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This photo above shows the Late Phil Jackson getting ready to go racing as well as Phil in full flight in the Mini Clubman QLD 95.



This photo shows Roy Olive receiving his trophy with Roger Overell & Len Belcher. Roy Olive was Phil Jackson's Team mate during the early days of Phil's career.





Please read the Tribute to Phillip 'JACKO' Jackson in this edition of the CSAQ Newsletter.

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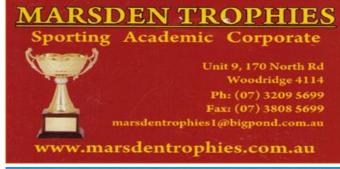
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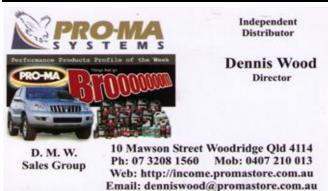




Wanted to borrow for copying for Club displays & Website any old photos or Movies from the 1960's to 1980's from South East QLD Speedway. Contact Tony Woods.









The Classic Speedway Club meetings are held on the First Monday of every month at Valley Juniors

Clubhouse at Bega Street, Grange commencing at 7.30pm.

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Phil, Bouncy, smiling Phil. Blond hair ruffled by the wind. Dressed in his driving suit, leaning on the front of his race-car. Arms folded, with one leg propped on the bumper. Relaxed. Talkative. Confident. That's how I remember him. Now he is gone, leaving a shocked speedway world to mourn the loss of a tremendous competitor and a fine young man. More than any, Phil's passing has made a deep impression on an incredibly large number of people. It has also left a void that will not be filled for a very long time. Apart from his undeniable skill on the race-track, Phillip Jackson, the person, had much to offer. Youth, ability, vitality, dedication and success probably contributed most to the aura surrounding Phillip Jackson. Certainly, he was one of the most popular drivers, among the competitors, in speedway.

Success and popularity don't necessarily go hand in hand, in fact the opposite is often the case, but Phil proved the two could mix. Easily. Over 500 mourners from right around Australia attended Phil's funeral and his family has received 750 condolence cards. Phil was born in Ipswich, just out of Brisbane 23 years ago on January 26, 1950. He was a kid who quickly developed and interest

in things mechanical. When he was 16 he was strongly attracted to the go-karting craze and barely 12 months later, Phil won the first of three successive Australian Championships in karting.

Speedway was next to command the youngster's attention, and at 19, Jacko stepped into his first dirt track saloon car - an FJ Holden - and so the curtain was raised on what was to be the most successful career in Australian Saloon Car racing. By 1970 Phil found enough time away from his mechanical engineering course at the Queensland University to prepare a Mini for racing. Phil and the little yellow car were immediately successful. At the Surfers Paradise track, first time out, Phil broke the lap record. His time still stands today. In the winter of 1971, Phil and his father, Beres (who helped him with the pit work) felt confident enough to come down to Sydney to do battle with the highly reputed Liverpool sedan guns. That day, as he did many



