

ASCF 2008 - JUNIOR NATIONAL TITLE

The Albany Speedway Club recently hosted the ASCF Junior National Title over the Australia Day long weekend.

84 nominated drivers competed in the event over two nights of racing. Local junior driver Damon Lyall (aged 14) raced very consistently placing 4th in each of his four heats. With so many competitors, this meant that Damon was only placed 25th on the points ladder. He started 9th in the 'B' main and finished 2nd which transferred him into 18th spot in the 'A' main. 20 quality drivers started the 25 lap feature race.

The racing was of a very high standard. Damon charged his way through the field passing the tail enders and then had a top competition with Perth driver Bronywn Channing. Both drivers displayed clean driving skills for 17 laps before Damon made a great pass and finished the race in a very deserving 6th spot. Damon put in a massive effort to secure his placing.

Unfortunately, in a sensational upset, four drivers were disqualified after they failed to pass final scrutineering for illegal modifications to their cars, which then placed Damon 3rd. WA driver Kyle Spicer was declared the winner of the event and SA boy Joel Chadwick placing 2nd. The disqualifications take nothing away from the performance from these three provisional placegetters.

The disqualified drivers have the right to appeal and have done so. The hearing will be heard by an independent board within 28 days, to hopefully bring to an end this unfortunate outcome.

It was a disappointing finish to such a great championship. The ASCF, WASC and the Albany Speedway Club are to be congratulated in the way that this whole event was handled.

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Aus # 3
Damon Lyall



Damon, Trent, Peter (Disabled Dad) and
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