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CONSULTANT

Chief Instructor Drive Wise Sdn Bhd
Safety Car Driver for Sepang International Circuit
Safety Car Driver for Asian Festival of Speed (AFOS)
Fast Intervention for Sepang International Circuit
Chief Instructor for Lotus Cars Club of Malaysia
Chief Instructor St John Ambulance Malaysia
Shell and BP/Castrol Approved Training Provider

MOTORSPORT Team

Team Dunlop Tyres Drift Performance.
Oakley Sponsored Motorsports Driver
Alpinestars Supported Race Driver

Experience

Certified Workplace Assessor
Certified "Train Small Groups"
(Certificate IV in Assessment and Workplace Training)

2 years as instructor in Western Australia teaching advance/defensive and race driving techniques.

Over 12 years Instructor in Malaysia.

1 year -Course Director for Akademi Pemanduan Lanjutan.
Chief Instructor -Shell Road Safety Academy

Instructor (theory) compulsory training for 800 taxi and limousine under Commercial Vehicles Licensing Board (LPKP).

Instructed over 12000 corporate and public participants in "Advance & Defensive Driving". (Theory & Practical)

Chief Instructor for "Defensive & Skill Driving" for 800 participants.
Topics covered are as follows :

Technique in emergency braking with the application of ABS and non-ABS brake systems.

- Accident Avoidance
- Skid Control
- Steering Technique
- Cornering Concept

Events Instructed

- Porsche Club Malaysia & Hong Kong
- TVR Malaysia Track Experience
- “Executive Protection” courses
- Proton Merdeka Celebrities Race 1996
- Proton Merdeka Celebrities Race 1999
- VIP Drivers (Steward Ford F1) (AMIM Holdings Sdn Bhd)
- Kuala Lumpur International Motorshow 2000
- Subaru Malaysia & Singapore Demo Driving
- Singapore Motor Show- Stunt Team Driver 2002-06
- Ladies Cup- Johore Circuit
- Driver Training for Lotus Cars Club Malaysia
- Subaru Advance Driver Training
- Subaru Stunt and Precision Driver
- Alfa Romeo Driver Training Day
- Daimler Chrysler Active Safety Driving (Mercedes)
- Macquarie Driver Experience
- Yokohama Clinic Chief Instructor for Driving Techniques (Autokhana-Singapore 2003)
- Ford Focus Launch Driving Demo & Experience
- Lamborghini Regional Track Experience
- Roadstar Precision Driving Show
- Saab Driver Training
- Fiat Stilo Schumacher/NUS Driver Training
- ConocoPhillips Driver training
- FUCHS Race & Drift Training
- BMW M Sport Series Vehicle Driver Training
- F1 Renault drivers launch program
- NTU Motor Fest 2006 (TV-5,8,CNA, Amazing Asia)
- High Performance Challenge (Charity) Instructor
- Volvo Advance Driver Training
- Opel Advance Driver Training
- Lotus Elise Performance Driver Development
- Nissan Driver Training (all models)
- Honda Vehicle Assessment and Training
- Royal Malaysian Custom Enforcement (Pasukan Gerak Cepat – Volvo XC 90 Emergency Vehicles)
- Road Transport Dept
- FIAT SG Driver Training
- Singapore Traffic Police Training

Course Outline

Theory

System of Driving
 Defensive Driving
 Vehicle Dynamics
 Tyre Technology
 Technical Knowledge
 Communication whilst Driving
 Space Control
 Driver Behaviour
 Car Care/Maintenance

Practical

Use of Defensive Driving
 Night Driving
 Hazard Perception
 Extreme Driving
 Car Preventive Measures
 Steering Control
 Reversing Technique
 Four Wheel Driving

