

SHORT CIRCUIT TORQUE



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Update from your President

Hi everyone, the last event in Stanthorpe was very successful, we can look forward to the September event, warmer weather will be great.

SCMSA is doing promotions at both Leyburn Sprints in the middle of August then Pittsworth Sprints later that month, we will have Event Command Centre (Trailer) at those events. It is hoped we can create more awareness of our competition, with more competitors we can keep the entry fees down. If everyone spreads the word around at other events you attend that will go a long way to keep us on track.

We are always looking for OFFICIALS, while we had some interest at Stanthorpe we will always need people, again spread the word we can never have too many volunteers. Talk to your friends, introduce them to what we do. We will have the paperwork on site for anyone who wants to get involved and with training programs in place this can lead them to many events all over Australia.

Also spreading the word Stanthorpe is alive and well, we can look forward to our next 2 events this year followed by the end of year presentation in Toowoomba.

So any help you or your team can give us will be greatly appreciated, this will make the event much easier for all involved.

We are looking for a person to help with media promotion. Someone to put together articles which can be posted on our multimedia formats more often to get the word out about our activities and promote our events. If you know anyone who could do that job LET US KNOW.

Any feedback you can give SCMSA about the operations please let us know. Feedback is always appreciated on how we can make the experience better, SCMSA is here for you so please let us know your thoughts.

Moss Lane

President SCMSA

DATE CLAIMERS

Rd 3 - 17th / 18th September 2022 -- Carnell Raceway,
Rd 4 - 29th / 30th October 2022 -- Carnell Raceway,
SCMSA Dinner & Trophy Presentation –
Saturday 26th November 2022

2022 SCMSA Committee

Moss Lane – President,
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Vice-President's Message

Tropical Stanthorpe !!

Saturday – 3 degrees. Sunday – 2 degrees

There is a consensus that this round should be known as Frozen 2 or should we just “let it go.’

To all those that camped at the track consider yourselves a very special group of enthusiasts but you were justly rewarded with spectacular sunny days.

A big thanks to everyone who competed and a special mention to the new faces and the healthy number of juniors in attendance.

For a few of us the event was a busy weekend as we grappled with the shortfall of officials. We were able to cover all positions but were spread very thin. So to all our loyal competitors and members if you have family or friends that would like to be up close to the action and lend a hand

there are many and varied positions that need additional support.

All new volunteers will be warmly welcomed and paired up with friendly experienced officials and with the flexibility to experience different roles over the weekend such as Marshalling, Flag Points, Time keeping just to name a few. Did I mention that lunch is also provided.

Please give it some thought and do it in the family or a mate and help strengthen our club.

See you at round 3.

Cheers
Ross Rundle
Vice President 0427 929 001

Rd 2 QLD - NSW SPRINT CHALLENGE

The second round of the QLD_NSW Sprint Challenge was conducted at Carnell Raceway, Stanthorpe. The two day event of super sprints and short circuit racing produced some of the best racing seen at the raceway for some time.



Ross Rundle in his Minetti SS-V1 enjoying himself at Rd 2 QLD-NSW Sprint Challenge at Carnell Raceway

On the sprint side of the event Ross Rundle in his 2017 Minetti SS-V1 won Racing Cars & Open Sports Cars outright and the Sports Cars Under 1500cc class with a time of 2 minutes 17.280 seconds. Second outright and second in the Sports Cars Under 1500cc was Bruce Chamberlain in his 2015 Minetti SS-V1 with a time of 2 minutes 23.874 seconds. Third outright and first in the Sports Cars 1500cc – 2000cc class was Darren Brent driving a 2016 Mazda MX5 with a time 2 minutes 18.042 seconds.

Chris Ching driving a 1999 Mitsubishi Lancer EVO VI RS won the Closed Sports Cars & Sedans outright and the All-Wheel Drive Vehicles Under 4000cc with a time of 2 minutes 25.876 seconds. Second outright and first in the Sports Cars

Over 3000cc was Neil Esplin in his 2019 Toyota Supra with a time of 2 minutes 33.837 seconds. Shane Hill in his 1991 Nissan Silvia was third outright and first in Sports Sedans Over 2000cc.

Nick Contojohn driving his 1999 Subaru WRX Sti was second in the All-Wheel Drive Vehicles Under 4000cc with a time of 2 minutes 32.321 seconds.

