

March 2014 Kartorque

Newsletter of KartSport Taranaki

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by Robert Boniface

With only a few weeks until the Cresswell Electrical 2014 NZ Sprint Nationals are to be staged in Blenheim, there is a bit of frantic activity to ensure all is planned out and sorted before the main event. For a few of our members, this is the pinnacle event of the year, a chance to test themselves against the best we have in Australasia to see how they fare. No doubt there will be winners and losers and a certain amount of "what-ifs" after the event. One thing that stands out to me is those who are best prepared will generally do the best. Many an old race car engineer has commented that "the race should be won in the workshop instead of the track" and I firmly believe this, although a lot of drivers will tell you racing is 70% driving, 20% setup and 10% luck. Ultimately, all teams competing need to ensure they put themselves in the best position possible and leave nothing to chance.

Good luck to those making the trek down south, go well and make our club proud. We have a number of prospects that could take a crown if all goes the way it's supposed to. Bring home the silverware to Taranaki guys!

The WPKA Goldstar series is getting close to wrapping up for another year, with the 4th and final points round to be staged at Todd Energy Raceway on 4 May. To all the members not competing, I urge you to put your hand up to help run this meeting. To those who want to run in a one-off meeting, the club will do you a special deal on entry for this event so get in contact with Maurice Frost (7588891), Steve Boyde or Mike Jury to get entered.

The Club Champs have come and gone and well done to all who secured trophies for the mantle-piece for the year. We had 41 drivers entered, which is a great number of members coming out to race. Let's hope we can carry this momentum forward into our regular club days. The club relies on its membership to survive.

I have also kicked-off a radio advertising campaign with our friends at The Radio Network. For those who don't know, The Radio Network run Radio Hauraki, NewstalkZB, Classic Hits, ZM, Coast, Flava, Hokonui, Farming Show, iHeart Radio and Radio Sport. We have a generous advertising arrangement with all of these stations

and I intend to record a number of our members voices for use with the advertising. I will contact some of our members to arrange for a session at the radio station in New Plymouth, but if you specifically want your voice on the radio, please let me know (htbauto@xtra.co.nz). We'll use these ads to promote Todd Energy and The Radio Network as well, so hopefully it's a win-win for everybody.

Having said all that, please ensure wherever possible you support those who support us. Track and race-day sponsors are not easy to find, so we need to make sure we give them some priority.

The club hire kart is almost ready to go now, we're just awaiting the engine to be fitted up and finalising of the rules and charge-rates around its usage. The engine is a brand new Raket 120 unit bought by the club. Hopefully it may be a good way to get a few new members keen on kart racing?

That's all for now...see you at the track!

New Todd Energy Raceway signage

The framing for the new signage has been completed and once we receive advice from the signwriter, we will arrange for a few able bodies to come to the track and put it up! Marty from Typeface in Wellington is responsible for the design...cheers Marty!!



Did you hear...?

- ☺ We still don't have a full time Race Secretary yet. Although, we do have a number of willing trainees so this may get sorted soon.
- ☺ Poor Logan Smith used his helmet as the brake pedal while racing at Manawatu recently...luckily he's OK and racing as hard as ever. Good lad Logan!
- ☺ Thomas Boniface had a great run in Melbourne at the Victoria Open in March, but was undone but the exhaust gasket being 0.01mm too thick! The team was DQ'd and disappointed, but happy with the speed in the kart.
- ☺ Some of our Taranaki members have already been to Blenheim testing for the Nationals and the word is that track is a bit of a challenge! Not sure what that means, but time will tell!
- ☺ The club has lost the services of Eloise Pollard from the kitchen. Thanks for your hard work Eloise, it's a shame to see you go...
- ☺ The annual club prizegiving is scheduled for July...keep your eyes and ears peeled for the official date to make sure you don't miss out. We'll start collecting trophies soon to get engraved for the new recipients....current holders better go and buy some "Silvo"....

Monthly Caption Contest

Here's the February photo which received no captions....again!



This month's caption contest...

However, this is the latest photo which I'm sure could attract a good caption! See if you can work out which driver is which (both are very famous!) and if you were an official, what would you rule?



