

1. ANNOUNCEMENT

The Tamworth Motorcycle Club, hereafter called the Promoter will conduct the 2018 Australian Sidecar Speedway Championship on the following date and at the following location.

13th – 14th April Oakburn Park Speedway Tamworth

2. JURISDICTION

2.1 The above mentioned meeting has been authorised by Motorcycling Australia which has issued the MA Permit Number MA1975 and open to holders of current Motorcycling Australia Senior National Licenses.

2.2 The meeting will be held in accordance with the 2018 General Competition Rules (GCR's) contained in the Manual of Motorcycle Sport available at www.ma.org.au or www.australianspeedwaychampionships.com.au, these Supplementary Regulations and any final instructions approved by MA. By entering this meeting all parties agree to comply with these rules, supplementary regulations, by-laws and instructions.

3. EVENT OFFICIALS

The following officials will be overseeing the meeting:

Referee	Clerk of Course	Scrutineer	Race Secretary
Brendon Gledhill	Keith Davies	Dennis Jones	Jo Slade

4. ENTRIES

4.1 Entries are now open and close **4.45pm AEDT** Thursday 15th March 2018. **Late entries will not be accepted.**

4.2 In the case of postponement or abandonment of the meeting, Rain off day will be Sunday 15th April 2018.

4.3 Only entries received on the official entry form will be accepted and are to be emailed to track@ma.org.au

4.4 Once nominations have been accepted, any rider needing to withdraw from the Championship must do so in writing to Motorcycling Australia at: track@ma.org.au

5. ENTRY FEE

Entry Fee and MA rider levies will be \$27.50 per entry payable on the day at sign on.

6. ENTRY PASSES / MECHANICS LICENCES

6.1 Each Rider and Passenger will receive ONE pass and ONE licensed mechanic pass. Any mechanic who is an Australian resident is required to hold a current Motorcycling Australia mechanics license and sign on.

7. INSURANCE

7.1 National Personal Accident Scheme provides basic cover for death and permanent disability.

7.2 Ambulance Insurance is compulsory for licensees.

It is strongly recommended that competitors give consideration to taking out weekly benefits insurance.

8. MEDICAL SERVICES

Beneficial Safety Services will be in attendance both days.

9. SCRUTINEERING

9.1 Scrutineering will be held on Friday 13th at 12noon until 1.30pm and on Saturday 14th at 3pm until 5pm

9.2 Machines entered in the competition must have successfully passed a machine examination prior to taking part in practice, qualifying or racing. An MA decal will be placed on the front number plate to indicate that it has been successfully examined.

9.3 Current competition licences and full riding gear must be presented at scrutineering. Eligibility checks can take place at any time during the meeting. Machines which suffer accident damage in practice or race sessions must be re-examined before participating again.

9.4 In addition to supervising the pulling down and checking of machines after official protests have been received by the Clerk of Course in accordance with the GCRs, the Referee can order that any machine be measured and if this occurs the Scrutineer will supervise a team member to pull down any machine that has taken part in the event. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in this matter being referred to the Clerk of Course for further action.

9.5 Machines will not be sealed for later checking after the event. All machines that are to be pulled down and scrutineered will take place at the circuit before the machine is released by the Scrutineer. A member of the rider's team must be available at all times to carry out the strip down under the control of the Scrutineer. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in this matter being referred to the Clerk of Course for further action.

9.6 All machines and rider Apparel **MUST** comply with the 2018 GCR's for Speedway Competition.

10. Championship RACE FORMAT

- 10.1 The meeting will be run over Twenty (20) heats and Two (2) Finals with Four Rider's in each Heat and Final.
- 10.2 The Race Format will be as described in the 2018 GCR's
- 10.3 ALL heats and finals will be over four (4) laps. Qualifying will run over 4 laps
- 10.4 Scoring will be as Per GCR's

10.5 FINALS

A Final

The top three point scorer's will go direct to the A Final plus the Winner of the B final.
The place getters in this Final will determine who is 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th in the Championship.

B Final

The rider's for the B Final will be the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th point scorer's after 20 heats.
The winner of the B final will go to the A Final, 2nd, 3rd and 4th in this final will determine who 5th, 6th and 7th in this meeting.

10.6 If rider's tie on points for the A or B finals, the count back system will determine any ties.

11. POINTS

11.1 Heat points will be.

First, Three (3) Points, Second, Two (2) Points, Third, One (1) Point, Fourth, 0 (0) Points

*** Riders Excluded or Failing to complete the A Final for any reason, score NO Points.**

Please Note the following:

Fourth Finisher's will receive no points (0)

Non finisher's will receive one of the following alongside their name on the score sheet.

M Excluded due to 2 minute rule.

R Retired from the Race

F Fall but not excluded

T Excluded for false start or touch of tapes

D Excluded

N Non Start

12. SCHEDULES

12.1 Event Schedule

	Friday 13 th April – QUALIFYING	Saturday 14 th April – CHAMPIONSHIP
Gates Open	12:00pm	3:00pm
Sign on & Scrutineering	12:00pm – 1:30pm	3:00pm – 5:00pm
Practice	See below	NO PRACTICE
Riders Briefing	6:00pm	5:30pm
Meeting Commences	6:30pm	6:30pm

12.2 Qualifying Time Trials Program

Scrutineering	12:00pm – 1:30pm
Practice	1:45pm
Start Time for Time Trials	2:00pm
Finish Time for Time Trials	4:00pm

12.3 Format for Time Trials

Each rider will receive three (3) one lap dashes to get their fastest time with the top 8 times going into the Qualifying race meeting on Friday night.

The Non-Qualifying riders will ride as support class on Friday night if they choose.

