

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT 2011

With the 2010 – 2011 season winding down in most States, many States this year have struggled with race meetings because of inclement weather, floods etc.

All State series are still going strong, car counts are still good and there have been some good performances from our younger up and coming drivers as well as our regular drivers.

We still need to do some housekeeping in the rule book to delete some rules from the old days and insert some tidy up words on some other rules e.g. seat belt life – 2 years, diff bar sizes and some old chassis specs.

Report 201 – 2011 Australian Title - Premier Speedway Warrnambool

The presentation and quality of cars would be the best we have scrutineered with very few problems. 79 cars went through the scrutineering bay with two checking teams at pre-arranged time slots with no major problems and a minimum of fuss.

Congratulations to Brooke Tatnell, Kerry Madsen, Steve Lines and all other competitors.

Thank you to the people who helped with scrutineering: Jim Muir, Wayne Bains, Phil Dickenson, Steve Hocking, Marcus Hocking, Leo Caruso, Peter Mitchell, Gary Pendlebury and anyone else who helped.

Report 2010 – 2011 Australian 360 Title – Murray Bridge Speedway

Same as with the 410 cars, presentation and quality of cars is very good. All cars were scrutineered with very few problems. The main problem with 360 scrutineering is checking the eligibility of the heads due to the grey areas in the ASCS rules and their contradiction.

I see there is a motion from WA regarding 360 heads, so with some discussion and common sense, we can come up with some policable rules to make life easier.

Congratulations to Ryan Jones, Michael Lovegrove, Mark Caruso and all other competitors.

Thank you again to all people who helped with scrutineering: Jim Muir, Wayne Baines, Phil Dickenson, Peter Mitchell, Gary Pendlebury, Leo Caruso and anyone else I have missed.

Also a special thanks to Bill Mann for allowing us to use the services of Phil O'Brien for the purposes of engine checking.

The Australian Wingless Sprint Title is still to be run on the Queen's Birthday weekend in June, so there is no report as yet.

I did attend the Victorian Wingless Sprint Title at Redline to assist with scrutineering. Most cars are very good in presentation and quality – some issues on the day, but all were OK to start the night's racing.

In finishing, I must apologise for the past 12 months for not posting any tech bulletins due to some personal reasons and lack of spare time.

If re-elected for Tech Officer for the upcoming season, I am happy to do the job but I also think it is time for me to let someone new with some new ideas to hold this position.

I would like to thank the SCCA executive: Peter Mitchell, Vivienne Lewis, Phil Dickenson, Jim Muir, Ross Allen and Sprintcars Australia for their help and support in the last 12 months.

Thank you.

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