I'm sure you can all come up with something for this send them to me at htbauto@xtra.co.nz.

Editor: Robert Boniface

Thanks to all those who have supplied information for the newsletter...keep it coming if you want it to be a good publication. Photos of race-days, driver profiles, funny photos for captions are good please? Robert.

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Birthdays for March

Robbie Johnson	1 Mar.	13yrs
Phillip Lamb	2 Mar.	28yrs
Ivon Joe	2 Mar.	44yrs
Blake Evans	3 Mar.	10yrs
Glenn Smith	3 Mar.	45yrs
Kysen Jensen	6 Mar.	12yrs
Gabrael Stevens	9 Mar.	8yrs
Jessica Boniface	10 Mar.	15yrs
Gavin Webster	11 Mar.	69yrs
Harvey Schultz	20 Mar.	73yrs
Richard Johnson	21 Mar.	47yrs
Daniel Lundt	24 Mar.	16yrs
Scott Williams	26 Mar.	19yrs
Sebastian Bainbridge	27 Mar.	14yrs

Happy birthday to all these members!

Next Club Day: 27 April 2014

Event: Last Round of Summer Series
Duty Class: Yamaha & ClubSport
Direction: Clockwise
Convenor(s): TBC
Race day sponsor: TBC...it could be you!

Some comic relief...

On the sixth day God created a pile of crap, and on the seventh day Holden made it driveable.

Two cows were talking in a paddock. One said to the other, "OMG, have you heard about that Mad Cow Disease?" The other one said "Yes I have, but it's OK because I'm a helicopter!"

Q. Why don't the British make televisions?
 A. They couldn't figure out how to get them to leak oil.

What's the good thing about Fords? They come out of the factory with the problem already circled.



Presidents Report - Teri Collins

Hi everyone,

Another month rolls past and yet again more success for some of our drivers. Aaron Marr wrapped up his rookie season with a 3rd place overall in the NZ Formula Ford Championship, a great result for Aaron and Lloyd, well done. Then Thomas Boniface came very close to beating all the Aussies in Melbourne, only to be denied by an exhaust gasket.

Looking around the club, there are some drivers who stand a very good chance of getting on the podium at the Nationals. To all the drivers who are travelling down south to represent our club, drive hard and well as you look to confirm just how good you all really are. We have faith you'll do us proud.

The Club Champs were a good event, my apologies for not being able to be there, but I heard how close and exciting the racing was and well done to the 41 drivers who came out to have a run. Congrats to those who were successful!

The next big event we have coming up at Todd Energy Raceway is the 4th round of the Supreme Kart Supplies WPKA Goldstar series.

Cheers for now....Teri

Coming local events (see below)

2013/14 SUPREME KART SUPPLIES WPKA Goldstar Series

Rd1 - 3 November 2013, Manawatu

Rd2 - 1 December 2013, Wellington

Rd3 - 2 March, Hawkes Bay

Rd4 - 4 May, Todd Energy Raceway

Champs/Trophy - 2 June, Manawatu

2014 National and Other Events

CIK, 25-26 Jan 2014, Wgtn.

Top Half Rd 1, 15-16 Feb 2014, Rot.

Prokart Rd 1, 22-23 Feb 2014, Manwtu

Top Half Rd 2, 8-9 Mar 2014, Ham.

Prokart Rd 2, 15-16 Mar 2014, Rot.

Top Half Rd 3, 29-30 Mar 2014, EBoP

Nationals, 19-20 Apr 2014, Blenheim

Prokart Rd 3, 17-18 May 2014, Ham.

Prokart Rd 4, 7-8 Jun 2014, BoP

Top Half Rd 4, 21-22 Jun 2014, Akld

NZ Schools, 12-13 Jul 2014, Manwtu

Prokart Rd 5, 16-17 Aug 2014, H. Bay

Blossom, 6-7 Sept 2014, H. Bay

Prokart Rd 6, 20-21 Sep 2014, Akld

North Islands, 25-26 Oct. 2014, Rot.



