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Speedway crash: Complaints aired over broken first aid equipment, slow response

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PHOTO: Father-of-two Kurt Bull, 32, was behind the wheel when the Monaro Turbo left the track and crashed into a wall. (Supplied: GoFund Me)

A former paramedic says Queensland Raceway had broken first aid equipment, ran out of fire extinguishers and was too slow to respond to a fatal speedway crash.

Kurt Bull, 32, and Daniel King, 41, died when their Holden CV8 Monaro Turbo hit a wall during a Roll Racing event on Saturday night at Ipswich, while their partners and children watched on.

Queensland Raceway said early reports suggested the car had jammed a throttle.

Former Queensland Ambulance Service paramedic Tom Saurine was in the car behind, and has condemned the raceway's actions.



PHOTO: Passenger Daniel King, 41, was killed instantly when the car crashed on Saturday night. (Supplied: GoFundMe)

"Unfortunately the training and the response was lacking!" he wrote on Facebook.

"Not only did they run out or [sic] fire extinguishers which hampered us pulling them from the wreckage, but their first aid knowledge was lacking in a trauma aspect and their equipment also.

"They could not provide me with a non rebreather mask!

"Their first defibrillator was not working!"

Queensland Raceway chief executive John Tetley said in a statement that "three paramedics were at the car within 30 seconds and both of the occupants were extricated from the car with no burns injuries".

Ms Mason wrote on social media Queensland Raceway should be held accountable for the state of its first aid kits.



"The fact Tom ran over, got the two men from the cars and had started working on them, organised people to jump in and help before officials got there was shocking," she wrote.

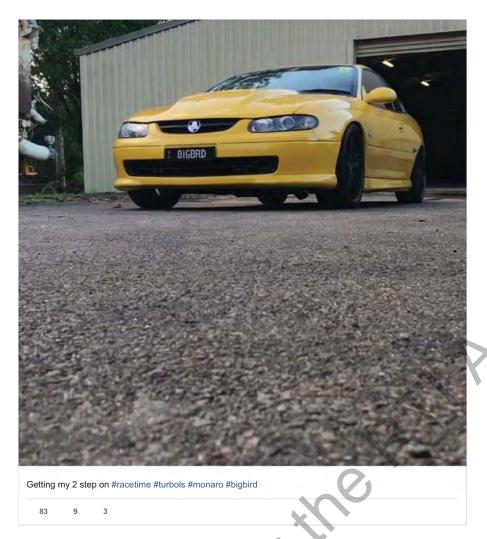
Mr Tetley declined to comment when contacted by the ABC but referred to a statement issued on Sunday.

It said about 90 kilograms of fire retardant was used after the driver and passenger had been extricated.

The Roll Racing event, which involves racing modified street cars, is not overseen by the Confederation of Australian Motor Sport (CAMS).

CAMS took part in developing recommendations for Queensland Raceway following the death of British race car driver Sean Edwards in 2013, at the request of deputy state coroner John Lock.

It is not known if those recommendations have been implemented, and questions about this to Queensland Raceway have not been answered.



Racing enthusiast and Queensland Raceway attendee Noel Teelow defended track officials but said the tragedy would be a "major wakeup call" for competitors who had become "lax" with safety.

"We've had so much fun at this particular event without any incidents," he said.

"They all still want to do it but nobody wants to not come home from an event like that."

Mr Teelow said Queensland Raceway officials did everything they could and have been greatly affected by the incident.

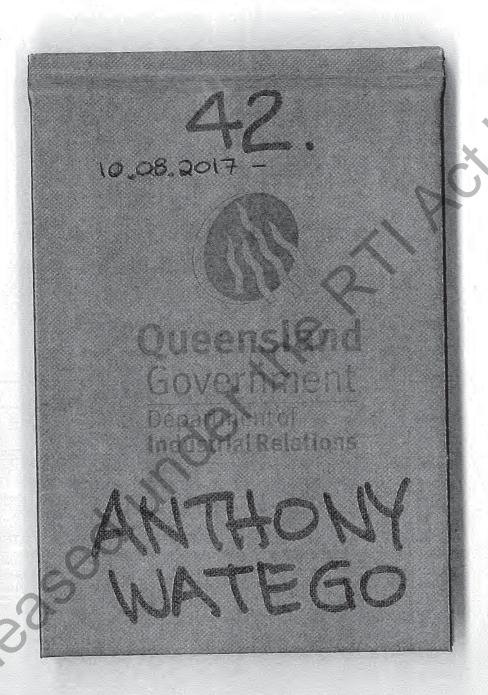
"Queensland Raceway is unquestionably the safest race track in Australia by virtue of the fact that it is the newest and at the time all the modern safety standards had been incorporated," he said.

