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 Formed on the 2nd March 1998 - Preserving Speedway History.



QLD 75 Joshua Smith  
 Dirt Modified



QLD 8 Rob Kyle  
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# NEWSLETTER

This photo is showing all of the CSAQ Members and Guests who attended the New Year's Function at the CSAQ Clubhouse on Saturday 7th January 2017.  
 On behalf of the CSAQ Committee thank you for your support. Photo by Col's Action Photo's



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The Classic Speedway Club meetings are held on the First Monday of every month at the CSAQ Club Rooms at the Rocklea Showgrounds commencing at 7.30pm.  
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PO Box 24, ARANA HILLS. QLD. 4054

# "CSAQ Newsletter Editors Report"

From the desk of the Newsletter Editor.



As this edition of the CSAQ Newsletter goes out to all the Club Members, the New Year 2017 has well and truly got into gear with our very successful New Year's BBQ at the Club Rooms at the Rocklea Showgrounds and I am sure that everyone had a great time relaxing and catching up with everybody on the day. The Newsletter Editor has placed a report and photos from the New Years BBQ later on in this edition.

The Club President Darryl Hayward has informed the Newsletter Editor that he has found a hard cover book on SPEEDWAY written by Tony Loxton and available at BigW Stores priced at only \$20.00 considering it originally was priced for approximately \$69.00 - \$80.00 per copy when originally released, and the Newsletter Editor has also purchased a copy and since bringing it home I have had a quick look through it and it looks great with some brilliant action & still photos of Saloon Cars, Speedcars, Super Modifieds, Sprintcars, Solo Motorcycles & Sidecars and most of the sections from the early days of the sport taken all around Australia which also shows some of the International drivers who visited our shores in the early days. So if you are interested in reading about the way the sport of Speedway Racing first started then this is the book to purchase.

On Saturday 7th January 2017 the CSAQ was presented with another book for our Memorabilia collection from Tony Webb who has just finished writing the 90 Years of Speedway racing at the Brisbane Exhibition Grounds and after the Newsletter Editor spent some time talking to Tony at the New Years Function he has informed me that he is doing another run of the book and should be on sale soon for the low price of \$30.00 per copy.

Since the New Years Function the Newsletter Editor has been following a couple of Midget/Speedcar events that were held at Archerfield Speedway with the first one being the 2017 World Midget/Speedcar Championships where approximately (26) twenty-six drivers had nominated for this event from the United States, New Zealand including a group of drivers from around Australia, and the race meeting was held over two nights with some fantastic racing on both nights with the following results, 1st. USA 97 Rico Abreu, 2nd. USA 70 Brady Bacon, 3rd. QLD 69 Nathan Smee from New South Wales. Then over the 3rd & 4th February 2017 Archerfield Speedway was once again the host venue for the 2017 Kratzmann Caravans Australian Midget/Speedcar Championships where a field of approximately (41) drivers had nominated for the titles and after attending both nights where the racing was of a very high standard with very few damaged Midget/Speedcars over the entire two nights of racing. Following the information that I read in the lead up to the running of the Australian Midget/Speedcar Title the talent between the drivers was of World Class during all the heat races all of the events went off with not to many dramas as I have compiled all the results held over the two nights of racing with the (40) forty Lap final being the most spectacular race over the two nights with only one (1) stoppage on lap (11) eleven and after the Midget/Speedcar that caused the stoppage was dealt with by the track officials the race was under way for the remaining (29) twenty-nine laps with the following results: 1st. USA 97 Rico Abreu was crowned the 2017 Kratzmann Caravans Australian Midget/Speedcar Champion, 2nd USA 70 Brady Bacon with QLD 69 Nathan Smee from New South Wales finishing in third place. I have included a photo of the winner with his trophy at the bottom for this page.



This photo to the left showing the 2017 Kratzmann Caravans Australian Midget/Speedcar Champion Rico Abreu standing with his magnificent trophy following the Feature Race win in the pits. Rico has established himself as one of the finest Midget drivers in the world with two wins at the Chilli Bowl, an event that attracts more than 300 drivers each year. Rico appeared at Archerfield Speedway to race in the Sprintcar section, he also has raced in the NASCAR Stock Cars with success. After watching him climb into the Midget Speedcar and seeing how he drives it was nothing but exciting to watch as he placed the Midget/Speedcar where he wanted it during every race that he competed in over the title weekend, and I think that if he comes back to defend the title in 2018 he will surprise everybody who attends the event where ever it is held in January or February 2018. As the Newsletter for the CSAQ I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate the Promoters John & Kathy Kelly for putting on two great nights of Midget/Speedcar racing, and if anyone left the track and wasn't happy with the racing they should of stayed at home.

