

BRISBANE DIRT RACING:

Queensland Outlaw Titles

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Chris Haertel (Nitro) and Wayne Gibbons (Electric) took the honours at the Queensland Outlaw Titles held at Brisbane Dirt Racing's Pine Hills track. In the accom-

panying Time Trail Rally, Jeff Chandler proved to be "Mr. Consistency" to take home the winners trophy.

The raceway was presented in excellent condition for the two day meet and everyone had a blast.

Proof of the track's good condition was to be seen in the number of times the track record was broken during the two days whilst most drivers delivered PBs at this event.

This was made possible by a great bunch of guys racing for fun and the fair sportsmanship of R/C.

The sheer goodwill and friendliness made this event such a delight. I witnessed guys helping others get their batteries charged due to charger failure and many other instances of



TIME TRIAL RALLY RESULTS

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| 1. Jeff Chandler | 8. Reilly Cartlidge | 15. Michael Hartley |
| 2. Joshua Saul | 9. Tony Laws | 16. Sam Collins |
| 3. Chris Haertel | 10. Tim Humphreys | 17. Bodie Gibbons |
| 4. Brad Young | 11. Zac Ryan | 18. Chris Carter |
| 5. Scott Craig | 12. Steve Dredge | 19. Chris Kizmann |
| 6. Cameron Smith | 13. Wayne Gibbons | 20. Mark Midanowicz |
| 7. Graham Pearce | 14. Rob Mulder | |



good natured competitive assistance.

Best effort awards go to our junior drivers Zac Ryan, Reilly Cartlidge, Cameron Smith, Chris Carter, Bodie Gibbons and Joshua Saul.

Each day drivers had a solo run in the Time Trial Rally Lap which had two purposes. Fastest time trial results were for the overall points and secondly, the driver's two recorded times were compared to give a consistency result. Best consistency received a \$30 cash prize.

In order to promote the development of newer drivers,

Day 2 race and grid positions were distributed as follows.

Qualifying order from Day 1 was A, B, C, D, E, F, (letters representing drivers). Day 2 grid position: Race 1: A, C, E, etc. Race 2: B, D, F etc.





Nitro top three (opposite, left to right). 1st Chris Haertel, 2nd Brad Young and 3rd Graham Pearce

SPECS

HAERTEL – Losi XXX/NT, OS CV12 w/10E slide carb. Tires: Losi Red Ribs (f), Pro-Line M3 Holeshots (r). **YOUNG** – Associated Factory Team GT, OS CV12 w/10E slide carb. Tires: Pro-Line M2 Edge (f), Pro-Line M3 Bowtie (r). **PEARCE** – Losi XXX/NT, Leo 12 with 10E slide carb. Tires: Losi Red Ribs (f), Pro-Line M3 Bowtie (r).



Electric top three (opposite, left to right). 2nd Sam Collins, 1st Wayne Gibbons, 3rd Scott Craig.

SPECS

GIBBONS – Losi XXX, Orion Chrome Stock, LRP Quantum Competition ESC, Crystalline Matrix Cells. **COLLINS** – AssocB3, Orion Core Stock.

QUEENSLAND OUTLAW TITLES RESULTS:

NITRO TRUCKS: 1st Chris Haertel, 2nd Brad Young, 3rd Graham Pearce, 4th Steve Dredge, 5th Rob Mulder, 6th Zac Ryan, 7th Mark Midanowicz, 8th Chris Kizmann;
ELECTRIC BUGGIES: 1st Wayne Gibbons, 2nd Sam Collins, 3rd Scott Craig, 4th Tony Laws, 5th Jeff Chandler, 6th Michael Hartley, 7th Bodie Gibbons, 8th Chris Carter, 9th Reilly Cartlidge.



Therefore, the 15th qualifier found himself in the same race as the 1st qualifier.

The unique format allowed new drivers to rub shoulders with experienced racers right up to the last race of the event.

The only way this could have been run as successfully as it was depended on two critical areas:

1. That the newer drivers rise to the occasion and drive better than their best. This included the younger drivers



Cameron Smith with his burnt out charger.

acting with maturity beyond their years.

2. That the more experienced/serious drivers maintain composure and accept the fact that all the drivers present are quality people, are doing their best and must be treated with respect.

In the end, everyone played their part well and this resulted in great racing and personally satisfying results for the drivers.

Special thanks to Ken Scalley for providing the best race management software, ALyCAT.

We hope you can join us soon at Brisbane Dirt Racing where RC racing is friendly and fun!

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