

SunRace 2003



Daily Report

Day 5 - Wednesday 19th February, 2003

Overnight work in Charlton using a new electronic part supplied by Brian Zrna failed to fix the telemetry system so its more v Melbourne. After 5 days of Sunrace 2003 the new RMIT team is settling down to be a good working unit with a good underst the car.

The first section for the day was to be untimed. The road to Bendigo was well shaded restricting the collection of solar energy 50 kilometres from Bendigo clear sun was available so it was back to the speed limit.

The next stop was in Campbellfield near the Head Office of Ford Australia one of the team's principal long term supporters. T close convoy all the entrants made the final run to finish at the new Museum in Carlton. They were flagged in by Federal Env Minister the Hon David Kemp and greeted by the museum's CEO Dr J Patrick Greene.



Federal Environment Minister, David Kemp reinforces Australian Greenhouse Office support as he flags in the SunRace 2003 vehicles at the Melbourne Museum Plaza

Aurora-RMIT 101 led the finishers in passing the modern and impressive façade on this Melbourne landmark. Many friends a onlookers were there to see the impressive group of energy efficient cars. Several school groups were enthusiastically cheerin into Melbourne and in clear sunshine the teams relaxed, gave interviews and thought about dinner. The RMIT team probably about sleeping in their own beds for at least one night.



A number of Aurora members welcomed the race team to Melbourne. Frank Fittipaldi, Jimmy Stavridis, Darren Trafford, Tor Sylvia Seldon, Lynda Gilbert, Paul Herrmann, Peter Pudney and David Fewchuk were there getting into the racing spirit. Pete in charge of maintaining 101 Collins Street was a welcome team sponsor as were the Essenhawk group who have made this R team's participation possible.



Three race days remain with overnight stops scheduled for Albury, Canberra and finally Sydney.



The leading RMIT team is greeted by Essenhawk sponsor Steve Diplock arriving into Melbourne



As Aurora RMIT 101 take line honours in Melbourne, they continue SunRace 2003