



To whom it may concern,

The students at Eaglehawk Secondary College are seeking your support for their involvement in the Human Powered Vehicle events in 2018.

Our college participates in the annual RACV Energy Breakthrough in Maryborough, along with the Wonthaggi 24 hour Grand Prix and the Bendigo 10 hour event. The challenge brings schools together to compete in 10 & 24 hour endurance races. They are an annual event in which schools participate from across the state with some interstate entries. Our college participates in three main events in the year, Maryborough, Wonthaggi and Bendigo. Students are expected to present their knowledge of the science, engineering and sustainability aspects of the vehicles.

We have been quite successful over the past 5 years, both in performance on the track and in increasing student involvement. 1<sup>st</sup> in Category – Bendigo 2017, 1<sup>st</sup> in Category – Maryborough 2017, 1<sup>st</sup> in category – Wonthaggi 2018. This in turn has led to three trikes being entered into the 24 hour races and 4 trikes entered for the Bendigo 10 hour races. In 2017 we received funding that allowed us to purchase a purpose built Energy Breakthrough trailer which carries 3 trikes, race spares, tools, equipment and team camping needs.

The expense involved in running this program and competing in events are approximately \$6000 per year. The school and students contribute significantly towards covering these costs.

The expenses incurred are for:

- Registration into events – Approximately \$400 per trike for each event
- Ongoing maintenance of the vehicles- Repair of frame, gearing, brakes, fibre glassing and painting of canopies.
- Materials needed for on the spot repairs of the trikes on race day
- Hiring of resources for camping and transport of the vehicles and students
- Resources for classroom learning and presentations
- Transport

To be able to participate in this event we are currently seeking sponsorship. The team would greatly appreciate your support with a donation of goods or money. All sponsorship will be acknowledge with business names and/or logos included either on team polo shirts, trikes, team trailer, in the college newsletter and on promotional noticeboards at community events depending on your donation.

In addition to maintaining the current program our current goal for 2018 is to replace some of the aging canopies of our trikes. New canopies cost approx. \$3500 and good quality second hand canopies cost approx. \$1500.

The following details the sponsorship contribution of cash, goods or services and what that provides for the business:

- Under \$500– Acknowledgement in school newsletter and community noticeboard
- \$500-\$999 – Logo on trike, in school newsletter and community noticeboard
- \$1000-\$1499 – Logo on team shirts, trike, team trailer, school newsletter and community noticeboard
- \$1500 + - Large logo on team shirts, trike, team trailer, school newsletter and community noticeboard

Please note that the 2017 shirts have already been made however significant sponsors will be added to the 2018 shirt designs.

If you would like to support the student group with a donation could you please contact Mr Warwick Dundas on 5446 8099 or alternatively by email: [dundas.warwick.g@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:dundas.warwick.g@edumail.vic.gov.au)

Thankyou in advance,

**Warwick Dundas**

Eaglehawk Secondary College Energy Breakthrough Team

