

# SPEED ENEWS EDITION 159 | 2 APRIL 2021

#### Welcome to the 159th edition of Speedway Australia's Speed eNews.

Speed eNews is a weekly communication aimed toward keeping 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. Clubs are also encouraged to distribute this newsletter to members. Feel free to get in touch if you have any questions or require a copy of one of the previous editions.

### **REGISTER YOUR FORUM INTEREST NOW**



Speedway Australia will be reaching out to every track and division through email and/or phone call in the coming weeks, inviting you to the 2021 National Forum, to be held at the Gold Coast Convention Centre on Saturday June 19 and 20.

The National Forum weekend is the only event of its kind in Australia – and we aim to see every track and division, big or small,

represented, as we work toward bringing Australian Speedway together to work towards an exciting future.

Once again, every track and divisional body in the country are welcome to send two representatives (per track or division), who only have to pay their travel and accommodation expenses to get to the venue. Speedway Australia is taking care of the costs for Saturday and Sunday's day sessions, including morning tea and lunch.

For tracks of divisions yet to confirm their attendance, or for assistance in booking accommodation, contact your relevant Development Officer below as soon as possible.

### **SPEEDWAY AWARDS & HALL OF FAME - NOMINATIONS OPEN**

SEVEN DAYS A WEEK ILLING ... .



Nominations are now open for the 2021 Australian Speedway Awards and Hall of Fame Ceremony, to be held at the Gold Coast Convention Centre on June 19.

We encourage you all to make sure the personalities of past and present who you believe deserve the recognition are nominated. Once again, the Australian Speedway Awards will reward the top performers of the year across 12 categories, engaging many of the stakeholders within our sport including Clubs, Venues, Officials, Media as well as competitors.

Meanwhile, The Hall of Fame ceremony will recognise and pay tribute to the legendary figures in the history of Australian Speedway.

The winner will be announced shortly after the closing date for nominations.

Nominations close April 26 so be sure to get yours in quick. You can nominate for both the Australian Speedway Awards & Speedway Hall of Fame by clicking here.





### esport nationals return - with a 'northern' twist



Last Easter, Speedway Australia broke new ground with the inaugural running of an online eSport National Title event. Hosted through the popular iRacing platform, this event and the several that followed proved immensely successful, with 1,193 competitors in total taking part, earning over \$5,000 for divisional bodies and tracks who 'hosted' digital fixtures of their popular real-world meetings.

12 months on, and we're turning our attention to the second running of annual eSPORT SEDAN NATIONAL TITLE, with a new twist – we want this year's event to be run in conjunction with tracks from the northernmost parts of Australia!

With venues from the Pilbara and the Kimberly's, across the Northern Territory and throughout Far North Queensland gearing up for a big 'dry season' of Speedway, we are on the lookout for innovative ideas to promote racing in the nation's North to the wider Speedway audience. As part of this commitment to supporting Northern Australian Speedway, we're giving venues the opportunity to 'host' major online events, using the Speedway Australia digital platforms and live streaming to advertise their own real-world events, whilst generating income through entry fees and sponsorship at the same time.

As an added bonus, we will be offering the new National eSports Champion the first-place prize of a trip for two to any Speedway event in the North of Australia of their choosing, with flights and accommodation all included!

For those unfamiliar with iRacing and eSports, iRacing is the ultimate global racing portal, allowing members to experience today's newest form of competitive motorsport: virtual racing. iRacing is a fun, inexpensive and highly competitive way for race fans to experience the head-to-head challenges of Speedway in a virtual environment.

For those interested in getting on board, be sure to contact your relevant Sport Development Officer (Adam Brook for QLD, Ross Kirby for WA and NT) to discuss in detail.



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