Making her first appearance at Stanthorpe Christina Poole in her 2003 Subaru Impreza came third in class with a time of 2 minutes 47.676 seconds.



Adam Brennan leads Holly Aspinall in the Junior Class at Rd 2 at Carnell Raceway

Ainsley Fitzgerald in his 2014 Arrow Clubman came second in the Sports Cars 1500cc – 2000cc class with a time 2 minutes 33.032 seconds. Third in class driving a 2018 Formula Motor Sport Clubman was Ian Fitzpatrick with a time of 2 minutes 36.534 seconds.

Second in the Sports Cars Over 3000cc class was Blake Morgan driving a 1999 Mazda MX5 with a time of 2 minutes

31.505 seconds. Third in the class was Brett Kirkland sharing the drive with Blake Morgan with a time of 2 minutes 39.249 seconds.



Ian Fitzpatrick in his Formula Motor Sport Clubman took out third in the Sports Cars 1500cc – 2000cc Class at Rd 2 at Carnell Raceway

Second in the Sports Sedans Over 2000cc was Ross Liddle driving a 1999 Honda Civic with a time 2 minutes 33.170 seconds. Third in class was Sean Hill driving his 1992 Nissan Silvia with a time of 2 minutes 34.446 seconds.

Neil Thompson driving his 1972 Toyota Corolla won the Improved Production Under 1600cc class with a time 2 minutes 43.805 seconds. Second was Graeme Fleming in his 1992 Toyota Corolla GTI with a time of 2 minutes 49.680 seconds.

William Contojohn driving a 1992 Nissan Pulsar won the Improved Production Cars 1600cc – 2000cc class with a time of 2 minutes 39.933 seconds. Second in class was Neil Cope in his 1989 Peugeot 205 GTI with a time of 2 minutes 42.368 seconds.

The Improved Production 2000cc- 3000cc was a family affair with Peyton Penboss driving a 1982 Mazda 3 SP23 taking out first spot with a time of 2 minutes 47.462 seconds. Second was Ashley Penboss sharing the drive with Peyton with a time 2 minutes 48.064 seconds.

The Improved Production 3000 – 4000cc class was taken out by Craig Manteufel in his 1984 Holden Commodore with his a time of 2 minutes 40.074 seconds. Matthew White in a 2004 Nissan Skyline took out second spot with a time of 2 minutes 41.780 seconds. Sharing the drive Brendon Wrigley took out third place with a time 2 minutes 42.365 seconds. Sharing the drive Neville Nawratzki driving a 1999 Holden VT Commodore took out the Improved Production Over 4500cc with a time of 2 minutes 33.534 seconds. Chantal Holborn took out second place with a time of 2 minutes 37.867 seconds.

Leonard Griffiths driving his 1984 Holden Commodore took out the Short Circuit Vehicles. Alan Greenbury in a 1963 Hillman Imp took out the Pre 1974 Classic Touring Cars Under 1300cc class, while Keith Edwards in a 1953 Morris Minor took out the 1974 Classic Touring Cars 1300cc – 1600cc class with a time of 2 minutes 54.698 seconds.



Ashley McKenzie in her 1993 Honda CRX Delso took out the Junior Class at Rd 2 QLD-NSW Sprint Challenge at Carnell Raceway

There was a strong field on Juniors with Ashley McKenzie driving a 1993 Honda CRX Delso with a winning time of 2 minutes 40.445 seconds. Second was Holly Aspinall in a 1999 Honda Civic with a time of 2 minutes 47.945 seconds. Emily Clarke driving a 1999 Hyundai Excel claimed third spot with 2 minutes 48.363 seconds.

The short circuit racing at the weekend produced some very close finishes in the eight lap events. Toowoomba's Dallas Wolff staged a running battle with Nambour's Shane Hill and Munruben's Paul Bond to finish the weekend with 32 points. Paul Bond finished a close second with 31 points and Shane Hill with 30 points.



Jayden Manteufel in his 1995 Hyundai Excel winner of the Improved Production Over 2000cc in Rd 2 at Carnell Raceway

The Improved Production Under 2000cc was won by Jayden Manteufel with 27 points from Neil Burley on 18 points.

