

Trofeo - The next generation

Gabby Dijkmans

(Dad Ron Dijkmans - Car #39)

A view from the top, A teenage perspective...

Well, what can I say, the support crew is back!

Back to yelling on the stands with Mum busy yelling and forgetting she's supposed to be filming. Seeing Dad out there was awesome! 'Orange boy' ran smoothly and had good clean races; I don't know whether that was because of his great (yet rusty) driving skills or whether it was the fact that no one was around him. While this is going on I am still trying to get my hands on the other Alfasud (Blue boy Jr) for my licence but no luck yet.

Anyway, despite the windburn, early starts and cold wind it was an awesome weekend.

Go Tina Girl power!



Jess Dijkmans

(Dad Ron Dijkmans - Car #39)

The Taupo Race meeting...

We woke up very early Saturday morning to get to the track bright and early. In Dad's first race his car stood out brightly amongst the other cars. The new track was really different. Lots of people didn't like it but dad loved it. The weather was very different but it didn't stop us from yelling and screaming. Unfortunately Dad didn't win a race thanks to Eddie Beresford and Ben Thompson. But those boys better watch for my dad when he's got his full confidence back. Some people had a few boo boo's but they soon recovered. I was glad to see Dad back on the track although he's orange not blue. BOO HOO HOO!!!!!!

Logan Elliott

(Dad: Keith Elliott - Car #94)

Hello, my name is Logan Elliott, I am 12 years old, my Dad is Keith Elliott, driver of the black Sud #94. I tried sailing but thought it was boring and a waste of time so my Dad suggested that I learnt to be a race car driver. Dad found a cheap car, the black Sud, for us to share. Before that I had already started to learn to drive in our Fiat van. I like to going to the Taupo track and watching my Dad race. I help my Dad by making sure he has all his gear ready for the track. Next time we go I would like to learn to be a flag marshall and help in the pits. I am looking forward to going to the Whittakers meeting and in 1 or 2 seasons I might be on the track so you better watch out!



Ciara Thompson

(Uncle Mark Rantin - Car #36)

We went to Taupo to watch the motor-racing at the new track. The new track is bigger and better than the old one but it is very, very windy and cold. They need a shelter area. We watched the Alfa Romeo Trofeo Series and I can't believe how fast they all are since I saw them last. Keep the good work up.



Nikita Thompson

(Uncle Mark Rantin - Car #36)

Racing in Taupo..

.In Taupo we had to watch the Alfa Romeo club race - we like it. After that we head back to the motel and had tea. We watched Mark Rantin, Ben, Eddie, Keith Elliott, Ollie, Ron, Mike, Willy, and Tina.

We cheered for everyone!



The Next Generation: Rearing to Go! Move over Guys!

Nikita Thompson (Top)
Jasmine Beresford (Bottom)
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**As Logan Elliott says ... you better watch out.
The next generation have BIG Trofeo plans.
- Wendy Metcalfe**