

Welcome to the 77th 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.

SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA & FEDERAL GRANT UPDATES

We had an amazing response to our track grant scheme, with 35 venues submitting requests to the value of over \$200,000. This means that not everyone will be successful in a couple of weeks time when we announce which projects we will be able to assist.

Our Sport Development Officers Adam & Ross have been in touch with a number of tracks to point them in the direction of the Federal "Stronger Communities" infrastructure grants programme we mentioned back in Speed eNews #73. We encourage all tracks to contact their local Federal MP and work through the process of applying for this scheme. At the very least it will build your networks with your local representative, which can only provide long run benefits to your entity.

Best of all, the feedback from some MP's we've spoken to is that their inboxes aren't exactly overflowing with applications.

BURNOUTS

With the new season approaching in many parts of the country, this is a friendly reminder that burnouts are a type of motorsport activity sanctioned and licensed by Speedway Australia. If you are conducting burnouts then the relevant Speedway Australia rules and regulations apply, and the event must have the correct permit.

See Section 11 of the July 2019 rulebook for all the details on how burnouts must operate at a Speedway Australia track.

For example, the regular speedway infield area is a no go for anyone other than competitors and officials – just like a normal race meeting.

Its not that long ago that 11 spectators were critically injured at a burnout event in the Northern Territory (not at a speedway track though), and we know that a speedway facility is a great place to ensure crowd and participant safety when compared to non-speedway burnout venues.

The salient point to take away from this update is that burnouts are a legitimate source of enjoyment and income at many tracks, but there are a set of rules and regs that must be adhered to for the benefit of the sport as a whole.



If you have any questions please contact Liz Weaver (Track & Safety) or your relevant Sport Development Officer.

www.abc.net.au/news/2017-09-04/centrenats-burns-victim-says-he-doesnt-blame-driver-for-incident/8869570

NATIONAL CALENDAR

Our 2019/20 National Calendar dropped onto the website on Monday, but we note that there still are a number of tracks in the process of finalising their schedules for the season. We will be doing another version of the calendar in the coming weeks, so urge tracks to send us through their dates once finalised

This is a handy reference guide that people can keep on their phone, tablet or laptop, and we are delighted to be able to circulate your details widely.

Click the image to download the current calendar.



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