

Speedway Sedans Australia Inc



Board Meeting Minutes

Comfort Inn Haven Marina, Adelaide, SA
17th & 18th September 2016

1. Open Meeting – 8.30am

Rod Meakins has requested that with immediate effect Di Lauder is the interim Board Member for Victoria due to his resignation.

Di was welcomed as the Board Member for VSCF.

2. Introduction of Board Members

Greg Lynd - CEO
Garry Gale – SST
Leeann Wilson – Speedway Australia SA
Allan Jennings – SSQ
Michele Harris – SSNT
Di Lauder – Acting VSCF
Tony O'Neill – SSA of NSW
Geoff Green – SSWA
Beckie Jones – National Secretary

3. Introduction of Delegates and Attendees

Philip Krause – SST
Moss Buchanan – Speedway Australia SA
Pam Franz – SSQ
Jason Crowe – Media – Saturday only
Ian Slater – SSA of NSW
Allan Smallwood - SSWA

4. Apologies

Jason Crowe Sunday

5. CEO Opening Address

Welcome one and all to this the 2016 September SSA National Conference! Although, always pleasing to make it from one meeting to the next and be still of sound mind is these days quite pleasurable to say the least!

The past twelve months has seen some significant results throughout the organisation which given the multiple areas of the organisation is particularly pleasing, but with that said the next twelve months may see an entire whole new effort required in bringing a more enhanced and innovative approach to our organisation as we endeavour to capitalise in all areas for the entire organisation, the associations and without doubt all members under the umbrella of Speedway Sedans Australia.

At different times it seems nothing more than a revolving door, where things continue to just keep heading in circles and it frustrates me more than ever that it is at this level of the organisation where we see it most! Go back to February and a testing time if I can say so, where things had come to a head and a further effort was needed by particular Board Members in playing their part as an appointed individual to serve and represent the Sedan community as one seventh of this working party! Did anything change? Marginally! Not much quite frankly! We took a deep breath and rolled into another week moved on and are now undertaking the investigation into a restructure of our organisation that some would believe would fix those concerns and the workloads currently held by the minority of those at this level, it may well do but some lost sight of what still needs to be done continually to at least try and keep it all on track! A fool would have everyone believe they play their part; they see a picture but still cannot work it out what they are in fact looking at! All the ideas under the sun won't change anything, until such time those ideas become a reality!

I have now come to a realisation that it is of a concern that I keep banging on about this, it may not change to much but I will try my hardest to never raise it again, as many have said it's not your problem, it is theirs! With all that said dedication to the task is paramount and we are fortunate although at times it does not seem there is enough, but there are so many that contribute at club level across the country, throughout the associations that volunteer their time and effort in primarily having a love and desire for our great sport, the sport of Speedway and we must acknowledge and applaud them for their continued efforts! Competitor numbers are strong with some 1650 cars registered over the past season and with the number of licences issued by Speedway Australia in excess of 1900, the SSA certainly maintains significant numbers across all classes! The pride taken and the effort shown in the presentation of the cars is mind blowing these days with so many awesome looking race cars being presented at race tracks all over the country! Absolutely, did I say awesome?

Also, with particular appointments undertaken throughout the organisation I wish the new appointees all the very best in whatever their new role maybe! To those who have moved on or moved out a sincere thank you for the time contributed where and whatever role you may have participated in!

Administration as a portfolio as such applied to the SSA I see as a significant step forward for the organisation as we move toward a simple generic systematic approach! Including, those personnel that are at the fore front or in the trenches so to speak, suppling feedback and the input needed not for one state, but for seven! The fewer amounts of times we have to hear, but I do this! The better the system will become I'm sure! Slowly but surely!

Technical comprehensively is working very well and the committee seemingly are becoming more cohesive as a unit and the additional personnel those being CTAC Chairpersons as members of the National Tech Committee helps to now place additional emphasis on further constructed investigations surrounding certain specifications! The role of the Technical Administration Officer continues to work very well currently in helping to keep it all together, great work Pam! It should be noted that certain states should consider replacing a couple of CTAC reps on divisional committees.

Titles have seen yet another big year in coordinating what was certainly a successful outcome yet again by Michele and Beckie top effort! A season of Titles that had a number of highs and lows, but take nothing away a year that some of the best racing and results anyone could ever wish to see! The time and effort put in this year by those on Title Teams was tremendous, an effort where the game has changed I do believe! As we look toward the season ahead with not five but six National Titles another busy exercise is certainly upon us!

Live Streaming of our National Titles for this season has shifted the load to another high for our media team, one of the major innovative decisions to come out of the Board room over the past twelve months! Jason, along with Jarred have near finalised a schedule, run sheet of the program and are nearing for a couple of test

runs sooner rather than later. All things considered exciting times ahead as the SSA along with Ash Media look to step it up yet again and showcase our product further to another level!

The Intellectual Property of the SSA that being the six National Classes along with Six National Titles must now be put into context of what it is, where, when and how it is used and in particular by whom! We need to facilitate a genuine and workable management system in where it is no longer as untidy as it has been in the past, where third, fourth and those fifth parties can at times misrepresent the property of the SSA in ways of what they believe they have total rights to do so when and where they see fit. Although we have taken preliminary steps I would ask the Board to consider and apply a pathway that will work for the benefit of the SSA, those affiliates and all the relevant external parties.

With the Stewards meeting late July, a time where going forward that meeting will coincide with other agendas as the aim is to have it held this coming year over the same weekend as the 1st of our Technical meetings in early May, it can be done! As this committee meets only once a year and given the fact that at times the agenda for these meetings are of a limited nature and as a committee under the SSA apart from reviewing a rule book every two odd years it was time for them to take on an exercise that will provide an additional tool in the scheme of what the other committees provide for the organisation. As a National Stewards Committee, this committee will now undertake the task of constructing and producing an Officials Manual/ Module in where particular chapters and areas of the manual will serve as significant points of interest, references, appropriate information and a guide for being an Official under the SSA and in turn its affiliates, I am sure that it will rise above anything there has been before. Accreditation continues to be a topic that gets tossed around more times than not! Again this meeting was no different and with the concept of a three year term in holding the accreditation they just maybe onto something in alleviating some of the agonising debate in having people attend. In addition to this a big ploy will be to have the Accreditation completed on line, something that can and should be done and ready to roll out July 1 2017. Pie in the sky stuff, I think not!

As we continue with the push for all SSA Officials to be processed under the SSA we are still hit with significant resistance from Speedway Australia, the SSA is still moving on with issuing the said cards as the Officials registrations filter through to the National Office! Beckie is now well equipped and has now come to terms with the newest piece of machinery purchased of late!

Financially the organisation remained stable over the past twelve months! In saying that it is imperative that any spending is in return a reflection on improving the SSA product and the service provided to our SSA community. Sharee Forrester has provided her appreciated and valued input as always and continues to be a stickler to the task!

We rely on Beckie to keep things rolling through the office, time management may well be the biggest issue faced as part of the routine in attending to a very large amount of things, a broad spectrum and certainly no lack of variety in dealing and adjudicating most things SSA! Email, emails, more emails and don't forget the phone calls! Time chasing repetitive items is certainly time consuming, if we could just ask for a tad more attention to detail with for example Official registrations it may just help through those processes. Our working relationship at times is certainly stretched but one that ultimately through bouncing all things SSA off each other works and works well to say the least! Thanks Beckie.

Given the job and the role as part of my position with the SSA aside from the phone calls, the emails and of course the work load it has created opportunities, opportunity where I get to travel, attend meetings and meet a whole lot of people just to name a few! What I have found rewarding and is undoubtedly the most important thing is talking to and having communication and occasionally the odd beverage whilst we pull a few tear offs with people that play a part in speedway in some way! A club president, a state official, a flaggy and not forgetting the many competitors of the SSA, to fly the flag, to listen, acknowledge and take on board to get a better understanding in a lot of cases and actually learn a thing or two along the way! I thank the SSA for this opportunity! I don't claim to have all the answers to what people see as an issue or should anyone else in this organisation, so can I please suggest that next time someone wants to chat, chew your ear or even buy you a beer take the time, drink the beer and most of all listen as you may find some answer or may well learn something to put to good use for the benefit of one and all.