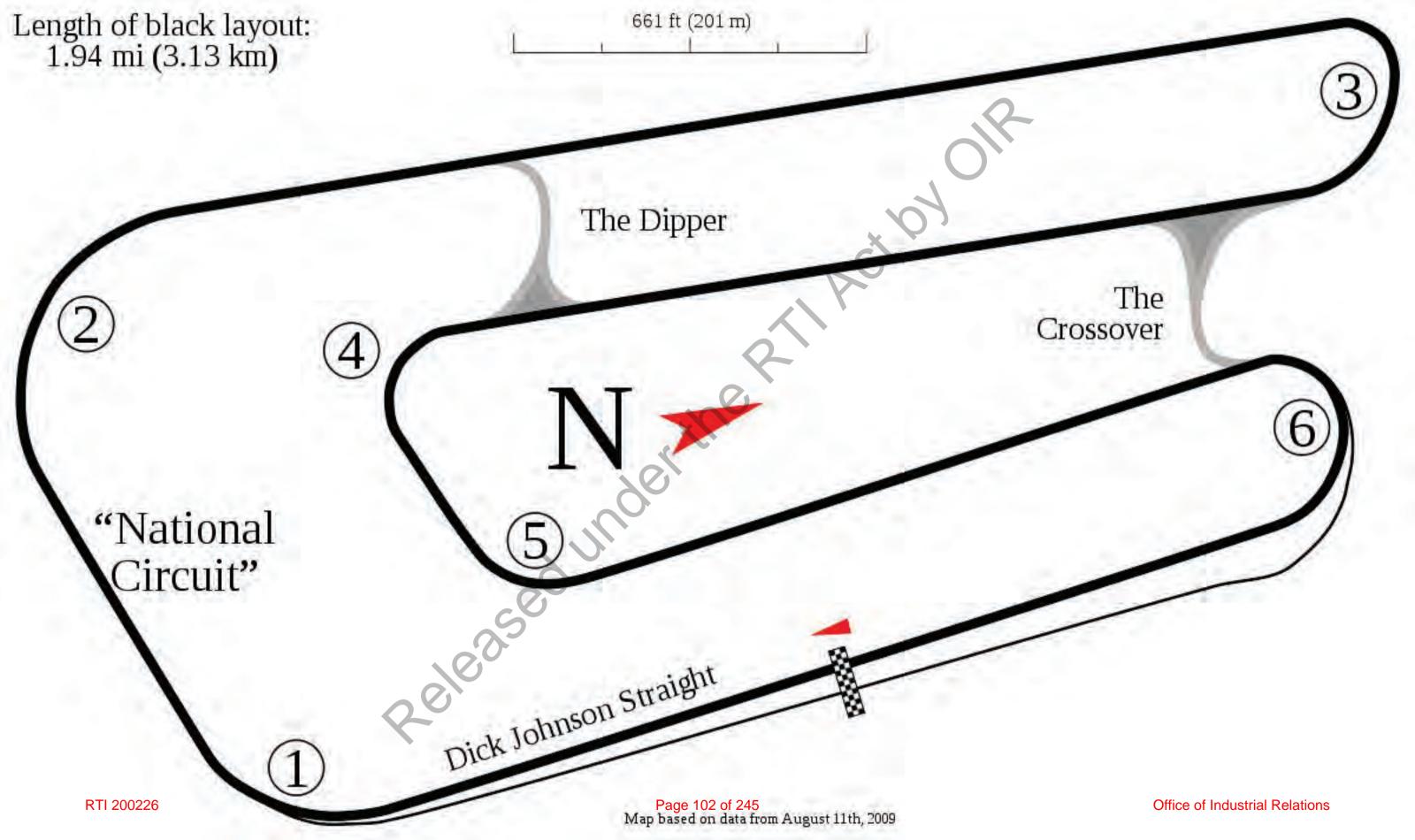
"The raceway has a minimum standard but there's still a lot of responsibility on the car owner and driver."

Editor's note: This article has been altered to include the differing account provided by Queensland Raceway regarding the response of paramedics to the crash and to remove the title "first responder" and the detail that "Mr Saurine and his friend Anna Mason said they pulled the men from the wreckage before it caught fire and commenced CPR, but they could not be revived."

