TERRITORY LABOR’S COMMITMENT TO NT MOTORSPORT

Territory Labor has today released our commitment to motorsport in the Northern Territory.

Motorsport is a big part of the Territory lifestyle. Clubs and facilities operate across the Territory, and in all of our major centres. That is why Labor is making this important announcement.

There are 10,000 licensed motorsport competitors, pit crew, volunteers and officials in the Territory, as well as 150,000 participants and spectators annually. It’s one of the biggest sports and economic drivers here in the Territory.

Labor’s commitment will deliver broader funding for Territory motorsport, as well as specific commitments for Alice Springs, Katherine and Tennant Creek.

A Labor Government will:

- Replace the 50-year-old administration facilities at Hidden Valley, which are being used for Motorsports House, with a new structure with a lower viewing balcony, 1st floor corporate area and 2nd floor administration facilities worth $6 million.
- Deliver $1.3 million for the Hidden Valley Drag Racing Association, for the upgrade of lighting to LED and added cover breaking area.
- Deliver $1 million to the Top End Motor Cross Club for track lighting within Motor Cycling Australia lighting requirements and reduced expenditure of hire lighting and generators.
- Contribute $500,000 to the Finke Desert Race Masterplan, including improvements to the finishing straight, rainwater tanks, a multipurpose shed and improved lighting facilities.
- Install ring main and separate mains along with toilet facilities at Katherine Motor Sports Complex, worth $1 million.
- Install a permanent clubhouse, race control tower and canteen facilities to replace existing containers at the Central Australian Drag Racing Association, valued at $1.6 million.
- Upgrade of safety walls, fencing, lighting at the Tennant Creek Speedway worth $1.65 million to enable compliance with National Speedway Association safety requirements.
- Deliver $2 million annually over 4 years to Motorsport NT.
- An appropriate parcel of Crown Land to be leased to the Alice Springs Rally Club.
The previous Labor Government strongly supported Territory motorsports and delivered upgrades to Hidden Valley worth tens of millions of dollars, including upgrades to the dragstrip worth $4 million, as well as our continued support of the Hidden Valley leg of the V8 Supercars.

If elected, my government will continue to support the motorsport industry across the Territory.

A yearly breakdown of Labor’s additional funding, on top of the ongoing funding to Motorsport NT, is below:

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