Again thanks to those in every engine room, keep up the good work, fly the flag, keep smiling and most of all be innovative and don't get left behind!

Motion

Accept the opening address

Moved TAS 2nd WA CARRIED

6. Board Member Reports

- **SSA NSW**

Well the winter season has come to an end and it is now time to get back into racing. Since our last board meeting there has not been a lot to report.

NSW has had their AGM and all positions were returned except for the vice president Warren Watt who stood down due to health reasons and he has been replaced by Ian Slater from the Bega Club.

We have also added a Junior Vice President in Doc Bailey, and Rodney Anderson is the assistant Secretary to help with the work load.

Benny is busy processing registrations and I am happy to say that our production sedan numbers are on the increase and we may overtake Queensland in this class.

SSA Juniors are our main focus this season to get the National class up and going in our state.

Speedway NSW ACT have been making it so hard to introduce SSA juniors into NSW, banging on about junior trainers ,6 entries in there log books etc. they just do not want to except SSA National Juniors. The latest new idea they have come up with in the last week is they are going to let 10-year-old juniors race 100 kw 4 valves per cylinder 1600cc cars race this is madness.

It is time Speedway Australia sorted this mess out, they need to tell Speedway NSW ACT to get on the same page as the rest of Australia, the NSW state branch should NOT be involved in writing Specs. for junior sedans they are totally out of their depth.

The RSA in NSW have introduced super sedans which they are calling RSA V8 Racing Sedans (see facebook) RSA are also calling them Div.5 Racing Sedans, this is taking numbers from our Super Sedans ranks we need to discuss with Speedway Australia.

In the past 15 years NSW has only had 1 state meeting per year and that has always been in Newcastle, this year for the first time we tried something new and had 3 meeting, and moved them around the state to take the meetings to the outlying clubs who in the past would not come the state meeting because of the distance they had to travel.

I would just like to thank the Chief for making the time to attend our AGM, it is the first time the CEO has ever attended a state meeting in NSW.

- **SSNT**

Affiliated Clubs:

Speedway Sedans Northern Territory Inc. remains with our five affiliated clubs: Darwin Speedway Riders and Drivers Association, Darwin Junior Club, Katherine Motor Sports Club, Tennant Creek Speedway Club and Arunga Park Speedway. Katherine, Tennant and Alice Springs all getting a healthy injection of funds from the

Liberal Government to upgrade and improve their venues. Katherine has finished their modifications including a new wall and will be holding their first meeting on the 10th of September 2016. Tennant are close to the finish line with their new tower and Alice's fence is coming along in readiness for their season opening at the end of October 2016. The end of August saw a new change to our government so we will see if motor sports continue to get the funding it requires.

Divisions:

With only two SSA divisions within the Northern Territory being Junior Sedans and Street Stocks their numbers don't seem to change, the amount from venue to venue may differ but overall the number count is static. With the likes of Lance Carew and Justin Brumfield still being competitive when they travel away from the state it shows that it's not all about small club numbers when it comes to the big stage.

Events:

Tennant Creek has been supported by the Alice Springs competitors who have not had a track to compete at. Tennant ran a team's series earlier this year with each team consisting of a Junior sedan and a Street Stock competing in their sections with their points added together to decide who was the most successful team. Tennant hosted their sixty lapper which is an annual event held for Street Stocks. Congratulations to Justin Brumfield for taking that trophy back to Darwin. Preparations are well underway in Tennant Creek to host the 2016 Northern Territory Junior Sedan Title in October.

Officials:

Unfortunately, I again have to report that we struggle to fill positions when it comes to officials. I understand that the NT is not the only one and it is a problem throughout Australia. To our hard working officials that continue to put up their hand year after year I thank you for your support. To the few new ones we have drawn on I hope that your association with Speedway Sedans becomes a rewarding one. With the SSA Inc. now licensing our officials I am hoping that we might get some more come on board. It has been said that they feel like they are a part of an organisation instead of just being. With the implementation of the SSA Inc. new licensing register for engine sealers it may make some of our sealing issues disappear.

www.speedwaysedans.com has helped with direct access 24/7 to upgrades to specifications and rules.

Summary:

SSNT Inc. continues to move forward. We now have a competent transponder operator within the state, thanks to Pam Franz for your time spent helping Angela Menzies become familiar with the program. The next step will be working with the clubs to enable their operators to be fluent with the equipment also. Angela has already been working in Darwin to achieve this.

Ian continues to carry out the accreditation to all of our officials. We still require the SSA Inc. to decide what is happening with certificates. If we are not going to receive anything SSNT will be constructing our own as it's only fair that the official has something for giving his time to do this.

• **SST**

Well that winter went quick. Especially when you get to spend a few summer laden weeks admiring the glory of nature in Canada, and taking two well-earned weeks free of Speedway, and quality time with family, that said, time stops for no man and Speedway is no exception.

Administration

Since my last report to the SSA Board in May, Tasmania has held its AGM, and the following positions and people are now locked in as follows.....

Phillip Krause – President (2 Year Term)

Garry Gale – Secretary/Treasurer (1 year remaining of 2-year term)

Brian Morice – Vice President (1- Year term)

Noel Russell – Jnr Vice President (1 Year term)

Phillip Hext – State Chief Steward (1 Year Term)
Noel Russell – State Technical Officer (1 Year Term)
Garry Gale – SST Board member to SSA (2 Year Term)

From a personal perspective, I am particularly delighted that Phillip put his hand up to stand as President, as he brings with him a new fresh attitude. Phillip is the 1st SST (TSCF) President from our Southern Region for at least the last 10 years, pre Guy Thompson days at least. Phillip has filled numerous roles in Speedway over the past 5 years including, Club Secretary, Club Steward, Club Scrutineer, State Jnr Vice President, as well as an accomplished performer as a steward/scrutineer at recent National Titles held in our State. Phillip has no allegiance to any particular division, but like many, has a love of our sport and a desire to see it grow and prosper. I am particularly confident Phillip will prove to be an accomplished leader in our State in the coming years.

Technical

As advised to Pam Franz, (Secretary, Technical) and the Technical Committee, Mr. Brett Davidson has been appointed as the Tasmanian delegate to the Super Sedan CTAC group. Now this position is filled, I am hopeful that Tasmania will again have a voice in this very important area of our sport. Brett has close ties with Super Sedans, being the father of Laura, who in a very short space of time has proven that she is the real deal. This is in no small part to the guidance and passion of Brett and those around him. We wish Brett well and assure him of our total support, guidance and backing.

Officials

As all our officials went through the accreditation process prior to the commencement of last season, SST have seen fit to organize a training and education day for all our Stewards and Scrutineers. Team leaders Phil Hext (Stewards) and Noel Russell (Scrutineers) will conduct this training day on Sunday 25th September in Campbell Town. The obvious desired outcomes are that all our officials display a level of consistency that is replicated at every track around our State.

Media

With the advent of our name change just prior to the commencement of last season, the season had actually commenced before official approval had been granted. As a consequence, we held over the name change of our website address until this off season. Now our website is accessible via www.speedwaysedanstasmania.com

State Titles

Whilst venues have been set for quite some time, promoters have now finalized their calendars, and the Tasmania State Titles are as follows...

