series happen: Raewyn Anderson, Grant Scheuber, David Lawrence, Andrew Walker, Gordon Legg and Murray Brown (and his team who look after the accounts), also Milan Klinac our BMW club rep and our 3 class delegates, Andrew Sharp for 2ltr, Martin Irvine for open and Phil Smirthwaite for E30's.

Thanks to Raewyn and Phil for helping take on some of the burden of producing grids during the race weekends. It is a large job running 3 grids. I was quite happy to share some of that load.

Thank you to Mike and Scotty Dalzell and all their work at BBQ's, weighing cars and helping us run the series.

Thank you to Michele Irvine (and the Irvine family at large) for helping with the race weekend operations. But for also helping organise this new venue, participating with the R & R committee and generally available to jump in to help at a moment's notice.

### Scholarship Car

Thanks to Rob Wolf and the team running the Scholarship, John Mulrennan, Michele Irvine, Raewyn Anderson, Claire Zwaan.

Don't forget Pukekohe is booked for 11<sup>th</sup> August for a track day and our scholarship.

Thank you to P&S Autos, Pete, Sam and Graeme Ball for their efforts keeping the car running. Our scholarship provides great exposure for our series and our sponsors.

### Publicity

Thank you to Raewyn for keeping our Facebook page and our series web site up to date and posting fantastic entertaining content.

### TV Exposure/ Live Stream

This season we were in a position to get live streaming at the Speedwork's run Taupo event free of charge. As we didn't have any major sponsorship for the season this was a good get. It allowed us to promote the series and gave great exposure for you the competitors.

We will have footage provided from at least one round this season. However, without sufficient sponsorship on-board, we may not be in a position to get it produced and on tv.

### SOG

The Series Owners Group is a small company owned by the series who take part in the premier events. Gives us some knowledge of what is going on and a voice. Special thank you to Gordon Legge and Grant Scheuber for attending these meeting during the year on behalf of the race series.

### Premier Series

We Managed to negotiate a better deal this season with Speedwork's. Instead of 3 grids at \$10K per grid. We got the 3 grids for \$20K. This made the entry cost more reasonable and included practice session on the Friday. At this stage Speedwork's the promoters who run the premier series are trying to fit us in at 2 of their rounds. Hope to confirm in the next 2 weeks.

### Series Sponsors

For the first time in 12 seasons we ran without a financial sponsor. This put us in new territory, we have done well to cut our spend and continued to provide a similar experience to the competitors as previous years. However, we cannot continue to lose funds. More on this after the Treasures report.

For the 2018- 2019 season we have secured a new financial partner. Toyo. It will see no change to the livery requirements on the cars. However, we shall now be receiving \$8k Min from them for the season.

We are interested in hearing from anyone with a genuine lead for sponsorship.

### Scrutineering

At the end of the series the top \_\_\_\_\_ cars went direct to the P&S after the final round. The gearboxes and diffs were checked, suspensions and brakes were also checked at the end of the season and no issues found.

We had all E30's checked before the season started. Recording and sealing all E30's. this arrangement will not change for the coming season. This ensures that every car is correct before the season starts

### Endurance Series

Unfortunately, we had to cancel a planned round of this last season. 2 rounds instead of 3. However good number at both rounds.

This season we have been offered an opportunity to run a one-hour race at the HD500 (early oct). This will be on the full circuit.

### Calendar

We are looking at 5 sprint rounds this year and 2 enduro's.

However, a couple of Sprint rounds are still to be locked in. Hoping to have a full and complete calendar available in the next 2 weeks

Organisers have had challenges confirming dates for events in Taupo, and this has held things up.

This concludes my report from the first year as president.

Can some move that this report be accepted please

Let's move on with the rest of the meeting

Thank you

Nikolas