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TEAM UPDATE



READY TO DRIVE

Return to Running

It was amazing to see our electric vehicle, *Lisa*, come to life for the first time in March. Since then the team has ran four more successful trackdays, each vital in gauging the performance of the *Lisa*. March also saw the return of teaching for the 2022 academic year, which meant an influx of new members to GRT. These new members were quickly integrated into the team through combined workshop and social events, such as weekly maintenance sessions on our 2019 IC car. Outside the workshop, GRT has had many events and interactions with other teams, all while starting to ideate on next year's challenger.

FSAE-A 2022

8-11 December 2022

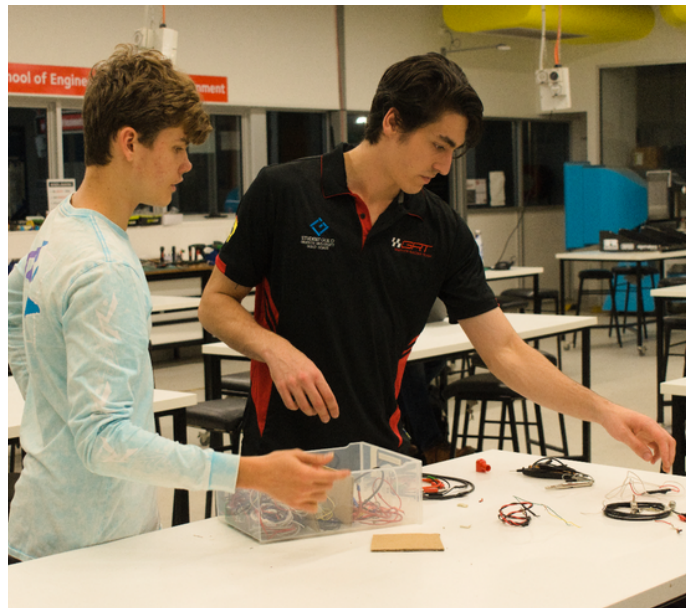
Competition approaches closer every day as the team prepares *Lisa* to compete. A host of upgrades are currently being applied across all subsystems. New electronics bring better reliability, additional to new bodywork with improved aerodynamic properties. These upgrades all succeed in ultimately creating a higher performing car at competition. The team has also started preparing for the static presentation events, such as cost and business. We are excited to compete again after two years of cancelled competitions, and are hoping for the best.

COMMUNITY



NEW MEMBERS

The start of a new year at Griffith always brings the team many new aspiring students. This year, the team was pleased to accept many interested students over a variety of disciplines and year levels. Our new members quickly got to work on their first projects as they learnt how GRT functions. The team has also had a selection of final year students undertaking their research thesis with us. These projects will all make a big impact on our 2023 challenger.



COMMUNITY

WORKSHOP TOURS



The team has been pleased to welcome various parties both inside and outside of the university to our workshop. This serves as a great networking opportunity, and allows us to show off our car to the wider community. In June, we were pleased to show Griffith's new Head of Engineering, Rosalind Archer, around our workshop.



We were also visited by UQ Alumni Simon Kessels. Simon currently works as an avionics engineer for Rocket Lab in Auckland, NZ. This was an excellent opportunity to meet with a graduate engineer to find out more about the workforce. The team looks forward to more upcoming visits from the community.



COMMUNITY

TEAM VISITS

In the past six months, GRT has had the opportunity to meet with fellow FSAE teams including Monash Motorsport, UQR, MUR, RMIT, and QUT. These meet ups are crucial for forming relationships with other teams and members, as we bond over our shared passion of FSAE.



FORMULA ONE

The Formula One Australian Grand Prix returned to Melbourne this year which presented a unique opportunity for the team. With support from SAE Australia, GRT was able to attend the Friday session. This allowed for networking with companies and served as a great motivator for members.

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ATL COMPOSITES



ATL Composites

After receiving our latest order, we are in the process of developing many new composite parts. These include our nosecone, seat, sidepods, rear panels, and steering wheel. ATL make all of this possible with their range of fibres, resins, hardeners, and more.

The team would like to extend a massive thank you to our partner, ATL Composites. ATL have been with us for several years, providing the necessary composite materials for our car.



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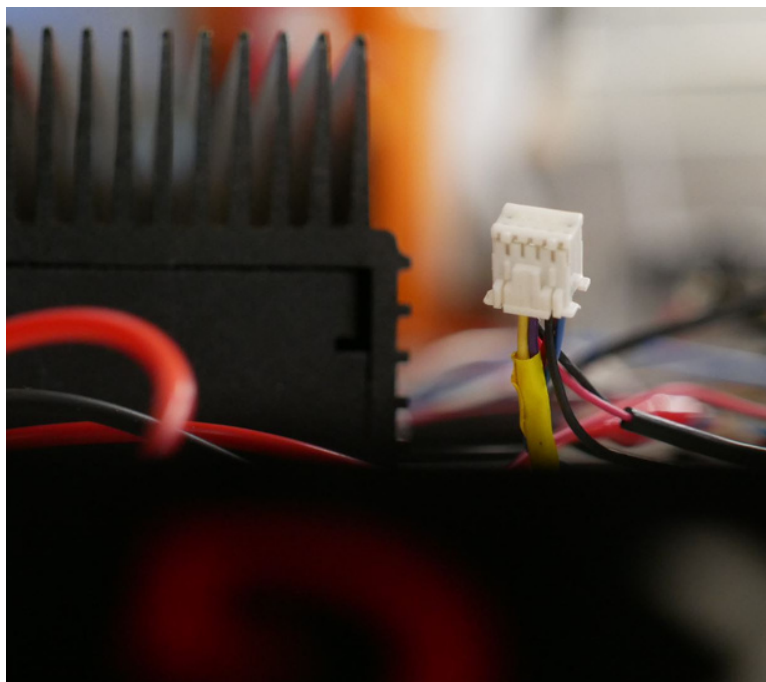
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BWA PROMOTIONS



The team would like to thank our long time sponsor, BWA Promotions, for continually providing us with our team apparel. Our range of embroidered polo shirts, t-shirts, and other merchandise help us present our team and partners in a cohesive and professional manner.



RAPID CABLES



Thank you to Rapid Cables for helping out the team with our electrical connections. Rapid Cables support us with automotive wire, connectors, and cable protection which make up the foundation of our electrical system.

IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT



SOUTHPORT AIRPORT



A massive thank you goes out to Steve and the Southport Flying Club for allowing the team to test at Southport Airport. This venue has been critical for Lisa's testing and driver training. We have attended 5 trackdays so far, and hope to keep up the consistent testing schedule.

IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT



BRONTE'S BACK!

After several weeks of check-ups and work, our 2019 challenger, *Bronte*, was able to make a return after more than a year. From this, the team was able to host our first ever combined trackday with both electric and internal-combustion cars.



LOOKING FORWARD



COUNTDOWN TO COMP

With more than half of 2022 behind us, the team looks ahead to competition and beyond. The last few months have been crucial in developing our member's skills, knowledge, and teamwork. A revamped Lisa is taking shape as we continue track testing and take on the process of designing next year's challenger. We look forward to bringing future updates on the team and our cars!



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