

SUZUKI GRID KIDS DUATHLON



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GASKIN DRIVES REGISTRATIONS FOR SUZUKI GRID KIDS DUATHLON IN PUKEKOHE

Suzuki Swift Sport Cup Driver Jamie Gaskin is driving registrations for the Pukekohe round of the Suzuki Grid Kids Duathlon series at Pukekohe Park Raceway on 6 November 2011.

Gaskin, competing in his second season of the championship, is spreading the Grid Kid message to primary schools throughout the Auckland region and visiting selected schools in his Sport Cup race car.

“Suzuki Grid Kids lets youngsters get onto the track and race around - running and biking - it is a great way for them to be involved in the excitement of motor racing,” says Gaskin.

“So many [kids] don’t realise the level of fitness a driver needs, so this is a great way to get them excited about being active.”

By entering the duathlon, kids receive free tickets for them and two adults to the motor racing at Pukekohe Park Raceway for the weekend as well as the chance to be a ‘grid kid’ for the Suzuki Sport Cup.

The Duathlon distances are all achievable and suitable for the different age groups with 6-9 year-olds completing a 0.5km run and 2.8km bike and 10-13 year-olds completing a 1.0km run and 5.6km bike.

Director of Grid Kids and two-time New Zealand Elite Triathlon Champion Shanelle Barrett reminds all to get entries in quickly due to the popularity of the event.

“First weekend after school holidays makes the Pukekohe event a perfect time – get your bike out this holiday and have some fun!”

For a \$25 individual, \$45 team entry fee (two people per team, one person runs and one person rides) or \$60 family entry fee (for three family members), participants will receive a race t-shirt, finisher’s medal and free entry to the BNTV8s for themselves and two adults, autographs from New Zealand’s top drivers and go into the draw to win some fantastic spot prizes.

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Notes:

2011/2012 Suzuki Grid Kids Schedule:

Pukekohe Park Raceway – 6 November 2011

Teretonga Park, Invercargill – 15 January 2012

Timaru International Motor Raceway – 22 January 2012

Manfeild Circuit, Feilding – 12 February 2012

Taupo Motorsport Park – 11 March 2012

For further information or to register visit www.gridkids.co.nz

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Involved primary schools will have the opportunity for Suzuki driver Jamie Gaskin to visit their pupils prior to the Suzuki Grid Kids Duathlon (school holiday dependent). To arrange a photo opportunity with your local primary school please contact either your local school directly or Jacqui on the details below.

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