

## SPEED ENEWS

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Welcome to the 11<sup>th</sup> edition of Speedway Australia's Speed eNews, your weekly update on the sport, tips and points to remember. Over the previous 10 weeks we have covered a wide range of topics and have received some positive feedback from several you.

It is our intention to continue this weekly form of communication and we look forward to providing you this support in the weeks to come. Just a quick reminder that if any of the information in here needs to find it's way to social media, we will do so via our Speedway Australia channels only.

Feel free to get in touch if you have any questions or require a copy of one of the previous editions.



#### **AUSTRALASIAN SPEEDWAY PROMOTERS ASSOCIATION COMFIRMED**

The exciting announcements continue as we count down the weeks to the 2018 National Competitors Forum in Brisbane, with the Australasian Speedway Promoters Association confirming their attendance.

The forum, which is part of the Australian Speedway Awards & Hall of Fame weekend, has been designed to help divisions engage with each other as well as be informed on Speedway Australia's activities both current and into the future.

In the post-event survey last year, several attendees mentioned their wish to see promoters attend this event and we are excited to be able to meet this wish. The Australasian Speedway Promoters Association is an entity with decades of history in the sport and its member tracks include the likes of Archerfield Speedway, Avalon Raceway, Premier Speedway, Latrobe Speedway, Hobart Speedway, Borderline Speedway, Valvoline Raceway, Hi-Tec Oils Speedway, Murray Bridge Speedway and Carrick Speedway.

Not only will the promoters group attend this year's forum, but they will also have a segment explaining their history and role in the sport, with delegates then able to ask further questions.

For more information on this year's forum, please see the flyer on the following page. If your division is planning on attending, please email the names of your delegates to James.



# SATURDAY 23 JUNE



Rydges South Bank, 9 Glenelg St, South Brisbane

Start: 10am
Estimated finish: 4:30pm

Two delegates per division may attend the forum

Please RSVP to james@speedwayaustralia.net.au to confirm your attendance

The Australian Speedway Awards & Hall of Fame will be held at the same venue from 6:30pm

Awards tickets can be purchased via this link

**BRINGING SPEEDWAY TOGETHER** 



#### THE CROSSOVER: JUNIOR TO SENIOR

Youth Speedway is an exciting part of our sport and is an important factor in the future of any form of motorsport. It is highly important that we manage Junior competitions effectively and continue to work alongside the Speedway Australia Racing Rules & Regulations to conduct them in the safest manner possible.

The below rules offer clarification on the different age minimums for each type of youth competition and cover procedures around the crossover between Junior & Senior classes. As a sport, we need to continue to educate ourselves and keep in mind Juniors have plenty of time ahead to compete in further divisions. The crossover point is a crucial make or break aspect of whether drivers stay in the sport and we're sure we're all agreed on the need to keep these competitors flowing through to other divisions. The crucial age is 16/17 – when a competitor can choose to be an adult or a youth competitor, but can't be both. And once a competitor steps up to an adult division, they cannot return to the junior sections.

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- 2.2.5 A Junior Licence and Junior Driver's Infringement Card are issued to Drivers from:
  - I. 10 years of age for Junior Sedans
  - II. 7 years of age for SKAA Juniors
  - III. 5 years of age for JDJQMA licence holders
  - a) All juniors must be under 17 years of age, at the time of applying for their licence, subject to State Government requirements
  - b) If a Junior Licence is obtained at the age of 16 years old, the holder is eligible to finish the season on the junior licence, even if they turn 17 during the season.
- 2.2.6. Only persons 16 years or older may apply for a Senior Licence.
- 2.2.7. Once a Junior Driver has graduated to a Senior Licence category and races with a Senior Licence that Driver is ineligible for further competition as a Junior Driver.
- 2.2.8. Junior Drivers are not permitted to compete against Senior Drivers.
- 2.2.9. A Junior Licence holder is required to have a parent or guardian, who holds an Annual Speedway Australia Licence, with them whilst at a Race Meeting. These licences will be offered as a "non-competitive" licence.
  - a) No Junior Competitor will receive prize money from competing in a junior event.
  - b) Parents/Guardians need to sign a release form allowing for photos/videos to be taken of their children while competing under a Junior Licence.

#### 2.4. JUNIOR RACING (PAGE 25)

- 2.4.1. Clubs, Associations, Promoters and Speedway Venues cannot allow any Junior Events (practice or racing) to commence after 11.00pm.
- 2.4.2. Junior Drivers are permitted to participate in a Grand Parade.
- 2.4.3. Junior Drivers are permitted to "track pack", however they must not be on the track at the same time as any senior licence holder.

#### **ANY RULE CHANGES?**

Next month the Speedway Australia Directors will once again gather for a board meeting, discussing various matters throughout the sport. With this is mine, if any divisions are thinking of making adjustments or additions to any of their annexures in the Racing Rules & Regulations, please supply these before the before June 30. These will be included in the next electronic update of the rulebook.

To view the current Speedway Australia Racing Rules & Regulations, please click here.

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