



### Welcome to the 181st 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.

## SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA PARTNERS WITH GALLAGHER



Speedway Australia are pleased to announce it has appointed Arthur J Gallagher – known commonly as Gallagher, as it's insurance broker with immediate effect.

This transition will in no way alter the insurers who have supported Speedway so ably for many years, with the change to Gallagher aimed at streamlining the processes and services offered to our family of Speedway tracks.

In addition to Gallagher's appointment, we are in the process of developing an on-line self-service Portal to be rolled out in the coming weeks, putting to an end the former method of completing paper commitment forms that are often out of date after only a few months, particularly during this current climate of Covid restrictions and snap lockdowns.

In the meantime, please refer all requests for race meeting invoices and enquiries to Mark Holmes or Liz Weaver as we finalise the finer details for Gallagher's contacts. We will be in touch with further details for tracks in the coming days.

In the meantime, we wish to thank everyone at Marsh for their past support.

### **ISSUING OF INFRINGEMENT NOTICES**



With the new season fast approaching – or in full swing for those in the North of Australia, it's a timely reminder that all infringement notices must be forwarded to the Speedway Australia office for them to take effect.

Each week we inform clubs and divisional bodies of the status of currently suspended licence holders via the Stand-Down list. It goes without saying, if a licence holder doesn't appear on this list, we are obviously not going to recognise them as being

stood down from their respective competition or official duty.

For the infringement process to work efficiently, we require everyone to work with us in following the correct processes. If we don't receive the infringement notice – or don't receive notice of payment of fines, we don't know about the incident and can't enforce or withdraw any penalties. This can be done through emailing our licensing officers using the contact details below.

It's also important to remember to correctly fill out the infringement notice in line with our latest rules & regulations. They must also be delivered to the licence holder in the correct manner and in the appropriate timeframes, be that in person at the event, or sent within 7 days of the event via registered post.





## SKAA COMMITMENT TO SAFETY



SKAA held its AGM last weekend, with extensive discussion with the Executive and both our Technical and Safety committee relating to improving the overall safety and wellbeing of competitors.

Effective 01 November 2021, it's mandatory that all Karts competing at SKAA events will now feature a frontal impact structure or 'nose cone', mitigating the risk of competitors interlocking or riding wheels during competition. This, together with other safety initiatives by SKAA in recent times is the result of direct consultation with

Speedway Australia, using real-world accident data to make informed decisions regarding best practice to avoid future incidents.

SKAA are just one of a long list of divisional groups who have reached out to us for advice when conducting research into how they might improve vehicle safety, with many open wheel classes enjoying reduced injury rates – and therefore more competitors on track more often as a result.

SKAA President Pete Green said "We have always been and will remain committed to ensure we display a duty of care to both our competitors and all personnel who may attend our meetings. Safety is our number one priority and will remain that way into the future."

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