times later, Phil Jackson showed the Sydneysiders a glimpse of his huge driving talents. Unfortunately, Phil's afternoon of racing was cut short when his Cooper was almost cut in half by the big Monaro of Peter Crick. He returned to Ipswich, rebuilt the little brick, and the following weekend headed back to Sydney determined to sweep the programme. And he did just that. In an incredible performance Phil cut to ribbons the drivers then regarded as the best in the country in a scintillating display of track-craft. He carved them up in the match races and then came from the back of the field to win the 20-lap feature. Mike Raymond, the \Box Liverpool promoter was responsible for coaxing the Queenslander to Sydney. "Phillip was worth and extra 2000 people through the turnstiles every time he raced here," recalled Mr Raymond. Whenever Phillip Jackson raced at Liverpool, at Tralee, at Toowoomba ... anywhere, he was the driver to beat. Other drivers held him in the highest possible regard. I can't recall him ever racing and not living up to his enormous reputation. Even in defeat he did not tarnish his name. Who will ever forget that brilliant first round of the 1971 NSW Championship at Tralee? Phillip won, after an epic race-long duel with Peter Graham, to go to the final round at Liverpool one point ahead, and favourite. Then disaster struck, and the usually reliable yellow No.95 car dropped a valve on the starting line. Everyone in that big crowd felt for Phillip that day, even though he was an interstater he was the most liked of Sydney's many visitors. Probably six times each year Phil and his father journeyed down from Ipswich to race. It was during one of these first trips south that Phil first established contact with Peter Graham. Both drivers grew to have an enormous respect for the 🗖 other. Phil was staggered by Peter's frankness and help when discussing what many drivers regard as taboo - the mechanical secrets of a racecar. Both men were pioneers in the early development of speedway 🚾 Minis and there has always been an open interchange of ideas between them, despite their track rivalry. We asked Peter what made Phil so successful. "He was just a bloody fantastic driver. Phil was very quick, and when the pressure was applied he went quicker. " He was very hard too, but fair, Phil's even tempera- 🖃 ment obviously was a huge asset. He didn't hold any grudges or have any enemies on or off the circuit. "

This Tribute to Phillip Jackson Continues next page.

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His motors, until the current car, were not very "hot". Reliability and handling were Phil's trademarks. "Phil's cars all went round corners like they were on rails," says Peter Graham. Phillip's racing record was the finest in saloon car racing in Australia and he was one of the top three money earners on the saloon car circuit. Winner of the Carnival of Flowers in 1970 and 1971, second in 1972, third in 1973, Marlboro Grand National winner

(over 100 laps) March, 1972. Craven Filter National Champion, 1973. The list is seemingly endless. He took out the Northern Pacific Championship at Savanna in November of last year and was set to defend this title last month when fate stepped in. Last December he narrowly lost the Queensland State title to Toowoomba's Russ Hofmann in controversial circumstances. Many were adamant the title would have gone to Phillip had it not been for the team tatics of Hofmann and Doug Schultz. Apart from Surfers, Phil raced at Heddon Greta, Grafton, Lismore, Savanna, Mackay, Toowoomba, Ipswich, Sydney Showground, Tralee, Exhibition, and, of course Liverpool. He at one time, held the track record at all these speedways, with the exception of the Sydney Showground. Sydneysiders last saw the brilliance of Phil Jackson when he raced at Liverpool for the "Firecracker 500" on September 2. For about 20 laps of the 25-lap race, Jacko and Peter Graham kept the crowd jumping, with a tremendous driving display –. Peter on the pole line, with Phil desparately looking for a way round the outside, Phil lost the firecracker by a small margin, but it didn't really matter who won because



the fans had witnessed a great day's racing. After the meeting, Phil, and fellow traveler Barry Harrison loaded their cars and immediately left for home. Phil was unusually terse throughout the day, and one wonders if the illness was already making its presence felt. Phil was very proud of speedway. He had thought about taking up road racing but decided it wasn't "him". Speedway was his life. His ultimate dream was to go to the US to tackle the sedan circuit, but his more immediate plans centered around Australia. "He wanted to be the Australian Champion this year," his father told SRN. "Phil thought his only threats were Peter (Graham) and Dave Wignall."

