



PALMYRA DRAG RACING CLUB INC.

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Palmyra Dragway Presidents report August 2017.

The major concrete pours at the burn out pad have been completed over the weekend and thanks must go to the team that did pre concrete works to allow the work to be complete with three big Saturday mornings. There was a lot of work done between the three pours to get equipment and materials to the site and set up the formwork and base for the concrete.

A working committee that includes the Bumper 2 Bumper Club in Mackay has been formed to organise the opening meeting for the burnout pad on the 28th of October.

The day will include:

- 1) Race your Mates Event
- 2) Power Skids
- 3) Burnout display
- 4) Sound off Competition

The rules for the burnout competitors have been put up on our web site and more information on the weekend will be put on website and Facebook as it is finalised.

More working bees will be held to complete tyre walls around the pad.

Work has commenced in increasing the strength and integrity of the Armco fencing in the braking area. This work was our back up plan as we were un-successful in our request for funding from the RACQ Foundation. The concrete works to repair the damage to the western side of the braking area near the finish line is scheduled to be completed following our September Meeting. The funds collected from the Go Fund me page will go towards the cost of the concrete to complete these works.

When the 50 metres of repair work is completed the Management committee believe the racing distance can be extended. Discussion will be part of the agenda for the September club meeting on this issue do we:

- 1) Run all classes, except juniors, at a race distance of 1,000 foot?
- 2) Run all classes, except juniors and Super-Comp, to ¼ mile? JD's and Super-Comp stay at 1/8 mile.
- 3) If repairs are completed do we run extended distance for November meeting?

The management committee has completed and submitted a submission for funding under the QLD Governments Sports & Recreation Get Playing, Places & Spaces – Improve facilities fund to get 400m of the racing surface profiled and re-surfaced. This is a round of funding to the value of \$150,000 and sporting venues and clubs in the cyclone damage area will be prioritised. The results of this funding submission will not be known until October of this year. Our submission included letters of support from Jim Pearce Member for Mirani, George Christensen - Federal Member for Dawson, Michelle Landry - Federal member for Capricornia, Mayor Greg Williamson, Cr Ayril Paton and Stephen Andrew – One Nation Member for Mirani.



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The contractor will start works to complete the boundary fence during September and fencing around burn out pad in early October.

Due to clashes with Bathurst and then Springmount Thunder 400 meeting the supercharged outlaw meeting was cancelled and spare weekends during October will now be used to complete some track repairs. We will try and run a supercharged meeting again in first ½ of 2018.

Other points to be put on the agenda for the September Club meeting will be:

- 1) The format for the final round of the Track Championship in November.
 - a. Run Pro Tree DYO?
 - b. Top Qualifier to be fastest qualifying pass within class limits?
 - c. Double points for final round?
- 2) AGM and Xmas Party
 - a. AGM at Track Sat Afternoon
 - b. Xmas Party to be at track following AGM.

The club was successful in its application for funding from the gambling fund to purchase a new zero turn mower. This will allow the maintenance of the grounds to be continued using club owned equipment.

Next General Club meeting will be held on Monday 4th September at 6.00pm, at the Aero Club



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2017 North Queensland Sportstar Awards

Sporting stars both on and off the field are being sought to nominate for the upcoming North Queensland Sports Foundation Sportstar Awards. From athletes and coaches to administrators and Club members, the Awards recognise the achievements of those individuals and volunteers who symbolise the very best in sport.



There are four categories available for nomination including:

- Senior (18 years and over) as at December 31, 2017
- Junior (must be under the age of 18) as at December 31, 2017
- Service to North Queensland Sport (non-paid volunteers only) and
- North Queensland Athlete with a Disability.



Award nominees will be judged on their achievements and performances for the period of April 2016 to August 2017 and the following criteria (in order of importance) will be used in the selection process; international representation, national representation and state representation.

Successful applicants have the chance to pick up sporting apparel, trophies and cash prizes between \$500 and \$2000.

Nominations are now open for the Mackay region until 5pm Monday, September 11. Please email nomination form to councils Sport and Recreation Department at sport@mackay.qld.gov.au or return in person to Client Services at Mackay Civic Building, Gordon Street.

Please note that incomplete or late nominations will not be accepted.

Please ensure a photo of the nominee is attached with the nomination form. The photo will be used on the presentation evening as part of a visual presentation, regardless of whether the nominee is present or not.

For more information please contact sport@mackay.qld.gov.au or 1300 MACKAY and ask for the Sport and Recreation department.

Nomination forms:

- [North Queensland Sportstar Awards nomination form - JUNIOR](#)
- [North Queensland Sportstar Awards nomination form - SENIOR](#)
- [North Queensland Sportstar Awards nomination form - ATHLETE WITH A DISABILITY](#)
- [North Queensland Sportstar Awards nomination form - SERVICE TO SPORT](#)

[North Queensland Sportstar Awards nomination form - MASTERS](#)