

**AUSTRALIAN FORMULA JUNIOR  
ASSOCIATION**



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**PITSTOP**

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The AFJA is endeavoring to arrange combined Formula Junior with Formula Ford events at major national historic meetings. It seems that Formula Ford are being squeezed by promoters wishing to cater for more entries by filling race grids to capacity, and we the AFJA are trying to establish FJ only events with insufficient numbers.

FJ like FF have restrictive regulations with similar performance, and most owners would prefer to avoid being forced to compete with V8 Brabham's and GT sports cars in group or divisional events.

From our discussions with FF group reps in Vic. And NSW it would seem that this proposal offers them the opportunity to remain apart from incompatible mixed grid events, and we gain the kudos that we seek in a safer environment.

Past member Nick McDonald has agreed to update the AFJA Pictorial Promotional document conceived by him, namely, "Formula Junior in Australia." The current version will have information on 64 race ready cars available for major events in Australia, and when completed, the committee hopes to use these documents to promote Formula Junior in each Australian state.

In recent years, AFJA member and NSW rep. Peter Johnson, has produced various items of apparel for members to help promote the AFJA. The latest additions to the range of garments is a sports cap, and just released an attractive poly/cotton polo shirt, both navy blue with embossed logo. These are available from Peter Phone (02) 9699 4372

**KELVIN C. PRIOR**  
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## **HRCC ALL HISTORIC IPSWICH 2004 - ROUND 3 OF TROPHY SERIES**

### **PROGRAM:**

Voluntary private practice on Friday 23rd July.  
Racing Saturday and Sunday 24th and 25th July  
Circuit - Qld. Raceway at Willowbank

### **ENTRIES:**

Entry forms and sup. Regs. Available on [www.hrcc.org.au](http://www.hrcc.org.au). Or ring Richard Watkins  
B.H. (07) 3394 3755

### **EVENTS:**

During the weekend the AFJA will nominate two scratch races where points will be  
awarded towards our Trophy Series

### **NOTE:**

Please indicate on the entry that your car is Formula Junior as we are advised that  
around 10 cars will qualify for FJ only events.

## **HSRCA ALL HISTORIC EASTERN CREEK 2004 - ROUND 4 AFJA TROPHY SERIES**

### **PROGRAM:**

Voluntary private practice Friday 10th September  
Racing Saturday & Sunday 11th & 12th September

### **ENTRIES:**

To obtain an entry fax (02) 9948 3025 or email [race@hsrca.org.au](mailto:race@hsrca.org.au) or download from  
[www.hsrca.org.au](http://www.hsrca.org.au)

### **DISPLAY:**

Cars not racing during this weekend are needed for the AFJA Static Display in the pit

area. Please contact Peter Johnson (02) 9699 4372 to arrange pit passes and other details.

## **WINTON HISTORIC MOTOR RACING FESTIVAL 2004 - ROUND 5 AFJA TROPHY SERIES**

### **PROGRAM:**

**Featured Marque - Formula Junior \***

**Voluntary private practice - Friday 1st October**

**Racing Saturday & Sunday 2nd & 3rd October**

**\* Racing will include 3 only 6 to 8 lap, long circuit; formula junior scratch races provided we have at least 20 cars.**

### **ENTRIES:**

shall be available shortly by fax (03) 5766 4249 or download from [www.wintonraceway.com.au](http://www.wintonraceway.com.au) or sent direct from a list provided by AFJA.

### **GARAGES:**

All FJ entrants will be grouped together in the pit area.



### ***1963 PENNYFORD FORMULA JUNIOR***

***Original constructed by David Coode in the UK and subsequently raced in Australia. Doug Bradhurst has restored the car to original specs with modest engine for the present.***

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### **TORQUE AROUND THE PITS**

The early FJ built by Stan Brown and driven by Alex Lazich called "Piranha" is currently owned and raced by Dennis Lesslie in NSW. The car is presently in its later guise, but Dennis hopes to return it back to FJ specs in the near future and be a part of the AFJA. Welcome Dennis.

**In 1962 Frank Matich won the Australian Formula Junior Championship at Catalina Part Katoomba on 28th October in an Elfin. At the time he had in his possession cars 625 and 627. One an 1100 cc Formula Junior and the other a 1500 cc Formula Libre. After considerable research the current owner of car 625, Ed Holly, believes his car was originally fitted with 1500 cc engine even though it competed later in FJ events during the period. If Ed is correct in his assumption regarding which car won the championship in 1962, then car 627 owned by Charlie Mitchell in W.A. can now re appear as a Formula Junior and an important one at that.**

**Had an email recently from England concerning the MRD Brabham BT1 owned by John Best. It appears there may have been more than one chassis frame built at the time, however, after some discussion it was agreed there was only one MRD built by Brabham in 1961. John is aware of his cars importance being the first Brabham built, and is currently restoring the car to its original specifications with the help of son Roy.**



*"Work in Progress"*

*The ex Charlie Chrichton/Stewart Cooper T59 Formula Junior being restored by current owner David Reid.*

