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Motorkhana Series for 2021

The Motorkhana series for year 2021 began with a grass round held at the SEAC Park Motorsport Complex.

A disappointing entry list of 11, to enjoy the day prepared by novice Director Damien Wilson did not deter him from "having fun".

The die-hard group that made the effort to come and "have a go" all enjoyed a huge day of non-stop competition.

All up, there had been 12 tests proposed for the day's outing and with the small field, the 12 tests were all done twice to give a total of 24 runs.

Just to prove how much he enjoys his Motorkhana's, Director Damien posted fastest time in the first test, Square Slalom.

Not to be outdone, Junior Bradley Harry set the next test alight and took line honours for Diamond Slalom.

Lo and behold, Phil Wilson got into the act and set quickest times for Test 3, Accordion "M".

Seeing what looked to be a good thing, Ken Trimnell took on the Double Bone "M" layout and got home with fastest times for this test.

Next layout to be run, Gables "M" was shared between Phil and Damien Wilson, getting a fastest time in each one.

Triple Loop is an enjoyable drive and proved to be to the liking of Phil Wilson in the first round and Ken Trimnell in the second round, with 3 tenths of a second between the quickest runs, 3 hundredths between the pair of slowest runs.

Star proved to be a good test for Phil Wilson in Round 1, but Bradley Harry got into the groove to get home first in the second round.

Bowler is another quick test and again honours were shared by the Wilson Brothers, Philip on the first and Damien on the second outing.

Top Hat saw Ken Trimnell get his act together for the first round but Tristan Crowe showed everyone a clean pair of heels in the second lap.

With the test area beginning to show the effects of all the tests in common areas, "Pentagon" fastest time went the way of Philip Wilson by 4 hundredths in the first round but was upstaged by youngster Bradley Harry in the second shot at things.

Phil Wilson continued his attack with fastest time being Wilson Round 1 of Crazy Square "M" and Bradley Harry repeating the previous test with his drive getting the chocolates.

Plumb Crazy "M" was the final test layout and both runs went the way of Bradley Harry with a clear margin to the next quickest.

With a couple of WD's encountered through the day affecting the final results of some runners, the score sheets for outright quickest time for all 24 runs went to Soarer Pilot Philip Wilson with his total time of 782.42 seconds and a clear run all day in the big car.

Ken Trimnell put in another clear run and finished in second spot with a total of 792.74 seconds for the Suzuki Swift.

Damien Wilson managed to get 2 markers through the day, costing him an extra 10 seconds and second place with his Nissan Silvia getting a total of 801.43 including the penalties for the last step on the podium.

Commodore Pilot Tristan Crowe put a very good day together and came in fourth outright with a well deserved 806.99 seconds for his runs.

Bradley Harry had a mixed day and had to settle for fifth outright after a couple of geographic errors.

Falcon Ute campaigner Bruce Hamilton gave his all through out the day and got the big car through the tight courses quite well to finish in the sixth spot.

After experiencing problems with the steering in his own car Geoff Wilson cleared the cobwebs out of the Kia Wagon and also managed to get a little lost on a couple of tests for a very mixed day.

Another big car Pilot, Paul Height had a huge smile all day giving his Falcon a good work out around the tight course layouts.

John Whitehead was another to get some layouts different to what was required and suffered from the penalty times as his reward, managing to get the points on offer for ninth spot, just in front of daughter Sharnia, who managed to get all the tests correct, even though some Dad directions may have not been correct, to complete the finishing list.



Huge thanks to the Wilson family for the awesome write up

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SEAC Super Series Round 1

SEAC Park came alive again on Sunday with the running of Round 1 of the 2021 Super Series and what a day it turned out to be.

A near capacity entry list of 45 willing and eager competitors fronted up for the challenges that a very dry and dusty, slippery track layout would present.

Kevin Raedel and his assistant director Danielle Wiseman put together all the necessary bookwork required to run motor sport events with the Covid-19 restrictions, ably assisted by event Secretary Amy Ryan.

With a small band of officials to do the rest of the running duties, racing got under way after a ballot draw to see who would be the first one out, lucky you Nicholas Doll, 41 start car for the next round went on 10 cars to 51, Jason Winterfield, then Mark Jennings for Round 3, Bailey Perryman for Round 4 and Dion Becker for the final round of the day.

With such a dry surface, dust had to be allowed to clear before starting the next car each time, so it meant that the total round times were longer than normal, but were all run in reasonably clear conditions.

As would be expected, the 4WD cars had a large advantage of grip over the 2WD competitors and it showed on the clock with Simon Feil posting his first turn as quickest of the group, stopping the clock at a 1:49.16, clear of Jason Winterfield 1:53.94, Adam Jesse 1:56.40, Stuart Gregory 1:56.75 and Dylan Gregory 1:56.78 to fill the first 5 slots.

Joshua Becker got in amongst these with his Mitsubishi Sigma and put in a good drive for a 1:57.16 in the first of the 2WD drivers, followed by Nicholas Doll in another Subaru 1:57.81, Geoff Wilson 1:57.91, Dion Becker 1:58.43 and Corey Brand 1:58.93 rounding out the Top 10.

Heat 2 and the Top 4 were Simon Feil 1:48.63, Stuart Gregory 1:52.63, Jason Winterfield 1:53.06 and Adam Jesse 1:54.00. Geoff Wilson got into the action with the Peugeot 306 handling a bit better after a tyre change and filled 5th slot with a 1:55.25, closely followed by Josh Becker 1:56.18, Nicholas Doll 1:56.75, Dion Becker 1:56.84, Dylan Gregory 1:56.97, and Mark Jennings for 10th with his 1:57.34.

What a race track!!

A gentle breeze still helping to move the dust, Heat 3 started with Mark Jennings.

