

# Rianna O'Meara-Hunt



## Introduction:

### Short Bio:

**My name is Rianna O'Meara-Hunt**, I am a 24 year old female kiwi racer involved in motorsport since the age of 8. **I am aiming to become the first kiwi female to race (and of course win) at the 24h Le Mans.**

During a stellar karting career I had the privilege to **create history for women** in the sport by becoming the first ever junior female to win a state title in **Australia**, then backed up in **New Zealand** winning multiple Rotax World Challenge qualifying events, podiuming at every round. Moving through to the senior levels of the sport I won **multiple national titles** in Superkarts and also won national sprint titles enabling me to **represent New Zealand** at the Rok World Finals in Italy two years in a row.

At the conclusion of my initial Covid interrupted year of car racing I applied for a female driver shoot-out with **The Heart of Racing Team** for a full time seat in the **2023 SRO GT4 championship** in the USA in the **Aston Martin Vantage**. Over 100 applications were received from all over the world with only nine drivers being selected to attend the 'shoot-out' in Phoenix. The test covered all aspects of racing including, driving, mental preparation, physical preparation, car and data engineering and media presence. I am proud to say that with some great preparation and hard work pre-event it was **a shoot-out that I went on to win.**

During the season, both track and car learning was completed during the limited event practice sessions with no pre-event testing available, and then direct into qualifying. The season progressed well delivering several top five race finishes and culminating in front row qualifying at Round 6 at Sebring and then the epic **Round 7 double wins** at Indianapolis Motor Speedway. **What a dream it was to get to "Kiss the Bricks at Indy".**

**Aston Martin** highlighted this **history making event**, as being their first ever all female driver team **win in the Vantage** inviting me into the **Aston Martin Elite Driver Programme** for 2024.

On the way over to the UK I stopped in Dubai podiuming at the **2024 Dubai 24h race** with Century Motorsport. I found my feet in the UK and its circuits through 2024 by competing in the **GT Cup** with **Forsetti Motorsport** podiuming at each of the events entered.

2025 became a year of new opportunities, relationships and expansion. I traveled the world with **Aston Martin** launching the incredible **Valhalla supercar**, driving and demonstrating on track directly with customers as well as selection as a reserve pilot inside the **E1 World Championship**, an electric foiling race-boat series, backed by the founders of **Formula E** and **Extreme E**.

2026 has seen promotion to a **full time pilot role** for the **2026 E1 World Championship**, after an impressive short notice fill-in debut event with a new team at Round 1, **finishing P3 on track** – an incredible achievement.

I will also look to continue to further test myself against Europe's car racing best, building on existing foundations and creating new relationships to help **secure the next piece of history** for women and for motorsport in New Zealand.

## Resume:

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### Vital Statistics:

**Age:** 24  
**Date of Birth:** 30 August 2001  
**Citizenship:** United Kingdom and New Zealand  
**Drivers license:** Full  
**Instructor license:** SDSA - track  
**Instructor license:** SDSA - 4x4  
**Instructor license:** ARDS 'B'  
**Car racing license:** International C-C (Circuit)  
**Boat racing license:** UIM International Super-license  
**Married:** No  
**Dependants:** None  
**Own transport:** Yes

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### Personal Statement:

As a motivated, focused and driven young woman, I wish to expand the experiences and skill sets in all facets of my life, (working, personal and racing.) I aim to maximise every opportunity provided so I grow and develop into a contributor to society and positive influence to those around me.

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### Personal Characteristics:

Friendly, loyal, hard working, punctual, patient and trustworthy.

I am a positive and focussed individual who has developed strong self belief and commitment characteristics from a young age to help ensure I achieve my personal and sporting goals.

I look for both personal and professional challenges designed to strengthen my own skill sets. I believe once taught a new skill I can adapt and build my confidence levels quickly to maximise the opportunity provided.

Through my experiences in motorsport I understand the importance of mentorship and the advice and feedback provided from people more experienced than myself.

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### Thank you:

Thank you for the opportunity to share a little about me and my story to date. I value and appreciate the time you have already provided, but would love the opportunity to meet in person and share a little more.

**Rianna**

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## Work Experience:

I have worked in the UK, New Zealand and Australia completing race driver coaching, manufacturer vehicle testing, manufacturer customer experience track events and general public customer experience hot laps and tours.

My roles currently include and have included:

### **Aston Martin** (United Kingdom)

One of a team of professional instructors completing demonstration and driving duties direct with customers globally at specialist VIP launch and vehicle test events including the prestigious Aston Martin Valhalla supercar.

### **Pro2** (United Kingdom)

One of a team of professional drivers completing vehicle manufacturer durability testing with subjective and objective assessments to strict global standards. Also specialist OEM-style launch and test events offering manufacturer and dealership customers VIP treatment with a view to purchase.

### **Mercedes Benz World** (United Kingdom)

Qualified: SDSA coaching license

General public/customer driving experiences for track and 4x4, demonstrating and explaining car technology and safety, while pushing the client outside their comfort zones with a series of exercises including wet skid pan, dynamic straight, wet straight and use of two small race circuits and 4x4 terrain.

