

CLAYDEN CRAVES THE CONTEST



THE RUSH OF AUSTRALIA DAY WEEKEND PATRIOTISM may have won a whole legion of new fans for the Aussie Flag emblazoned Rogue Racing sprintcar of Daryl Clayden just in time for the sport's blue ribbon event.

With just over a week remaining until the Australian Sprintcar Title, Clayden's rapid rise in reputation was given another shot in the arm with a confidence boosting 4th place at the Perth Motorplex on Saturday.

Struggling with setup early in the night, the Rogue Racing Team was able to turn the tables on an average qualifying session, to produce a visibly fast racecar at the end of the night.

"We were pretty happy to finish the night at the right end of the field," said Clayden, engulfed in a growing family of fans.

"This is all about preparation for the titles, so we're happy to have the car in one piece as well as producing the car speed to run consistently at the front of the field."

Looking back over his lead up to the coveted national championship, Clayden couldn't be happier with the preparation, sighting his mixed bag of recent wins and losses all part of the learning process to mix it with the nation's best.

"We've run at the front a few times this season including World Series, and the Christmas Cup victory was fantastic. We've clearly got the combination to be up there, but it will just be a case of pulling all the elements together over the three nights to make it all happen," said a speculative Clayden.

With more than 60 teams vying for the prize, the battle for the Australian Sprintcar crown on February 5-7 is being tipped to be one of the greatest in speedway history down under, and Clayden's current form will most certainly grab the attention of the sport's experts who dare to speculate potential upset winners of the title.