Super Sedans – 4th February 2017 @ Carrick
Modified Sedans – 11th February 2017 @ Hobart
Street Stocks – 18th March 2017 @ Latrobe
Junior Sedans – 18th February 2017 @ Latrobe
Tassie 6's – 14th January 2017 @ Carrick
Bombers – 11th February 2017 @ Hobart

2017

Looking into my crystal ball, and going off the Stock orders and new number requests I am optimistic that we will experience growth in Junior Sedans, Street Stocks, Modifieds, as well as our State Restricted divisions in Tassie 6's and Bombers. Super Sedans are the great unknown, and it will be interesting to gauge the support of Late Models in our State as they have been scheduled to run on two nights later in the season at Carrick.

Overall, I am very satisfied, that SST is equipped, and loaded to go for an exciting 2017.

All that's missing at the moment is a bit of sunshine.

Green flags & Blue skies folks

- **SSQ**

Well not too much has happened since my last report in May as most of QLD is in the off season, with the exception of North QLD which their season is well and truly underway.

At our recent AGM I was voted in as the new QLD president as Jim Cowley has stepped away from the role after 4 years, I hope that I can continue the good work that Jim has done.

We also have a new vice president in Donna O'Keeffe, who has been around our sport for quite some time mostly from the super sedans. It's great to have her on board the rest of the executive is still the same with Pam and Kaye, so now with Donna I am outnumbered by the girls 3 to 1.

With the new season about to begin it's now starting to get really busy with licences and rego machinery day etc. Looking forward to a cracking season

- **VSCF**

Just a short report from the VSCF as it has been a quiet off season, with very little happening.

At our AGM we had very little change. We do however have new blood on the Committee with a new Street Stock Rep for 16/17 Season. Mick Clark will be this season's Street Stock representative replacing Mick Purdie. We would like to wish Mick the best of luck and Thank the outgoing Mick for all his effort and support over the last couple of seasons.

We are looking forward to National Production Sedan Title this season, to be held at Wahgunyah Speedway. Have had some contact from the club with some minor concerns, but we have discussed these matters and it all seems to be moving forward nicely at their end.

Whilst our members in Victoria welcome our decision to move away from Speedway Australia, many questions remain unanswered. We have assured our members that the format of the restructure will answer all and move us forward into the future.

- **Speedway Sedans SA**

Well the off-season has passed by once again, with preparations for the coming season in full swing. Car registrations are slowly starting to flow with the first daylight day being held at Murray Bridge and another planned for Adelaide.

A date meeting was held in June and a calendar has been produced for meetings around the State and all State and National Titles are on it.

Technical and Stewards officials had a meeting in June at Murray Bridge, it was a productive day with round table discussions on Worksafe SA rulings and how the season worked under the new conditions. Technical then went on to inspect a Junior Sedans that a parent gave up his time to bring to the meeting.

Official's accreditation day was held in Adelaide on 24th July and other dates and venues to be confirmed. Junior Sedan Drivers training day to be held at Murray Bridge on the 11th of September, it's a Juniors Only day so the will get max track time.

Last seasons highest point scorers have been presented with their prize of having their next licence paid for.

MJS Series for Street Stock will once again tour the State along with the JD Couriers Super Sedan Series.

Much work is happening at Adelaide Motorsport Park with their first burnout meeting being run and won. They are also working on canteen and canteen foods.

Next State Conference will be in October.

- **SSWA**

Speedway Sedans WA had another busy season, hosting five state titles along with a National Title, which were all successfully conducted by the host clubs and officials alike.

Congratulations to Bradley Oldfield (Junior Sedans), Jason Oldfield (Street Stock), Stephen Laidlaw VIC (Production Sedans), Aidan Trewern (Modified Sedans) and Warren Minshull (Super Sedans) on winning the State Titles and to Tim Green who took out the Australian Production Sedan Title at Moora.

The Australian Title at Moora was a huge success, with the usual minor issues which were sorted out without any fuss, resulting in an excellent title.

Numbers of licensed competitors has remained steady, in excess of 700 which is despite SSWA which raised fees by \$20 to come closer to the National average. The surplus funds which SSWA found themselves with as a result, was fed back to competitors by way of grants to travelling competitors to specific events which was well received. \$8000 was paid out as a result, with SSWA electing to do the same again this year.

Speedway Sedans WA is in a sound financial position and made a profit on the previous season, even after the extremely expensive exercise in travelling to the far north of the State to Broome, an exercise which will occur again this season with the WA Production Sedan Title.

After many years on the executive, Peter Theyer stood down as the State Technical Director. We would like to acknowledge Peters long term stand on the Executive and his dedication to the sport over many years. Speedway Sedans WA are very lucky to have been able to get Fab Martinelli into the role, after many years as a Scrutineer and Committee Member both with Junior Sedans and at the Ellenbrook Speedway, and he will be an asset to the State.

Motion to accept all the Board Reports
Moved QLD 2nd VIC CARRIED

Matters arising from the State Board reports.

Allan Jennings was congratulated on becoming State President.

Greg asked some questions from the Board Reports to individuals which were answered. Di contacted Rod to ask what his concerns were for Titles. His concern was with Benny Taylor trying to take over the running of the event. This is not the case and Benny is working closely with Wagunyah, supporting them as and when required.

7. Acceptance of Minutes of the Previous SSA Inc Board Meeting

- Board Meeting May 2016
- August 2016 Telephone Minutes

Motion to accept the previous minutes
Moved NT 2nd NSW CARRIED

8. Business Arising From Previous Meeting Minutes

None

9. Financial Report

- Sharee Forrester presented the financial report

Motion to accept the financial report as presented.
Moved NSW 2nd VIC CARRIED

10. Business Arising from Financial Report

None

11. Technical Overview

- Greg Lynd presented the Technical Report

TECHNICAL MEETING REPORT TO BOARD

Meeting was held in Adelaide on the weekend of 27/28th August 2016.

Present were:

Greg Lynd – CEO
Pam Franz – Tech Admin
Dave Helyar – SA Tech Rep (Saturday only)
Noel Russell – SST Tech Rep
Doug Rigby – SSQ Tech Rep
Grant Harris – SSNT Tech Rep
Benny Taylor – SSA of NSW Acting Tech Rep
Colin Campton – VSCF Tech Rep
Fab Martinelli – SSWA Tech Rep and Acting Junior CTAC
Peter Theyer – Modified Sedan CTAC
Paul Bennett – Production Sedan CTAC
David Weir – National 4's CTAC

Peter Harris – Street Stock CTAC
Mark Humphreys – SSWA Tech Admin

Apologies were received from

Tony O'Neill – NSW Tech
Darren Sutton – Junior CTAC
Jonathon Oliver – SA
Dave Helyar – SA Tech Rep (Sunday only)

Discussion and comments from State Tech and CTAC chairperson reports

VSCF Tech – Discussion on fuel testing processes used and outcome – as per SSA Policy

SSWA Tech – Nil

SA Tech – need to ensure that EFI Intention to Build forms are being lodged so we are aware of what EFI cars are coming through

SSNT Tech – Nil

SST Tech – Nil

SSNSW – changes in legislation regarding the age of Junior competitors from 10 years. S/A NSW making it difficult to get Junior Sedan racing started

SSQ Tech – confirmation that Chief Steward not to overrule technical on technical matters

Modified Sedan CTAC – track measurements to be reviewed

Production Sedan CTAC – down turn in mining industry affecting personnel available at various tracks and creates a high turnover of club personnel

National 4's CTAC – where will cars come from for National title – QLD and NSW

Junior Sedan CTAC – Nil

Street Stock CTAC – implementation of fuel tank protection bars not possible across the board as some cars do not have sufficient barwork to support the fitment at this time

Super Sedan CTAC – Nil

Technical Forms/Paperwork – forms that are/can be used - discussion on the use of

- Computer (ECU) Sealing Form – Street Stocks and Junior Sedans
- Intention to Build EFI Junior Sedan
- Sample Approval Letter for EFI Junior Sedan
- Junior Sedan EFI Race Feedback
- Daylight Inspection Sheet
- Engine Sealing Form
- Request for Technical Inspection
- Extenuating Circumstances Form
- Gasket Claim Form
- Out of Pocket Expenses Claim form
- Under 18 Years & Junior Sedan Sign In Sheet
- Engine Sealer Registration
- National Officials Registration Application

Clarification 1 – arising from discussion on forms

Moved: Modified CTAC Seconded: SA Tech Rep CARRIED - (NSW Against)

Class Technical Manual Page 9 Section 19

Add to Engine Sealing Policy Document and Class Technical Manual

“Engine ID tag to be attached to timing cover seal using wire looped through engine seal.

