

### Welcome to the 165th 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.



# NATIONAL FORUM, AWARDS AND EXPO: MORE INFORMATION

Speedway Australia's National Forum weekend is just over four weeks away, with a record number of tracks and divisional bodies having already expressed their interest in attending this once-a-year industry event.

We're pleased to announce a comprehensive schedule of events for this year's National Forum, with an action-packed weekend of informative workshops and events ranging from face-to-face training sessions for new Officials and Junior Trainers, workshops for applying for and securing grants, discussion relating to insurance and an industry expo featuring many of the sports leading suppliers of safety equipment, parts, and services.

Here's what you can expect from the 2021 forum.

### 10:00am – Forum Opening.

- 10:00am An introduction to the 2021 National Forum
- 10:10am 2020/21 Industry Snapshot
- 10:30am MORNING TEA
- 10:45am Discussion around future trends and what lay ahead for the sport.
- 11:15am Kids to Grids programme overview, and how it benefits Speedway.
- 11:35am Safety Training programme introduction.
- 12:00pm Discussion around difficulties faced by club promoters, with a view of creating training platform.
- 12:30pm LUNCH





### (schedule continued)

#### 12:45pm – Australian Speedway Expo

Speedway parts suppliers, National Divisions and tracks who wish to showcase their products and services to the wider Speedway community. (approx. 4pm close)

#### 5:30pm – Australian Speedway Awards & Hall of Fame

2020 & 2021 Australian Speedway Awards presented by Ryan Harris and Jarrod Ash.

Start time brought forward from previous years to 6pm (doors open at 5:30)

#### SUNDAY WORKSHOPS

#### 10:00am – Welcome Back

A general introduction to the day, with a breakdown of what workshops will run throughout the day.

- 10:05am Insurance Discussion
- 10:05am Officials Training Seminar
- 11:15am MORNING TEA
- 11:30am Applying for Government Grants
- 11:30am Kids to Grids and Junior Training (12:30 finish)
- 12:00pm Digital Initiatives & how they can assist tracks.
- 12:30pm LUNCH
- 1:00pm Open Forum discussion with the Speedway Australia board and staff.
- 1:45pm Wrap up.
- 2:00pm Forum Close

Once again, every track and divisional body in the country are welcome to send two representatives (per track or division), who only have to pay their travel and accommodation expenses to get to the venue. Speedway Australia is taking care of the costs for Saturday and Sunday's day sessions, including morning tea and lunch.

For tracks of divisions who wish to confirm their attendance, or for assistance in booking accommodation, contact your relevant Development Officer below as soon as possible.

### MARK HOLMES: NOW AVAILABLE



As we noted last week, Mark Holmes has now formally joined the Speedway Australia team and is available to assist with personal accident and public liability enquiries. His contact details are as follows:-

#### Email: mark@speedwayaustralia.net.au

#### Mobile: 0448 927 771

The suggestion for tracks would be to contact Mark in the first instance if you have any invoicing or permit enquires, rather than dealing with either Marsh Advantage or Liz Weaver as you will have done in the past.





# DRUG-FREE DUBBO



Drug and alcohol testing can happen at any Speedway Australia race meeting, and last weekend we utilised the services of national provider TDDA to conduct a number of tests at Dubbo Speedway. We're pleased to be able to report that all of the randomly selected competitors recorded negative results.

The process we utilise is to conduct an oral screening test, which takes around 10 minutes before the competitor is back on their way. In the event of a non-negative reading a further urine test is conducted, as this process is a more accurate method of determining if a substance is

present. If this test is also non-negative, then the result is deemed to be in breach of Speedway Australia's rules. The competitor is issued an infringement notice, removed from the pit are and their samples are sent away for laboratory testing,

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