

Championship Fight Set to Continue for Morley and Icon Motorsport:

There is one simple aim for the Icon Motorsport team and their leading driver Ben Morley heading into this weekend's (September 22 – 23) sixth round of the New South Wales (NSW) State Formula Ford Championship at Sydney's Eastern Creek Raceway and that is to reclaim the top position in the championship point standings.

Trailing by 11 points behind current championship leader Rob Storey in the NSW State Championship, Morley feels confident of bridging the gap between Storey and himself as the Eastern Creek Raceway circuit is one of his favourite circuits.

“Eastern Creek is one of my favourite circuits and it's a place where I have some good results, so I'm hopeful of a strong performance that will see me move back into the lead of the championship,” remarked the defending NSW State Champion.

“The fast flowing nature of the Eastern Creek requires drivers to be brave and I feel that my experience will aid me throughout the weekend, and hopefully I can come away with a successful result.”

After Storey walked away from the last round with a clean sweep of proceedings it allowed him to move into the championship lead, and Morley is now wanting to return the favour at Eastern Creek, but knows very well that there are a number of other drivers that are playing a part in the championship reckoning, most notably CAMS Rising Star driver Daniel Erickson.

“At the beginning of the year it was a two horse race between Rob [Storey] and I, and now we have to contend with a number of other drivers which could play a big part in how the championship unfolds,” admitted Morley.

“I feel that at Eastern Creek I have a few advantages over Rob [Storey] and one of those is experience, and the aim is to use that to its full extent and attempt to come away from the weekend with wins under my belt and hopefully the championship back in my grasp.

“Back at Eastern Creek for the second round there wasn't too much between Rob and I, but in the end it was my experience that allowed me to gain the upper hand on him, as my pressure forced him into a few mistakes at crucial times.”

Morley has recently had the engine of his # 1 Icon Motorsport Spectrum 09B undergo a complete rebuild from Peter Larnar in Melbourne - Victoria in readiness for the sixth round of the NSW State Championship.

Fellow Icon Motorsport team-mate, Derryn Harrison, is looking for a continuation of his top ten results in the NSW State Formula Ford Championship when he steps back into his # 66 Icon Motorsport Spectrum 06B. After spending the past few weeks away on holidays overseas, Harrison is hoping that a clear mind away from the pressures of business will go a long way to maintaining his recent run of strong form.

“I had a strong finish at the last round and the goal is to naturally build on that result,” expressed Harrison.

“My holiday has done the world of good for me and given me a clear mind, so if I can finish all three races inside the top ten, then I’ll be rapt, as it will also put me in with a possible shot at moving into the top ten of the championship point standings.”

Unfortunately the third car from the Icon Motorsport stable, the Mazda RX7 that competes in the Production Sports Car category with Brad Gower as their regular driver, won’t be contesting to sixth round of the NSW State Championship due to a number of teething problems that need to be sorted through.

The Icon Motorsport team has a number opening’s for driver next year, and anyone that might be interested is encouraged to talk with the team over the weekend at Eastern Creek Raceway.

Current NSW State Formula Ford Championship point standings:

- 1 Rob Storey - 320
- 2 Ben Morley - 309**
- 3 Daniel Erickson - 268
- 4 Tom Tweedie - 214
- 5 Jake Chapman – 196
- 12* Derryn Harrison - 124**

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