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Carnell Raceway - 2025 Timeline of Events

March 2025

8th/9th SCMSA Round 1 postponed due to ex-cyclone Alfred

22nd - New committee elected at AGM

29th/30th - Postponed Round 1 event held at Carnell Raceway

31st - Committee notified in writing of tree fall incident at 11:30pm

April 2025

2nd – Committee notify Workplace Health & Safety Qld (WHSQ) of incident

2nd/6th – Incident response and action plans put in place

7th - Incident and site cleared by WHSQ

9th/10th - Carnell Raceway trees assessed & trimmed as required

11th – Affected parties notified of outcome and action plan

21st – Complainants respond & escalate matter to WHSQ minister, Southern Downs Regional Council (SDRC) & Motorsport Australia

May 2025

6th – WHSQ & SDRC officers attend Carnell Raceway with SCMSA representative for inspection

8th – WHSQ issue 7 improvement notices relating to safety, tree risk & site management

9th – SCMSA Round 2 event cancelled due to safety concerns & pending risk mitigation

9th May-9th June – Remedial actions including

- Developed Emergency Response Plan
- Updating Risk Register
- Review of Health & Safety Responsibilities

10th – Contractor engaged to fence around dam

- 16th New safety & directional signs installed
- 16th Committee meet with WHSQ & SDRC at Carnell Raceway
- 16th Committee discuss event options with Morgan Park Raceway
- 19th Electrical contractor engaged to perform necessary repairs
- 22nd Meeting with arborist to inspect whole site
- 30th Carnell Raceway occupancy letter received from SDRC





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June 2025

Ongoing communication with SDRC regarding lease and site, including formal complaint review

- 4th Arborist survey conducted & quotes received
- 6th SDRC notify committee of Carnell Raceway closure and access restriction until further notice.

 No further details provided
- 10th All improvement notices lifted by WHSQ a significant milestone achieved
- 11th SDRC notify verbally of closure until sometime during 2026 due to state of facilities
- 13th Still no progress report from SDRC
- 23rd Letter to SDRC re lease negotiations and financials from AGM presented.

July 2025

11th – Meeting with SDRC at Carnell Raceway, they reviewed the facilities and we were told the new canteen, timing tower were not up to specifications. We also moved all of our assets into the container onsite.

August 2025

28th - Request update from SDRC

September 2025

- 5th Phoned SDRC and message left to contact the club
- 9th Phoned SDRC and message left to contact the club
- 10th Phoned SDRC and message left to contact the club
- 10th Phoned Call with Councillor Russell Wantling
- 13th Still no progress report from SDRC
- 15th Message from Diana Keir Jon is currently on holidays and returning 22nd Sept, she needs to ascertain an accurate timeline to be transparent and what needs to happen onsite. They endeavour to have something in its entirety as we are across everything that needs to happen moving forward, we don't want to inconvenience you guys as much as we can, we will get something to you by the end of next week.

October 2025

- 13th Still no progress report from SDRC
- 14th Request for meeting to SDRC
- 20th Received phone call from Anthony Bigby (Governance Manager) new to the role and will look into all our information and arrange a Teams Meeting





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November 2025

3rd – Teams meeting with SDRC

4th - Email to council with Action Items for Carnell Raceway

18th - Follow up email for progress