To be introduced as of 1st July 2017”

Source – November 2015 Tech Committee phone hook up – needs to be formalised for inclusion going forward – overlooked for inclusion in July 2016 update

Resolved to accept – introduction 1st July 2017

Add to Class Technical Manual and Super Sedan Spec Book

Definition of ‘Proprietary’ is - (of a product) marketed under and protected by a registered trade name.

Resolved to accept – introduction 1st July 2017

Section 3 – 18 – Glossary of Terms & Definitions

To be added – Proprietary - (of a product) marketed under and protected by a registered trade name.

Motion 1

Section 3 - 19 - SSA General Rulings

Moved: SSWA Seconded: SSNSW CARRIED

To be added - Race Day Scrutineering – “A competitor/owner of a car taking part in the race meeting must not scrutineer or sign off the log book for his/her own race car.”

For introduction in Class Technical Manual 1st July 2017

Grease / lubrication on tyre sidewalls – All Divisions – only Modifieds have completed and was included in July 2016 update

To be apply to all divisions – to be added to the specification books –

Resolved to accept the same wording as Modified Sedans

‘Any type of lubrication (grease or oil etc) is not permitted on the tyre walls.’

For inclusion in all Specification Books effective 1st July 2017

National 4’s – list of approved cars – a living document –

Resolved that as cars are applied for CTAC to approve – information to be circulated to Technical Committee for acceptance – notify the applicant – update the book – reload to the website.

Recommendation – that a generic form be drawn up for use in all divisions for application to build cars not on the approved lists already – to enable standard information to be submitted for consideration.

Approval for Mazda 121 Bubble DB 1997 – Engine: Mazda 1.8 litre

Wheelbase: 2390mm Front Track: 1420mm Rear Track: 1400mm

ACCEPTED for inclusion

Approval for Mazda 3 2007 – Engine: Mazda 2.3 litre

Wheelbase: 2640mm Front Track: 1530mm Rear Track: 1515mm

ACCEPTED for inclusion

JUNIOR SEDANS

Clarification on fuel pumps in Junior Sedan EFI cars – as per Page 15 Section 4.1.2 c) – refer back to CTAC for confirmation – meeting believe it should read – ‘up to Bosch 044 type’

Junior Sedans – CTAC to review flywheel weights and types in use

Junior Sedans – machining the face of carburettors – acceptable as long as it is only for levelling for sealing purposes

Junior Sedans – welding of fittings into top of rocker covers i.e. breathers – CTAC to clarify

Junior Sedans – EFI Charade computers – list of computer numbers on Page 27 of Junior Sedan Specification book

Junior Sedans – RWD EFI models – refer to Media Release 13/07/15 stating that no further EFI makes/models be introduced at the present time

Junior Sedans – front bar work for Datsun's and Toyota outside the chassis rail –

Recommendation to Junior Sedan CTAC 'front bar work to be same as Street Stock specification or to have crush zone at front bumper and slip joint'

Junior Sedans specification manual – page 4 drawings to have material thickness changed to reflect the wording in the specification

Junior Sedans specification manual – page 12 – redo wording in the middle of the drawing to enable the words to be read

Junior Sedans – ceramic coating of pistons – not a standard engine reconditioning practice – not accepted

MODIFIED SEDANS

Modified Sedans – how do scrutineers know if there is a competition clutch therefore is a scattershield required – car owner signs the daylight sheet stating that his/her car complies. If in doubt scrutineer can ask for gear box and clutch to be removed.

PRODUCTION SEDANS

Production Sedans – wheel covers – wording to be made more simple – drawing to be included in the book as of 1st July 2017

Production Sedans – Push Rods for V6 Holden Engines – wording to be made more simple – material is irrelevant as long as length and method of operation is standard – this is a rule change and will not be introduced until 1st July 2017

STREET STOCKS

Street Stocks – Boot floor in VE Commodore – hole to be filled where fuel tank is removed then cut 300x300mm hole for excess fuel to escape to comply with specification book

Street Stocks – motor replacements in VE Commodore – sent to CTAC to determine placement

STREET STOCK CLARIFICATION

Specification Book Page No 12 Section Engine and Auxiliary Equipment Rule No 4 m)

Change Commodore V6 flywheel thickness by 1.5mm to allow for machining on the clutch face only.

m) Standard flywheel (not lightened). Holden 3.3 blue/black engine must use that flywheel, not 3.3 red engine flywheel. Minimum allowable thickness – Falcon 20.5mm, Holden 32mm, Valiant 22mm, GN Sigma 22mm, GH Sigma 34mm. must use original cast flywheel with original markings. Except, V6 Commodore may use an aftermarket steel flywheel. ~~Allowable minimum thickness of 35.5mm (not lightened).~~

Change last sentence to read: Allowable minimum thickness of 34mm (not lightened)

For introduction as of 1st July 2017

ADAM HOLT ROLL CAGE DESIGN - Email submitted via Colin Campton –

Roll cage with no spreader bar – there is actually one complete bar from front to back but isn't within 200mm of front roll cage leg

Drawing submitted by Adam Holt of his FG Falcon kit cage was discussed and accepted subject to the front spreader bar being no further forward than 200mm of the front leg.

Adam Holt Email Request in regards to Tags to mount door plates and roof plates -

- tags to mount door and roof plates to remain as per the specification book – 50x50x3mm or 55x40x6mm i.e. Square or Rectangular not triangular – plate to be solid with one only hole for the mounting bolt.

Action – letter to be written to Adam Holt and all Specification Books to be updated with the above explanation in the appropriate places.

Adam Holt request for Clarification in regards to the adjusting of the top arm location of a Double wishbone front suspension vehicle.

Outcome - Mounting point on body to remain in original position with the top arm mount to remain in the standard mounting position

Modified Sedan Section 10 Suspension Page 19 b)

Multi hole mounting brackets that alter the mounting of the arm in relation to the ~~arm~~ body is unacceptable (01/07/16)

Amend to read – Multi or single hole mounting brackets that alter the mounting of the arm in relation to the ~~arm~~ body are unacceptable (28/08/16)

Reason - Original clarification dealt with a previous meeting with the word ‘ arm’ used instead of ‘ body’

Specification book to be updated – effective immediately

ROLL CAGE BAR #18 Dropper Bar – All Mono Divisions

No size specified so reverts to roll cage size material 38x3mm CHS

SECTION 3 BUMPER BARS – All Mono Divisions

Photos of bracing being fitted to some cars – 3 a) states – ‘minimum of 100mm from rear of bumper tube’ are the attached photos acceptable?

Outcome - Both bumper bar mountings shown in photos are wrong – there is not to be any bracing from the rear side of the front bumper tubing for a minimum of 100mm

SKELETONISING – WHAT IS ACCEPTABLE

As per the spec books – no skeletonising – discussion held on cars that have removed excessive areas

Moved: SSQ Seconded: SST Tech Rep CARRIED

That a letter be written to Mark Carlin V12 to replace the Bailey Channel on all door openings of the FG Falcon Modified Sedan. With reference to Modified Sedan Specification Book Section 1 a) - Race car is to use an **original, complete, metal body** with the suspension mounting points in original position and being used.

ENGINE SPECIFICATION CLARIFICATIONS

Greg Lynd has field a number of enquiries in the first instance from engine builders for Street Stocks/Productions/Modified Sedans which have been referred on to CTAC’s for clarification.

