

Welcome to the 78th edition of Speedway Australia's Speed eNews.

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.

COAL CAPITAL JOINS SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA



Queensland is rapidly becoming the powerhouse of Australian speedway, and one track determined to catch the wave is Coal Capital Speedway in Blackwater. Located 2 hours west of Rockhampton and an hour east of Emerald, the well-presented track is the latest venue to join Speedway Australia.

The venue has made rapid progress in recent times, courtesy of progressive President Nathan Pershouse. A variety of Sedan classes and AMCA Nationals form the basis of a five-event schedule that kicks off October 5th, including the winged Super Stockers that are unique to Central and Northern Queensland. SSA Super Sedans, Production Sedans, Street Stocks and Junior Sedans are also welcomed on the big, wide racing surface.

We wish everyone at Coal Capital Speedway all the best for the season ahead and look forward to seeing their progress as the year unfolds.

<https://www.facebook.com/CoalCapitalSpeedway/>

ASSISTING WITH HELMET QUERIES



Quite often we receive phone calls in the office from drivers and scrutineers who aren't clear as to the requirements of the Racing Rules and Regulations in regard to helmets – in particular, which helmet may be suitable for their applicable racing division, and when might they be required to replace that helmet.

In the past we have put together written pieces to assist clubs and drivers in choosing the right helmet for their intended use (such as issue #59 of eNews which can be found [here](#)), however to assist clubs, in particular scrutineers in identifying the correct helmet, we have assembled a handy graphic which can be found on the final page of this edition.

If you have any further questions in regard to eligibility of helmets, or any other apparel, be sure to contact us using the details listed over page.

KART PIT AREAS



This week we'd like to give all Tracks and Clubs running Karting events a quick reminder of rules relating to Pit Health and Safety, and how they apply to Karts.

Section 3.7 of the Speedway Australia regulations state make minor allowances for Karts in the Pit area, in particular the rules relating to fire extinguishers (not required by SKAA competitors) and Quad Bikes in the pits. Section 3.7.6(a) states; -

3.7.6(a). NOTE: For SKAA Speedway Karts, 3.7.6(a) does not apply when push starting from the pits. Instead a clearly defined hot area (rope barriers etc), set as the shortest practical distance from pit to track i.e. directly in front of chute/track entry gate. The official in charge of the pit gate is to ensure that the area is completely clear before giving the call to start a race.

A few clubs have enquired as to whether this rule above means the Pit Health and Safety rules only apply to the hot area for the duration of the race meeting. This is most certainly NOT the case, with Section 3.7 applying to the entire pit area, just like any other Speedway Australia event. This also includes the rules relating to alcohol and drugs, abusive behaviour or misconduct, and the requirement for everyone within the pit area to hold an annual Speedway Australia licence, or one-day licence.

If you have any further questions in regard to what is permissible within the pit area, contact your relevant Sport Development Officer using the details listed below.

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Please see below for the relevant contacts for all your Speedway Australia requirements.

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SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA HAS PUT TOGETHER THIS GUIDE TO ASSIST SCRUTINEERS IN IDENTIFYING THE CORRECT HELMET FOR EACH DIVISION, AND ASSIST DRIVERS TO MAKE THE CORRECT CHOICE WITH THEIR NEXT PURCHASE

**SPRINTCARS
360 SPRINTCARS
WINGLESS**

**SPEEDCARS, SUPER SEDANS
LATE MODELS, FORMULA 500, AMCA
DIRT MODIFIEDS, LIGHTNING SPRINTS
320 SPRINTCARS LIMITED SPRINTCARS,
GP MIDGETS, VSC MINI SPRINTS, V6 SPRINTS
COMPACT SPEEDCARS, MICROSPRINTS
JUNIOR FORMULA 500, SUPER RODS
VSC SUPER MODIFIEDS, SDAV HOT RODS**

**MODIFIED SEDANS, STREET STOCKS
PRODUCTION SEDANS, MODLITES,
JUNIOR SEDANS, SKAA KARTS, VINTAGE,
ALL RSA CLASSES, LEGEND CARS,
OUTLAW SPRINT SEDANS, OPEN SEDANS,
SUPER STOCKERS, 4 & 6 CYLINDER SEDANS
FORD V HOLDEN V SIGMA
F250 AND F400, STOCK CARS
STREET SEDANS, NOSTALGIA SEDANS,
SUPER STREET SEDANS, LIMITED SPORTSMAN,
NT SEDANS, BOMBERS, TASSIE SIXES,
GV OPEN SALOONS, UNLIMITED SEDANS
GV PRODUCTION SEDANS, V8 TRUCKS
VSC SPORTS SEDANS, VSC STANDARD SALOONS
VSC THUNDER SEDANS, CRASH & BASH
GOSA SEDANS, LIMITED SPORTSMAN
MARSH MODIFIEDS /A MOD/ B MOD
NAGAMBIE DIRT KARTS, DIV 2 HOT RODS,
WA OPEN SEDAN, SUPER MOD, SUPER SIX,
WA QUARTER MIDGETS, OUTLAW KARTS,
JUNIOR OUTLAW KARTS, DERBY SLIDERS**

All Helmets must be a full face design, and comply with a minimum of either of the 2 most recent "Snell Memorial Foundation" "SA" ratings and the manufacturing date shall not be greater than 5 years from date of use OR proof of purchase less than 3 years from date of use.

Full faced and comply with one of the following:-

- 1) Snell SA-2015
- 2) Snell SA-2010
- 3) BS 6658-85 Type A/FR. (must be no older than 5 years from manufacturer date).
- 4) FIA 8858-2010
- 5) FIA 8860-2010
- 6) FIA 8859-2015

Full faced and comply with one of the following:-

- 1) Snell SA-2015
- 2) Snell SA-2010
- 3) BS 6658-85 Type A/FR, AS/NZS 1698:2006 or UN ECE 22.05 standard. (must be no older than 5 years from manufacturer date).
- 4) FIA 8858-2010
- 5) FIA 8859-2015
- 6) FIA 8860-2010

For Junior Divisions (excluding Junior Formula 500) the following may also be used:-

- 7) SFI 24.1
- 8) CMR2016
- 9) CMS2016