



# BULLETIN

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**December 2013**

## Presidents Report

Hi again and welcome to the final Car Club bulletin for 2013. Last month saw another excellent autocross event run by Bruce, Scotty and Chris at Ruakura with them excelling themselves in the length coming in at nearly 2 km long.

A good number of competitors enjoyed 4 timed runs with some very competitive driving. Also a good number of junior competitors took part, and with a long course gave them a good opportunity to test their skills.

The second round of the ladies autocross series is at this weeks club night and is bound to produce some very competitive driving from woman that are normally very placid until they put a helmet on.

This month's club night will have our club draw that has jackpotted to \$500 and will be redrawn until taken away by a club member who is present on the night. That \$500 could buy you an autocross car for next year's Ruakura autocross series.

The committee have put together a calendar of events for the New Year which includes hill climbs, autocrosses and sprints. Keep an eye on the website and Facebook for more details. In August Hamilton Car Club and Mount BOP Car Club will have a combined dual sprint at Hampton Dows, so one to mark in your calendar.

The Hamilton Car Club Maramura Rally has been confirmed for 22 March 2014. The event will run the same as it did this year. In particular we needs lots of help from our club members to run smoothly. Please contact Mike Barrett with any help you can offer.

Take care driving over the Christmas break and enjoy your Christmas pudding.

Steve Wilcock

## Upcoming Club Events

**Wednesday 11th December**

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**Sunday 15th December**

**February 2nd**

**February 12th**

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**February 23rd**

**February 28th**

Ladies autocross HCC clubrooms

Club night 7:30 pm

Santa HCC clubrooms

Ruakura autocross

Ladies autocross HCC clubrooms

Club night HCC clubrooms

Heads Road

Prize giving HCC clubrooms

# Ladies Autocross

We had the first of the Ladies autocross on 13 November, and that date must be unlucky for some like me. The course set up was great thanks to Josh, Bruce and Chris. It looked pretty straight forward, easy to follow, self-explanatory really. You couldn't go wrong. Or could you? Well yes I did, not only once but three times! My short memory may have been well and truly tested, however, my driving skills are improving. Once I got over the initial embarrassment of taking a wrong turn and missing out cones it was easy from then on.

The great thing about Ladies Autocross is it just that, for ladies, and ladies we are great at laughing at ourselves. We know how to have fun when underneath it all we are actually being very competitive and serious about what we are doing all with a pretty smile on our face.

It was great to see some young people there trying out their skills and enjoying themselves in the process. More competition for us ladies! I say bring it on and I look forward to the December event.

I have set myself a goal to at least complete the course once this season without hitting a cone or taking a wrong turn. You have 3 more opportunities to come and watch me to see if I can achieve this December 11th, February 12th and March 12th. I would love to see you all there!

Ange Lloyd



## Hamilton Car Club Ladies Autocross Series

Round: **1**  
Date: 0/01/1900



(Sorted By Overall Place)

Competitor	Practice	Starlet	Corolla	Levin	Total Time	Overall Place
Carole Berry		1:37.14	1:37.14	1:35.23	4:49.51	1
Debbie Simon		1:41.71	1:33.46	1:36.45	4:51.62	2
Rebecca Vincent		1:47.86	1:37.47	1:35.15	5:00.48	3
Dalalyn Hurford		1:46.92	1:38.67	1:37.92	5:03.51	4
Debbie Bevans		1:52.32	1:34.57	1:37.66	5:04.55	5
Lenare Martin		1:47.39	1:41.83	1:40.00	5:09.22	6
Rosemary Thresher		1:47.22	1:42.81	1:39.37	5:09.40	7
Brett Staples		1:42.55	1:45.49	1:42.36	5:10.40	8
Leeana Harris		1:45.84	1:45.84	1:40.64	5:12.32	9
Tracdey Aubin		1:49.89	1:47.50	1:45.59	5:22.98	10
Siobhan Murnane		1:49.93	1:39.00	1:54.22	5:23.15	11
Claudia Hurford		1:51.63	1:39.87	1:52.02	5:23.52	12
Alexia Ramsay		1:52.09	1:43.92	1:47.62	5:23.63	13
Nicola Johnson		2:00.64	1:49.68	1:47.64	5:37.96	14
Tamati Thomson		1:57.89	1:54.71	1:46.87	5:39.47	15
Nicola Hopkins		2:02.26	WW	1:37.71	5:52.76	16
Bronwyn Clothier		WW	1:32.72	1:41.25	6:06.29	17
Ange Lloyd		1:49.32	WW	WW	6:10.11	18
Camilla Bassani		2:11.83	2:01.87	1:58.10	6:11.80	19
Aaron Aldersley		2:33.81	2:03.55	2:03.00	6:40.36	20
Laura Thresher		2:47.32	2:07.79	2:01.68	6:56.79	21

# Ruakura Autocross

Another great day in the paddock. The track ended up 2 km long with a good mix of corners. A big thanks to all the helpers as without them events don't happen. Next Autocross is on 2nd February. Sorry for the missing times but it was my first time using the timing gear.

