



Media Release

Blair Granger cranks up for the big one



ABOVE : Blair Granger will be racing hard at Tyrepower Sydney Speedway January 27/28. Photo by Ben Graham of www.zoomxtreme.com

This year's Australian Late Model Championship, to be held at Tyrepower Sydney Speedway January 27/28, has special meaning for Queensland leadfoot Blair Granger.

Granger was a competitor in the inaugural Australian title held at the Perth Motorplex in 2002, won by fellow Queenslander, and speedway legend, Allan Butcher, and finished in the runner-up position in last year's title at Mildura, behind 4 times Champ Brad Blake.

But it's not personal gratification that drives Granger to desperately want the top step on the podium this year. He is racing with a purpose, more important than having a gleaming trophy on a shelf.

You see, Blair Granger is racing with a heavy heart, following the recent passing of good mate Matt Stocker from cancer.

“I’d really love to win the national title for Matt. We were good mates, and I already miss him heaps” Granger said.

“When Matt was diagnosed with cancer it hit me hard. You just don’t expect these things to happen to people you are close to, and when it does, it rocks your world”.

“With Matt passing away last weekend I was in two minds whether to even run at the title. He was very ill towards the end, and I didn’t want to burden him with my thoughts. I know however, that he would have told me to get down there and kick some butt!”.

“Matt was a straight shooter, and he earned the ‘Cranky Red Head’ title! But he was a great bloke, and we were making plans to get him back on track until the health issue surfaced”.

“If I could win this year’s Frank’s Auto Parts Australian Championship for Matt that would be fantastic” concluded Granger.

To win this year’s title Granger will have to defeat the strongest field ever assembled for the National Championship.

For more information on Blair Granger visit www.teamgranger.net

For information and results from the Frank’s Auto Parts Australian Late Model Championship visit www.nswlatemodels.com and for details of Queensland Late Model Racing visit www.latemodelracingqueensland.net

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