



Group S Racing Association Inc.

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President - Brian Weston, 60 Empire Circuit, Forrest ACT 2603

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Dear Tony,

The Group S Racing Association is pleased once again to be involved with the 24/25th May Historic Winton. The meeting has been listed as a "home" event in the 2008 Goldfields' Cup and an "away" event in the 2008 Catalina Cup.

The GSRA is confident that the meeting will be well supported by members despite the fact that in 2008 we have several new meetings on the motor racing calendar which feature Group S cars.

One matter the GSRA committee has requested I raise with you is the issue of a Group S handicap race. You may recall the incidents that arose in the Group S handicap race last year including one incident in which two cars were written off.

Difficulties with handicap races are not a new problem in Group S. Indeed the GSRA has accrued considerable experience in the organisation of these races where difficulties arise from the markedly different speed, acceleration, braking, size, rear vision, weight and cornering characteristics of our cars, which span the Sa to Sc spectrum.

The high rate of incidents in Group S handicap races has led the GSRA committee to the view that lower track density limits should apply for the Group S handicap races.

On short tracks such as Winton and Wakefield Park, the committee recommends that a track density limit of 50% apply to Group S handicap races. So if Winton has a Group S track density of 36, then Group S handicaps should only be conducted when the number of starters is less than 18.

In this way congestion on the track is reduced and cars are less likely to be involved in race incidents. The GSRA trusts that this request can be accommodated. The GSRA also remains willing to discuss with the Austin 7 Club any matters of detail regarding the Group S racing program for the meeting.

I also include a copy of our current GSRA preferred race numbers register which is being honoured by most promoters. The register is listed on our website (www.groups racing.org.au).

Yours faithfully,

Brian Weston
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The GSRA was established in January 2006 and it recently issued GSRA member number 135. It represents the Group S community's resident in NSW, ACT, VIC, SA and QLD and is affiliated with the Confederation of Australian Motor Sport.