

Media Release



\$5000 to win Late Model race for Tyrepower Sydney Speedway



ABOVE : Four times Australian Late Model Champion Brad Blake is set to compete in the Tyrepower Sydney Speedway Grand National. Photo by Gary Reid.

NSW Late Models are proud to announce that a new high profile race is joining the Australian Late Model landscape in season 2010/11.

The Tyrepower Sydney Speedway Grand National will see a full field of the nation's best racers battle it out on the lightning fast clay for a huge payout of \$5000 to the winner.

Scheduled for Saturday March 19 the Tyrepower Sydney Speedway Grand National will be decided over a distance of 50 laps.

NSW Late Models Marketing Manager Ross Nicastrì is excited about the new event, and the potential it offers for NSW Late Model Racing.

"The Tyrepower Sydney Speedway Late Model Grand National is just the type of race we need in NSW to give the division that real 'shot in the arm' it needs" Nicastrì said.

"With a huge purse on offer we are expecting a strong field to nominate, so just making the 50 lap Feature will be a real test in itself".

“Even at this early stage we have confirmed interest from 11 interstate racers based in Western Australia, Queensland, South Australia, and Victoria. I can confirm that reigning Australian Champion Brad Blake will be in the field and given his strong victory in the United Acreage Marketing Gold Cup back in January he would have to start as one of the favourites”.

“When you add in all the local racers it’s not unrealistic to expect around 30 cars to be in the pits on race night” Nicastrri said.

The Tyrepower Sydney Speedway Grand National will test the mettle of all racers, with a tough qualifying format.

Racers will compete in Time Trials two cars at a time (over 2 laps) with points being allocated to determine start positions in the Heats. Only one Round of Heats will be contested with an inverted top six from Time Trials.

Start positions in the Feature will be determined by adding the Time Trial points to the Heat points. The highest point scorer will then draw for either an 8, 10, or 12 inversion in the big Feature.

In a novel twist, the highest point scorer will have the power to determine the start positions of all other racers included in the inversion.

“The format for the Tyrepower Sydney Speedway Grand National will ensure race fans will get to see plenty of action, and with the inversion system it really opens the race up”.

“NSW Late Models are committed to developing the Tyrepower Sydney Speedway Grand National into one of the nation’s premier Late Model events, and with the interest shown already we are well on the way to achieving that goal” Nicastrri said.

The Tyrepower Sydney Speedway Grand National will be the premier event at the March 19 race meeting. More information on the race can be found at www.nswlatemodels.com and www.sydneyspeedway.com.au



ABOVE : Darryl Grimson will be just one of the NSW racers chasing the huge purse on offer in the Tyrepower Sydney Speedway Grand National. Photo by Gary Reid.

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