Pedal Prix

Since 1986 Pembroke School has built vehicles to compete in the Australian International Pedal Prix. This year’s event held on the 17th and 18th September saw a double victory with our teams Paradox and Shorty placed first and third respectively in their age category. The event which takes place at Murray Bridge follows a 2.1 kilometre course around Sturt Reserve. This year our teams travelled around the circuit covering over 800 kilometres each during the twenty four hour period.

Over the course of 25 years every car from Pembroke School has finished the race on the track, in various states of mobility, some reinforcing the importance of gaffer tape and cable ties. This year saw the two new vehicles stay on the track experiencing very few mechanical problems. With speeds averaging 35.4 kilometres an hour, even more time was saved as the pits saw a record 23 second change over for a new rider.

The pedal powered endurance race has goals which include a focus upon teamwork, enterprise, fitness, engineering, resilience and healthy competition. However as any of the twenty four Pembroke students who participated over the weekend will witness, it was also a lot fun.

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