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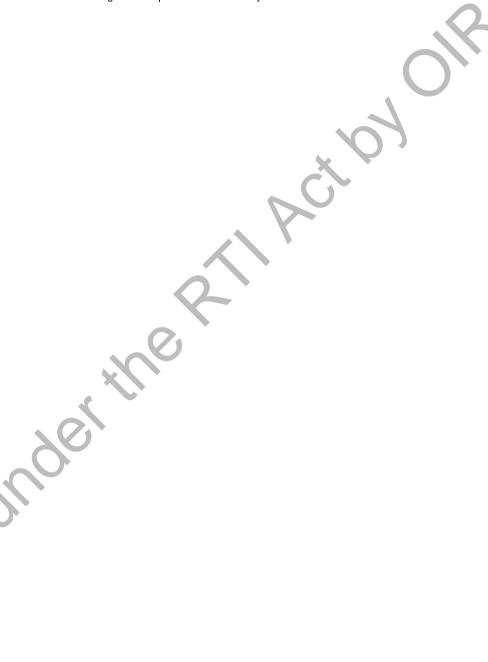
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Taking the Racing off the streets and onto the circuit. Roll Racing Brisbane will be all the street style racing you can handle without the risk of getting in trouble! Roll Racing is all about having fun with your car and your mates and actually driving your car. We have designed this event to give you as much track time as possible and we strictly limit numbers to make sure you get value for money as an entrant.

Open to all types. So come see domestics, imports and supercars battle it out!

On track from 6pm through till 9.30pm. We will give you as many runs as physically possible!

Eliminator from 9pm to find out the quickest for the night.



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FAQS

Should I bring ear protection?

Due to the nature of our venue, visitors can expect to experience a certain level of noise from the vehicles taking part. Reduced noise earbuds are available for all visitors, especially children, to get closer to the action without feeling uncomfortable.

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Are pets allowed at the tracks?

No dogs are permitted, nor should they be left in your car or in the campsite. Only guide dogs and assistance dogs for the disabled are allowed on site.

Are there any medical facilities?

We have a dedicated Medical Room at Queensland Raceway and Lakeside Park. Staff are qualified first aiders and we always have qualified doctors and medical staff during events.

Can I bring my own food to Queensland Raceways?

Whilst we do have on site cafes at Lakeside Park and Queensland Raceway, you are welcome to bring food and beverages to either of our venues. Our facilities are perfect for a picnic whilst soaking up the entertainment on track.

What do I need to wear?

Long sleeved shirt, trousers, enclosed shoes and a AS1698 Aust. Standards helmet is the minimum apparel required. There are some exceptions to this mainly for the drift events and cruising where they need only wear t-shirt, shorts, enclosed shoes and a AS1698 Aust. Standards helmet.

Entry Costs

Upcoming Sessions

There are no more events scheduled for 2017

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OR PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Name of product: ROLL RACING

Position of Product:

Roll Racing is part of the five products comprising the "Speed off the Streets" product set. Its risk profile is placed between "Happy Laps" and "Drift Practice" and therefore rates at the lower end of the risk profiles. The other two products in this set are the "Off Street Drags" and "Street Sprints".

DESCRIPTION OF THE ACTIVITY:

For this event the track is divided into three zones:

- ‡ the Rolling zone: in this area speeds are to be kept below 80 km/h, there are to be no burnouts and no stopping
- ‡ the Run-up zone: in this zone speeds are to be kept below 100 km/h brake testing and tyre warming is permitted
- ‡ the Race Zone: in this zone full-scale acceleration is expected until the finish where speeds may reach 160 km/h

The activity commences when a car leaves Pit Lane and enters the Rolling zone maintaining a speed of less than 80 km/h until it reaches the Marshalling Area. In the Marshalling Area cars queue side-by-side awaiting release into the Run-up zone; once released into the Run-Up Zone they are permitted to warm-up tires and test their brakes prior to entering the Race zone.

Cars enter the Race Zone more or less side-by-side at approximately 40 km/h; the race starts when either of the drivers decides to commence full acceleration after the green light at the start line is asserted. Drivers must lift off the throttle immediately after they cross over the finish line at which time they have re-entered the Rolling Zone and are subject to the speed and activity restrictions of that zone. They have approximately 150 metres in which to resume Rolling Zone speed limits.

There are no times, points, or formal recognition of the fastest runs made at any time during the event. Because of this the risk profile of the event is minimised.

Roll Racing can be run as both a daytime and night event at QR and a day time only event at LP.

RISK ASSESSMENTS:

Description of risk: injury caused to an official by a car

Likelihood: low

Potential Outcome: significant personal injuries

Mitigation Strategies: Officials will be placed in safe zones i.e. Flag Points or behind protecting wall or on the Pit Lane pedestrian ledge. Officials will be briefed on the potential dangers and where they are likely to come from.

Description of Risk: car to car contact

Likelihood: low

Potential Outcome: vehicle damage possible minor injuries

Mitigation Strategies: rigorously enforce speed limits in the Rolling Zone and vehicle separation in the Run-Up Zone. Contact is considered unlikely in the Race Zone unless there is a mechanical failure. QR Will deploy safety barriers to denote the starting lanes, traffic cones to delineate the centre of the track and a clearly marked finish line followed by chicanes in the Rolling Zone.

