



## How **FILTHY** can you get?

French Bros Racing and Western Desert Racers are redefining the parameters of recruiting new members into off road racing.

“We have found over the recent years, our female population at off road events has been increasing and we thought, it’s time to get them out of the timing van, kitchen, bar, and crowd and put them behind the wheel of a race car and see what they can do” said Ian French – WDR President.

Three weeks out of the WAORC Round 1, Tanya French took up the challenge and got out from behind her corporate desk and jumped into an entry level class seven 4 x 4.

Her first challenge as a marketeer and promoter was to chase a major sponsor with a catchy racy name. Tanya has secured Filthy Clothing out of New York, USA as a major sponsor in their effort to break into the Australian market. And so, **FILTHY RACING** was born!

Thanks to some late nights and the input from sponsors, Works Automotive, Kerr Engineering, Yokohama, Fuchs Oils, ARB and WA Cleanskin Cellars the donor 80 series Landcruiser was grabbed out of the Auto Trader, prepped and setup for it debut run at Yealering in the 40 degree plus heat.

“My OLT was Prologue and the recon was the first chance I had to actually practice or drive the car in race mode.....the result being 1<sup>st</sup> in class and 9<sup>th</sup> outright on a very hot, dusty and testing 350 kilometre track” said Tanya....” “Oh and just to mention, we raced with the air conditioning on most of the weekend!” ...hell why not!”

“This sport is amazing!, I never thought I could have so much fun in an adrenalin charged state....and in such a dusty environment, I now know why all you male off roaders are so obsessed with the sport”

A huge thanks goes out to the team at Works Automotive, Daniel, Benny and Dieter for looking after both Ian and myself and the car over the entire race.....and to make sure the air con worked!

Footnote: The 80 series survived intact (unlike some class seven drivers egos ;o). Usual formula, more money, more mods, more speed – Look out Hyden!

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