### **Highlands Motorsport Park** (TQ Group - New Zealand)

First and only female driver-pro appointed by the Tony Quinn Group

General public customer experience Hot Laps

- *Ferrari, Porsche, Radical, Mustang*

General public customer experience track tours

Driver coaching for young drivers and GT paddock members

### **DownForce Group** (New Zealand)

Track day experiences for various manufacturer customers

- *Audi, Ford, Jaguar and Ferrari*

Snow Farm customer experience events for Audi

### **Hampton Downs Racing Academy** (New Zealand)

Race car coaching - Toyota 86

- *Levels 1 through 3*

Working one on one in-car with new or up and coming drivers

Data and video analysis and understanding with drivers

### **RaceLab** (New Zealand)

Supporting/coaching/engineering up and coming drivers at race events

Supporting/coaching/engineering gentlemen GT drivers at race events

Data and video analysis and understanding with drivers

### **Filming work for Jaguar** (New Zealand)

Media campaign for Jaguar NZ to promote breaking down the perceived gender barriers in motorsport

Coaching a media personality through three specific track experiences using three different Jaguar models.

## Professional References:



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## Highlights & Achievements:

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#### 2026:

##### **E1 World Championship**

- racing for Team Sierra

Crossing the line P3 on debut in this series.

#### 2025:

##### **Selection as an E1 World Championship Pilot**

- racing for Team Drogba

I am one of only twelve female UIM International Super-license holders globally.

#### 2024:

##### **Aston Martin Racing Academy - Elite Driver Programme:**

Selected for 2024

#### 2023:

##### **Kissing the Bricks -**

Double win at Indianapolis Motor Speedway in the SRO GT4 Championship, USA

#### 2022:

##### **Recipient of 'Heart of Racing' Driver Academy Scholarship - winner of**

a worldwide driver shoot-out to compete in the SRO GT4 Championship, USA in the Aston Martin Vantage

## MOTORSPORT:

### 2026 E1 World Championship Series

Team Sierra

#### Round 1:

##### **Jeddah**

P3 on track

### 2024 GT Cup - UK

Forsetti MotorSport, Aston Martin GT4

#### Round 1:

##### **Donnington Park**

Sprint: P2

Endurance: P2

#### Round 2:

##### **Brands Hatch GP Loop**

Endurance: P2

#### Round 3:

##### **Snetterton**

Sprint: - P2

Endurance: P1

Endurance: P2

### 2024 Dubai International (GT4)

Century MotorSport, BMW M4 GT4

24h Race: 3rd Place

### 2024 Winter Series (GT4), Portimao, Portugal

FK Performance MotorSport, BMW M4 GT4

Race 1: P2

Race 2: P3

### 2023 SRO GT4 Championship, USA

Heart of Racing Team, Aston Martin GT4

#### Round 1:

##### **Sonoma Raceway**

Quali: 12/18

Race 1: DNS

Race 2: 8/18

#### Round 2:

##### **NOLA Motorsports Park**

Quali: 4/19

Race 1: 12/19

Race 2: washed-out

#### Round 3:

##### **Circuit of the Americas**

Quali: 11/17

Race 1: 5/17

Race 2: 10/17

#### Round 4:

##### **VIRginia International Raceway**

Quali: 5/18

Race 1: 7/18

Race 2: 5/18

#### Round 5:

##### **Road America**

Quali: DNF

Race 1: DNF

Race 2: DNS

#### Round 6:

##### **Sebring International Raceway**

Quali: 2/16

Race 1: 9/16

Race 2: 5/16

#### Round 7:

##### **Indianapolis Motor Speedway**

Quali: 3/12

Race 1: 1/12

Race 2: 1/12

### 2022 Worldwide driver search shoot-out winner

'Heart of Racing' team driver for 2023 in the SRO GT4 Championship, USA, driving an Aston Martin Vantage.

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#### 2019 & 2020:

##### New Zealand

**Representative** at the Rok Cup Superfinal in Italy against the best drivers from 38 other countries.

#### 2017:

##### South Australia state

**title winner:** First ever junior female competitor in the history of the sport to achieve a State Title in Australia.

### KARTING:

I have achieved numerous local, national and international placings over the last 15 years - below highlights the last few years only.

#### 2023 National:

1st place - KSNZ National Superkart championship

1st place - KSNZ National Superkart Grand Prix

#### 2022 National:

1st place - KSNZ National Superkart championship

1st place - KSNZ National Superkart Grand Prix

#### 2020 National:

1st place - KSNZ North Island Sprint Champions: DVS Senior

- New Zealand representative for Rok Cup World Finals in Italy

- *unable to attend due to Covid*

#### 2019 International:

3rd place - Autumn Trophy, Italy

6th place - Rok Superfinal World Cup, Italy

#### 2019 National:

1st place - New Zealand's CIK National Champion

- New Zealand representative for Rok Cup World Finals in Italy

3rd place - KSNZ National Superkart championship

4th place - KSNZ National Sprint Titles: Rotax Light

#### 2018 National:

1st place - Wellington Champion

1st place - W.P.K.A Champion: Rotax Lights

3rd place - KSNZ National Schools Championship

#### 2017 International:

Rotax Pro Tour - Australia - Bolivar, SA

1st place - South Australia state champion

- *history maker*

- *first ever junior female to win an Australian Pro Tour Event and State title.*

#### 2017 National:

3rd place - KSNZ National Sprint Titles: Junior Rotax

2nd place - NZ Rotax Challenge World Series

- *history maker*

- *first ever junior female to win events in NZ, includes a podium at every round*