Quickest for this Heat, Surprise, Surprise, Simon Feil with a 1:46.53, well clear of the rest of the pack.

Dylan Gregory came in next with a 1:51.25, just in front of Geoff Wilson with his best effort of 1:51.59 good enough to get 3rd spot and be amongst the 4WD's in his Pug.

Jason Winterfield's 1:51.63 got 4th slot to hold out Stuart Gregory's Subaru Impreza 1:52.15 and Adam Jesse's Subaru Liberty 1:52.44.

Josh Becker had a big go and lowered his time to 1:53.56 for 7th followed by a very busy Buggy Pilot, John Whitehead, skating his way home with a 1:56.28 good enough to hold out Nicholas Doll 1:56.47 and Luke Winterfield also having a very good run in the well presented Hyundai Exell, rounding out the 10 with his best run of the day at 1:56.59.

After a lunch break, action resumed with Bailey Perryman first one off the start onto a quickening race track.

Simon Feil, almost the last to start this heat had a well swept race line and he made full use of it to post another quickest time of 1:46.41, followed by Jason Winterfield 1:49.69, Stuart Gregory 1:50.18, Adam Jesse 1:50.41, Dylan Gregory 1:51.68 for 5th.

Next, first of the 2WD's, Geoff Wilson put up a 1:52.29, followed by Josh Becker's Sigma 1:55.06, John Whitehead, coming to grips with the "loose" Buggy 1:55.43, Bailey Perryman having a good go to get home with a 1:56.40 and Cameron Jesse rounding out the 10 with his 1:56.59 in the Subaru Legacy.

Conditions were still quite favorable, with a spit or two of rain only causing problems with the windscreen smear from using wipers, Dion Becker led the way out for what would be the last round for the day.

Subaru WRX #49, Simon Feil made it a clean sheet with five straight fastest times, an excellent display considering the grip levels, with his last run at 1:46.75 similar to the 3rd and 4th heats.

Another consistent day went to Jason Winterfield, pushing the Subaru all day and finishing with 1:50.03, to edge out Subaru Impreza Steerer Stuart Gregory's 1:50.25, Dylan Gregory in the same car 1:50.50, Adam Jesse's 1:50.69, Geoff Wilson in the 306 Peugeot next with a 1:51.56, Nicholas Doll 1:53.75, Gary Brown finally taming the Jennings Falcon and posting a respectable 1:55.87 for 8th slot, Chris Clayson finding some grip in the Mighty Magna to put a good run in with 1:55.88 and Liam Lewis having an absolute ball in the "Borrowed" Toyota Avalon, bouncing his way along the track for a 1:56.28 for the 10th spot points.

Points are awarded after times are tallied and the still to be confirmed list is: Simon Feil (200) outright First, Class W Jason Winterfield (192) Outright 2nd, Class W Stuart Gregory (188) outright 3rd, Class W Adam Jesse (183) outright 4th, Class W Dylan Gregory (180) outright 5th, Class W Geoff Wilson (177) outright 6th, Class D Josh Becker (163) Outright 7th, Class E Nicholas Doll (158) outright 8th, Class W Liam Lewis (150) outright 9th, Class B John Whitehead (148) outright 10th Class W

Luke Winterfield finished the day with outright 13th to be the best of the Juniors.

Teresa Lipscombe completed her day in outright 29th to be the first lady home.

Every one of the competitors voted a huge thank you to the hardy officials that stood out in the (very) dusty conditions to allow them all to enjoy a skid.

SEAC's next listed event is a Motorkhana on April 18th, probably to be held at the Mount Gambier Saleyards Complex – check on Club website for details.



Huge thanks to the Wilson family for the awesome write up.



- If anyone would like the old novice junior club cars that are current sitting where the old autocross timing hut was please contact either Curtis Boyd on 0417 902 182 or Kevin Raedel on 0475 062 717 otherwise, they will end up going to the scrap yard.
- 2. Due to consistently low Member's attendance numbers at the Club's General Meetings (First Friday of every month), and with 98% of attendance being Executive Committee members, a motion has been moved that General Meetings will now be held every second month starting from April (still the first Friday of the month). Like usual, should Members have anything they wish to be tabled and discussed at either General or Executive Committee Meetings, please email <u>info@seacsa.com</u>.



Date	Event	Round
16/1/2021	Presentation Dinner	
6-7/2/2021	Twin Peaks Hillclimb	
28/2/2021	SEAC Khanacross & SA Championship Round 1	1
13/3/2021	SEAC Motorkhana	1
20/3/2021	Come & Try Autocross	
21/3/2021	SEAC - Autocross	1
18/4/2021	SEAC – Motorkhana & SA Series Round	2
1/5/2021	TRE	1
2/5/2021	LCORC - Khanacross	2
15/5/2021	SEAC - Rallycross	
16/5/2021	Autocross	2
12/6/2021	SA Autocross Championship Round 1	
13/6/2021	SA Autocross Championship Round 1 & SA Autocross Series Round 1	
27/6/2021	SEAC – Khanacross (Victorian series Round)	3
10-11/7/2021	SA Rally Championship/SEAC TRE Round 2	
1/8/2021	SEAC - Motorkhana	3
22/8/2021	SEAC - Autocross	3
29/8/2021	SEAC Khanacross	4
4/9/2021	TRE	3
27/9/2021	SEAC - Motorkhana	4
1/10/2021	TRE	4
9/10/2021	SEAC - Rallycross	
10/10/2021	SEAC - Autocross	4
29-30-31/10/2021	Legend of the Lakes Hillclimb	
14/11/2021	LCORC - Khanacross	5
21/11/2021	SEAC – Autocross (day/night event)	5
28/11/2021	SEAC – Motorkhana (Victorian series Round)	5