

Welcome to the 164th edition of Speedway Australia's Speed eNews.

SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA BEEFS UP INSURANCE CAPABILITIES



We are pleased to be able to announce that former Marsh Advantage Senior Account Executive Mark Holmes is joining the Speedway Australia team, commencing his new role as Risk Management Officer next week.

This will be on a permanent part-time basis, with the main aim being to interface between Speedway Australia tracks and the insurance broker. Most venues would agree that it has been a tough road since the end of last year without Mark's expertise on the Marsh side of the equation, so we've taken the opportunity to utilise his skills and experience. He'll also look after insurance claims and renewals, and this may also be an opportunity for us to enhance the systems and processes used for the capture of insurance premium and the issuing of permits.

Mark will also co-ordinate the insurance/risk management discussions on the Sunday morning of the National Forum on the Gold Coast, which is usually one of the most popular and informative sessions of the entire weekend.

We'll supply contact details for Mark in next week's eNews, but in the meantime we're sure you'll join us in welcoming him on board.

MORE GOVERNMENT FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR NSW TRACKS



Applications for the NSW Stronger Country Communities Fund opened on 1 May 2021. This is a grant programme that many tracks were successful with last year, so we are focussed on providing further benefits to the sport again this time.

The \$100 million Round Four includes up to \$50 million for projects that enhance female participation in sport, including change rooms. The remaining \$50 million will be made available for high-quality community amenity and sports-related infrastructure projects.

The Stronger Country Communities Fund will continue to deliver grassroots projects that will reinvigorate our

rural communities in every single Local Government Area in regional NSW.

Applications close on June 25, and Sport Development Officer Adam Brook will be in touch with eligible tracks soon – if he hasn't already.

To assist eligible applicants applying for funding in Round Four, the Department of Regional NSW will host a free online webinar at 1pm next Thursday, 13 May. The webinar will provide a high-level overview of the program and guidance on the eligibility requirements and the application process. Click here to register if you wish, noting Adam is already taking part.

Full programme details are available via this link





STEWARD AND INCIDENT REPORTING



Did you know that every Steward is required to complete a report to their Track Operator after a race meeting using the approved form?

The easiest way for Stewards to submit this paperwork is via the app, or the following link.

https://www.speedwayaustralia.org/officials/

Both the Stewards Report and Incident Report are available online, although the paper copy being emailed or faxed is also perfectly acceptable. Once the Steward has completed the form a copy is automatically sent to the track, to Speedway Australia, and to the Steward for their records.

Please be aware that the Steward will be required to fill out an incident report when incidents of concern occur, and can't delegate it to the injured party or their crew etc. We need these reports in the event of any claims or queries to cross check information received – and speed up the payment process to injured licence holders.

It's great to see how many reports are submitted straight after a race meeting or the next day, but there are always a portion that take a while to arrive, if at all. Please help us to help the sport by ensuring these are submitted promptly!

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