The Improved Production Over 2000cc was won by Guy Nawratzki with 18 points. The Sports Production class was won by Leonard Griffiths on 18 points.

The next round of the Series will be held at Carnell Raceway on 17th / 18th September 2022

DIRT TRACK RACING KICKS OFF FOR THE 1996 SEASON

Extract Warwick Daily News Friday 1 March 1996

Last Sunday the Millmerran Auto Club conducted its first race meeting for 1996 which kicked off the 1996 motor racing season on the Downs. The event took the form of a fun day, due to entrants being down. Top racing was experienced throughout the day and if this is any indication of what is to come this season then motor sport enthusiasts are in for one very exciting year.

The class racing was conducted on a point's basis with trophies being handed out to the various winners at the end of the day's racing.

The Junior Class attracted a strong field, and was won in fine style by the young Stanthorpe driver Nicholas Poole who was in top form. Second place was taken out by the promising young Rebecca Dawes from Warwick who showed that with more experience she will be the one to beat. Toowoomba's Ian Ford took out third place on the day.



Rebecca Dawes, a promising Junior from Warwick in the Juniors at the Reserve Raceway, Millmerran

The Production Class went to the hard-driving Michael Dawes from Warwick. Scott Town from Oakey took out second place with Pittsworth driver Troy D'arcy, who has just come out of the junior ranks, in third place.

The Improved Production Class produced some close racing which ended in a tie for first between two drivers who have not competed for some time – local Graeme Kelly and Mark Edwards from Toowoomba. Both drivers showed that they had not lost their touch. Stanthorpe's Robert Poole took out second place with Keith Harvey from Warwick third.

Murray Parker, another local driver who has come out of retirement, returned to the winner's circle after winning the Sports Sedan class, Terry Kelly picked up second place with Graeme Kelly third.



Bruce Mitchell leads Simon Thompson at the June Meeting at Millmerran's Reserve Raceway

Toowoomba star Len Black in his EA Falcon out-distanced the field in the Super Sports Sedan Class. Black won every event to take out first trophy. Warwick's Bill Campbell finished in second place with Gold Coast driver Steve Van Zeeland in third place.



Bill Campbell leads the pack out of the hairpin at the Reserve Raceway at Millmerran

The Formula Six Class went to Warwick's Garth Schelback.

The day's racing was backed up by a strong field of Karts which produced some top action and some very close racing. Sports Kart class was taken out by the hard-driving Bill Barr, with Byron Longford in second place and Nicholas D'arcy in third spot.

Formula Kart class was won by Peter Kelly from Barry Green, with Ian Mackie in third place.



THE DUMBEST GUY ON EARTH

This picture is real – not doctored in any way – and was taken last by a Transportation Supervisor for a company that delivers building materials for 84 Lumber. When he saw it in the parking lot, he went and bought a camera to take pictures.



The car is still running, as can be witnessed by the exhaust.

A Woman is either asleep or otherwise out in the front seat

passenger side. The guy driving it was jogging up and down on Rt. 925 (in the background)

Witnesses said their physical state was OTHER than normal. The driver finally came back after the police were called, and was found crouched behind the rear of the car, attempting to cut the twine around the load! Luckily, the police stopped him and had the load removed.

The materials were loaded at Home Depot, Their store manager said they had the customer sign a waiver. While the plywood and 2X4s are fairly obvious, what you can't see is the back seat, which contains – are you ready for this? – 10 bags of concrete @80 lbs (36 kgs) each. They estimated the load weight at 3000 lbs (1360.77 kgs).

Both back tyres exploded, the wheels bent and the back shocks were driven through the floorboard. The car, with FL (Florida) plates (naturally), was headed for Annapolis, Maryland (USA) where the couple presumably planned to build a new house in which to smoke their crack.



Ray Bainbridge in a 1988 Nissan Silvia competing in the Sports Sedans at Rd 2 QLD-NSW Sprint Challenge at Carnell Raceway



Brett Kirkland driving a 1999 Mazda MX5 came second in the Sports Cars Over 3000cc at Rd 2

“HOW IS YOUR MOTOR SPORT KNOWLEDGE”

- Q1** Who won the first Australian Grand Prix?
- Q2** What year was the first World Championship Grand Prix contested?
- Q3** When was the first “Armstrong 500” contested?
- Q4** Who won the 1960 Australian Grand Prix?
- Q5** What year was the first Australian Grand Prix conducted in Queensland?
- Q6** How many times did Peter Brock win Bathurst?

