

Brisbane Dirt Racers



Chris Haertel (above) took out the Nitro Truck Championship. For most of the year Chris drove a Losi XXX-NT but it seen here with the new Mugen MST-1 he reviews this issue. Chris' tip for aspiring racers: "Don't drive too fast!" Mark Midanowicz (Losi XXX-NT, top right), was second to Chris, a great reward for a solid competitor and a good sport. The very competitive Brad Young (lower right, Losi XXX-NT) takes his racing seriously. So don't mess with him!



Anthony Atack (far left) is the coolest and calmest racer I know. He says his secret to success is "lots of blue bits". Not sure if this includes clothes or just car parts! Whatever, Anthony proved too good for the rest in Stock Electric Buggies to take the Championship win with his Losi XXX.

Runner up was Wayne Gibbons (left, top) is another Losi XXX man. He says his winning secret is "Paranoia" but I know his real secret is "Crystalline Matrix Batteries".

Third was Team Associated B3 driver Sam Collins. Same would not reveal any trade secrets which is typical of a TA driver.



Graham Pearce (above) placed 4th in Nitro Trucks with his Losi XXX-NT. Calm and collected is our Graham



Jeff Chandler (above) drives a Team Associated B3 in the Electric Buggy section of the Championship. He placed fifth overall in 2002. "Car maintenance? What is that, anyway?"



Fifth in Nitro Trucks was Zac Ryan (above) with an Associated GT. Zac is a very dedicated junior who travels 2 hours from Gympie (and 2 hours back) to race at BDR every fortnight. He reckons the key to success is "practice".



Sixth in Electric Buggy went to Michael Hartley with his Losi XXX. Michael swears by "new motor brushes" as the cure-all.



Haydn Cutfield was seventh in Electric with his Traxxas Rustler Truck. His success is based on "The Black Hole Theory" which he did explain how it applied to winning races but he lost me in the hole.

I reckon his extra speed is due to balloons over his suspension springs (see below).



Bodie Gibbons piloted his Losi XXX buggy into fourth position in the Electric Buggy Championship. One of many juniors in Brisbane Dirt Racers, Bodie reckons "blue bits are the go", which I think does include his shirt!