**12 months ago AFJA member John Medley wrote me about an Australian built FJ in Qld. Doug Mason created the car with sleeved back Peugeot 203 engine and VW trans. It appears that John Holmes from Toowoomba acquired it in 1987 in poor condition. The car is still in desperate need of serious attention, and John who recently retrieved the car from someone else's paddock, assures me the car will live again.**

**How's this for a twist of fate. Mike Shearer the AFJA rep. For Sth. Australia and proud owner of the ex Tim Mayer Cooper T59 recently changed jobs, and now works for Cooper ales.**

**Spoke with Colin Sullivan at Winton Historics about his Elfin Catalina that was damaged at Eastern Creek. It appears the car is in the assembly stage, and hopefully will be ready by years end.**

Dick Willis (Ausper) informs us that the new engine for his car is producing the right quantity of HP, and will certainly improve his position on the grid.

Whilst talking HP Don Thallon (Cooper T56) has extracted more performance from his BMC engine judging by how it was going at Winton Historics, and he assures us that there is more to come.

Sadly, Peter Strauss (Brabham BT6) damaged his engine in private practice before Winton Historics, and we understand that FF guru, Peter Larner is rebuilding a new engine for the car.

Heard a rumor recently regarding the Brabham 1 litre BT15 F3 car purchased by Ed Holly. It appears the car raced with a Lotus twin cam engine during its history, and whilst we would welcome the car in its current guise the alternative configuration would be more exciting to drive.



*"1962 Koala Formula Junior"*

*Built by John Joyce of Bowin car fame and currently being restored for historic racing by Paul Charel*

**EVENTS FOR 2004 TROPHY SERIES**



**Retireinvest  
Perpetual Trophy**

Round 1	Feb 28-29	Phillip Island, Vic
Round 2	April 10-11	Mallala Historic, SA
Round 3	July 24-25	Ipswich Historic, Qld
Round 4	Sept 11-12	Eastern Creek, NSW
Round 5	Oct 2-3	Winton Festival, Vic
Round 6	Nov 27-28	Wakefield, NSW

**AFJA AND RETIRENVEST TROPY SERIES CURRENT SCORES FOR 2004**

Driver	Car	Group	Phillip Island	Mallala	Total
Jonathan Williamson WA	Lotus	FJ2	6 + 8	10 + 8	32

Ian Ashford SA	Tad	FJ2#	-	8 + 10	18
Robin Longdon UK	Lola	FJ2	8 + 10	-	18
Murray Bryden Vic	MRC	FJ2#	10 + 0	1 + 1	12
Peter Strauss Vic	BT6	FJ2	0 + 6	3 + 3	12
Wayne Wilson NSW	Donford	FJ2#	-	6 + 6	12
Graham Brown Qld	BT2	FJ2	-	4 + 4	8
Ken Ward NSW	Rennmax	FJ2#	0 + 4	-	4



***"1962" McEntee Formula Junior"***

***Built by Stan McEntee in WA using ford engine & VW trans with original swing axles. Car restored by current owner Neil McCrudden***

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## CARS FOR SALE



### **For Sale Golford Aust. Special**

All steel 1040 cc Ford 105E Engine. Close ration 4 speed VW Transmission. Car fully restored by current owner. Current CAMS Log Book and C. of D.

Price \$19,000 with trailer

Contact Grant Patullo (03) 9484 2253



### **For Sale 1960 Essenkay Formula Junior**

Attractive Australian Special with history.

1089 cc Skoda engine, 36 hp VW

transmission, drum brakes, alloy body, unused since 1992. Price \$18,500 ono Contact Philip

DeGruchy (03) 9898 3677 or 0408 398 624



### **For sale 1961 Lotus 20J959**

This car originally owned by Lionel Ayers Qld. Full restoration near complete (like new).

Genuine enquiries only with offers in excess of \$60,000 Contact Murray Bryden B.H. (03) 9357 9969



### **For sale 1962 Lynx Type 3 Ch. 113 ex Ern Tadgell**

Very competitive Formula Junior maintained by Noel Tuckey. Raced consistently by current owner past 24 years. Ford engine VW transmission, current log book and C of D.

Price \$34,000 Contact Graham Brown (07) 5447 1200



### **For sale 1961 Lynx type 2 Ch. 109 ex Kel**

**Prior** Currently ANF 1500 Borgward engine & 5 speed trans. Plenty of spares for 1100 cc FJ & new nose cone Current Log Book & C. of D., full history from new Price \$22,000

Contact Lynn Cowan H. 02 9525 2254

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**For sale Talisman FJ Spec. Aust. Special BT2 copy using Brabham parts, full alloy body All steel dry sump Ford engine by Ian Tate 4 speed CR VW Box, regular FJ competitor Price \$30,000 Contact Mark Esmore W. 03 5495 1466 M. 0418 380 662**



**1962 Cooper T59 MK 3 Formula Junior FJ-24-62 Original owner Susie Dietrich, brought to Aust. From USA 1981 and partially restored. Original 1100 cc BMC dry sump competition engine. 6 speed ERSA Knight trans., AP racing clutch. Fully documented history. \$40,000 negotiable. Contact Steve Tate A.H. (03) 9759 6956**