- Q7** Where was the 1960 Australian Grand Prix conducted?
- Q8** Where was the 1955 Australian Hillclimb Championships conducted?
- Q9** Who won the 1953 Redex Trial, and in what make of car?
- Q10** Who won the 1955 Australian Hillclimb Championship?

Answers in the next edition of Torque



CARNELL RACEWAY STANTHORPE

Rd 3 Qld - NSW Sprint Challenge

Rd 3 Short Circuit Touring Car Series



Entries Now Open

17th - 18th September 2022

Entries close Sunday 28th August at 5.00pm

Proudly presented by the Short Circuit Motorsport Association

WANTED

Officials for Carnell

We need your help to run the event at Carnell on the 17/18 September 2022.

While it is important to get competitors to enter the event without people to run the event there will be no event.

If you are available to help even for one day please give Moss a call on 0428 717 535

SCMSA END OF YEAR PRESENTATION DINNER

SATURDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2022 – 6.00PM

Ballymore Function Room 331-339 Hume Street Toowoomba

On the southern side of “Club Toowoomba”

Carpark access is the **Gold Park Sporting Club Sign**
function room at the end of the carpark

\$40.00 per person. Deposit to BSB 034-221 a/c 231094

Include your name on the deposit as a reference - **AND**

Confirm by email to: secretary@scmsa.com.au or phone Bronwyn 0409621864
to advise names of persons attending - **BY TUESDAY 15 NOVEMBER**





CLUB MERCHANDISE



POSTAGE EXTRA FOR ALL ITEMS BELOW

Unless delivered at the next race meeting

Sport pole T-Shirts with embroidery logo and lettering	
(old stock)	\$35
(new stock)	\$50
Short Circuit Motor Sport Assn. caps with embroidery logo and lettering	\$25
Stainless steel coffee mugs with short circuit logo	\$20
Pen Set with 2 extra refills	\$20
Led Torches with batteries with short circuit logo	\$10
Westhold transponder	\$165
Westhold Lapceiver	\$95



COMING EVENTS



JULY 2022

Saturday 30

Rd 5 Mt Cotton Hillclimb Series
 MG Car Club of QLD
 Mt Cotton, Brisbane

AUGUST 2022

Saturday-Sunday 6-7

Shannons Nationals
 Queensland Raceway, Ipswich

Saturday 13

Rd 3 Tri Series
 Tamworth Sporting Car Club
 Raleigh Raceway, Tamworth

Sunday 14

Rd 5 MAC Dirt Sprint Series
 Millmerran Auto Club
 Reserve Raceway, Millmerran

Saturday-Sunday 20-21

Leyburn Sprints
 Leyburn Streets, Leyburn

Saturday-Sunday 27-28

Pittsworth Sprints
 Pittsworth Industrial Estate Streets
 Pittsworth

Saturday 27

Rd 6 NSW Hillclimb Series
 Tamworth Sporting Car Club
 Raleigh Raceway, Tamworth

Saturday- Sunday 27-28

Rd 3 QLD State Championships
 Morgan Park, Warwick

SEPTEMBER 2022

Friday-Saturday-Sunday 2-3-4

Toowoomba Swap Meet
 Glenvale Road
 Toowoomba Showgrounds

Saturday 10

IWMAC Come & Try
 Ipswich West Moreton Auto Club
 Willowbank Park, Ipswich

Saturday 10

Interclub Hillclimb
 MGCCQ
 Mt Cotton, Brisbane

Sunday 11

Rd 4 IWMAC Autocross Series
 Ipswich West Moreton Auto Club
 Willowbank Park, Ipswich

Saturday-Sunday 17-18

Rd 3 QLD-NSW Sprint Challenge
 Short Circuit Motor Sport Association
 Carnell Raceway, Stanthorpe

Saturday-Sunday 17-18

Rd 3 QLD Short Circuit Touring Car Series
 Short Circuit Motor Sport Association
 Carnell Raceway, Stanthorpe

Saturday 30-Sunday 1

Improved Production Racing Nationals
 Morgan Park, Warwick



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