12.4 Practice

Practice for the eight (8) seeded riders will commence immediately after the Time Trials have been run.

There will be NO PRACTICE on Saturday the 14th April 2018

For the purposes of drug and alcohol testing, the commencement of the meeting will be deemed to be Friday 13th at 12noon and Saturday 14th at 3pm with the completion of the meeting for the participant being when the participant has vacated the venue.

13. ENTRIES TO CONSTITUTE A CHAMPIONSHIP

To constitute a class for the purpose of gaining Championship status, the number of contestants entered for competition shall be sixteen (16) with two (2) reserves.

14. AWARDS AND PRIZEMONEY

14.1 Trophy and sashes will be presented to the first four place getters MA medallions will be presented to the first three place getters, plus the winners will be presented with the Duke of Edinburgh Trophy.

14.2 Prize Money to be paid as per:

Place & Prize

1 st	\$3,000.00	5 th	\$1,500.00	9 th	\$1,000.00	13 th	\$700.00
2 nd	\$2,500.00	6 th	\$1,300.00	10 th	\$900.00	14 th	\$700.00
3 rd	\$2,000.00	7 th	\$1,200.00	11 th	\$800.00	15 th	\$700.00
4 th	\$1,700.00	8 th	\$1050.00	12 th	\$750.00	16 th	\$700.00

Qualifying Meeting \$30.00 a point, NO Bonus Money, NO FINAL. **NO TOW MONEY PAID FOR EITHER MEETING, The top eight (8) teams will be seeded into Championship, an additional eight (8) teams will be seeded into the qualifier as selected by the MA Speedway Commission in conjunction with MA. All other nominations go into the time trials. The top eight from time trials go into qualifying meeting to determine their ranking for the championship. (NO PRIZE MONEY PAID.)**

15. PAYG

PAYG Withholding affects the payment of prize money. If you do not provide an ABN or declare the sport is a hobby, the Promoter must withhold 46.5% of prize money over \$50.00 which is otherwise payable to you. Please tick one of the boxes on the entry form and if appropriate provide your ABN to ensure the full amount of prize money is paid to you.

16. PRESENTATIONS

Trophy presentation will be held after the A Final. Place getters – machines and competitors must attend the presentation.

17. MACHINES AND RIDERS

17.1 All machines and Rider Apparel **MUST** comply with the current GCR's for Speedway Competition.

18: ENVIRONMENTAL MATS

An absorbent mat that measures a minimum of 500mm x 500mm must be placed underneath the engine/gearbox and fuel tank of any sidecar while parked in the pit, paddock or work area.

19. SELECTION OF RIDERS AND STARTING POSITIONS

Selection and starting positions will be carried out by the MA Speedway Commission for the Championship at close of nominations on 15th March 2018.

20. RIDERS' BRIEFING

A riders' briefing will be held prior to the commencement of racing, which **ALL competitors MUST attend**. Details will be included in the final instructions.

21. CIRCUIT DESCRIPTION

PROMOTER	TRACK	TRACK SURFACE
Tamworth Motorcycle Club	Oakburn Park Speedway, Tamworth	450m – Decomposed Granite Sand

22. FLAGS

As per the GCR's

23. TRACK INSPECTION

All competitors will be given the opportunity to walk and inspect the track prior to any on track participation. This inspection must be done on foot and competitors are reminded that service vehicles may be in operation the circuit at this time. If any competitor has a safety issue with the track, this should be taken up with the Clerk of Course. If those concerns cannot be resolved, the competitor will be invited to withdraw from the meeting without penalty.

24. FACILITIES

Showers, Toilets, Canteens.

25. NOISE

Noise testing may take place at any time at the discretion of the Referee, Clerk of Course or Scrutineer. Refer to GCRs for details.

26. TYRES

Only Speedway Pattern Tyres to be used. Refer to the GCR's

27. ANTI-DOPING POLICY

27.1 All competitors, parents, support personnel, mechanics and officials are advised that drug testing may take place in accordance with MA's Anti-Doping Policy, as carried out by the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority. Refer to MA website for details.

27.2 If any doubts exist over banned substances it is recommended competitors contact the Drugs in Sport Hotline, tel: 1800 020 506. When drug testing takes place, the payment of prize money may be delayed at MA's discretion until the results of the tests are known.

28. DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING PROCEDURE

All competitors, parents, support personnel, mechanics and officials are advised that that random breath-testing may take place during the competition. Refer to MA website for details on the safety policy – drug and alcohol testing.

29. CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

All competitors, support personnel and officials are reminded of MA's Codes of Behavior contained within MA's Member Protection Regulations, found at www.ma.org.au, which is a guide to appropriate behavior at all motorcycle race meetings. These Codes of Behavior apply to this meeting and will be enforced.

30. SUPPORT CLASSES

All support classes are at the promoters discretion, nominations are to be directed to the promoter.

31. FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

All riders should have a minimum 2kg, dry powder A:B (E) class, working fire extinguisher in their pit area

32. ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS AND SOCIAL MEDIA

All competitors, mechanics, official, support personnel and parents are reminded of MA's Electronic Communications and Social Media Policy, found at www.ma.org.au, which sets out a framework for acceptable online behavior where communications involve fellow MA members, volunteers, officials, coaches, sponsors, partners, staff and any other connected persons.

33. TEAM CLOTHING

Team Clothing is encouraged, such as a team shirt.

34. SPECIAL NOTES AND WARNINGS:

- 34.1 NO Thongs/Sandals or open shoes to be worn in the pit area
- 34.2 NO Smoking or Drinking in the pit area
- 34.3 NO Dogs allowed unless it is for an impaired person, which must be kept on a leash at all times