



# BULLETIN #2

*Hello to all AMCA Nationals Supporters,*

*Since taking over the AMCA company in July, I have been very busy trying to implement a number changes to address some of the problems from previous years whilst trying to get around and meet as many AMCA people as possible.*

*Unfortunately, given the time constraints with the upcoming race season and the need for immediate action on a number of key issues, some changes had to be initiated (changes to specifications) without the benefit of consulting more with the drivers on a National basis. I hope drivers and crews will understand and accept this given the circumstances.*

*I have relied on a few key advisors to help me modify the AMCA specifications to what I believe will provide better racing whilst maintaining the basic goals of AMCA, that is to promote an affordable and competitive form of speedway racing.*

*A few drivers have indicated their dissatisfaction with some of the changes, particularly the issue of the restrictor plate. I find it hard to understand why some drivers, although only a few, rubbish the introduction of the restrictor plate given that this is one very real way of ensuring parity in relation to engine performance is achieved. Could I please ask all drivers to embrace all changes for the long-term future of the class.*

*I have spent a good deal of time lately trying to "clean up" the rulebook, which is now close to completion. The vehicle specification section of the rulebook has recently been distributed to the State Representatives, so please contact them to see the changes for this coming season. I will be regularly visiting each state, so please feel free to discuss these changes with me personally.*

*My thanks to Steven Jessop (AMCA National Technical Advisor Phone 0418 131 125) for his help.*

*The AMCA yearly affiliation fees were not increased this year even though the NASR fee/insurance had risen from previous years.*

*I am looking for ideas from owners/drivers/crew regarding the development of an AMCA event or series that could be promoted by AMCA to further raise the profile of the AMCA drivers and the class.*

*My first thoughts were either:*

- An Interstate challenge, or*
- A National Series taking in a number of States, or*
- A major stand-alone event each year that AMCA would promote and support the event with an increased prize money pool.*

*Would these types of events attract drivers from the USA??? Do we want this???*

*When should these types of events be held???*

*If you have any ideas, please fax or email them to me at AMCA (see Fax and Email address at the bottom of this Bulletin).*

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### **Restrictor Plate.**

*Restrictor Plates will be introduced for the coming season. This decision was taken after significant research and development (including Dyno testing) and consultancy with a number of key advisors.*

*Restrictor Plates will provide a simple but effective means of keeping engine performance equal across all competitors and reduce any advantage that some drivers may have had who did not comply strictly to the engine specifications. The other major advantage is that AMCA scrutineers can quickly check the restrictor plates on race day.*

*The restrictor plates will be distributed to each driver by AMCA. The cost is \$45 plus GST.*

### **Race Calendar.**

*A composite AMCA race calendar is currently being compiled. Once a few more race dates have been confirmed, the AMCA race calendar will be published in the "AMCA Bulletin" and on the web.*

### **Flywheels**

*AMCA Flywheels are now in stock. Please fax or phone your request to AMCA Nationals (see contact numbers below). Cost \$200 plus GST.*

### **NSW State Organisers.**

*The NSW AMCA organisers are Bernie Gordon (State Rep), Kerry McCombs, Greg Cassidy (State organisers) and Jackie Cassidy (Secretary). The NSW AMCA group boast in excess of 56 registered drivers, which is the largest of all the states. Large car counts mean more work in organising and managing the race season so I ask that drivers and crew give their full support to their State Representatives whilst they undertake these difficult tasks.*

### **QLD Presentation Night.**

*My personal thanks to AMCA Queensland for their invitation to attend the Qld Presentation Night. It was good to spend time with so many committed drivers and crew. (I'm still recovering). Dallas is doing a great job in arranging a big season of racing.*

### **Communication with AMCA Affiliates**

*I am currently looking at a number of ways of improving the communication with drivers and crews.*

*Firstly, I'm looking to re-organise the AMCA web site so it can be used for the purposes of: Advertising, Reporting of race meeting, Driver/Team Profiles, Downloading of AMCA Affiliation Applications, Bulletins and the Rule Book etc.*

*Secondly, I am also compiling a database of email addresses for each driver and crew so information can be sent more effectively. Please ensure that AMCA have a record of your email address*

*Those who do not have email/web access will still receive information by post.*

*Please advise your State Representative of your email address or your need to receive future AMCA information via the post.*

Till next time, happy racing

Michael Reidy