

Welcome to the 81st edition of Speedway Australia's Speed eNews.

IMPROVEMENTS ALREADY UNDER WAY



Just weeks after announcing the successful applicants for our 2019 Track Safety Grant Programme, work has already commenced at many venues across Australia in preparation for the up-coming Summer of Speedway.

Recapping, \$44,000 was allocated to safety fence upgrades (poles, wire ropes and netting), with \$9,000 for concrete wall improvements and almost the same amount for pit gates. Electrical upgrades and a number of other initiatives to enhance volunteer and spectator safety comprise the remainder of the total with each individual track eligible to receive a maximum of \$5,000.

Nowra Speedway in NSW (pictured) received a total of \$3,000 to repair and replace their damaged section of concrete wall. Track Operator Terry Clark has wasted no time in putting their allocation to good use, with works having taken place immediately to ensure they meet the 3 Star Safety requirements prior to the start of the season.

Speedway Australia is proud of each and every track in its family, and we look forward to working with all of them to ensure speedway remains as safe and affordable as possible. This includes assisting venues in speaking to Council, State and Federal Governments for possible grant opportunities. If you require assistance in filing for such grants, don't hesitate to contact your relevant Sport Development Officer, being Adam Brook in QLD, NSW and VIC, and Ross Kirby in WA, SA, NT and TAS.

NEW PAGE FOR SPEEDWAY SEDANS AUSTRALIA



The largest competitor group in the country have launched a new Facebook page to help them continue with their drive to promote the competitors, venues and clubs involved in their organisation.

As their previous Facebook page is no longer accessible, this new page will be the one stop hub for all information relating to Speedway Sedans Australia events across Australia.

For those wishing to 'like' the page, or to share the link to club members, the new page may be found by [clicking here](#).

SPEAK TO YOUR DOCTOR

SECTION 9 – MEDICAL EXAMINATION (COMPLETED BY MEDICAL PRACTITIONER)

Medical Standards are available at www.speedwayaustralia.org. As per rule 2.2.2 (b), if a person submits a fraudulent medical form, they will be unable to obtain a licence for 6 months.

Applicant's full name: _____ Licence No: _____ ID Sighted (tick):

Racing Division: _____ D.O.B: _____

Height (cm): _____ Weight (kg): _____ BMI: _____ Pulse: _____ Blood pressure: _____

Please see Medical Standards of www.speedwayaustralia.org
Please attach separate page(s) if space is not sufficient

	Normal	Abnormal	Comments
2.1	History suggesting heart disease?		
2.2	Heart sounds		
2.3	Peripheral circulation		
2.4	History suggesting respiratory disease?		
2.5	Respiratory system		
2.6	Abdomen/gastro-intestinal system		
2.7	History suggesting psychiatric or neurological problems?		
2.8	Cranial nerves		
2.9	Upper limbs - power, tone and reflexes		
2.10	Lower limbs - power, tone and reflexes		
2.11	Skeletal system and joint system		
2.12	Hearing/vestibular system		
2.13	Co-ordination		
2.14	Urine testing		
2.15	History suggesting visual problems?		

A timely reminder to Clubs with drivers looking to renew their Competition Licence - some competitors may require an in-date, and legitimate Medical Examination to accompany their Health Statement.

Once again, Speedway Australia offers licence applicants the choice of submitting a Speedway Australia medical examination, or a CAMS medical examination, together with the Health Statement.

For non-SCCA and AWSR drivers UNDER 40 years of age, a medical examination is required:

- Every 2 years if submitting a Speedway Australia Medical, or
- Every 5 years if submitting a CAMS Medical

For drivers over 40 and all SCCA Sprintcar/Wingless Sprint competitors, the medical is required annually.

Rule 2.2.2 (b) If a person submits a fraudulent medical form, they will be unable to obtain a licence for 6 months.

Regardless of whether competitors use the Speedway Australia Medical Examination, or the CAMS Medical Examination, each **MUST** be conducted in accordance with a licenced General Practitioner. Not doing so will result in the above penalty as per the current Speedway Australia Rules and Regulations.

To remove the temptation of reusing a previous medical and altering the date of issue we are moving to an annual form that will change regularly. Medicals using prior versions of the form will not be eligible, and competitors won't find themselves with a six month stand down. We'll advise more on this new process in a forthcoming issue.

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This weekly communication serves to keep clubs and organisations up to date on current events, handy tips to improve competition and safety, as well as any changes that may be taking place within the sport.

Please make sure that if you are the contact receiving this information for your organisation that you pass the information on to the rest of your committee as to keep them in the loop. You are also encouraged to distribute this newsletter to your members. Feel free to get in touch if you have any questions or require a copy of one of the previous editions.





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Venues Licenced



The most comprehensive and value for money competitor and track licensing in the country

\$25

Officials Licence Fee (down from \$140)



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Years without a Licence Fee Increase



\$70,000 in Grants to Tracks in 2019

ALL SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA TRACKS RECEIVE



Access to Kids to Grids - a world first junior development programme



A Dedicated Sport Development Officer to assist with funding, regulatory and administration requirements



Eligibility to host SSA National Title Events



Access to 8 full time staff



Australian Speedway Awards Eligibility to recognise your Venue, Officials and Competitors



Rising Star Program Access for your Competitors and Officials



- **FREE** Track Operators Manual
- **FREE** Venue signage
- **FREE** Track Inspections
- **FREE** Practice Permits
- **REFUNDS** in the event a race meeting is cancelled



Access to our grant programmes over \$400,000 per year across tracks and divisions



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