Forgotten to arrange Easter Eggs?? Don't panic, Dave and the team at RoTech Automotive have a solution to your problem.

Get your car serviced between now and Easter and you'll receive a free easter egg. If you get the wife's car done as well, then...hey presto! she's sorted too!

They are specialists in all servicing and repairs, WOF's, diagnostic work, and anything to keep your machine going...give them a call.

Do it now, get on the phone..go on!

Ph 759 4370 to arrange for your pride and joy to be entrusted into Dave's care. Or call in to the workshop at 133 Molesworth St.

You can even book by email (dave@rotech.co.nz)

2014 Club Championships report

The weather was hot and dry and 41 drivers turned up to do battle for the annual Club Champs, Sutton Speed Trophy and Champ of Champs. The racing was of a very high standard, with only minor sticker exchanges and a bunch of excellent results. There were 10 classes in attendance and the results looked like this:

Cadet:

Thomas Boniface 1, Isiah Kenny 2, Logan Smith 3, Corbin Smith 4, Euan Dwyer 5

Junior Restricted:

Dylan Frere 1, Robbie Johnson 2, Nathan Cox 3

Junior Yamaha:

Brendon Jury 1, Matthew Podjursky 2, Ryan Jury 3, Jessica Boniface 4, Jonathan Dwyer 5, Jayden Smith 6

Club Class:

Keith Robertson 1, Scott Robertson 2, Bronwyn Greenway 3

ClubSport 120:

Gary Soper 1, Derek Lawrence 2, Eifion Williams 3, Garth Lacey 4

Senior Yamaha Light:

Scott Williams 1, Aaron Marr 2, Brad Still 3, Logan Boyde 4, Anthony Bruce 5

Senior Yamaha Heavy:

Aaron de Ridder 1

Rotax Max Light:

Scott Williams 1, Brad Still 2, Anthony Bruce 3, William Adlam 4, David Cox 5

Rotax Max Heavy:

Aaron de Ridder 1, Richard Johnson 2, Nathan Nolly 3, Stephen Beck 4, Duane Taylor 5

Open:

Luke Vickers 1, Mike Jury 2, Aaron Marr 3, David Cox 4

Sutton Speed Trophy:

Mike Jury

Sutton Speed Trophy:


Luke Vickers

Current Club points

SUMMER SERIES - POINTS October 2013 to April 2014						
** Penalty Points = Number of Entries on day x 4 plus 20						
If you have any queries please let me know, thanks - Robert Boniface						
E-mail: htbauto@xtra.co.nz						
	OCT	NOV	JAN	FEB	APR	TOTALS
CADET						
Penalty Points **	36	40	0	40	0	
Boniface, Thomas	4	5	0	4	0	13
Smith, Logan	8	12	0	10	0	30
Smith, Corbin	12	16	0	16	0	44
Kenny, Isiah	36	6	0	9	0	51
Dwyer, Euan	16	19	0	17	0	52
JUNIOR RESTRICTED						
Penalty Points **	32	36	0	28	0	
Johnson, Robbie	12	11	0	4	0	27
Frere, Dylan	4	6	0	28	0	38
Jury, Ryan	8	5	0	28	0	41
Cox, Nathan	32	14	0	8	0	54
JUNIOR 100cc YAMAHA						
Penalty Points **	36	44	0	40	0	
Jury, Brendon	4	4	0	4	0	12
Dwyer, Jonathan	12	12	0	13	0	37
Smith, Jayden	16	16	0	18	0	50
Riddick, Zane	8	8	0	40	0	56
Jury, Ryan	36	44	0	8	0	88
Boniface, Jessica	36	44	0	12	0	92
Biesiek, Stacey	36	19	0	40	0	95
Ingram, Chloe	36	21	0	40	0	97
FORMULA JUNIOR						
Penalty Points **	24	0	0	0	0	
Podjursky, Matthew	4	0	0	0	0	4
CLUB CLASS						
Penalty Points **	32	0	0	24	0	
Greenway, Bronwyn	11	0	0	4	0	15
Robertson, Scott	4	0	0	24	0	28
Robertson, Keith	7	0	0	24	0	31
CLUBSPORT 120						
Penalty Points **	28	28	0	36	0	
Lawrence, Derek	8	28	0	7	0	43
Lacey, Garth	28	6	0	13	0	47
Williams, Eifion	4	10	0	36	0	50
Soper, Gary	28	28	0	4	0	60
Hooper, Mervyn	28	28	0	14	0	70
SUMMER SERIES - POINTS October 2013 to April 2014						
** Penalty Points = Number of Entries on day x 4 plus 20						
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	OCT	NOV	JAN	FEB	APR	TOTALS
SENIOR YAMAHA LIGHT						
Penalty Points **	36	28	0	28	0	
Boyd, Logan	10	4	0	8	0	22
Williams, Scott	4	28	0	4	0	36
Bruce, Anthony	9	28	0	28	0	65
Still, Brad	13	28	0	28	0	69
Biesiek, Simon	36	8	0	28	0	72
SENIOR YAMAHA HEAVY						
Penalty Points **	24	24	0	24	0	
de Ridder, Aaron	4	4	0	24	0	32
Robinson, Greg	24	24	0	4	0	52
ROTAX MAX LIGHT						
Penalty Points **	40	40	0	24	0	
Humphrey, Andrea	13	7	0	24	0	44
Bruce, Anthony	8	14	0	24	0	46
Cox, David	40	13	0	4	0	57
Thom, Ben	4	40	0	24	0	68
Still, Brad	40	4	0	24	0	68
Dietschin, Morgan	15	40	0	24	0	79
Smith, Blair	18	40	0	24	0	82
Jury, Paul	40	19	0	24	0	83
ROTAX MAX HEAVY						
Penalty Points **	32	28	0	32	0	
Johnson, Richard	4	4	0	8	0	16
Taylor, Duane	12	8	0	32	0	52
de Ridder, Aaron	32	28	0	4	0	64
Dobson, Josh	8	28	0	32	0	68
Nolly, Nathan	32	28	0	12	0	72
OPEN CLASS						
Penalty Points **	28	28	0	28	0	
Jury, Mike	6	4	0	28	0	38
Riddick, Brittany	5	7	0	28	0	40

GRAND PRIX - POINTS										
October 2013 to September 2014										
(Penalty Points = Standard 20 Point Penalty)										
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	OCT	NOV	JAN	FEB	APR	MAY	JUL	AUG	SEP	TOTALS
CADET GP										
Penalty Points	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	
Boniface, Thomas	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Smith, Logan	2	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	7
Smith, Corbin	3	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	11
Dwyer, Euan	4	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	14
Kenny, Isiah	20	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	25
JUNIOR RESTRICTED GP										
Penalty Points	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	
Robbie Johnson	3	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	7
Frere, Dylan	1	1	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	22
Jury, Ryan	2	2	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	24
Cox, Nathan	20	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	26
JUNIOR GP										
Penalty Points	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	
Jury, Brendon	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
Dwyer, Jonathan	4	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	10
Smith, Jayden	5	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	13
Riddick, Zane	3	2	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	25
Podjursky, Matthew	1	20	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	41
Jury, Ryan	20	20	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	42
Ingram, Chloe	20	5	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	45
Boniface, Jessica	20	20	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	45
Biesiek, Stacey	20	6	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	46
SENIOR GP										
Penalty Points	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	
Boyd, Logan	5	5	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	12
Johnson, Richard	9	7	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	19
Riddick, Brittany	1	2	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	23
Still, Brad	3	3	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	26
Greenway, Bronwyn	8	20	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	32
Williams, Scott	10	20	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	35
Jury, Mike	20	1	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	41
de Ridder, Aaron	20	20	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	41
Bruce, Anthony	2	20	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	42
Humphrey, Andrea	4	20	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	44
Cox, David	20	4	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	44
Smith, Blair	6	20	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	46
Biesiek, Simon	20	6	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	46
Dobson, Josh	7	20	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	47

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For every set purchased from a member a percentage goes to support the club.