Description of risk: collision with concrete walls

Likelihood: low

Potential Outcome: some vehicle damage - minor injury

Mitigation Strategies: because there is no lateral G generated during the Race Zone activity it is considered highly unlikely a vehicle will contact the concrete walls beside the main straight. Should such contact occur the angle of the impact is likely to be very low ensuring that vehicles will continue to just slide along the wall until they come to rest.

Description of Risk: a vehicle fire

Likelihood: low

Potential Outcome: vehicle destruction, injuries considered unlikely as the driver has ample time and opportunity to

get away from the vehicle

Mitigation Strategies: at least one fire appliance with suitable extinguishers and a trained staff member will be positioned in pitlane ready to provide immediate assistance to the stricken vehicle.

Description of Risk: Fire during refuelling.

Likelihood: low to medium

Potential Outcome: significant property damage unlikely to result in injuries unless circumstances are exceptional. **Mitigation Strategies**: fuel may only be brought onto the site in 20 L drums. Refuelling is not permitted in the pit Lane area but is permitted in the paddock area behind pit-lane and on the grass behind the garages. Fire extinguishers must be supplied by the customer's who are undertaking the refuelling process. Refuelling must not occur within 20 m of a Designated Outdoor Smoking Area (DOSA).

Description of risk: injury caused by a car falling off jacks during mechanical repairs

Likelihood: low

Potential Outcome: significant personal injuries

Mitigation Strategies: remind drivers during the drivers briefing to take adequate safety precautions whenever they are working on their vehicles on Queensland Raceways' premises.

DRIVERS BRIEFING:

The drivers briefing will contain the following warnings:

- ‡ Any fighting will result in an immediate life ban
- overly aggressive or malicious driving will result in a life ban.
- ‡ whilst drivers are expected to "wait for a mate" to have a race with, they are not to block the track whilst doing so
- Races must not commence until the green light has been asserted in case there is a late blockage of the Race Area.
- ‡ excessive speed in the Rolling Zone means a driver will forfeit the rest of their runs for that evening
- ‡ passengers in cars are not permitted but are being considered for a later time
- ‡ stopping and or stationery burnouts are not acceptable anywhere at Queensland Raceway
- ‡ the paddock area speed limit is 10 km/h and in Pit Lane is 40 km/h-these speed limits will be rigidly enforced
- ‡ when the event is being run at night cars must have their lights on at all times they are in any of the three zones
- ‡ refuelling is only to be done from 20 L drums and there must be one person standing by with a fire extinguisher
- No cross ply tyres, only radial tyres permitted
- No Methanol Fuel

After the warnings a detailed description of the activities and any emergency procedures they are to follow will be given.

LOGISTICS & RESOURCES:

Delivery Team comprises:

- 1 Event Manager
- 2 Office staff for sign-ons (1 after 20:00 hrs)
- 2 Gate staff
- 2 Paramedic
- 2 Pit Lane Marshalls (1 fixed 1 roving)
- 1 Start marshall
- 1 Floater for relief
- 1 Recovery/Fire appliance driver

Licence required:

RACERS or AASA Clubman, annual or event.

Permit Required:

Social; non-timed, non-competitive event permit

Equipment Required:

10 x Water Barrier, 25 x Traffic Cones, 4 x lighting towers & permanent lighting & LED ancillaries, 1 x RED/GREEN LED light for start line, 10 UHF radios, Fire engine, Ambulance, 4wd recovery vehicle, Tilt Tray.

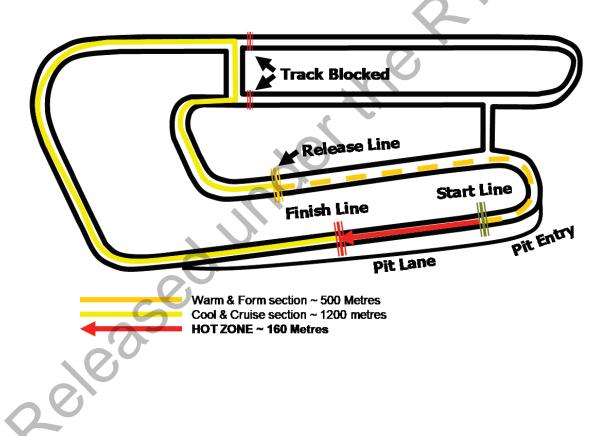
Forms Required:

Entry forms, Licence application forms.

Track Maps QR and LP:

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Roll Racing Track Configuration



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