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VISITING SPEEDWAY RIDERS DOMINATE

Visiting junior speedway riders took the major honours in the Roy Thomsen Memorial Shield race meeting at Loxford Park Speedway on Sunday (09 October 2011).

Riders from other NSW regions as well as interstate riders joined local riders to vie for the annual event held in respect of former Maitland identity Roy Thomsen. Thomsen was instrumental in establishing the sport of junior speedway in NSW.

15-year-old Jack Holder from Appin, NSW won the Final capping an unbeaten record on the day. His patience and nerve were put to the test in the tense four lap Final. The event had to be restarted twice, following race incidents, one of which saw the exclusion of Cowra rider Brady Kurtz.

Max Croker from Kurri Kurri turned in an exceptional performance to finish second ahead of Victorian rider Max Fricke who won the NSW Under 16 125cc Championship held in Cowra the previous weekend.

It was a special win for Jack Holder as his name now goes on the Memorial Shield that was won by his elder brother Chris when it was first contested in 2005. Chris Holder is now riding in the World Speedway Grand Prix Series in Europe and is one of the leading riders.

Several riders who competed in Sunday's event are expected to be chosen by Motorcycling NSW to compete in the NSW Under 16 350cc Solo Speedway Championship to be held at Loxford Park Speedway, Kurri Kurri on Saturday 12 November 2011.

2011 ROY THOMSEN MEMORIAL SHIELD RESULTS

1st Jack Holder (Appin, NSW) 2nd Max Croker (Kurri Kurri, NSW) 3rd Max Fricke (Mansfield, VIC) 4th Brady Kurtz (Cowra, NSW)

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