Motion 2 – clarification immediate update of spec book

Street Stocks Section 4 Page 12 I add ‘3.9 litre’ to read

All 4 litre and 3.9 litre Falcon engines may use any OEM Ford or HTP head up to and including AU, but valve size to be correct for model of engine. No high output or Tickford heads allowed. The original casting on the front of the head must remain. EL is not to use AU engine.

SUBMISSION TO LOWER DRIVERS DOOR

Submission received from Modified Sedan driver to lower the driver’s door height and move his B pillar back to make entry to the car easier due to his build.

Outcome – not allowed.

JUNIOR SEDAN DRIVER 6’6”

Request to move seat back further than the 125mm behind the B pillar due to height.

Outcome – accepted and a letter to be issued as dispensation to be kept with the log book and only apply to that driver

CONTAINMENT SEAT EXTENSION

Driver wants to extend the height of a containment seat – add 25mm.

Outcome – not accepted – will need to obtain a seat that is compliant and suitable for his need

MODIFIED SEDAN REAR SUSPENSION

This is an on-going issue with car owners ignoring directives to comply with the specification. A letter to be issued to all states reminding them of the need to enforce the specifications as written

DRIVERS WITH DISABILITIES

Nothing currently to cover this. Item to be added to SSA Policy to cover persons with a disability to take part. To be dealt with on a case by case basis. Applications with full detail must be supplied

SEAT MOUNTING METHOD – MATERIAL/METHOD/DESIGN – All Divisions

There has been extensive discussion on the mounting of seats in Sedan cars. At this stage no definitive outcome has been reached. All Technical Reps and CTAC Chairpersons have been asked to spend some time in their states looking at the current methods in use; material/method/design – and come back to the May 2017 meeting with an outcome.

POST RACE CHECK LISTS

A draft copy of the proposed Post Race Check lists was presented to the meeting. Further additions were suggested. Updated version circulated to Technical Committee for any further input.

TECHNICAL MATRIX FOR INFRINGEMENTS

More work to be done in the area – to be taken back to May 2017 meeting. This has the support of the Stewards Committee.

TECHNICAL HAND BOOK

A copy of an older version has been found and will be the basis of a new hand book. To be ready for presentation to the May 2017 meeting with input from Technical Committee members.

ROLL CAGE MATERIAL REVIEW

Still an on-going project.

ROPS/FOPS regulations – how does this affect our roll cages

PHOTO EVIDENCE

Is it time to start taking photos of cars at time of daylighting? - May 2017 Agenda Item

ROLL CAGE COMPLIANCE

TAGGING/COMPLIANCE - More info to be obtained – May 2017 Agenda Item

Previous roll cages not deemed unsafe – just moving forward

ENGINE SEALING

The competency of some of the engine sealers is questionable. More stringent inspections are required by our engine sealers and engine checks to be carried out not just at state and national title events. Random engine checks required.

Application from a Junior Sedan car owner in regards to sealing EFI Daihatsu Charades. When racing multiple weekends in a row at state/national titles and finishing on the podium each time.

Outcome - State Technical Rep can inspect and seal the engine and a letter will be provided from SSA Inc. as to the compliance/legality of the engine. The cost will be \$500. The State Technical rep is entitled to make a claim for their time and travel costs.

ENGINE SPECIFICATIONS

Letter from an engine builder in regards engine specifications asking for clarification on what is within and not within the engine building specification. A list of specification suggestions to make things more understandable (in his opinion) was supplied.

Outcome – Referred to Modified Sedan and Production Sedan CTAC chairpersons to review the list and feedback.

CTAC CRITERIA

Can be found on the SSA website in Policy document

REGULAR TECHNICAL UPDATES

Technical Administration Support to collate a regular update of Technical items being clarified/discussed so as to keep the Technical Committee up to speed with where things are - to better enable them to talk with competitors at race meetings.

SSA POLICY – TECHNICAL SECTION UPDATE

Presented to the Technical Committee – for presentation to the Board to be included in the update of the SSA Policy document.

ENGINE SEALER REGISTRATION – NATIONAL DATABASE

National Engine Sealer form will be distributed to all states for circulation to Engine Sealers in their state. Forms to be returned to the State in the first instance for recommendation and then forwarded National Secretary for the issue of a National Engine Sealer Registration Card. This will allow for a National Engine Sealer database to be created.

WHEEL BASE/WHEEL TRACK MEASUREMENTS

Some of the older model cars have varying measurements from one division to another. Street Stock/Production/Modified CTAC's to bring to May 2017 meeting a common measurement for the specification books.

ONLINE ACCREDITATION

Discussed at the Stewards Committee meeting and being looked into.

Motion to accept the Technical Report as presented

MOVED SA 2nd NT CARRIED

Comments:

Fuel Testing Policy needs to be circulated.

- CTAC – Super Sedan Survey

The results of the survey were presented and discussed.

12. *Stewards and Officials*

- Allan Jennings presented the Stewards Report

The off season has still been busy with the usual inquiries about Rules and Regulations. I am getting a lot more calls from stewards throughout the country asking for advice and about training which is great always happy to help.

I have sent out about 6 or 7 training packs to officials who needed to be done, this seems to work quite well and easy to keep track of whose done it. Maybe in the future we can put this package on our website so people can access it and then sent me the answers, this would make the process easier for officials, anyway just a thought.

Really looking forward to the new season.

Discussion on a program for the accreditation, Ian Menzies from NT is available to assist and source government funding and should be utilised. A lot of phone calls are how to fill out an Infringement Notice, this needs to be put into the training.

- Report from National Stewards Meeting Report

STEWARDS MEETING REPORT TO BOARD

Meeting was held in Adelaide on Sunday 31st July 2016

Present were:

Greg Lynd – SSA CEO

Rod Meakins – SSA Board Member

Allan Jennings – National Chief Steward

Pam Franz – SSQ and Minute Taker

Brett Edwards – SSNT

Kelvin Gray – VSCF

Leanne Wilson – NASRSA

Jerome Sutton – SSWA

Phillip Hext – SST

Len Davis – SSA of NSW

Ian Slater – SSA of NSW Observer

Lynn Slater – SSA of NSW Observer

Apologies – Nil

Stewards/Officials Training/accreditation – going forward – Rod and Allan

3 year accreditation period – face to face training to be re-accredited –

Suggestion to have our training on line – e-learning

Discussion on looking into having our accreditation course government approved which can then return an income to the SSA

There is a difference between accreditation and training – both needs to be happening – accreditation each 3 years and training on an annual basis.

Meaning of Training – noun - ‘ the action of teaching a person a particular skill or type of behaviour’

Meaning of Accreditation – noun - ‘ the act of accrediting or the state of being accredited, especially the granting of approval to an institution of learning by an official review board after the school has met specific requirements’

STEWARDS HANDBOOK

Discussion on the need for a Stewards Handbook covering a range of subjects – suggested subjects below – this would be made available as a download from the website

- Identify the purpose of the SSA
- Know what our divisions are
- What is the purpose of the steward
- Role of the Steward
- Prepare a steward for an event – duties
- Know SSA Policy and Procedures – relating to Stewards
- Identify people – competitors/other officials – background
- Events and competition – specifics
- Understand the judicial process – infringement notices / appeals – consistency (Jerome)
- WHS

Consistency is the main key – no matter where you race the rules should be applied the same.

Information needs to feed down from the states to club officials – those who attend meetings at any level have an obligation to take the information back to their state/club officials and on-train the information obtained.

There is a need for the Stewards to understand the divisions and have a basic technical understanding and better support the technical people in the issue of Infringement Notices for technical breaches.

Suggestion – That a Form be drawn up for completion by Technical person to request an Infringement Notice to be completed by the Steward for a technical penalty to be issued.