The Australian title was part of a major tour Phil had arranged for the coming few months. Starting in Townsville for the Northern Pacific Championship, the trail then headed to Melbourne for the national title,

to Tasmania, Western Australia, and, fi-

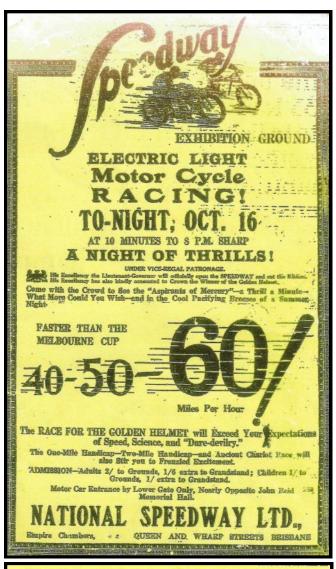
nally to New Zealand as captain of an official Australian "test" team. Jenny, his bride of ten months was to travel with him. Beres Jackson told SRN that Phil had never had a sick day in his life, not even a cold. There was no warning of the fatal illness. Phil was happiest fiddling around with his car, helped by Roy Olive, his closest friend and team driver, and a few mates. In all, Phil built a total of five Coopers and Clubman saloons. All carried the family number, 95. The number two car, driven by Roy, used the racing number 195. For the past 18 months, Phil worked as a car salesman with his father's Leyland agency at Ipswich. Phil underwent an operation for a severe internal complaint at Ipswich General Hospital early last month. He passed away at 2.15am on October 6. Mr Jackson paid Phil the highest possible compliment when he told SRN. "His Mum and I gave Phil everything - and he gave it back, and more"

Phil Jackson - a real champion. - Gone, but never forgotten.

This Tribute was published in the Speedway Racing News following Phil's Death, and the Newsletter Editor would like to thank Barrie Watt for supplying me with this story for the CSAQ Members to read.

SHOPPEFFILLS

Well the Newsletter Editor has been doing some more research since the last edition of the Classic Speedway Assn (QLD) Inc., and he has received some more great information from the early days of the sport of speedway racing. The adverts and newspaper clippings have again been supplied by Barrie Watt for those of you who can remember the early days of the sport and where and when it started.



Above is the ad which appeared in the Brisbane Courier for the Ekka's first meeting on October 16, 1926.



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RACING DATES

APRIL SUNDAY 20th MAY 4th, 18th JUNE 1st, 15th, 29th JULY 13th, 27th AUGUST 10th, 24th SEPTEMBER 7th, 21st OCTOBER 5th, 19th NOVEMBER 2nd, 16th, 30th

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These adverts had appeared in The Courier Mail as well as the Australasian Speedway World Magazine from 1926 to 1959. I will be adding some newspaper stories in future issues of the CSAQ Newsletter.

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Speedway

Announcer

John Dalev

A night where the race suits and riding leathers were not required as a crowd of approximately One Hundred & Eighty (180) former Riders, Drivers, Officials and supporters spent a very well organized night at the 2013 Ekka Speedway Function held at the South's Rugby League Club where speedway racing in Queensland began back in 1923 at Davies Park, West End beside the Brisbane River on Saturday 15th June, and I can assure you all that it was a night of very fond memories of the early days of Speedway racing here in Brisbane.

During the night it was unveiled that a gentleman by the name of A.J. Hunting was the person who started the sport of Speedway racing at Davies Park in 1923 and continued until it was moved to the Brisbane Exhibition Grounds in 1926, and where he had set up several speedway venues.

The night as stated earlier in this report started off with a meal for all who were in attendance followed by the introduction of Scott Brazier the organizer of the function who then introduced the former radio and speedway announcer John Daley who gave a great

welcoming speech to all in attendance, then the introduction of one of the Legends of Speedway Solo Motorcycle racing Bert Kingston who gave a good talk on the history of the sport both at Davies Park and the Brisbane Ekka.



L to R: Jean Stewart, Denyse Butcher and Phyllis Stephensen 3 Former Lady Saloon Car Drivers.

