

## Media Release

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### Simon Lawson takes out the 2013 New Zealand Junior Driver Championship

The McMillan Equine Feeds 2013 NZ Junior Driver Championship was a close game leading into the last heat with just three points spacing the top three drivers.

Simon Lawson came out on top after starting the night off with a win in the first heat, and then gaining a third placing in the last heat he picked up a grand total of 32 points. Mitchell Kerr ran a close second after picking up a second and two fourths in the three heats coming away with 30 points. Into third came Roydon Downey, after missing a drive in the first heat he picked up a fourth and a second in the last two heats giving him 28 points. The top three drivers are all in their last season as junior drivers and will next year move into the open ranks.

The North Island team, captained by Zac Butcher, took out the Inter-island Award convincingly in the end with 140 points, with the South Island team picking up 123 points.

#### Final Results:

			Heat 1		Heat 2				Heat 3		Total
			Placing	Points	Placing	Points	Sub Total	Placing	Points		
1	Simon Lawson	NI	1	17	8	5	22	3	10	32	
2	Mitchell Kerr	SI	4	9	2	12	21	4	9	30	
3	Roydon Downey	NI	scr	7	4	9	16	2	12	28	
4	Brad Williamson	SI	7	6	1	17	23	9	4	27	
5	Andre Poutama	NI	scr	7	12	1	8	1	17	25	
6	Zac Butcher	NI	2	12	6	7	19	8	5	24	
7	Rory McIwrick	SI	8	5	3	10	15	6	7	22	
8	Sam Ottley	SI	5	8	9	4	12	5	8	20	
9	Josh Dickie	NI	9	4	5	8	12	7	6	18	
10	Andrew Veint	NI	6	7	10	3	10	10	3	13	
11	Matty Williamson	SI	3	10	11	2	12	12	1	13	
12	Jack Trainor	SI	10	3	7	6	9	11	2	11	
			Heat 1	Heat 2	Sub Total		Heat 3		Total		
North Island			54	33	87		53		140		
South Island			41	51	92		31		123		

Points awarded for each of the NZ Junior Driver Championship races shall be:

1st - 17, 2nd - 12, 3rd - 10...12th - 1

In the event of a tie for any place following the two races of the NZ Junior Championship, final placings shall be determined by applying the following count back procedure:

(a) On the basis of number of wins in the Championship races.

(b) On the basis of the number of seconds in the Championship races.

No drive: 7 points

(c) On the basis of the number of thirds in the Championship races.

(d) On the Basis of the number of Junior Driver races won during the season.

(e) On the basis of the total number of races won for the season.

(f) On the basis of total lifetime wins

The NZ Junior Driver Championship will also determine the island that wins the challenge trophy.

To determine the winning island points from each competitor will be added to their respective island's total. The Island with the most points over the Championship will be awarded the challenge trophy.

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