Motion 1

Moved: VSCF Seconded: SSQ

CARRIED

Accreditation is valid for a period of 3 years before attendance at another face-to-face accreditation session is required.

Explanation - This means – those persons accredited in 2015 will be due for re-accreditation attendance in 2018.

Motion 2

Moved: NASRSA Seconded: VSCF

CARRIED

That a Training Module and Handbook be developed for Stewards.

New officials – accreditation by correspondence

First year officials can complete the accreditation handbook to become registered Trainees in the first instance. Cannot be upgraded to a Club/Chief level without attending a face to face accreditation session.

Clarification on Chief or Club Stewards not issuing infringement after direction from Chief or Club Scrutineers judgement of fact on technical breaches of specification

It is the responsibility of the Chief or Club Steward to follow the instruction from the Technical person. Form being developed for recommendation to be made formally.

Clarification on drivers that nominate for an event before close of nominations date that are serving a suspension that will be off suspension when event is to take place

There is a rule in the book which gives the State/Club the right to reject any nomination. Refer to Rule 2.1.1

Clarification on how to fill out an infringement notice in regard to the suspension time frame i.e. is the length noted or dates in which the suspension falls between

Infringement Notice to have the end of the suspension date recorded rather than the period of time of suspension. Suspensions end at midnight on the day nominated.

Penalties for technical breaches at National Titles

Consistency upper most – technical are already working on developing a suggested matrix which will help this situation

Juniors – both the driver and parent/guardian to be penalised – parent/guardian to be the holder of a Pit Crew/Competitor licence

Manual lap scoring at National Titles

No manual lap scoring at national titles required – placings are declared per the transponder results. if there is a local manual lap scorer they are welcome to lap score as back up in case of electronic failure but must understand that the transponder results take precedence.

Presenting cars at scrutineering if anything illegal the penalty should be enforced

This would be simpler if there was not such a difference of understanding at state level of the specifications.

This can mean that drivers present cars to scrutineering without being aware that they are outside the specifications due to someone else's understanding of the specification.

Illegal parts removed at scrutineering and held for the duration of the meeting and can be returned at the end of the meeting

Log book needs to be clearly noted so they can then be checked at the next racing meeting when presented to scrutineering to ensure the illegal part has not been refitted.

Motion 3

Moved: VSCF Seconded: SSWA CARRIED

Illegal car parts found at scrutineering to be removed from the car and held for the duration of the meeting by the scrutineers and log book to be noted.

SSA Infringement Notices

To be included as part of the on-going restructure process

Officials levels – trainee/assistant/club/chief

There is a need to have 4 levels of Officials so that people have 2 years before being able to be in a position of being in charge of an event.

A need for a registration card of recognition for State Stewards and National Chief Steward.

Review penalties for safety infringements – e.g. window net falling down, seat belt coming undone. Driver should be able to go infield and fix and then return to racing. (Mechanical deflect not Black Flag)

*Discussion in the meeting reflected that different states are doing different things outside the rule book
Consensus of opinion is that we need to remain within the current rule in the book – Rule 4.26.7*

LAPPED CARS AT RESTARTS

Motion 4

Moved: SST Seconded: SSNT CARRIED

For all race meetings conducted for Speedway Sedan Australia divisions lapped cars will be placed at the Rear of the Field at a race restart for heats and finals. They will be placed in the order that they were lapped or as directed by the Chief Steward. To be implemented once approved by SSA Board.

General enquiry on transpondering and set ups etc – advised that Pam Franz would be willing to assist with answering any questions they have – advised to ensure they use the My Laps system

Single file restarts – must be nose to tail

One Way Communication needs to be brief and concise

Reminder in South Australia at all tracks - Breaking traction under yellow – Rule 4.8.4 - whilst any official is outside the safety barriers - Worksafe SA enforce it strictly with large fines applicable on top of the Racing Rules Penalties of up to \$2,000 fine and up to 2 year suspension – 23.09.15 Speedway Australia Media Release

One Night Licence – Speedway Australia change as of 1st September able to obtain a One Night Licence at any time online – even on race day – SSA in talks with SA about how to cover the SSA Infringement Card issue/payment

Titles 2016/17 – expression of interest forms have been circulated – some people present have not received a copy of the EOI form - suggestion form to be uploaded to website for ease of access

Allan is going to construct a memo to be sent to the registered stewards.

Rod Board Portfolio Report

Expiry dates etc are a problem as we now need to check that someone is current at every meeting rather than at the beginning of the season. Still a concern.

At our recent meeting in July we decided that we should meet in March or April, so that any changes can be ratified and approved by the Board at the May meeting.

This would ensure a July1 implementation date to come into line with other changes and new season.

Please also refer to the minutes of this meeting to form the rest of this report.

Thank you to all those who attended. I feel it was a worthwhile event.

Motion to accept the Stewards Report as presented

Moved WA 2nd SA CARRIED

Motion 1

That we have the accreditation training via E-Training online and operative for July 1st 2017. Officials accreditation will be 3 years before renewal. Face to face training will still be available currently with aims to be phased out.

Moved VIC 2nd WA CARRIED

13 National Titles

- Michele Harris presented the Title Report

Since the last board meeting, the work load has again increased. Submissions have been sent out and returned to host the 2018 SSA Inc. National Titles. These submissions had the new addition of the state having to counter sign the form to acknowledge that they will work with the promoter to ensure the title is successful. We have been working on updating once again our next submission form for 2019. This included our intellectual property rights. This has not been an easy task but thanks to Greg Lynd for his assistance with achieving this I believe that we have hit common ground by being able to encourage venues that currently promote our classes via pay to view etc to put in a submission to host our National Titles. This has been done

with a clause stating that if we don't wish to enforce the authority of our intellectual property rights we are still able to come to an agreement that would be beneficial to all parties.

Contracts have gone out for this seasons SSA Inc. National Titles; they also have reference and requirements in regards to our intellectual property rights including the clause "the venue agree and acknowledge that Speedway Sedans Australia Inc. is the sole proprietor of all intellectual property rights associated with all Speedway Sedans Australian Titles". Our contracts also have been updated to include our drug testing requirements.

Title officials what can I say where are you? Thank you to those who have shown interest. Again this year I have struggled to put together a successful team for all events. Lack of interest from our expression of interest forms doesn't help find new blood. I thought that going direct to the source via the web site would help but it seems that there are some states still filtering who is put forward. Completion of this task takes a lot of time to achieve with consideration to the class, venue, ability to be a team player, ability to work with the other team players selected, passion and dedication to the SSA, communication with the competitors, and knowledge of the position that these personnel are required to undertake. At the end of the day these people are the image of Speedway Sedans Australia at our titles so we need to put the best we have on display. The online nominations will go up on the web site all at once this year. Care will be needed to be taken by the competitor to ensure that they nominate for the correct title. This is to attempt to stretch the work load that will be undertaken by Bec and Sharee after three of our titles will be held within a two week time frame. Again thank you to Bec and Greg for your continued input in to the success of our national titles and I wish all the venues, officials, competitors, spectators, family members and sponsors all the best for this year.

- Billy Miller arrive at 2.30pm to present a National Street Stock Title Submission. Submission was presented.
- 2017 Titles – Overview/update

The Title Teams for the National Street Stock Title in Kingaroy and National Junior Sedan Title are presented and accepted. The Title Team will be contacted and sent relevant information.

Motion 2

Accept the following National Titles

National Super Sedan Title in principle in Parramatta

National Modified Sedan Title at Easter 30/31 March and 1st April 2018 at Horsham

National Production Sedan Title 13/14/15 April 2018 at Maryborough Speedway Club

National Street Stock Title in principle pending date at Adelaide Motorsport Park

National Junior Sedan Title accepted in principle pending a phone hook up with relevant parties in NT.

MOVED WA 2nd NSW CARRIED

14. Administration

- Engine Sealers

Engine sealing forms are being sent to the states, the states will approve the engine sealers and send a database to the National Office. States will issue the SSA buff cards.

