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CRACK FIELD FOR NSW GRAND SLAM

The two New South Wales events scheduled on the 2011-12 Ikon Suspension Sidecar Grand Slam schedule has attracted a stellar field of sidecar superstars; spearheaded by reigning World Champion, Darrin Treloar. The inaugural Grand Slam has proven to be an outstanding success and with the exception a couple of weather affected events, the innovative tournament has attracted bumper crowds across Australia; the most recent of which was staged at Mildura's Olympic Park Speedway.

The two New South Wales events, to be staged on consecutive nights at Kurri Speedway (February 24) and Newcastle Showground (February 25), will provide fans with a superb weekend of three wheeled speedway sidecar entertainment.

"I'm really looking forward to racing in my home state," said World Champion, Darrin Treloar.

"The Grand Slam has been outstanding this season and the NSW events look to have attracted a great field and it will be a highly competitive weekend and as always this provides us riders with a massive challenge".

South Australian duo, Mick Headland and Paul Waters, who have won three of the previous four events, are clearly the team to beat when the travelling super troupe converges on the NSW Hunter Valley region to contest the massive double-header weekend on February 24 and 25.

"Paul and I are happy with the way things are going at the moment," said Headland.

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"We had an indifferent start to this event but we are on top of our game now; the bike is flying and I can't wait to race at the new Kurri venue, which according to all reports is an outstanding speedway track".

Meanwhile, North Queensland rider, Brodie Cohen, says he is looking forward to the next two events on the Ikon Suspension Sidecar Grand Slam trail.

"This has been an awesome thing for speedway bikes in Australia and I love being a part of it," said Cohen.

"I have really enjoyed racing at so many new tracks and I'm itching to mix it with the sport's best riders at Kurri and Newcastle."

Reigning and five times Australian Champion, Glenn O'Brien, says the NSW rounds will separate the men from the boys.

"The Kurri and Newcastle tracks are completely different lay-outs and the weekend should produce some intriguing battles," he said.

"Kurri is a fairly tight track, based on all reports, whilst Newcastle Showground features long straights and wide open spaces. It will be a tremendous weekend for the fans that get along and watch us."

Notable by their absence for the NSW events are the brilliant New Zealand based husband and wife team of Andrew Buchanan and Philipa Burns who are unavailable by virtue of contesting the NZ Championship in Auckland the same weekend.

The rider line-up released for the Kurri and Newcastle events is as follows;

Darrin Treloar	NSW
Glenn O'Brien	WA
Mick Headland	SA
Byren Gates	VIC
Brodie Cohen	QLD
Darren Cafe	NSW
Mick Farrell	NSW
Robbie Wilson	QLD
Trent Headland	SA
Grant Bond	NSW
Wes Jenkins	QLD
Harley Blackwell	NSW
Rodney O'Meley	NSW
Damian Niesche	SA
James Hinton	NSW
Shane Hudson	NSW
Reserves	
Stephen Saunders	NSW

Paul Hensworth

NSW

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