Lauren Moss
Minister for Tourism and Culture

V8 Supercars – investment fuels sport and job growth

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The 20th anniversary V8 Supercars event is less than two weeks away. The event is a highlight of the events calendar and injects $16 million into the Territory economy every year, creating jobs and providing a big boost for motorsport.

Minister for Tourism and Culture, Lauren Moss today joined 2007 Supercars Champion Garth Tander and NT Major Events General Manager, Andrew Hopper at Hidden Valley racetrack to view the progress of the Territory’s biggest motorsport event.

Minister Moss was delighted with the progress of the event saying she looks forward to it every year.

“Support for motorsport is just another way the Territory Labor Government is putting Territorians first and investing in jobs.

“Over 40,000 spectators attend the V8 Supercars in Darwin every year.

“Motorsports is a great sport with a huge following here in the NT, that’s why the NT Government is spending $13 million on infrastructure upgrades for motorsports venues across the NT, including $6 million at Hidden Valley. This investment will provide important construction jobs and continue to grow the sport in the NT.

“The Government contributes just over $3 million every year to bring the V8 Supercars to Darwin, an investment that returns $16 million to the Territory economy annually and brings approximately 4,000 interstate visitors to each race.”

The Supercars party will include two nights of sensational entertainment at the RACE & ROCK concerts at Hidden Valley including Australia’s biggest Hip Hop success Hilltop Hoods and Melbourne rapper ILLY.

“Supercars is a great event for the Territory promoting tourism, celebrating motorsports and demonstrating on a national stage the capability of our local facilities,” Minister Moss said.
The introduction of the Stadium Super Trucks to the track is an exciting new component that will bring out 600 horsepower, V8 powered trucks that reach speeds in excess of 200 kilometres per hour.

The Crownbet Darwin Triple Crown Supercars will be held at Hidden Valley Raceway on 16-18 June 2017, featuring three days of motorsports action, on and off track entertainment and two nights of concerts.

Tickets available at www.darwinsupercars.com.au

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