- One Day Licenses –

Motion 3

Speedway Australia One Day Licences for SSA Divisions incorporate the One Day Infringement card fee total cost \$70.00 and Speedway Australia reimburse SSA after the event, the amount of \$35.00 per licence.

MOVED QLD 2nd VIC CARRIED

The \$35.00 for the One Day Infringement will be retained by the SSA.

- Officials Licences

Speedway Australia have approved to accept our Officials Licences. An Officials database needs to be sent at regular intervals.

15. Media

- Jason Crowe presented the Media Report

A verbal media report. Due to being in the off season, not much to report but mainly concentrating on the Live Streaming, including formulating streaming of the events with Ash Media, sourcing content and how the show will open, calcutta footage, pit walks, promos and advertisements, transponder information, interactive views/spectators etc. Investigating a black out of postcodes. Having backdrops with logos and sponsors etc. This will not just be for 6 titles it could be utilized to produce a weekly show etc, the opportunities are endless. Equipment and crew could be hired out for other organisations to utilize.

- Live Streaming – Package

Everyone is happy to purchase the equipment required as per the quote provided and a contract will be put in place with Ash Media.

- Publicity – Garry Gale

It is with much pleasure I present to the Board of Speedway Sedans Australia, an overview of the Media & Promotions section of our Organisation.

As you would recall, we have all spoken many times of the ongoing requirement and value in SSA putting its “Brand” out into the public arena, as a way of promoting its product and our sport in general. The success of our endeavours will go a long way in us being able to secure a solid foundation for the now, and our journey into the future.

It is becoming increasingly obvious to us all, that the SSA brand is “OUR” property and as such need to have total control of how and who is allowed to promote, endorse or carry our name & brand.

As it stands now, the forums we currently use to get our brand out into the public arena are

- SSA Website & Facebook page
- Ash Media (You Tube)
- State Websites
- State & State Divisions Facebook pages.
- Oval Express - Print media
- Visual promotion at National Titles

From a Print Media perspective, our involvement with Oval Express has resulted in increased coverage to the level we haven't seen in the print media in recent seasons. With Jason writing our articles in Oval Express we control our own coverage, and I applaud SSA & the states involved who have embraced the opportunity to promote their States events/champions. This is addition coverage that we haven't explored (to this level) in the past.

To that end, Oval Express reaches the eyes of around 15,000 readers per month. Over the past 8 months, due to our advertising arrangement, SSA classes have received an additional 26 pages of exposure (on top of our adverts), via Jason's stories and National Title stories and summary's, ran by Oval Express. Also further coverage is gained via Oval Express website, Twitter & Facebook pages.

Future planning for coming Oval express articles include a story on WA Production Sedan racer Laura Byrnes, as well as the opportunity (in Jason's articles) to promote some of the SSA members who don't quite come into consideration for a major feature.

It is also pleasing that (at the time of this report) negotiations are well down the track with Jarrod (Ash Media) to upgrade equipment which will ultimately deliver increased opportunity and exposure. Jarrod, must be acknowledged for his work with SSA to date. The quality and quantity of his work on You Tube is 1st class and has been a valuable source of promotion and exposure, not only to SSA and its brand, but more importantly to many competitors as well.

I do recall speaking (Sept 15) for States to strongly consider utilising opportunities within their own regions, and it is very pleasing to learn of SSA NSW venture in this regard, via an arrangement with Totally Speedway. SSA NSW have gained valuable exposure via Totally Speedway website, Facebook page & You Tube. I commend SSA NSW (and in particular, Benny) for their initiative and hope the seeds they have sown return them a fabulous yield.

As with all areas of our organisation, Media & Promotions are, and should always be, under constant review. Recent discussions in house, have identified that our "Brand" could and should get better exposure at National Titles.

Opportunities are constantly presenting themselves to us, and as always, I encourage us to treat each opportunity on its merits. Some represent a massive spend, for questionable return, and as always good and sound governance and financial principles should apply.

Thanks should absolutely be expressed to Jason, for his passion and guidance in this area, where expertise is essential, and to all states who take a positive and supportive mindset by identifying, exploring, discussing, sharing information and ideas with the overall goal of ensuring Speedway Sedan racing in Australia grows and prospers.

16. *Speedway Australia - 12.00pm Saturday*

- **12.00pm** - Tim Savell (General Manager) and Guy Thompson (Deputy Chairman)

The presentation below was shown and discussed.



DISCUSSION TOPICS

Speedway Australia Overview
Insurance Report
Licensing Report
Grant Programmes
Rising Star Program
World Series Sprintcars (briefly)
Open Forum



SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA: ADELAIDE STAFF

Tim Savell: General Manager
Shawn Mortimer: Sport Development Officer
James Hadley: Sport Development Officer
Liz Weaver: Track & Safety Development Officer
Daniel Powell: Track & Safety Development Officer
Robin Pearce: Accounts Manager
Nicole Arnold: Senior Accounts and Licensing Administrator



SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA: WHAT WE DO

Licensing of competitors and tracks
Complimentary insurance for competitors
Racing rules + personal safety equipment
Public liability insurance for tracks
Track inspections and minimum operating standards
World Series Sprintcars + other initiatives



SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA: THE NEXT 12 MONTHS

Back to Basics: Licensing, Risk Management
Review of Track Operators Manual
New website including online reporting, [sample](#)
More tracks likely to come on board
Financial stability
30th World Series Sprintcars
Night of Champions to continue
Electronic lapscoreing initiatives + others to help on the ground
Building stakeholder relationships



SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA: THE LAST 12 MONTHS

Changes in the Office: 6 staff out, 5 in
Full organisational review, starting with World Series Sprintcars
Track inspection Programme
Rising Star 2016
No fee increases
Electronic one-day licensing
Night of Champions: WSS30, Hall of Fame & National Awards



2015/16 LICENSING UPDATE

	2011/12 Season	2012/13 Season	2013/14 Season	2014/15 Season	2015/16 Season
Adult Licence	4120	4060	4072	4266	4239
Youth Licence	579	537	535	564	587
Extraneous	141	83	67	68	82
All Competitors	4840	4700	4674	4898	4908
Mechanic	4237	4265	4243	4486	4548
One Day Licence	1632	1951	2393	2766	2998
Total	10710	10916	11310	12110	12454
Growth		2%	4%	7%	3%

By State:

Queensland	23%
New South Wales	22%
Western Australia	20%
Victoria	19%
South Australia	7%
Tasmania	3%
Northern Territory	2%

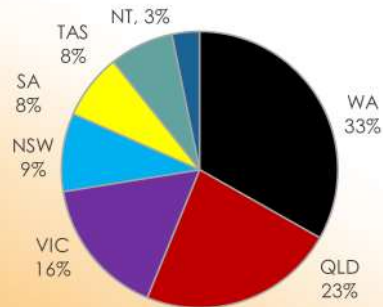
Record number of licenses in 2015/16, but negligible competitor growth and adult licenses were down slightly



SSA LICENSING INFORMATION



Class	Competitors
Street Stocks	503
Production Sedans	404
Modified Sedans	364
Junior Sedans	316
Super Sedans	221
National 4's	96
Total	1904



INSURANCE REPORT: PERSONAL ACCIDENT SCHEME



Season	Number of Claims	Grand Total Incurred	Average Per Claim	Broken Bone Claims	\$5 on Broken Bones
2011/12	31	\$288,925	\$9,320	14	\$76,000
2012/13	23	\$111,616	\$4,853	13	\$20,500
2013/14	32	\$277,158	\$8,661	12	\$20,000
2014/15	23	\$505,708	\$21,989	13	\$24,000
2015/16	26	\$341,303	\$13,119	16	\$29,000

2014/15 was highest on record

This season: 5 Sprintcar, 3 Wingless, 2 Karts, 2 Legends, 2 Street Stock + 12 others