Bruce

	First Name	Last Name	Car Model	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3
1	Bruce	Clothier	Starlet	230.892	193.072	183.059
2	Steve	Wilcock	gtfx	231.016	206.566	185.705
3	Josh	Martin	levin	249.908	213.536	192.058
4	Debbie	Simon	corolla	270.536	216.497	192.849
5	Andrew	Warren	Legacy	233.941	198.106	193.341
6	Chris	Wharepapa	Corolla	249.141	207.029	193.712
7	Jamie	Vincent	levin	231.694	209.961	194.25
8	Bill	McEwan	levin	236.538	215.137	194.405
9	Larissa	Thyne	datsun	215.637	194.406	
10	Paul	Johnson	rx7	211.819	196.439	
11	mary-anne	Martin	Corolla	234.182	203.386	198.03
12	Quentin	Quintal	swift	227.13	206.217	201.673
13	Ange	Lloyd	gtfx	234.647	212.935	202.036
14	david	Thresher	mx5	239.408	222.424	204.429
15	Todd	Brensell	datsun	238.669	245.712	210.212
16	Rosemary	Thresher	mx5	227.751	216.98	218.24
17	Tamati	Thompson	mg	260.77	234.569	219.276
18	laura	Thresher	corolla	219.822		237.336
19	Simone	Prosser	Corolla	283.285	221.519	
20	Aaron	Aldersley	corolla	263.789	231.148	224.713
21	Daniel	Johnson	mirage	250.242	226.813	225.771
22	Josef	Rutz	Corolla	257.741	274.71	233.79
23	Lee	Dunkin	silvia	259.106	262.349	245.347
24	Nichola	Johnson	I200	302.131	276.393	246.533
25	Griffin	Kennedy	corolla		269.154	249.04
26	cullum	Prosser		311.041	261.782	

## LAWRENCE CLAIMS 2013 SUZUKI SWIFT CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE

It's taken four hard seasons of trying, but "Winger Suzuki Swift Sport Cup" racer Shaun Lawrence has finally become the new NZ Champion, doing so in dominant fashion. Lawrence and the Liquorland Racing team went into the final round at Pukekohe Park Raceway with a slender Championship points lead, with five drivers still in mathematical contention to come away with the overall title.

Qualifying on the front row alongside fellow Hamiltonian Glenn Collinson (the pair separated by just 0.03sec), Race One saw the duo pull an early gap on the field early, Collinson the first to make his compulsory tyre change in the double-points round opener. Lawrence elected to stay out and pit a few laps later, and a faultless tyre change by the pit crew saw Lawrence return to the track with a dominant lead on the field, one he would hold through to the end of the race.

"One of the goals we set for the weekend was to try and take out the enduro race, to do that and take the points haul really puts us in a strong position for the weekend" explained Lawrence. "We've got the reverse grid race next and I'm conscious of the fact that we still need to finish every race so it's going to be a balancing act between wanting to look for more wins and simply collecting points on offer" he added.

Race Two got underway Saturday afternoon, and Lawrence simply charged from the back of the grid on a circuit he openly regards as his favourite. The now familiar green and black Liquorland Racing Swift moved from one end of the pack to the other in just eight short laps, Lawrence heading the field home to take a second consecutive victory.

Managed by NZ Motorsport Hall of Fame recipient (and father) Graham Lawrence, the team were all well aware before the weekend of what they had to do. With the double-points coming from Race One, and now with a second race win, Shaun was finally able to take a deep breath and realise his dream of becoming an NZ Motor Racing Champion.

"It's so hard to put into words how I'm feeling right now, it's almost surreal! We've wanted this for so long and there are so many people to thank that have stood by us. I know it sounds cliché, but I really do have to thank them first along with Dad and the whole team. I can't stop smiling, it's just unbelievable" said Lawrence from the teams pit garage.

The third and final race of the weekend (and season proper) took place Sunday morning and with two wins from two starts already in the bag, Lawrence was predictably starting off pole position a stop points scorer. With nothing to lose and the Championship secure, it was now a case of seeing if the team could put together the perfect weekend. Lawrence simply got on with the job ahead and brought the car home in dominant fashion to complete a third successive victory, taking the round win in the process.

Both Shaun and Graham would like to acknowledge the spectacular support they have received from their family of sponsors; Liquorland, OPUS Consultants, Virtual Print, Voyager Trailers, JPS Media, Automotive Technicians, Coffee & Food Establishment (C.A.F.E), New Balance, AWS Graphics, Hamilton Stripes & Signs, and Coby Mufflers & Extractors.



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