Courses Attended & Certifications	1991	Advance Driving School in Perth	
	1991	Safe Driving course in Perth	
	1992	Race Driving School in Perth	
	1994	Advance & Specialized Driving in South (Driver Education Centre of Australia)	
	1997	Smith System Driver Training (ESSO)	
	2001	Police Driver Development -Trainers Courses (Australia)	
	2001	Work Place Assessor & Adult Training (AUST)	
	2002	Police Pursuit Course (Urgent Duty Driving) (Australia)	
	2002	Japan GT trained for Fast Intervention (Medical)(Dr Takashi – Le Mans Race Driver)	
	2003	Traffic Collision Investigation Course (SHELL)	
	2003	Precision Driving Programme (Melbourne, AUST)	
	2003	Daimler Chrysler Active Safety Driver Training	
	2004	Michigan State Police Precision Driving Instructors Certification (USA)	
	2004	Honda Safety Driving Course	
	2005	Audi Quattro Driving Experience	
	Competitions	2005	Time Attack Champions Shootout – Top 4 Rocco Category- 1st placing.
		2006	Car Park Rally Indonesia- 2nd place
2006		D1 Pro Series Drifting-Shah Alam – Best 16 Driver	
2006		D1 Pro Series Drifting-Penang - Best 16 Driver	
2006		MMU Autofest – Best 16	
2006		IIUM Drift in Style – Best 16	
2006		GRA Autocross- Team X-Devils 3rd in Class	
2007		Star Drift – Top 16 positions and 3rd Placing Round 1,2 and 4	
2008		Star Drift National Championship – 13th position	
2008		D1 Pro Series Drifting-Johor - Best 16 Driver	
Others	1986-99	Penang State Polo Player	
	1996	Malaysia Grand Prix 96'	
	1997	Launch of TVR Chimeara	
	1999	Malaysian Grand Prix Formula One Race 1999 – World Best Awarded	
	2002-05	Japan GT-Pace Car Driver	
	2002	Malaysian Merdeka Endurance Race – Safety Car Driver	
	2002	Malaysian GP – Safety Car Driver	
	2002-03	Malaysian Super Series Safety Car Driver	
	2003-08	Asian Festival Of Speed Porsche/BMW Safety Car Driver	
	2003	Raced Lotus Elise in Malaysian Merdeka Endurance race 6th in class	
	2003	Malaysian Moto GP Safety car driver	
	2002-08	Singapore Motorshow stunt driver/crew	
	2005	Singapore National Day (Autotrail2005) Precision Driving Show - (AXN ASIA, Channel 5,8,CNA and Print media coverage)	
	2006	NTU Motor Fest (Channel CNA,5,8,Suria, Amazing Asia)	
	2007	Singapore Police Week Carnival Drift Event - Good Year Tires Sponsored - (TV and Print Media Coverage)	
	2007	National Kart Challenge Singapore Stunt Precision Driving Show	
	2007	Formula Drift Singapore Press Launch	
	2008	Formula Drift Singapore Exhibition Round	

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Participants learn the correct techniques to avoid accidents

By NG WEI LOON

OWNERS of Nissan vehicles and invited guests learnt more about driving under a controlled environment recently.

They were doing this at the Sepang International Circuit (SIC) when Edaran Tan Chong Motor Sdn Bhd hosted the safety driving programme.

Although the current economic climate has forced the organisation to reconsider their business plans, its executive director Datuk Dr Ang Bon Beng said they were not compromising on safety measures.

"We have continued to organise the event at least once a year for the owners to know the respective vehicles better and drive it well at the optimum level. We focused on an educational programme for them to pick up good driving skills and it will definitely help them to manage tricky situations on the road.

"It was also a chance for them to overcome the extreme circumstances when they executed the drills under the supervision of the experts on a safe track," he added.



Expert tips: Khoo (left) stressing a point to one of the participants of the safety driving programme.

Chief instructor Sean Khoo, 38, shared several pointers with the participants on the correct driving posture and steering techniques before moving on to highlight the four specific drills - slalom course, brake and evade, high speed lane change and braking at corners.

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The drive master

Story and photo by GRACE CHEN

This driving instructor is one cool guy who insists that it is better to be safe than sorry.

IT WAS a Sunday morning and Sean Khoo was tucking into hash browns and a sausage McMuffin at the McDonald's outlet near The Curve in Petaling Jaya.

But really, we are just trying to delay the inevitable by talking about food.

In a few moments the 37-year-old driving instructor would be sitting on the passenger seat to watch me drive and somehow, I was just not looking forward to it.

Khoo, who has 17 years of teaching experience, immediately sensed this.

"One reason why you feel uneasy about someone watching you drive is when you are in car, your primal instincts take over and asserts a right to territorial space. You want to feel in control," he explained.



