HOT DOGS AND HOT LAPS

It’s been a day of hot dogs and hot laps at the Hidden Valley as Chief Minister Clare Martin hosted young rev heads and took a ride around the circuit.

Chief Minister Clare Martin said the annual V8 Championship Series has become a true Territory tradition.

“It doesn’t get much better than this – fast cars, great drivers and crowd that loves every minute of it,” Ms Martin said.

“I think we have another 130 converts after school children from around the Top End were invited to meet some of the drivers over lunch.

“I don’t know what they liked better – the hot cars or the hot dogs.

“I was lucky enough to get a hot lap with Team Betta Electrical’s Jamie Whincup – it’s a weird cross between exhilaration and terror.

“This year’s event, will be the ninth time that the V8 Championship Series has been held on Darwin’s spectacular Hidden Valley circuit, is scheduled for 30 June to 2 July.

“Since their last visit the NT Government committed nearly $1 million to build an additional nine permanent garages along with toilets and showers.

“I’m delighted that as the event continues to progress the infrastructure continues to meet the growth.”

In addition to three races for the V8 Supercars, this year’s event program has been expanded to include the awe inspiring V8 Ford and Holden utes, Aussie Racing Cars Cup Car Porsches, and a record 52 car grid of HQ Holdens.

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