# "CSAQ New Year BBQ Report"

On Saturday 7th January 2017 the Classic Speedway Assn QLD Inc. had organized a New Years get together for all the members to catch up and have a chat between each other as well as for those that we haven't seen much off during 2016 because we seem to be too busy with other events during the year.

The day started off by everybody arriving from approximately 11.00 am and then sitting down having a chat and a drink with each other while the Club Secretary Tony Woods and Committee Member Barry MacFarlane spent time outside doing the Bar-B-Que where everyone was asked to bring plates and storage containers of food for everyone to enjoy for lunch.

The Club Committee supplied the Steaks & Sausages and fried onions which only took a few minutes to cook then it was served up to each person where they were asked to help themselves to the salads, and anything else that was put on the serving table to help everyone to fill themselves up without going home hungry.

Following the main meal deserts and sweets were also put out for everyone to help themselves and I noticed that there wasn't too much left and I hope that everyone had a great time catching up with the other people who attended including some of the older drivers and supporters of the sport of Speedway Racing from the earlier days.

I have included some photos of some of the people who attended the function.



This photo above showing from L to R John Oldham, Richard McAteer and Bob Hebert having a chat after lunch and giving cheek as well.



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This photo above shows the Flashiest Shirts gang from L to R Club Treasurer Kev Gould, Club Secretary Tony Woods and Club President Darryl Hayward thanks guys for brightening up the day with your flashy shirts.

The Club President and Committee would like to specially thank all the ladies who worked their fingers to the bone to help prepare all the food for lunch, and spending an hour or so cleaning up the club room and making sure that all the tables were cleaned down, and we must not miss thanking all the gentlemen who helped packing up the tables and chairs after the function.



The photo to the left showing Kev Gould talking to one of the former drivers, and the photo to the right showing Jack & Ivy Carter relaxing after lunch.

All of the photos taken shown in this edition of the CSAQ Newsletter were taken by Col's Action Photo's.



# "Classic Photos From the Past"

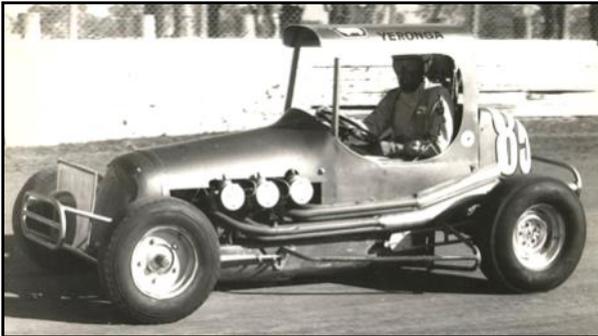
The Newsletter Editor has been busy trying to make the Newsletter more interesting so after chasing through some of his photo files he has come up with the following photos that he found after spending a few hours to pick out the right ones to place in this edition of the Classic Speedway Association (QLD) Newsletter. Hope these ones bring back some fond memories of the earlier days of the sport speedway racing.



This photo shows Des Stone giving the Children at the Speedway a good time with a ride in the BAM BAM Train. Photo courtesy of the CSAQ.

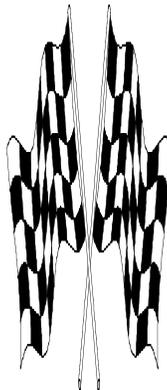


This photo above shows A6 Norman Randall behind the wheel of his EH Holden Saloon Car when he was racing at the Caboolture Speedway from 26th July 1976 to 29th October 1989. Thanks for the memories Norman and it's good to see how our members competed and are still interested in the Club and the Sport. This photo supplied to the Newsletter Editor by Norman Randall.



This photo above showing QLD 85 Reg Castle behind the wheel of his 149cui Holden powered Super Modified back in the early days at the Old Archerfield Speedway.

This photo taken by the Late Gordon Hogarth.



This photo above shows QLD 25 Darren Munro's Super Modified taking a rest with the crowd at the Brisbane Exhibition Grounds after climbing the fence in front of the Ernest Baines Double Decker stand all those years ago. Photo taken by the Late Gordon Hogarth.