Mirror mirror: Rear view mirrors are for checking the traffic behind one's car, not for applying lipstick, insists Sean Khoo

Drifting to victory with Dunlop

By Dinesh Appavu

THE continuous and monstrous growth of drifting in Malaysia has given birth to the latest team - Team Dunlop Drift Performance - to smoke our roads.

Piloting the purpose built drift machines are none other than regulars on the local drifting circuit, Ee Yoong Cherng - better known as Yoong - and Sean Khoo.

Yoong's first dip into the motoring pool was through a totally different genre, 4x4 off-roading, courtesy of his friends. Not many people get a Jeep Cherokee as their first vehicle, but that was exactly what Yoong got. His Cherokee had a Japanese heart, an RB20DET engine taken from a Nissan Skyline.

Later, he bought himself a stock Nissan Skyline R33 GTR.

"That was my first foray into Japanese sports coupe motoring," said the 30-



The Team Dunlop Drift Performance drivers, Sean (left) and Yoong with their drift machines.

Drift bug catching on among youths

Homegrown duo impress crowd at demo

By MAYBELLINE YEO

MODERN drifting started out as a famous racing technique in Japan and its popularity has spread quickly across the globe. Today, drifting has exploded into a popular form of motor sport with drifting competitions being held in almost every country.

A drifting demonstration was held at Stadium Putra Bukit Jalil on May 15 in conjunction with Hari Belia Negara 2008 (National Youth Day) recently.

The event started at 10am and went on to about 10pm with great response from the public, especially the youth.

The stars of the show were homegrown drift duo Sean Khoo Boo Seong, 37, and Ee Yoong Cherng, 29.

Better known as Sean and Yoong, they make up Team Dunlop and have been together as a team for four years now.

Sponsoring Team Dunlop is Continental Sime Tyre



Trusty tyres: Sean (left) and Yoong with Dunlop's Direzza DZ101 tyres used in the drifting demonstration.



High speed action: Yoong demonstrating the physics of drifting at the demonstration. Taking a turn at high speed is what drift is all about.

Marketing Sdn Bhd along with which were a Nissan Silvia S13 and a Nissan Skyline R32.

"The best part is, the tyre wears out smoothly and do not chunk, so in some way it lasts longer, too," said Yoong.

"This tyre can also be used on the road. With a better grip, it is a safer tyre to drive on even if you do not drift," said Dunlop Representative, Calvin Chua.

Some spectators also got a chance to get a first-hand experience of drifting as professional drivers took them for a ride around the track.

"We're trying to create a positive

Anti-terrorist driver training

There are many forms of driver training, from a straightforward defensive driving to the intensive training stage. There is another type of hush-hush training, which many aspire to achieve but only a few qualify for. Welcome to the art of anti-terrorist driver training!

Sean Khoo, who was brought in by Subaru for the AutoTrail event, is one of the very few driving experts in this part of the world who trains security personnel and VIPs on the art of countering terrorists from behind the wheels of a car. He speaks to Wheels Asia on what anti-terrorist driver training is all about.

Wheels Asia (WA): In the light of today's security concerns all over the world, why hasn't there been a proliferation of anti-terrorist driver training schools? Or is this sort of training a low-profile thing that is open to only the invited few?

Sean: I guess for one, a venue is needed to conduct such training for anti-terrorist driving. Doing training in a car is never cheap in Asia - rental of appropriate training venues, equipment and cars are always high. In this type of training, cars have to be expendable as some form of vehicle damage may occur arising from the training, which has to be realistic for the drivers to experience real-life situations and be ready mentally as well as physically.

You are right - this type of training would need to be low profile and confidential. It cannot be a program open to public or people will use the training to commit crimes. Anti-terrorist training is meant for law enforcement personnel and would be good for high profile personalities who may face security threats from kidnapping - possibility of such cases happening here in Asia are higher than bombings or assassinations.

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WA: If one were to enrol himself in this anti-terrorist driver training, where can he go? Are there such training programs in this region?

Sean: At the moment, I do not think anybody has opened up this type of training to the general public in this region. Foreign trainers are brought over to Asia to conduct the training. Normally, drivers will go overseas to undergo such training. I do this type of training but only for high-profile people, bodyguards or law enforcement personnel only.

