

Welcome to edition 196 of Speedway Australia's Speed eNews.

WELCOME TO THE FINAL EDITION OF eNEWS FOR 2021...



As we approach the end of the 2021 calendar year, many of our speedway family are heading into the silly season of constant racing, and as the borders open, the possibility of travelling interstate also beckons.

It's been a tough year for most of us. The unpredictability of the covid situation has created unique tensions and pressures in our working, social and sporting lives, and we hope that your racing over the

Christmas/New Year serves as a great re-charge for a brighter 2022!

This will be our last eNews edition for 2021, returning on January 14, 2022. The standdown list will be circulated next Friday Dec 24 if there is any changes to the list. A reminder of our Adelaide Office closure is also included at the end of the eNews.

On behalf of all the staff at Speedway Australia, we would like to wish a you a very Merry Christmas and Happy, safe and successful 2022!

SPEEDWAY'S NEW HOME IN SYDNEY!



NSW Minister of Sport Natalie Ward today officially handed over the new Eastern Creek Speedway with Track Operators John and Kathy Kelly in attendance along with Speedway Drivers Todd Bayliss, Steve Caunt, Troy Jenkins, Mick Saller & Sam Walsh.

Some of the \$70 million Western Sydney Motorsports facility features are:

- a new world-class clay-based racetrack for both speedway cars and motorcycles including Sprintcars, Sedans, Late Models, Wingless Sprints, Dirt Modified and Formula 500s
- a new grandstand and terraced seating to accommodate up to 7000 spectators
- public amenities, corporate boxes, food, beverage and merchandise outlets
- dedicated parking for speedway competitors and spectators
- additional overflow parking with flexibility for multi use options
- dual access to the precinct by creating new vehicle access to the speedway pit area via a new intersection built off Ferrers Road
- dedicated competitor pit area to service the speedway
- workshops, garages and trackside support services.

NSW Premier Dominic Perrottet said: "We've consulted with motorsports experts from around the world to bring this project to life and have used the latest in track safety design and spectator experience to ensure it is a thrilling addition to our racing scene."

With construction wrapping up in the coming weeks, this will be an exciting addition to the existing motorsport precinct and create a first class destination for international, national and local racing events.

WE WANT TO CELEBRATE YOUR MILESTONES!



Amongst the 97 Speedway Australia venues nationwide, many will be working towards milestone seasons in the next few years. **Collie Speedway in Western Australia have just entered their 50th Anniversary season** which is a massive achievement, and the club is celebrating with a 50th Anniversary Championship as well as a special line of 50th Anniversary merchandise.

If your club is currently celebrating a milestone year or has one coming up in the next few seasons, let us know at ben@speedwayaustralia.net.au so we can celebrate with you!

OFFICE CLOSURE REMINDER...



This year the Speedway Australia admin office will be taking a short break, closing from 24th December, and re-opening on Tuesday 4th January. There will be a delay in licence processing and responses to emails throughout this entire period.

If your licence is expiring between now and the first week of January, we encourage you to apply for your licence NOW to give the best opportunity to get your licence processed. Keep in mind, applying for your licence may require further documentation to be sent in, and your nominated club/s must action your membership in the online system before we can process your licence. We always try our best to accommodate everyone, but please be kind and don't expect your licence to be processed if we don't have all the correct information required, or you apply for it in the week leading up to Christmas.

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