Arriving in Canberra on Sunday afternoon (16/3), both Falcon Racing and Gamma Rayzing were filled with nerves and excitement in anticipation for the next few days.

Registration really set the feel for the whole event with both teams handing over two very competitive and highly organised formal documentation.

One of the highlights for the first day was both teams presenting and thanking Mr Gorrie with a half, half team shirt using both teams graphic designs and logos. It was a huge surprise, very much appreciated and worn proudly throughout the event.

Students from Gamma Rayzing (Year 11) and Falcon Racing (Year 10) kicked off the official Day 1 with unloading both trailers with their pits and all the other technological elements to make up their National Pit Stand and for many it is the first time they have seen their pit together fully and functioning as planned.
Yesterday (17/3) ended with both Falcon Racing and Gamma Rayzing sending down their race cars for the first time. Both teams started well showing a real competitive chance and against the other 18 teams.
With Gamma Rayzing racing at the start of Day 1 their first run was pleasing with a time of 1.100 and finishing with the fastest time recorded of a 1.048, 0.005 seconds off the 2013 world time of 1.043.

It wasn’t till the very last run from the very last race that Gamma was pipped for the fastest car of the National Finals with a very hot time of 1.033, very surprising as the car from Super Sonic Speed hadn’t been close to the times Gamma had set with their previous runs.

Today (18/3) started with anticipation of both Falcon Racing and Gamma Rayzing kicking off the day with Reaction Racing. For two of the students Brayden McMonigal and Troy Minor the pressure is on them to have a really quick reaction time to assist in the launch of the car to gain a really quick time.

**Final Race Results** (Out of 18 Teams in the Professional Class)
(Note Grand Prix Score needs to be the closest to 6.537 which was 1st place)

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One of the highlights of Day two was Falcon Racing appearing on WIN News in Canberra as part of the media attention within the F1 in School National Finals, all members of the team were excited to see themselves later that evening as a feature news story.
Day 3 (19/3) is one of best days were the pressure is off and with all judging out of the way the only thing left to be finalised for bragging rights only is Knockout Racing. This is were two teams are against each other with one run down either side of the track each and the team with the overall fastest time continues through till the Grand Final.

With all events done and finished it was time to have some free time and a well deserved break from the competition judging sessions and prepare and get dressed up for the Awards Dinner and Presentation Ceremony, a highlight of the whole competition.

With both teams manning their Pit Stands all dressed up, industry professionals, elite sportsmen and women, CEO’s of some very well known companies and professors and scientists from Australia and not to mention members from the Australian NAVY and Defence Material Organisation and Politicians were engaging and speaking to all teams involved with the focus on their achievements and success along the road to the National Finals.

Award Ceremony Results and Success!

FALCON RACING – Professional Junior Class
Luisa Barillaro, Elyse Beauchamp, Brayden McMonigal, Damon Koulouris and Nicholas Kotevski.

Best Team Folio (4th Place)
Best Team Marketing (1st Place)
Best Engineered Design (1st Place)
Best Pit Display (1st Place)
Innovation Award (2nd Place)
Industry Collaboration (2nd Place)
11th Fastest Car with a time of 1.203 seconds and 11th overall in Grand Prix
12th overall in Knock Out Racing.
GAMMA RAYZING – Professional Senior and Junior Class
Hannah Clancy, Luke Papandrea, Matt Said, Troy Minor and Jordan Duncan

Best Team Folio (1st Place) Winner

Best Team Marketing (1st Place) Winner (PISTON CUP TROPHY Neal Bates - Rally)

Best Engineered Design (2nd Place) Runner up

Best Pit Display (2nd Place) Runner up

Innovation Award (4th Place)

Industry Collaboration (3rd Place) Runner up

2nd Fastest Car in Auto Racing 1.048 seconds (3rd overall in Grand Prix)

Fastest Reaction 0.125 seconds

3rd in Knock Out Racing, with the quickest car in knock out, with a 1.215 in round 1.

Making Gamma Rayzing the **Overall Winners of the 2014 Australian REA Foundation F1 in Schools Design Challenge, Australia's No 1 Team.**
(F1 Aust. Nationals - Golden Turbo Trophy)

Gamma Rayzing will represent Australia in the World Championships in Abu Dhabi in November this year!

Both Teams are a credit to our School, the Hub and the State.

I’d like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for supporting and allow for a few disruptions and a huge big thank you to all our sponsors, supporters and collaboration partners!

If you would love to get behind Gamma Rayzing and show your support, please visit their Facebook page (Gamma Rayzing) and also feel welcome to contact, Ian Gorrie (ian.gorrie@dow.catholic.edu.au) if you would like to be a World Finals Team Sponsor or Collaborator as we begin to prepare for Abu Dhabi.