Following Bert Kingston it was time for John Daley to introduce one of Queensland's most respected Speedcar drivers of the sport Mr Barrie Watt who also had a short talk on his racing career which began in 1956 and after a career spanning fifty-four (54) years some good details of Barrie's achievements during his career was welcomed by all. John Daley then introduced former top performing Women Sedan Car Driver Denyse Butcher the former wife of the Late Jack White where some of the members of Jack White's Family were in attendance to enjoy the night. Then it was time for Keith Sewell to step up and give a good talk on his achievements as one of the top Sidecar Riders in Queensland who was there on behalf of his Father Bill Sewell who has just celebrated his 82nd birthday but was unable to attend, and followed by a fantastic slide show of some of the former stars of the



L To R: Tony Woods, Alister Mathers, Denyse Butcher, Frank Cox, Barrie Watt, John Loxton, Keith Sewell, Neil Gould, make up the Group of Former Drivers & Riders.

sport, Scott Brazier then contacted Judy Hogarth by phone where John Daley had a brief talk to Judy to first of all see how she was and where she was now living in the town of Jandowae where she is helping her son with the running of his shop.

Some of the other Drivers & Riders their on the night were Jim Holden who raced in the Saloon Car division and then won an Australian Speedcar Title in the Late 70's, former Saloon Car Ace Eric Mitchell who also took to Speedcar Racing, former Solo Motorcycle Star John Titman who won several Queensland Titles, John Lennon who also displayed one of his beautifully restored Solo Motorcycles on the stage during the night, plus many more of the early drivers & Riders whose name I didn't know.

All in all another great night to add to the history and prestige of the sport of Speedway Racing here in Queensland and I look forward to attending the function next year when and wherever it maybe held.

Special thanks must go to Scott Brazier and his team for organizing the EKKA Speedway Function for 2013, and special mention to Tony Woods the Classic Speedway Assn (QLD) Inc., Secretary for supplying some of the photos and information for the night, and I hope that everyone had a great night. Special mention to



This photo of John Lennon sitting on his restored Jawa Motorcycle that was on Display for the night.

mation for the night, and I hope that everyone had a great night. Special mention to the Staff of the South's Rugby League Club for the great meal that they served on the night. All of the above photos have been supplied by Col's Action Photo's.

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SPECIAL NOTICE

Special message to all of the Vehicle Owners who are wishing to run there vehicles at Lockyer Valley Speedway during 2013-2014 season, it's that time of the year to make sure that you have renewed your Speedway Australia Licence before the start of the new season. The CSAQ will also be doing the Annual Machinery checks at the first meeting of the season at Lockyer Valley Speedway before you go out on the track. Please make sure that you have your Vehicle Log Books and Licence and all of your racing equipment with vou.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

SALOON CAR REUNION

When: Saturday 2nd November 2013

Corner Tilley & Old Cleveland Road, Chandler TIME - 4.00pm - 10.00pm Price \$30 per person -(includes Finger Food) ** Drinks can be purchased at the Venue**

Please call - Bob Corbett - 0402-446-786

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Please send name, address,
phone number, Photo of car
and yourself (if possible)
Brisbane Ekka, Archerfield, Arthur Park, Forest Park, Ipswich, Toowoomba, Gold Coast.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

It was mentioned at the June club meeting that it is also time for all members to renew their membership as the Annual General Meeting will be held in August.

Please contact the Club Secretary to renew your membership for the following twelve months.

CSAQ CHRISTMAS FUNCTION

The Date & Venue for the Annual CSAQ Christmas Function has been confirmed for Sunday 1st December 2013, and will be held at the Geebung RSL.

Please let the Club Secretary know if you are coming so the final numbers can be passed onto the organizers so that they can make the venue ready for the Club to attend.

Further details will be placed in the Newsletter or on the Website.

This event to the right will be held at the Gatton Show-ground on the 28th & 29th September 2013 and some of our members will be attending for the two days of the event, as well as this event some of our members will also be attending another event at the Rocklea Showgrounds on the same weekend. So we hope that you all have a great weekend representing the CSAQ.

EVENTS CALENDAR

The Club Secretary has sent out to all members with the last Newsletter a list of the Club's Events Calendar for 2013-14 with some of the events yet to be confirmed so you can also check on the Club Website for further details.

