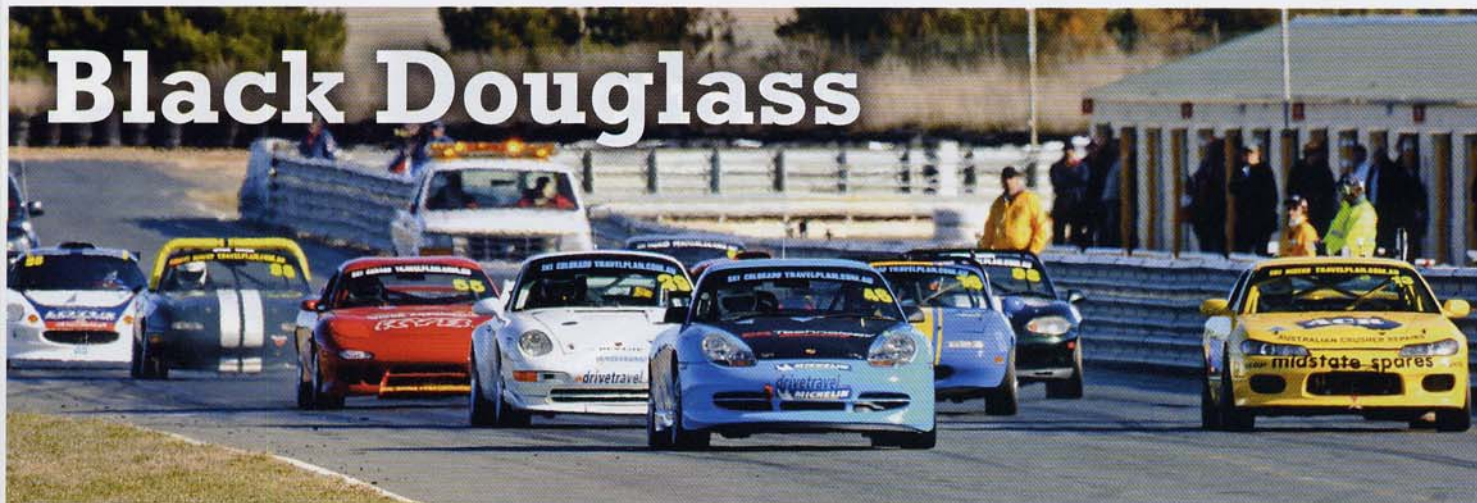


Production Sports



Black Douglass

AS Brad Douglass continues to close on the 2006 Travelplan Production Sports Car State Championship crown, Anthony Skinner took a clean sweep of race wins in Round 5 at Wakefield Park.

With a number of competitors taking part in the one-hour GT race at Phillip Island on the same weekend, numbers were down, but it didn't dampen the quality of the racing, with great battles for Class B and C honours.

After Bob Pearson (Pro-Duct Mazda RX7) encountered problems with his new engine on Friday, Skinner (Travelplan

Porsche GT3) was the sole representative in Class A. He dominated accordingly, taking pole position, three wins and three fastest race laps.

Second place on each occasion went to Mark Stinson (Mid State Spares Nissan Silvia). Stinson also took home the Class B honours, heading the class by a comfortable margin on each occasion.

The battle for second in Class B was fought out across the weekend between Chris Stannard (Porsche RSCS) and Sam Silvestro (SS by Sportique Mazda RX7). Silvestro narrowly won the battle and was third outright in Race 1, but a spin early in Race 2 handed the position to Stannard.

Silvestro bounced back to again edge out Stannard, after another close dice in the Trophy Race. Not having such a good weekend in Class B was reigning series Champion Brian Anderson (Anderson Motorsport Mazda MX5), as a range of mechanical gremlins prevented him from finishing a race.

Class C in Races 1 and 2 went to Brad Douglass (East Coast Suspensions Mazda MX5). In the opening race, class honours and fifth outright was decided on the line, as Douglass edged out Timothy Poulton (xracecam.com Lotus Exige) and Nick Martinenko (MX5 Mania Mazda MX5), with 0.2s splitting the tight trio.

The margin was a little more comfortable in Race 2 for Douglass, taking fourth outright

ahead of Martinenko and Poulton. Martinenko turned the tables in the final race, leading Douglass home by just over a second to take the class win aboard the developing MX5 Turbo.

Peter Hobson (Hobson Engineering Lotus Elise) was third in class, ahead of Glenn Townsend (Urban Arrangements Lotus Elise) and Matilda Mravicic

(MX5 Mania Mazda MX5). With Gerry Murphy (Team IUS Racing Mazda RX7) sidelined due to a bent differential, Douglass extends his outright Championship lead ahead of the final round at Eastern Creek.

Continuing to progress in their second race meeting, Brad Gower (Icon Motorsport Mazda RX7) picked up the Class D honours.

Production Sports R5, Wakefield Park

CLASS A	Q	R1	R2	R3
1. Anthony Skinner	1	1	1	1

CLASS B	Q	R1	R2	R3
1. Mark Stinson	1	1	1	1
2. Sam Silvestro	3	2	3	2
3. Chris Stannard	2	3	2	3
4. Brian Anderson	4	DNF	DNF	DNF

CLASS C	Q	R1	R2	R3
1. Brad Douglass	1	1	1	2
2. Nick Martinenko	2	3	2	1
3. Peter Hobson	5	5	4	3
4. Glenn Townsend	6	6	5	4
5. Timothy Poulton	3	2	3	DNF
6. Matilda Mravicic	4	4	DNF	5

CLASS D	Q	R1	R2	R3
1. Brad Gower	1	1	1	1

Points: Douglass 190, Levis 142, Silvestro 139, Hobson 134, Stinson 121, Skinner 116, Mravicic 103, Martinenko 100, Pretty 96, Stannard 96, Tressider 94, Pearson 92, Bolinowsky 83, Tonna 71, Gower 54, La Rosa 52, Jansen 44, Drury 44, Bargwanna 42, Pye 40, Taylor 40, Anderson 38, Nittis 35, Patterson 30, Gautier 30, Wall 29, Lintott 19, Ballard 18, Coradine 16.

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