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1 x 50mm axle	\$80.00
Seat stays pair	\$10.00 each
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Arrow hats x3	\$5.00 each
Front nose cone sticker kit	\$20.00
Brake pads & shims	\$40.00 the lot

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Kartsport Taranaki - 2014 Race Calendar



Day	Month	Year	Event Details	Direction	Convenor(s)	Duty Class(es)
26	Jan	2014	Fun Day	Clockwise	TBC	Yamaha & ClubSport
26	Jan	2014	CIK Trophy of New Zealand		Wellington	
15/16	Feb	2014	Top Half Round 1		Rotorua	
16	Feb	2014	Club Day, Summer Series Round 3	Anti-clockwise	Mike Jury	Rotax & Open
2	Mar	2014	Supreme Kart Supplies WPKA Goldstar Series Round 3		Hawkes Bay	
8/9	Mar	2014	Top Half Round 2		Hamilton	
29/30	Mar	2014	Top Half Round 3		Eastern Bay of Plenty (Edgecumbe)	
23	Mar	2014	Club Championships, Sutton Speed Trophy, Champion of Champions	Anti-clockwise	Mike Jury	Cadet, JR & Junior
18/21	Apr	2014	New Zealand Sprint National Championships		Blenheim	
27	Apr	2014	Club Day, Summer Series Round 4	Clockwise	TBC	Yamaha & ClubSport
4	May	2014	Supreme Kart Supplies WPKA Goldstar Series Round 4		Taranaki	
25	May	2014	Club Day, Winter Series Round 1	Clockwise	TBC	Rotax & Open
1	Jun	2014	Supreme Kart Supplies WPKA Goldstar Series Championship/Trophy Round		Manawatu	
21/22	Jun	2014	Top Half Round 4		Auckland	
29	Jun	2014	Annual Club Enduro Day	Anti-clockwise	TBC	Cadet, JR & Junior
12/13	Jul	2014	National Schools Championships		Manawatu	
27	Jul	2014	Winter Series Round 2, Senior 50 lapper	Anti-clockwise	TBC	Yamaha & ClubSport
31	Aug	2014	Club Day, Winter Series Round 3	Clockwise	TBC	Rotax & Open
6/7	Sep	2014	47th Annual Blossom Meeting		Hawkes Bay	
28	Sep	2014	Club Day, Winter Series Round 4	Anti-clockwise	TBC	Cadet, JR & Junior
25/26	Oct	2014	North Island Sprint Championships		Rotorua	
25/26	Oct	2014	South Island Sprint Championships			
19	Oct	2014	Club Day, Summer Series Round 1	Clockwise	TBC	Yamaha & ClubSport
30	Nov	2014	Club Day, Summer Series Round 2	Anti-clockwise	TBC	Rotax & Open
14	Dec	2014	Xmas Fun Day	TBC	TBC	Cadet, JR & Junior

	Club competition day
	Interclub meeting
	National meeting
	Other meeting

Supreme Kart Supplies WPKA Goldstar Series 2013-14

The Supreme Kart Supplies WPKA Goldstar Series 2013/14 will be held over four rounds at each of the WPKA clubs from November 2013 to May 2014. This annual event is contested between the four WPKA Clubs being Manawatu, Wellington, Hawkes Bay and Taranaki. The series is again sponsored by **Supreme Kart Supplies** and will run over four rounds as below. The series is open only to members of the four WPKA Clubs.

Round 1	3 November 2013	Manawatu	Anti-Clockwise
Round 2	1 December 2013	Wellington	Clockwise
Round 3	2 March 2014	Hawkes Bay	Anti-Clockwise
Round 4	4 May 2014	Taranaki	Anti-Clockwise



Classes

- Cadet
- Junior Restricted 100cc Yamaha
- Junior 100cc Yamaha
- Clubsport 120
- 125cc Rotax Max Light
- 125cc Rotax Max Heavy

A Series Entry Form plus Series Supplementary Rules, Information and Calendar is available for download on www.wpka.org.nz/ or www.kartsport.org.nz/events/2013-14-wpka-goldstar-series. For further enquires please contact:

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If you need any help, advice, information or just want a chat, feel free to contact any of the team above!