This photo above shows the line up of Stock Cars as they get ready to race at the Old Archerfield Speedway all those great years ago. You will also notice the great crowd that attended this meeting to watch all of the action. This photo from the CSAQ Files.



This photo above shows QLD 69 Ross Nicol in his Torana being chased by Female driver QLD 1 Denyse Butcher in the Mini at the Caboolture Speedway, and I was wondering if Ross was ever caught by Denyse after all. Photo from the CSAQ Files.

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## "CLUB MERCHANDISE"

The New CSAQ Club Polo Shirts are now in stock please contact the Club Secretary if you require one.

Also available are our Key Rings, Stubby Coolers, Badges, Caps, Bucket Hats, Stickers,

Club Stickers are also available plus a range of some early motoring Stickers reproduced in stock.

Please contact the Club Secretary at the Club Meetings or at any of our events during the year.

## "CLUB MEMORABILIA"

If anyone has any photos or newspaper clippings that they would like to add to the CSAQ's Memorabilia section please contact the Club Secretary, and he will have it copied and added to our already huge range of Memorabilia files for everyone to look at whenever they visit the Club House at the Rocklea Showgrounds during the year.

If any member has not handed in there information on there Restored Speedway Vehicle please send your information to the Club Secretary to be used by the Newsletter Editor.



## **"CSAQ EVENTS CALENDAR UPDATE"**

### GATTON SPEEDWAY DATES FOR 2016-2017 SEASON:

Saturday 18th March 2017, Saturday 8th April 2017, Saturday 20th May 2017.

Sunday 7th May 2017 - Annual Rocklea Show - Static Display - for all CSAQ Members

Saturday 13th May 2017 - Marburg Show - Static Display & Grand Parade

Sunday 28th May 2017 - CSAQ 12th Annual Car/Bike Show & Swap Meet - Rocklea Showgrounds  
(Volunteers Required)

Saturday 1st July 2017 - Rosewood Show - Static Display & Grand Parade

Saturday 22nd July 2017 - Gatton Show - Static Display & Grand Parade

Saturday 5th August 2017 - Pine Rivers Show - Static Display & Grand Parade

"Please check the CSAQ Club's Website for any changes to the Events Calendar"

**Gatton Speedway Entrants will need ONE WAY COMMUNICATORS commencing with the February 2017 meeting.**

**NO COMMUNICATOR NO RUN as advised to drivers at the December Drivers briefing.**

### IMPORTANT NOTICE THIS APPLIES TO ALL EVENTS:

As you can see our Club calendar is quite full so to make the Secretary's job a little easier please ensure you nominate if you are coming especially as some events listed requiring an immediate response (It saves me a lot of time) thanks for your cooperation, also for some venues you will need passes or by invitation only, and we need to advise the amount of space required.

Please advise Tony also if you nominate for an event and you are unable to attend a courtesy phone call would be appreciated.

Nomination cut off times Showgrounds & Special Events at least 1 month prior to event unless otherwise advised. Gatton Speedway Demonstration Runs previous Monday before meeting or earlier (NO EXCEPTIONS. If you do not Nominate for Gatton you may miss a Run) to Club Secretary by mobile or email.

The Classic Speedway Assn (QLD) Inc., would like to thank all of the Businesses for their continued support of the CSAQ during the past twelve months, and we hope that we have their support during the next twelve months. Please support the Businesses who support the CSAQ.





# 12th Annual Car & Bike Show & Swap Meet Rocklea Showgrounds

Ipswich Road Service Road & Goburra Street Rocklea

## Sunday 28th May 2017

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Show Entrants \$10.00 per car  
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Public Admission \$5.00 per person  
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## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

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Gates open 6.00am for Swap Meet,  
Show Entrants in by 8.00am

Car & Bike Show Judging 10.00am  
Trophy Presentation 11.30am

### Please Note:

No Dogs or Overnight Camping  
Permitted.



# "Snippets & Tidbits"



"Aw Right, I'm Back. Now Where's Me Car?"

8 - 8 - 71 — Meeting No. 16

## ARCHERFIELD SPEEDWAY

STOCK CARS — SALOON CARS — T. Q's.  
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Bob Rivett (167) and John Lyons (135) battle it out around Newmarket corner

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