



## Lake Omeo

Lake Omeo is not happening this year due to water across the last 500 metres of the lake but the DLRA are still keen to run an event as soon as it dries up

## New Venue for DLRA General Meetings

A big thank you must go to Northern Suburbs Street Rods, these guys have rolled out the red carpet for the DLRA, allowing us to conduct our general meetings in their club rooms without a charge. Please support the NSSR at their Lake Mulwala rod run – they run a great event.

## Speedweek 2015

Entries are now open for DLRA Speedweek 2015. This will be the twenty fifth anniversary of land speed racing in Australia. It all happens at Lake Gairdner in South Australia, one of the biggest and fastest salt lakes on the planet. 23rd to 27th of March are the dates to remember and it is promising to be our biggest yet. Thanks to Rob Carrol and Greg Telford, this year we will have a much improved track lay out with 2 tracks. Both will have state of the art timing equipment and so both will be able to be used for official record breaking runs.

Spectators are welcome so if salt lake racing is something on your bucket list, or you and your mates just need to have a big adventure, this event will be the one not to miss! Our race team, Big Knob racing usually drives to Port Augusta where we stay overnight. We get our last supplies next morning and head to Iron Knob. At Iron Knob we take a right turn and drive 131 kms on dirt, corrugated road, across creek crossings while trying to avoid kangaroos, emus, sheep and feral goats. The guys at Mount Ive station give us access to the lake via their property they also run the canteen and camping area. The canteen usually provides good meals but I always bring extra food and lots of water. Remember



Norm Bradshaw is the current DLRA president. At the last meeting, Norm's taxi went into a spin at 205mph. Since then, Norm and his team have been removing salt from every part of the car including the inside of the turbo, where the salt was baked solid and had to be machined out! Norm says "the car is ready to go" and is looking forward to the big event.



Rod Hadfield's car The Bronze Aussie is getting a nose job. The fibreglass front of the car was creating too much down force and is now being modified to avoid ploughing the salt. The exhaust is being relocated after causing a fire at the last meeting and Rod is still determined to beat John Lynch's 301mph pass. Rod Hadfield is DLRA member #3 and has never missed racing in a DLRA event yet.



The Streamliner and Lakester along with owners Andy Jenkins and Mike Davidson (DLRA members #1 and #2) will be special guests at Speedweek.

this is the Australian outback and it is easy to get caught out. It is bloody hot out there; you will need to bring good quality sunglasses, a hat and sunscreen.

If you want to race you can book on line at [www.trybooking.com](http://www.trybooking.com) or email secretary@dlra.org.au

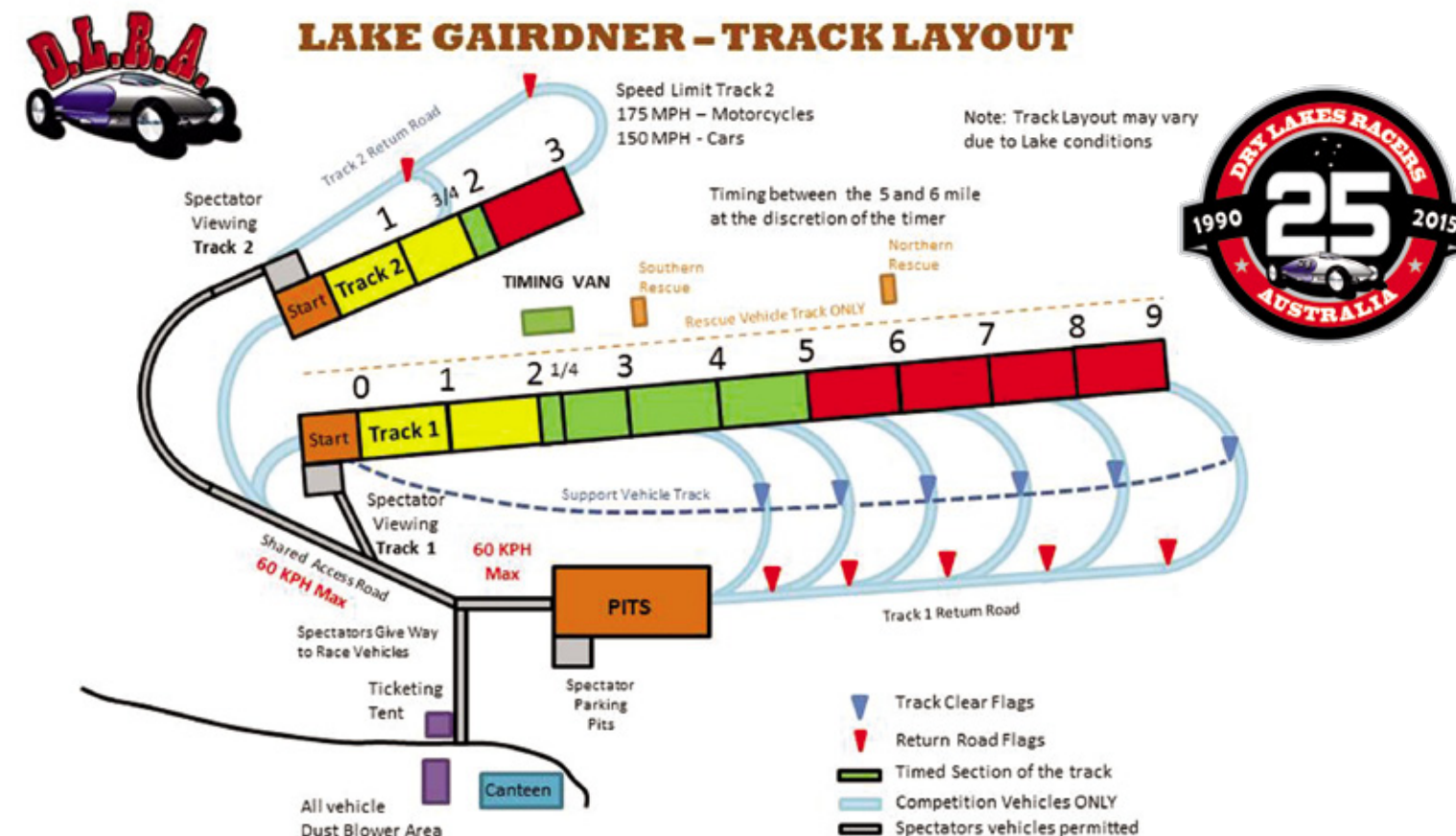
Special invitations have been sent to the first original twenty five members/racers in Australian salt lake racing. They have been invited to join our celebrations, with or without

their cars, at our 25th anniversary meeting. We have had enquiries from England, New Zealand and the USA so this meeting is shaping up to be a truly international event.

With the organisation of our 25th Anniversary meeting safely in the hands of the DLRA committee the rest of us can start getting the race cars ready to go fast .....

See you at the lake,

**Norm Hardinge**



Big Knob Racing's roadster is at Engine Action in Echuca, Victoria, where engine builder and fellow racer Matt Lagoon is giving the big block Ford a freshen up. I am proud to say the tough little roadster holds two Australian land speed records over 200mph. We intend to make that four records over 200mph at Speedweek 25.



Daryl Charmers is hoping for big speeds at Speedweek 25. Daryl has added more weight to the car and more compression to the Ford Windsor. His aim is to go faster than the current class record that stands at Bonneville. The Falcon needs to beat 225mph. Good luck mate.

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