Mazda MX-5 Club of NSW Inc. Marulan Driver Training Centre

Driver Training Day Sunday, 12th February 2017

This event is intended for drivers who want to improve their car control skills for day-to-day driving, or to progress to driving at club track days at Wakefield Park or Sydney Motor Sport Park.

Please note this is not formal driving tuition; it is assumed that all participants are able to operate their vehicle competently and safely.

The Marulan Driver Training Centre (MDTC) has a relatively tight track used primarily for driver training events. The track is well suited to MX-5s, and speeds at MDTC are similar to those on public roads, with 100 km/h being the top speed that most MX-5 drivers would achieve at the track.

No timing will be performed at this event, as it is a training day, and not for competition against other drivers.

Event Registration

Registration for event participation is via a google form hosted on the MX-5 Club of NSW website. Please complete all fields

Prior Track Experience

In order for you to get the most out of the day, we need an honest determination of your experience in a track environment (not necessarily in a competition environment) so that we can group you with others with similar experience levels.

The below may serve as a **rough guide** of your previous experience:

- First-Timer is someone who has not previously driven any track day before
 Advisers are allocated to this group for the first 3 runs and made available for the remainder of the day as required
- Beginner is someone who has had up to 3 track experiences
- Intermediate is someone who has had up to 5 track experiences
- Advanced is someone who has had more than 5 track experiences
- Expert is someone who has extensive track or competition experience
- Club Appointed Adviser are club members with competition experience who are assisting on the day

Assistance/Advisers

A number of club members with competition experience have volunteered their time to provide in-car advice for all groups. Drivers are not required to have an adviser in their car when on-track, but are strongly encouraged to make good use of them. All levels of experience can request the support of an adviser, please note, first timers and juniors are automatically assigned advisers and have priority.

Junior Participants

This event is open to Junior Drivers from the age of 15 to 17. However, confirmation of entry to the day is conditional on receiving a minimum of 4 junior entrants in order to create a separate Junior Group (as no drivers over 17 years of age can be included in this group)

Junior drivers must not go out in any other session except the Junior Group and must have an adviser in the vehicle at all times.

Juniors are unable to passenger any vehicle on the track

Passengers

A person other than an adviser may be taken as a passenger, as long as the following conditions are met

- 1. If the vehicle is a soft top, roll over protection is installed (not a style bar); and
- 2. The passenger must:
 - a. Be over the age of 17
 - b. Have completed a MDTC indemnity form; and
 - c. Hold a valid MDTC licence.

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Licensing Requirements

For those who don't already have a competition licence, you have 3 licensing options (links current as at Dec 16):

• MDTC licence for \$40 which can be purchased on the day at the track. This licence is valid for 12 months from the date of issue and covers events at the MDTC venue.

Or, you can apply for the following at least 4 weeks prior to the event (to allow for processing and delivery of the licence):

• AASA Club Race Licence Application for \$75. This licence is also valid for 12 months, and in additional to MDTC events, is also valid for MX-5 Club track days at Wakefield Park.

You can apply online at

https://aasa.com.au/licences/club-racing-licence-application/

Or download the PDF to complete at

http://aasa.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/CLUB-LICENCE-APPLICATION-2015-2016.pdf

• CAMS L2S licence for \$125. This licence is valid for 12 months and covers MDTC events and also MX-5 Club track days at both Wakefield Park and Sydney Motor Sport Park.

https://www.cams.com.au/get-involved/competitors/licence-forms

Or download the PDF to complete at:

http://docs.cams.com.au/CAMS%20Forms/Competitors/2016%20CAMS%20Level%202%20Licence%20Application%20Renewal.pdf

For Juniors Only - CAMS L2SJ licence for \$30. This licence is valid for 12 months and covers MDTC events and also MX-5 Club track days at both Wakefield Park and Sydney Motor Sport Park

https://www.cams.com.au/get-involved/competitors/licence-forms

Or download the PDF to complete at:

http://docs.cams.com.au/CAMS%20Forms/Competitors/2016%20Ricciardo's%20Racers%20Licence%20Form.pdf

Driver Clothing & Personal Protective Equipment Requirements

Helmets are mandatory.

Helmets can be hired on the day from MDTC for \$20, plus a \$50 CASH-ONLY deposit (returned on return of helmet).

Non-flammable (cotton) clothing must extend to cover from neck to wrists and ankles

Shoes must be fully enclosed with leather uppers and flat soles (no high heels, sandals or thongs).

Car Requirements

You should ensure your car is in good condition, particularly the brakes and tyres. If running your car on road tyres, please check your tyre pressures, for first timers in particular, ensure that your tyres are inflated to road pressures.

If you are nearing your service interval, look to have this undertaken prior to the day to ensure your car is in the best condition.

Please remove all loose items out of your car on arrival, boot, interior, glove box, even the floor mats. You can deposit them in the cafe; however, MDTC are not responsible for their care.

Event Format

Upon entry to MDTC all participants are to attend a compulsory driver briefing BEFORE commencing any on-track activities

Drivers will be assigned to groups, **based on their track experience**, with up to 10 drivers per group. Each group will be allowed on to the track in turn, with the time on-track for each group controlled by the MDTC marshall.

Event Timetable

7:30-8:00am Gates at the MDTC and registration will open at the MDTC administration office.

The MDTC Café will be open shortly after to serve breakfast.

PLEASE ARRIVE BY 8 - 8:30

8:30-8:45am Compulsory track walk and briefing.

The track walk explains correct lines and other important information for participants.

• 9:00-9:15am On-track activities start

4:00pm On-track activities finish

Registration on the day commences at 8.00am. You are required to show your valid competition licence (CAMS, AASA or MDTC) or alternately purchase a licence as detailed above.

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All drivers must register for the event and complete a MDTC indemnity form and (if not already holding a competition licence) purchase a MDTC licence.

Lunch

No lunch break is planned, and on track activities will continue throughout the day to maximise the available on-track time. Bring your lunch, or get it from the Café which will be open all day.

Directions

For directions to the MDTC go to www.mdtc.com.au

Accommodation

Given the early start, there are options to stay in Marulan (10 minutes from the track) or Goulburn (30 minutes from the track)

Contact will be made prior to the event to organise a dinner for those staying locally for the event, it's a great opportunity to socialise with like-minded people in a relaxed setting and a great opportunity to meet new friends. Plus, it's fun!

Cost of Entry

Numbers are limited in order to ensure that all get the most from the experience and maximise track time.

Members: First Timers/Juniors: \$100 All other levels \$125 Club Appointed Advisors \$Nil Non Members: First Timers/Juniors: \$125 All other levels \$150 Club Appointed Advisors N/A

Payment

Payment is via direct deposit using the details below:

BSB: 062-401 Account Number: 10080286

Account Name: Mazda MX-5 Club of New South Wales

Reference: Use registered member number & MDTC (i.e. 9999 MDTC)

For Non members use Surname & MDTC (i.e. Jones MDTC)

Cancellation

The MX-5 Club of NSW has reserved the track on the behalf of its members and their guests. This event is carefully priced to only cover the costs of the event.

For cancellations made outside of 5 working days of the event: a \$20 admin fee will be deducted from your refund. For cancellations made within 5 working days of the event: no refund will be provided.

Should you need to cancel your booking, please let the organisers know as soon as possible.

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