PERSONAL ACCIDENT CLAIMS BY DIVISION: 2011-2016

Division	Claims	Total	Average
Sprintcar	22	\$248,870	\$11,312
Speedcar	10	\$178,376	\$17,838
Wingless Sprint	13	\$175,861	\$13,528
Demo Derby	7	\$158,732	\$22,676
Officials	7	\$152,296	\$21,757
Karts	13	\$96,493	\$7,423
Mechanics	4	\$77,440	\$19,360
Tasle 6	1	\$53,126	\$53,126
Journey	1	\$50,000	\$50,000
Super Sedans	4	\$35,725	\$8,931
Junior Sedans	7	\$20,996	\$2,999
Street Stock	3	\$9,686	\$3,229
National 4's	1	\$6,746	\$6,746
Production Sedan	3	\$2,650	\$883
Modified Sedan	2	\$2,002	\$1,001
72 Other Divisions	37	\$182,834	\$4,941






GRANT PROGRAMMES



5 categories of grant, over \$170,000 per year is distributed

1 Division Grants: \$86,000 in 2015/16

Speedcars \$50,000, Speedway Sedans \$30,000, Dirt Modifieds \$6,000

2 Track Grants: \$50,000 per year made available thanks to  QBE

2015/16 Grants - 12 tracks, mainly for lighting and safety fences

2016/17 just closed – 14 applications received



GRANT PROGRAMMES



3 Grassroots Grants: \$6,000 in 2015/16

**12 tracks received \$500 to assist with club level events,
e.g NSW National 4's state title**

4 TV Grants

**Up to \$3500 to assist with TV Coverage of Australian titles for AA
Divisions: In 15/16 Speedcars, Late Models and Dirt Modifieds**

5 Australian title assistance: New category

**Up to \$2000 to assist with the running of Australian titles for National
Divisions; Formula 500s the first beneficiary**



RISING STAR PROGRAM



Held at the Australian Institute of Sport in April.

**14 selected from 31 applicants, including SSA competitors Brock Atkins,
Cheyenne Richter-Uren, Lee Aylett, Miranda Ball & Tiana Spears**

**Fundamentals of fitness, nutrition, sports psychology, media and PR:
Speedway experts Darren Disbury and Wade Auger**

Mentors: Kye Blight + Speedway Australia representatives

Extremely beneficial: Now reviewing to find ways to expand



2016/17 WORLD SERIES SPRINTCARS



30th running of World Series Sprintcars

Full review undertaken, including stakeholder seminar

Record number of rounds scheduled – 19 from November 12

Live streaming, no TV, more social media

Aiming to channel investment into other areas of the sport

Shortfall (excl wages) from \$374,000 down to approx \$120,000



2016 NIGHT OF CHAMPIONS



September 10 at Jupiters Casino, Gold Coast

12 Australian Speedway Awards celebrating success in 2015/16 – over 250 nominations received

Huge battle for Sedan Competitor of the Year, won by Anthony Beare

Five into the Australian Speedway Hall of Fame incl Neville Harper

115 attended, Speedway Australia AGM the next day



Tracks need to have an inspection every 2 years as per the request from the Insurance Company.

All 16 – 19 year olds will be emailed an application for the Rising Stars Program going forward.

Funding is available to SSA upon a presentation request.

\$2000 is available for our 6 titles – need to apply.

Online Stewards Reporting is being launched on a weblink in the next few weeks, with the new website. speedwayaustralia.org/stewards

Speedway Australia really want someone from the SSA to fill the empty seat on the S.A. Board.

Motion 4

SSA apply to Speedway Australia to fill the vacant position on their board.

Greg Lynd be put forward to fill this position.

Moved WA 2nd NT CARRIED

- S.A AGM Update – Discussed
Vacancy on the Speedway Australia Board.
- Speedway Awards Night - Discussed

- Junior Sedans and NSW – NSW are going to organize a Junior Training package.

S.A are organising an appointment with Mr Frew from Department of Sports and Rec to discuss the SSA Junior Sedans in NSW. This needs to be sorted sooner rather than later.

17. SSA Policy and Governance

- Updates –
Accept Policy updates as presented by Leeann Wilson
MOVED VIC 2nd NT
- Technical Policy Items – to be forwarded to the Board for approval.

18. General

- **SSQ** - Update on the formation / branching out of Super Sedans to a National Super Sedan Association

We have not been contacted by anyone from this association.

SSWA –

1. One Day licenses for Super Sedans – Super Sedans are a AA licence so cannot have a 1 day licence for competition as per the Speedway Australia Rules and Regulations.

2. On Behalf of our members the Bunbury Car Club Inc would like to request the Operations and Procedures of the C Tech & National Tech committee be added to the Agenda of the Speedway Sedans State AGM this coming Sunday.

Reasons and Concerns

1. Drivers and owners are concerned they have little or no input into the technical Specifications of their race cars
2. There are no reasons or discussions on these changes released
3. Changes are being made with no consideration to cost and in some cases safety
4. It has not been made clear who our representatives for each division are and how we may contact them
5. Our members would like to have C Tech meetings held in conjunction with officials courses perhaps
6. Not all drivers and interested parties have the internet to get the latest updates and changes
7. Is Western Australia been properly represented at a National Level
8. How can there be better communication between WA C Tech representatives and drivers

Some of item 2 is WA specific but were raised at the AGM.

Discussed and WA are going to address the problems. The other States have noted.

SSA of NSW –

That recommendation 12 of the Technical Overview at the previous meeting of the Board of SSA on the 28 & 29th of May 2016, be rescinded & that Street Stock may dual register as Production Sedans & will be 100% compliant with all Production Sedan specifications as listed in the Production Sedan Specification Manual October 2015.

Discussed and the motion is not being changed.

The second is off the back of the AGM of SSNSW where this motion was carried by the majority of affiliate club delegates in attendance. Sedans Running together without dual registration –

Motion 5

That like registered SSA Sedans can run together at club shows not subject to dual registration in NSW. As long as all safety requirements are enforced to the higher specification registered cars.

Moved NSW 2nd WA LOST SST, SSNT, SSQ, VSCF, SSA Against

19. SSA Board Business

- SSA Restructure – Dealt with on Friday and need time to digest. WIP.

TAS – Nothing

SA – Live Streaming questions were answered during the media presentation.

WA – Nothing

QLD – Letter tabled from the QLD Super Sedan Association asking for support of \$1500.00 for trophies for their series. Qld have suggested that they go back and suggest that they received \$5000.00 at the end of last season and to this date it has not been utilized, Qld will suggest that they utilize that money this season.

The associations that received money last season to date have still not provided information as to what they utilized this money for to promote Speedway Sedans Australia.

NSW – Asks if we have a Mission Statement needs to be worked on.

VIC- Rod has requested that the invoice for the lawyers be paid. We have never received an invoice, when it has been received it will be looked at by the Board.

NT – Intellectual Property – we need to get assistance from an outside company.

Motion 6

The SSA appoint Jason Crowe to investigate our Intellectual Property through a professional company.

Moved NT 2nd QLD CARRIED

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Super Sedan CTAC – Due to 3 people from VIC on the CTAC Kristen Harris, Ron Bergmeier and Brad Wicks. Brad Wicks has replaced Kristen Harris. All CTAC lists need to be amended to show that Brad Wicks and Ron Bergmeier are the CTAC Representatives for VIC.

A letter from Drew Gleeson Legal was presented and the Board have advised to not respond.

Honorariums – Revisiting from May meeting. The May Motion stays as is and we need to source funding going forward.

Logos – Some draft logos were presented but some more work needs to be undertaken. Tony, Geoff and Leeann will investigate.

Affiliation – Discussion on affiliations. The States will forward their constitutions to the office as some states have tiered affiliation and we need to ensure that all States are uniform.

20. *Action List*

Next Meeting

Meeting Close 1pm