



# SKI RACING VICTORIA

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HELLO EVERYONE

December 2009

Regards

Conditions were near perfect for the Victorian Titles at Lake Charm and great racing was on show. Congratulations to all Victorian Title Holders. Another great response to the Tasman Challenge Auction with all money raised going to help our Tasman Challenge Team in New Zealand. Thank you to everyone who donated items to auction and everyone who was successful in their bidding.

It is with deep sadness that we advise the passing of Ross Harris's dad Jim. Ross skied with Jim Beam (OMEN) for a number of years. Jim had the local bike shop in Echuca for a long time where he would have all the kids terrorising him every day, but Jim loved it.

Jim lost his battle after 13 years of fighting cancer. He was one of the strongest men who lived for his family and loved SKI RACING.

To Shirley, Ross, Jo, Cyndy and families our deepest sympathy goes out to you all at this sad time. Committee and members of SRV.

## JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT

### ROBINVALE

With Santa's arrival only a few sleeps away, everyone will be winding down for a well enjoyed break, so before you all go and recharge I would like to bring to your attention a couple of items concerning Robinvale.

Entries for Robinvale are now being taken and will close on the 29th January. At this point the entries will be processed and seeded. You will have until the Wednesday after the Southern 80 to withdraw your entry if you have major boat problems at the Southern 80 and receive a full refund.

We have been requested to run an Expert Unlimited Outboard class. We have received notification that there will be a minimum of 3 boats competing from competitors, so if this is a class that you are interested in, make sure you enter.

The Junior Boys/Girls class (28) is showing as one class however this will be split into Boys and Girls.

Any questions on Robinvale entries, don't hesitate to call Helen Britnell on 0424 971 081.

Lachlan Wymer.

### RUMOUR FILE

Vic titles were a fantastic success, sensational racing and it was great to see us get through a packed program including timed junior races. Well done to all involved.

Speaking of the Vic titles a couple of big moments were had by some outboard drivers! The biggest was Michael Bourke who barrel rolled his brand new Force "Alien Force" in SMOC. Thankfully the crew are ok and the boat is being fixed as this newsletter goes to print. In my experience this will make him a better driver in the long run.

The Trans Tasman auction was again a huge success, unofficially raising about \$13500.00 and the raffle around \$1500.00 which is fantastic. A big thank you to all who put their hands in their pockets.

If your thinking of a holiday the north island of NZ is a beautiful place to visit so why not come over for the TT & support our young skiers?

It was also great to see Dot Hicks working hard in the tent all weekend. Thanks Dotty!

Lake Charm is at over 100% how good is that!!!!

Heard the "Baby Animals" have had twins.....And now Mick is on a diet of KFC

Heard the grand Pooh-Bah of SRV is a tru blu bloke at the moment.

Heard Cam Cox is safe in the driver's position in the Thunder Nuts crew after Griffio went a bit quiet for a second at the Vic titles. (sorry Gav)

Blown Cash AWESOME!!!!!!!

Heard a black race held on the bay last week the worst kept secret in ski racing!!!! Who won anyway?

Saw Will Groves the next Bill Seabold..... nice one!!!!

Happy & safe Christmas to all and have a great nationals all you Vic's.

Go you good things

## SCRUTINEERING

If you wish to continue with your scrutineering exemption and have not already filled out the renewal form please do so and return it to your applicable state Chief Scrutineer. We will deem that you will be asked to attend scrutineering on request by the event organisers. Could all scrutineers please ensure that if boats being scrutineered wish to continue with allocated scrutineering, then the competitors must complete and forward on.



EXEMPTION TAGS  
-Application Renewal



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-Application form 18.†

It has come to the attention of Scrutineers the lack of professionalism and standard in gear and equipment being used.

In response to this, ongoing scrutineering of equipment checks will be stepped up in particular listed as below;

Please check the SRA Rule Book Season 2009 to 2010  
Ski 8.19 (a)

Helmets 8.13 a, b 1,2,3,4 & 5

Wetsuits 8.15 a, b, c, d, e, f 1,2,3,4 & 5

It is the competitors and their crews responsibility to ensure the gear being worn is correct or a penalty may occur or at worst being unable to race. (Dated from 20.10.09 no exceptions)

Scrutineering Australia

To All Victorian Competitors Racing in Engine Classes  
Please read the below ruling.

Ski Racing Australia (SRA Rule Book) Season 2009 -2010  
Rule 9.2 Measuring and Sealing of Engines

ALL ENGINE CLASSES MUST BE SEALED BY SRA APPROVED ENGINE SEALERS BEFORE COMPETING

Names of SRA approved sealers are available from the SRA office. Exception to this rule applies to MOC, Unlimited Inboard/Outboard, 60mph and 70mph.

Without exception as per SRA Rules, all classes listed must be sealed prior to competing.

Please do not attend racing and expect to race if you do not conform.

Andrew Donehue

## EMAIL ADDRESSES

If you have changed your email or know of anyone not receiving information, could you assist by sending an email to [svsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:svsecretary@gmail.com) and put in the subject heading:

Newsletter list. This will allow us to keep you updated regularly on all that is happening in ski racing.

## SRA - NATIONALS 2010 - Lake Jindabyne

Please be advised that due to Jindabyne Council requirements, for us to host the 2010 Nationals, the dates have had to be revised.

The NEW dates for the 2010 Ski Racing Australian Speed & Marathon Championships are:

Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> January:	Scrutineering (p.m.) Briefing (6.00 p.m.)
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> January:	Racing
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> January:	Racing
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> January:	Racing
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> January:	Racing & Presentation
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> January:	Reserve day for any held over races

## UPCOMING EVENTS

SRA Nationals

11<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> January 2010  
Lake Jindabyne

Southern 80

12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> February 2010

Entries close 31<sup>st</sup> December 2009

Robinvale

6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> March 2010

Note earlier close of entries Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2010

27<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> March 2010

Point Score 6

Venue: Lake Bullen Merri

Good Luck to all going to the Nationals, I am sure there will be some Titles coming to Victoria.

Wishing everyone a Merry Xmas and a safe and Happy New Year.  
Hope Santa is good to everyone.