WA: Describe what you went through in the anti-terrorist driver training.

Sean: To start with, the training entails a lot of basic driving skills. It then goes on to other areas of concerns such as more advanced techniques including ramming and counter-intervention techniques. It also branches out to escort driving as well as protective driving.

In addition, there are tactical driving techniques, which need to be learnt and performed under stress and confines. In some circumstances, anti-surveillance and case studies of assassinations are also taught.

WA: How do you see the future of anti-terrorist driver training? Is this sort of training going to gain prominence and importance in the future?

Sean: It has always been part of the training for special police personnel providing protection but on a low-profile basis.

I am confident if there is a venue to provide this type of training, there would be a market for it. In Asia, there has always been a threat of kidnapping and car jacking. Such training can thus be scaled down for the public whereas a more intensive version be targeted for protection personnel.

WA: If one were to be trained in this field of driving, what sort of money can he expect to make? Big bucks?

Sean: Driving alone may not make you the big bucks. In terms of protection driving, you would need to learn all the other related areas such as bodyguard techniques. Experience is also a major concern in this field of work. That said, if you have all the qualifications and experience and are prepared to go to places such as Iraq to work, the money can be good.

WA: It's obvious that you are very familiar with Subaru cars. What are your impressions of the brand?

Sean: I have been involved in performing precision stunt driving with Motor Image using Subaru vehicles for close to 4 years since 2002. I am always excited when it comes to performing stunts with a Subaru car. The pleasure of driving with confidence in a Subaru allows me to execute good stunt performances all the time.

The stability of the Subaru car is what makes it a perfect fit to do precision driving. The Subaru car offers safety and reliability, which is critical. The vehicle's centre of gravity and engine design (Subaru Boxer Engine and The Subaru Symmetrical AWD) provide an overall stable platform to execute stunts and manoeuvres with no possibility of flipping. The suspension and traction is also critical in that the car has the ability to be placed where it is supposed to be during the manoeuvre. If you look at the Subaru car, the car is designed with safety in mind with its ring shape reinforcement frame / sub-frames in the engine compartment.

I am excited to be involved in AutoTrail this year and be part of the huge Celebrate Singapore festival in Singapore. I am looking forward to sharing the excitement of precision stunt driving with Singaporeans and car enthusiasts. ●



Motoring; September 2005



THE ANNUAL SUBARU ADVANCED DRIVING COURSE (ADDC) PLAYED HOST TO MORE THAN 50 CARS FROM BOTH sides of the Causeway recently. The myriad of Subaru vehicles taking part includes, the formidable WRXs, humble Impreza TS, the adventurous Foresters and last but not least, the legendary Legacys. Before you start having thoughts as to whether this is some sort of kungfu flick, you are right. There is a need to assess one's powers in their ability to be in total control of their cars a hundred per cent of the time. Since the birth of the automobile era, man has always claimed to be good drivers. Just how good is good and for some of you, how good is your 'I am a great driver' claim?

Many may find Sean Khoo a familiar name. For those lucky few who happen to know that familiar face, he is the man you seek when you want to be in control of your Subaru a hundred per cent of the time. By courtesy of MotorImage, he was our Chief Instructor for this event. The driving course began with a

Sean started throwing questions regarding common 'good' driving habits to the participants. Some of the no-nos on the track included answering mobile phones, having lots for harmful projectiles in the car in the shape of drinks bottles, soda cans and the all important umbrella which can turn into a deadly spear in the event of a mishap!

We all laughed but deep down inside we all knew that high performance driving not only requires high performance cars but accomplished drivers too. Thus monkey business was most definitely not tolerated by the fine folks at MotorImage. After the informative three-hour session covering the various aspects of driving position, steering inputs, brake usage, gear changing, Skid control, we once again were reminded that smooth and gentle is fast, always brake in a straight line, slow into corners, merge fast out



skids and not knowing when you've lost it.

We arrived at the Sepang FI circuit the next day at around 8am in the morning, recharged and ready to battle with oneself and others' in some cases. The symmetrical AWD design and the boxer engine layout gives the Subarus a definitive edge when it comes to road holding as well as driver satisfaction when you get things right. Enthusiastic local Forester one-

