



In 1993 he took his son to the local track. The boy turned out to be one of the best slot car racers in New Zealand. He became one of the best slot car builders. And they became the best team in New Zealand.

He raced a bit. Surprisingly only twice in national events. His name is on a 1/32nd Scale Nationals trophy from 2010. After that he didn't race at a national level again. Job done. A mark of the man maybe.

As a team they have numerous national titles and have competed overseas. This recognition is for his outstanding contribution to slot car racing in New Zealand and in particular to NZSCA.

He was first elected as Treasurer in 2000 and then President of NZSCA in 2004 through to 2013, 10 years!

During that time he had major input into reinstating 1/24th scale racing at a national level. He set up the first 1/24th scale enduro, a 15-hour event for real racers, not the lightweight 9-hour version we have now. He was also pivotal in supporting and setting up the RTR national events.

The creation of this award required a change to the NZSCA constitution and a vote by the clubs. Unlike most polling with NZSCA clubs and committee, the response to this vote was immediate and unanimous. It is with great pride and appreciation that NZSCA awards Life Membership to this engineer and gentleman, Rob Dale.