

# McKERN RACING ATTACKS THE HKS MINI JAMBOREE 2006 WITH A TRAIL OF SMOKE...

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As promised, the first annual HKS Mini Jamboree provided awesome entertainment on and off the track as well as serving as the penultimate round of the 2005-2006 ANDRA Sports Compact Series.

Dyson Rotary, in association with McKern Racing, provided a good turn out of cars, with 7 of the Dyson Fleet making appearances. McKern Racing's flagship: Grump2 was in action again for the first time since the New Zealand Nationals in late January undergoing a minor change by upgrading the wastegate springs to a slightly higher pressure. Wayne Dyson's RX3 looked strong again in the Oz Mod class, as did the RX3 of Bryce Miller. Scotty Whieldon hit the track again with his Sports Mod RX3 and Todd Smith's 12A record holding RX2 coupe also made the trip out. Todd's wife Holly in her R100 had a skid and Craig Dyson made a welcome return to the track in his fully rebuilt Series 5 RX7 Pro RWD car.



The morning began with the treaded tyred classes such as Sports RWD and ET brackets hitting the track. Off the track, McKern Racing's former promotional face was winning the sought after Mini Jamboree wet T shirt competition. Brooke, who once crewed for Grump2 and was the Penthouse pet of the year for 2004, claimed another title at the off track events adding to her impressive resume.

Qualifying for the Oz Mod, All Motor, Sports Mod and Pro RWD brackets came after 2pm with much anticipation and enthusiasm from the 6,000 strong crowd. First up was Pro and the long awaited return of Craig Dyson's RX7. Although still only in its test phases, Craig put on burnout show for the crowd however a deflating tyre put a postponement his first pass for the day. He later returned and posted a very soft 9 second pass using only the lower gears which gave the team some valuable launch data about the car. A later run with a pipe blowing off posted a 9.1 at a lazy 113 mph. Craig was very happy with



the car's first outing, gaining valuable tuning and setup data prior to pushing the series 5 to the envelope.



Next up was the Oz Mod class and the heavy hitters came out swinging. Tim Kreis's Sunshine Coast 4x4 Centre/Mazfix sponsored 'Bushpig' ran a new PB posting an [8.75@153](#) mph to set the standard. Bryce Miller's 13BEE RX3 had a very easy first run before

posting a new PB at an [8.82@151](#) mph in the first round after red lighting and electing not to use his NOS system. Wayne Dyson and McKern Racing's Grump2 lined up for the first round of qualifying. Grump2 really set the crowd alight with a monstrous 200m burnout bouncing on the 10,000RPM rev limiter for around 9 seconds in top gear. A later analysis of the data showed that the rear wheel was traveling at about 183mph during the burnout! The launch led to some



obvious traction issues due to 50psi and a broken left shock absorber ending the day early. Wayne however went on to top qualify with an [8.60@157](#) mph and progressed through to the final where unfortunately, he had his patented 'nanna nap' on the line, launching with low revs to run an [8.87@159](#) mph and lost the final to Chris Adam's Datsun ute's engine blowing 9.99.

an [8.97@151](#) mph on a 9.00 dial in.

Todd Smith's RX2 Coupe driven as always by Craig Dyson, broke out in the first round of competition with

Holly Smith's All motor R100 recently had an engine freshen as she ran in the all motor class. Holly's previous best in the car was a [12.85@103](#) mph, however she broke her own record twice at the Mini Jam with a [12.66@108](#) mph off a .406 light and then a [12.42@108](#) mph red lighting and wheels standing in the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of competition. But a happy and proud Holly left with all smiles and a legion of fans following her achievements.



Scotty Whieldon's RX3 unfortunately was unable to participate in the Sports Mod class due to a component failure during warm up. However the NUT003 will be back for competition at the Tin Top titles in April.

The final round for the ANDRA Sports Compact series will be held at the Compak Attak on the 21<sup>st</sup> of May at Western Sydney International Dragway. Grump2 and Wayne's RX3 will be there along with a possible showing from the Dyson RX7, so come along and show your support McKern Racing in Sydney.

