



# **PALMYRA DRAG RACING CLUBING.**

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## **Palmyra Dragway Presidents report No: 3 May 2017.**

Planning and site clean-up is well advanced thanks to our dedicated and enthusiastic crew of volunteers that have been helping at the working bees.

The track clean-up has started in preparation for our **Keep the Speed of the Streets** meeting on Friday the 12<sup>th</sup> of May. If you can help as part of the crew for this event please contact Mick Deas. KSOS Meetings will be enter at the track and on the day events.

You will notice some changes when you come out to the track for an event.

- 1) Every adult or child over the age of 15 entering the track except for registered volunteers will be charged \$10.00 to enter the venue.
- 2) You will purchase your driver Passes and collect paper work required for scrutineering at the new Administration building near the scrutineering shed.
- 3) You will purchase ANDRA day Licences at the new administration building near the scrutineering shed.
- 4) If you require a crew pass to gain access to the start line area you will hand in your pass that you get when you pay the \$10.00 to enter the venue and get a crew arm band at the new administration building.

Entries for Round 1 racing on Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup> of May can now be done online. People that have paid for entries and pit crews passes will be automatically entered for this event. Please pay your \$10.00 to enter the venue and all pit Crew passes pre payed will be reimbursed at the administration building.

Coalroc Contractors have sponsored \$500 for Super Comp with \$300 for the winner and \$200 for the runner up.

General information for the Qld Championship series is on the web site and entries will be available on line. This is your chance to compete for an ANDRA Xmas tree. Round 1 will be held at Palmyra on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of July.

The aftermath of the 2017 Wet season and Cyclone Debbie:

- 1) We have submitted an insurance claim for the damaged fencing, fridges and PA components that have been underwater as well as the components from the timing system that have been under water.
- 2) We were successful in our claim for level 1 cyclone relief \$5,000
- 3) We have had two contracting companies complete site inspections and are preparing quotes to do flood mitigation works in the braking area. This will make up our submission for funding under the RACQ disaster relief grant. This grant is for mitigation works not repair works.
- 4) We have had a quote done by Fulton Hogan for race track resurfacing. It will cost \$80,000 to re profile and lay a new hot mix 40mm thick of 200 metres of the track. So \$160,000 plus re compaction after drainage in braking area is sorted out will get us back to full track racing. We have been advised by MP Jim Pearce's office that a grant will be soon opened for \$100,000 for sport and rec clubs to complete damage repairs following Cyclone Debbie. This will make up the basis for our submission.



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- 5) The Mackay City Council will commence works on cleaning and re grading the storm water drains around the track in early May.
- 6) Club members and helpers have at working bees removed all damaged internal fences and damaged tin off boundary fence. Boundary fence has been replaced with temporary fencing. Buildings have been pressure washed and start line concrete has been pressure washed. Venue PA speakers have been removed from track safety fence and are being re-installed on lighting posts to avoid future damage.
- 7) A club display has been organised at Canelands from the 2nd of May to the 12<sup>th</sup> of May and then moved to the MRCC Car Show at the Showgrounds for the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of May. This will promote the track and our upcoming events.
- 8) We have managed to raise \$6,180 on our go fund me appeal. This is a great amount and many thanks to those that contributed to this appeal. The page will be closed mid May so if you missed to opportunity to contribute to our facility please go to the page.

#### People and Business that have supported our Club.

- 1) Tutt Bryant rentals have supplied at no cost to the club a trailer mounted pressure washer
- 2) Prime rentals have at no cost to the club provided a knuckle boom to assist in relocating the PA speakers
- 3) Dallas from Regional Energy Solutions has checked and quoted all repairs and replacement equipment required for insurance claim.
- 4) Century Batteries have supplied at no cost a new battery for the tractor.
- 5) Coalroc Contractors have transported tractor and knuckle boom to and from the track at no cost.
- 6) Coalroc Contractors have supplied Workshop and Labour at no cost to, re build slasher, repair track sweeper, replace clutch in tractor.
- 7) Leeroy @ Townsville custom cycles contributed \$100 towards to sausage sizzles held at the completion of the working bees.

#### General Business.

- 1) We have approved purchase of the latest timing software and a new printer for the tower. \$ 1,200.
- 2) The ride on mower at the track is finally given up the ghost. We have completed lots of maintenance on this and it now requires replacing. If any club members have contacts were we can purchase a new mower at a good price please pass this information on to a committee member.
- 3) We are negotiation with RP Digital signs to put together a package to promote our venue and event via there signs around town. We are also investigating putting a digital bill board at the track during event to promote sponsors.
- 4) We have received grant money for the construction of a burnout pad at Palmyra work on this will commence during May. This will give us an opportunity to increase revenue from a different source.

Next General Club meeting will be held on the 8<sup>th</sup> July at 6.00pm at the Aero Club.