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Long Distance Travellers Head to Yarragundry Park this Saturday

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Riders from as far a field as Brisbane and Broken Hill will head to the Yarragundry Park track near Wagga Wagga this Saturday night, January 17 as speedway and long track racing is featured for the first time in 2009.

Brisbane teenager Jace Castles performed well in Australian championships in 2008 in both Dirt Track and Long Track and he will be keen to improve on a second placing in the Australia Day meeting at Yarragundry Park last year.

Castles will take on third generation rider Taylor Poole in the 250cc class, while Taylor will also contest the speedway solo class as a prelude to the Australian Under 21 Speedway Championship later this month at Gosford.

The Long Track Slider class is likely to be dominated by experienced campaigners Michael Slade of Tamworth, Strider Horton of Newcastle and Anthony Dall of Gunnedah.

It will be Broken Hill versus Newcastle in the speedway sidecar class as riders prepare for the New South Wales Speedway Sidecar Championship which will be staged at the following meeting on February 7.

Darren Café finished runner-up in the State title last season behind multi national champion Darrin Treloar, while James Hinton finished behind in his last appearance at Yarragundry Park last April. That form will be needed to take on the well credentialed Broken Hill rider Rick Howse on Saturday.

Close to a full grid of machines have entered for the Pre 1985 Classic Solo class as the old and bold, including perennial local and co-promoter Bob Sunderland, take to the track.

The busiest riders on Saturday will be the well performed Temora rider Ashley Wilesmith and teenager, and Wagga Wagga club member, Aiden Feeney who have both entered for all three classes for dirt track machines – 250cc , up to 450cc and over 450cc.

Some very talented junior riders have entered for the meeting including West Wyalong brothers Matthew and Tyler Davies with Matthew making a big impression in junior road racing competition over the past 12 months.

The usual strong contingent will be there from the Cowra club, headed by the Dawes brothers, the Duggan brothers and Joseph Bugg, while Nick Grentell, in his last season of junior racing, heads the junior nominations from the Wagga Wagga club.

All classes of racing will contest five rounds to score points towards overall honours.

Racing will commence at 5.30pm on Saturday, after practice at 4.30pm.