CSAQ NEW COMMITTEE

On Monday 5th August 2013 saw the CSAQ Club AGM with the following Committee Members being elected: President Roy Johnston, Vice President Sue Green, Secretary Tony Woods, Treasurer Key Gould and the Committee members were also elected Trevor Maskell. Steven Hansen and Bob Hebert were all elected for the next twelve months. All the CSAQ Members would like to congratulate former President Frank Cox for all those great years he served as Club President and we hope that Frank will still supporting the Club in some way.



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Sunday 14th July 2013



Members of the Classic Speedway Assn (QLD) Inc., headed to the Eagle Farm Racecourse to take part in the 2013 RACQ Motorfest where for this year we were apart of a spectacle of approximately 800 Current, Classic & Vintage Cars and Bikes that had nominated for the event which also includes a Flea

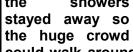
Market running during the day for all the patrons to walk around and hopefully pick up that item for

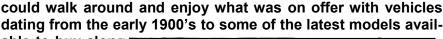


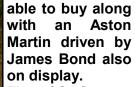
presents or gifts for families and friends.

The day started off not looking to good weather wise as a brief shower was falling on arrival at the venue, but as

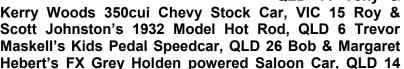
> the day went on the showers







The CSAQ was represented by QLD 11 Tony &







Frank Cox's Compact Speedcar and QLD 177 Kev Gould's FJ Grey Holden Saloon Car, plus a great display of the Clubs Memorabilia for spectators look through, and see how the

sport of speedway racing has changed and grown over the years. Kev Gould also had his 1934 chev sedan on display.



Special thanks to all the CSAQ Members who turned up to enjoy the 2013 RACQ Motorfest. Report by the Newsletter Editor and photos supplied by Col's Action Photos.

LISTS 2013-GOTON Show

Saturday 20th July 2013



On Saturday 20th July some of the CSAQ Members made the trip up the Toowoomba Highway to attend the 2013 Gatton Show to set up our display of restored Classic Vehicles for the show spectators to have a look at, and the following vehicles, QLD 3 Barrie Watt Holden speedcar, QLD 15 Barrie Watt Frank Duggan speedcar, QLD 35 Lyle & Joyce Gough's Max Newton Holden speedcar, QLD 45 Allan & Brenda Timms Ford Crossflow Litre Sprintcar, QLD 29 Bob &

Margaret Hebert XXXX sponsored RM 250 Suzuki Microsprint, QLD 92 Brian & Cathy Jones RM 250 Suzuki Formula, QLD 76 John & Shirley Stephen 307cu Chev Super Modified and QLD 109 Tony & Kerry Woods FJ Grey Holden Saloon Car which gave the spectators a good line up of speedway vehicles to look over during the day, but with the weather not being very kind to the Gatton Show organizers where a couple of heavy showers passed over the grounds which made walking around just a little bit harder for everyone.

QLD 45 Crossflow Ford Litre Sprintcar



Special thanks to Brian & Cathy Jones for making the three hour trip from Goondiwindi to Gatton to display the RM 250 Suzuki Formula and we hope that they had a safe trip back home

The Classic Speedway Association of Queensland would like to thank the Gatton Show Society for their kind invitation to be apart of the show and we all look forward to returning in 2014. The CSAQ's next event will be the 2013 Pine Rivers Show on August 3rd and hopefully it will be a nice sunny day. Report and photos from Col's Action Photo's.



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On the road again for the Classic Speedway Association (QLD) Inc., as we headed for the 2013 Pine Rivers Show on Saturday 3rd August 2013 where (3) Classic Speedcars, (2) Classic Saloon Cars and (1) Classic Hot Rod plus Kev Gould brought along his Chevy Restored Road Car to boost up the display along with some of our memorabilia for the show patrons to look through.

