

Business Arising

Moved: Maryborough

Seconded: Caboolture

CARRIED

Technical training days not held – with the racing calendar so full of race meetings there are no free weekends and on the odd weekend that there may only be one meeting the personnel involved are grateful to have some time to spend with family.

Maybe try to hold a technical training at the end of the 23/24 season.

What are we doing for NQ - There will be a visit to NQ which will dual role as attendance at the inaugural SSQ Super Street Sedan title in Cairns along with some technical training for the northern personnel.

National 4 – Standard Class – no specific name has been given to the Standard national 4s by SSA.

There are 4 local Gympie cars being built. Great to see that SA have 6 ex Junior competitors planning on giving National 4 Standards a go. Gympie stated that if there are a minimum of 6 Standard cars at race meetings, they will run them in their own heat race and a combined final. Lockyear Valley are prepared to do the same.

Smart Watches – All Classes – it is to be noted that smart watches are not to be worn whilst on the racetrack by any competitor whilst racing. It is the responsibility of all competitors to ensure they comply with all requirements - if/when found non-compliant penalties apply.

Junior Sign On Sheets – the Racing Rule book requires that competitors in Junior competition must sign the Junior Sign On sheet along with their parent/guardian.

Both the digital licence and the hard plastic card must be appropriate for the class being competed in on any one night. 3 is the total amount of visible licences – this can be changed by contacting Speedway Australia during business hours.

HANS Devices – now mandatory to be used in all SSA registered sedans. Is there someone trained in the correct fitting of these items? Not specifically.

AS1698 helmets are no longer able to be used as they do not have the required clips for connecting a Hans Device and holes can not be drilled into an AS1698 helmet.

Question asked – why other RSA/Club classes do not need to use the HANS device. SSA are the organisation that have introduced them into all SSA classes and are not in control of what other classes do with their safety specifications.

SSQ Super Streets and Nostalgia Sedans will be required to use HANS devices from 01 July 2024.

5. Acceptance of Committee of Management Meetings, Phone and Teams Meetings

Moved: Sunshine Coast

Seconded: South Burnett

CARRIED

That the reports be accepted as presented.

6. Acceptance of Committee of Management Reports – as published in the Annual Report

Moved: Maryborough

Seconded: Gympie

CARRIED

7. Presentation of Financial Report

Annual Financial report included in the Annual Report document – discussion invited and questions answered. Regarding annual affiliation – clubs must pay their annual affiliation to SSQ (\$323 incl GST) and \$77 (incl GST) to SSA separately each year. If SSA affiliation remains unpaid clubs can not have cars registered to their members.

Acceptance of Financial Report for the 2022/23 season

Moved: Pam Franz Treasurer

Seconded:

Caboolture

CARRIED

8. Acceptance of receipt of SSA Board Meeting Minutes – May and September – for discussion purposes
Moved: Gympie Seconded: South Burnett CARRIED

Discussion Points

Junior Sedan driver criteria finalised. The day before a Junior competitor turns 17 is their last day they may participate in Junior competition.

Discussion on holding a Junior training day - especially for New Stars but be open for all Junior competitors – Maryborough offered to host a Junior training day.

New guidelines for Junior New Star and Top Stars – any Junior Sedan New Star competitor who competes in a State or National Junior Sedan title must remain in the Top Stars from that date on. Regardless of age or experience.

Car registrations for the 23/24 season – cars that were registered in the 22/23 season DO NOT need to have a new daylight inspection completed for registration purposes. 22/23 season daylight are effective for the 22/23 – 23/24 and 24/25 season for registration purposes.

Roof numbers to be mandatory at all National titles in the 23/24 season.

The nomination fee for National titles has been reduced to \$125 to encourage more drivers to participate.

Extra funding will be made available for National titles which will be included in the tow money pool so everyone shares. All competitors travelling one way more than 200klm are eligible for tow money. The profits generated from Clay Per View will be added to the tow pool .

SSA Go Travel fund opens each year on 1st August – anyone planning on travelling 2000klm or more to attend a race meeting anywhere in Australia can apply. Money not paid until after attendance at the nominated event has been confirmed. Unused Travel Go fund monies are used to support those on the waiting list.

Meeting stopped at 110pm to hold the AGM and resumed at 1.35pm.

9. Speedway Australia Update

The annual Expo and Awards Night was held in Melbourne at the Showgrounds – it is a great opportunity to showcase what's available within the industry. Several Qld stallholders made the trip to Melbourne with substantial amounts of their wares.

10. SSA Technical Update

Technical Committee has been changed. CTAC has been disbanded.

Two technical teams will oversee the technical side of the SSA classes. TRACC and TASC – both have different members, and both have different guidelines. State technical representatives make up the TRACC and some of the existing CTAC Chairpersons have gone onto TASC – EOI will be called shortly to fill the vacancies.

11. Agenda Items

- a. Prize / Minimum money – to be advised prior to race meetings for competitors information
Discussion held regarding the difficulty competitors have in finding out what exactly they can expect to receive from Clubs after a race meeting.

- b. Bundaberg Speedway Sedan Club – Nostalgia Sedans – discussions regarding the 22/23 season Nostalgia Sedan specification. The outcome of this specification is to bring the Nostalgia Sedans into line with other nationally accepted classes. It is important for the safety aspects of the Nostalgia class to be in line.

There are several items that need to be added to the specification and likewise some that need some words changing to make the requirement clearer for everyone to understand. Example – diffs, gearboxes, engine types.

A request was made that the presently registered cars that are already registered for the 23/24 season or registered in previous seasons be permitted to compete through to end of the 23/24 season without complying to the updated specification book.

ALL NOSTALGIA SEDANS WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLY IN FULL WITH THE SPECIFICATION BOOK AS OF REGISTRATION FOR THE 24/25 SEASON.

- c. Letter from Des Rowe initially circulated on FB and eventually submitted to SSQ – discussed in the meeting – no further action.
- d. Bundaberg Speedway Sedan Club – roll cage material sample outcome – no further outcome currently.

12. General Business

Lockyer Valley – shortage of Officials to run their race meetings – need to get some local persons to put their hand up to start the process to become registered Officials.

Sunshine Coast – Delaware restarts – pole shuffles – discussion - if a car does not compete in a Pole Shuffle, they only drop one position in the order of starting.

Treasurer – any interest in holding a state title for Nostalgia Sedans – at present with the specifications up in the air this will be held for further discussion in 12 months.

Maryborough – how long since the Out-of-Pocket payment has been increased for the Treasurer – discussion left to the Committee of Management to make the decision on what increase was suitable.

- 13. Next Meeting – Saturday 17th August 2024, Gympie Bowls Club, 16 Bowlers Drive, Gympie
- 14. Meeting closed: 3.30pm