Current Track Records as at 23 March 2014

Class	Anti-Clock	Date Set	Kart #	Chassis	Driver
Cadet Rok	32.255	23/03/14	3	Kiwi Kart	Thomas Boniface
Cadet Raket	31.887	26/09/10	77	Kiwi Kart	Matthew Podjursky
Mini Rok					
Junior Restricted	29.983	22/02/09	12		Aaron Marr
Junior Yamaha	28.897	31/07/11	5		Brittany Riddick
KF3	28.138	19/10/12	33		Arran Crighton
Club Class	29.773	30/09/12	5		Warren Riddick
ClubSport 120	31.585	07/05/06	13		Dan Snedden
Yamaha Light	28.978	29/03/09	37		Alex Geary
Yamaha Heavy	29.433	31/08/08	12		Derek Lawrence
Rotax Max Light	27.990	07/08/05	3		Bradley Tyrrell
Rotax Max Heavy	28.617	19/10/12	21		Shaun Reay
KF2	27.088	20/10/12	1		Arie Hutton
Formula 125S	26.782	07/08/05	92		Leigh Tidman
KZ2	26.311	08/03/09	1		Ryan Grant
Open	26.595	29/03/09	95		Michael Kiser

Class	Clockwise	Date Set	Kart #	Chassis	Driver
Cadet Rok					
Cadet Raket	31.978	02/05/10	77	Kiwi Kart	Matthew Podjursky
Mini Rok					
Junior Restricted	30.070	29/05/11	NZ		Thomas Joyes
Junior Yamaha	28.744	28/09/08	37		Alex Geary
KF3	28.229	25/04/10	12		Aaron Marr
Formula Junior	28.431	29/09/13	77		Matthew Podjursky
Club Class	29.656	31/10/10	5		Warren Riddick
ClubSport 120	31.944	30/10/11	9		Warren Riddick
Yamaha Light	28.889	28/09/08	24		Brad Still
Yamaha Heavy	29.353	02/05/10	92		Zac Zaloum
Rotax Max Light	28.128	28/07/13	33		Brad Still
Rotax Max Heavy	28.389	02/05/10	92		Zac Zaloum
Formula 125S	26.764	05/08/07	7		Jason Lee
KZ2	26.205	06/08/07	3		Ryan Grant
Open	26.607	02/05/10	50		Nik Kiser



“Testing” – source...the Internet!

The greatest difficulty about 'big meetings' is that you only ever get to test in those conditions when you're at a big meeting. There is simply no other time when the track has layers of fresh rubber being laid down (and peeled up) by so many karts. Because the conditions are so different to a normal practice day, it can be very difficult to adapt. People often complain at the end of the weekend that "we tried absolutely everything, and nothing worked!"

This is especially galling after two full days of practice, and then a recognised star turns up and puts it on pole after nothing more than a tuning run.

Funnily enough, often the two days practice is actually part of the problem, especially at an unfamiliar track. As the driver first starts to learn the track, the kart doesn't do everything that he wants and so adjustments are made to try to rectify the problems. Track widths are altered, front end alignments adjusted, axles and hubs go in and out of the kart. By the time Thursday afternoon rolls around, the kart's setup is nothing like the one that works at home, no-one can remember what changes did what, and to top it all off, the driver has finally learned the track and would be doing better lap times with the kart back in its standard setup (which is what you should do whenever you get lost, by the way).

The solution is a simple rule:

On Wednesday, you alter nothing but tyre pressures, basic track widths, and gearing/pipe. Nothing else! Nothing else!! When you wake up Thursday, do your first session with the setup you used Wednesday afternoon. Now people will start breaking out new tyres, and now you can start to learn. Now the track starts to evolve into the track you'll actually be racing on, and now the changes you make might actually be meaningful. Gearing and pipe data translates pretty well from Wednesday to Sunday. Axle selection really, really doesn't. So that's it. Don't confuse yourself. Do plenty of testing at home and have confidence in your basic setup. Make minor alterations from Thursday afternoon through to Sunday morning, but nothing more than one or two (at most) adjustments per session.