What a beautiful sunny winter day and a large crowd in attendance to have a look at what we had on offer such as QLD 3 Barrie Watt's Holden Speedcar, QLD 15 Mobile Ashgrove/Frank Duggan Speedcar, QLD 35 Max Newton Holden

Speedcar, VIC 15 1932 Ford Hot Rod, QLD 109 FJ Holden Saloon Car and QLD 177 FJ Holden Saloon Car where they all got a good going over by people of all ages during the day.

The CSAQ would like to thank the Pine Rivers Show Society again for the kind invitation to be apart of the show and we hope that this will continue for many more years to come.

This photo to the right shows CSAQ Secretary Tony Woods up close to the crowd in the QLD 109 Holden Saloon Car during the Grand Parade on Saturday afternoon and the cameras were clicking mad as our two club cars came by. The photo below show Kev Gould trying to pick up a hitch hiker on the way around, but quickly closed the door after they exchanged words also during the parade.





The photo to the right shows Kev Gould and Ken Mateer talking about the early days of the sport as well as having a look through the memorabilia that was on display during the day.

Later in the day as the Newsletter Editor was talking to the CSAQ Secretary Tony Woods he also mentioned that another former Saloon Car driver Mick Drought called into the display for a short chat.



This report on the clubs visit to the 2013 Pine Rivers Show was compiled by Col's Action Photo's, and it just goes to show you that wherever the CSAQ goes there is always some of our former Speedway Stars turning up out of the blue to catch up and have a chat about the good times of the sport.

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The CSAQ Inc., is about to bounce into another busy time of the year with the start of there Events Calendar for 2013-14 and I hope that everyone is fit and ready for another busy year ahead with visits to some of the Country Shows and other events that have been planned for the coming season.

28th & 29th September 2013 - Historical Commercial Vehicle Association QLD - 20th Annual Vintage & Classic Truck, Tractor & Machinery Show - Gatton Showgrounds

28th & 29th September 2013 - FJ & FX Holden Show being held at the Rocklea Showgrounds

Saturday 19th October 2013 - Lockyer Valley Speedway - 1st Meeting of the 2013-14 Season & Annual CSAQ Vehicle Inspection - Please have your Speedway Australia Licence and vehicle Log Books and Drivers Racing Gear with you.

Saturday 2nd November 2013 - 2013 Saloon Car Reunion - Sleeman Sports Centre at Chandler -

9th November 2013 - Lockyer Valley Speedway - Demonstration Runs - Don't forget we are on the early part of the programme.

Sunday 1st December 2013 - CSAQ Club Christmas Function planned for the Geebung RSL - Please inform the Club Secretary if you are attending.

Saturday 14th December 2013 - Lockyer Valley Speedway - Demonstration Runs - as we start early again.

18th January 2014 - Lockyer Valley Speedway - Demonstration Runs

31st January & 1st February 2014 - Stanthorpe Show - Static Display - Grand Parade

Saturday 8th February 2014 - Lockyer Valley Speedway - Demonstration Runs

Saturday 8th March 2014 - Lockyer Valley Speedway - Demonstration Runs

Saturday 12th April 2014 - Lockyer Valley Speedway - Demonstration Runs

Saturday 3rd May 2014 - Marburg Show - Static Display & Grand Parade

Sunday 9th May 2014 - CSAQ 9th Annual Car Show & Swap - Greenbank Sports & Recreation Grounds - Greenbank

17th May 2014 - Lockyer Valley Speedway - Demonstration Runs - Last meeting for the Season.

Saturday 14th June 2014 - Kalbar Show - Static Display & Grand Parade

19th July 2014 - Gatton Show - Static Display & Grand Parade

2nd August 2014 - Pine Rivers Show - Static Display & Grand Parade

Please refer to the CSAQ Website for any changes or updates on the above Events Calendar as well as please contact the Club Secretary if you are planning to attend any of the events for the coming season.

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