

# T.T.T. NEWS

*Tatiara Truck & Trailers Pty. Ltd.*

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## John—Citizen of the Year

Australia Day council award for Citizen of the Year was presented to John at Willalooka on Australia Day. John was a recipient of one of two awards presented for 2009. John was a winner of the award for his commitment to his business and active involvement in local community clubs, particularly the speedway & Go-Kart clubs.

John commenced business known back then as “Tatiara Trucks” in 1983. The business quickly expanded & before long, his workshop proved to be inadequate & there was a need to expand. After a lengthy process John moved the business to the industrial estate and opened in February 1997, which is where it still stands today.



John Jenkin with his Award

Tatiara Truck & Trailers is now one of the most advanced and diverse workshops in Australia and with attractable facilities, John now employs 35 staff.

John’s commitment to training and keeping the youth of Bordertown is second to none. He has employed many apprentices over the years, supports the VET program through the local schools & is always open for work experience students. He has even gone to the extent of building a purpose—built training facility in his own workshop for Apprentice & VET training.

Through all of this John has battled with a rare kidney disease and has encountered two kidney transplants, but he has never let this deter him from his strong desire to provide to his family, customers, staff and to the community.

As a mentor, empowering leader and professional business person, John was an excellent candidate for this award.

*On behalf of the staff, congratulations on this prestigious achievement!*

## Success at AIG-SE Awards

On Tuesday December 2 2009, the Automotive Industry Group – South East (AIG-SE) held its annual awards night at the Mount Gambier Town Hall. The night recognises the achievements of apprentices across the Automotive Industry from heavy and light vehicle, to paint and panel.

Tatiara Truck & Trailers Apprentices & Bordertown Students collected the following awards:

**Austen Pilgrim**—Most Outstanding Student - Skills Centre Based at Tatiara Truck & Trailers—Bordertown.

**Henry Graetz**—Most Outstanding School Based Apprentice/Trainee.

**Sam Chapman**—Most Outstanding Work Ethic.

**Reilly Sanders**—Most outstanding Heavy Vehicle 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Apprentice.

*Congratulations to all our successful students, Trainees and apprentices, an exceptional effort by all!*



Henry, Reilly, Jaime, John, Sam & Thomas at the awards night.

Absent: Troy Taylor

## Jenkin Racing Team Update



### HORSHAM—9TH JANUARY 2010

After some more confidence building the team made the decision to head to Blue Ribbon raceway in Horsham. The team was greeted with a scorcher of 44°C. Having looked at the track some changes in the set up were made. A front row start in the first heat saw Dylan take his second heat win of the season. A boost in confidence was earned. A well driven second heat was all that was needed to keep in the top six point scorers. Dylan was happy with a 5<sup>th</sup> place, saving some rubber for the dash ahead. Being 4<sup>th</sup> in points was converted to a front row starting position for the A main due to being second quick in the time trial Dash.

A nervous wait and some minor changes in the set up saw the S51 starting on the front row for the first time in too many years. Starting along side multiple SRA sprintcar champion John Vogel's, Dylan knew he had to win the drag into the first corner. An awesome start and some great concentration saw Dylan lead every lap of the race, despite catching lap traffic early in the final and needing to be aggressive to get around them without coming to grief. He went on to record his first ever major feature race win. Huge relief would be just one way to describe that winning feeling.

A great reward for the effort and commitment shown by the Jenkin family, the crew, and of course the important sponsors.

### HAMILTON—27TH FEBRUARY 2010

Since winning the maiden feature race at Horsham, Dylan has become a new driver and showed all of his potential by dominating the 30-lap A-Main event at Hamilton's Western Speedway.

Dylan made his presence felt in the top six time trial when he qualified fourth highest on points to set quick time on a racy Western Speedway in cool conditions.

Early in the final there were a handful of restarts. During this period, Dylan enjoyed the regular clear air to continue leading, coming out victorious and now a two time A-Main winner.

The Jenkin Racing Team started celebrations on the infield, with Dylan admitting these recent A-Main victories will give him momentum for the rest of the season.

"We've waited five years to get our first one and now to get our second win a month later is sensational. After the last win we got some momentum with the rest of our meetings so hopefully we can build on this win going into the end of the season," Dylan said.



## Thank you to the all important Sponsors!

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## Staff News

Staff enjoyed a Christmas family lunch gathering at the Mundulla Hotel on Sunday 20th Dec. With a very special visitor this year, with a present for all of the children!!



**Goodluck**, to Reilly Sanders who will be competing in the National Worldskills Competition in Brisbane in May.

### Engagements

Congratulations to Clint Virgin & Jaime Jenkin on their engagement on New Years Day!



Congratulations to Russell Twigden & Krystal McDonald on their engagement in Adelaide in February!

### Approaching Marriage

We wish Dylan Jenkin & Michelle Wallis best wishes for their wedding day on 17th April. May they have a beautiful day and a long & happy future together.

### Stork News

Congratulations to Steve & Rebecca Grellet on the arrival of their baby girl,

*Willow Georgia*

*12 February 2010*



### Staff Leaving

In April Sharyn Foster will heading back to Mount Barker, to be close to family & friends. We wish her good luck and thank her for all that she has contributed over the past 3 years.

## Work Experience

We have continued to welcome work experience children over the past months. These include Ben Stone, Kurt Phelps & Matt Reigner.

### New Staff

Henry Graetz transferred over from a school based trainee to a full time Diesel apprenticeship in December 2009.

Renee Gericke Started on January 10th as our Auto Electrical apprentice.

Tyler Tomko began work in our spare parts department on 15th February, and will be doing a Spare Parts Interpreter traineeship.

Travis Fisher joined us on 25th February in our workshop and will be assisting in the engineering area.

Rosie Salisbury started on 1st March in our spare parts department and will be taking over from Sharyn, as the spare parts clerk.

Ben Stone started as a school based Auto Electrician Apprentice on 10th March, working one day per week.



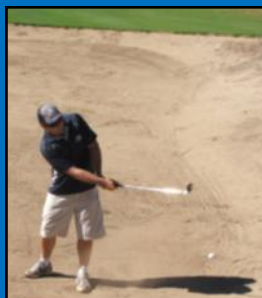
Henry, Rosie, Renee, Tyler & Travis. Absent: Ben

### Barry Maney Group Golf Day

We were lucky enough to be invited to enter a team into the first ever BMG golf day, on 7th February at the Attumurra Golf Club—Mount Gambier.

The team comprised of Dylan Jenkin, Narelle Schneider, Reilly Sanders & Shawn Lawson. Even though we weren't very successful (in fact winning the NAGA award) we had a great day!!

Thanks Matt Nielson, Mike Millard & crew!



NAGA winners: Reilly, Shawn, Dylan & Narelle.



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#### Monday—Thursday

7 am—7 pm

#### Friday

7 am—5:00 pm

#### Saturday

7 am—12 noon

### *TTT Website:*

[www.tatiaratruckandtrailers.com](http://www.tatiaratruckandtrailers.com)

Also Checkout

[www.jenkinracingteam.com](http://www.jenkinracingteam.com)



### **Transport SA inspection dates**

19th April

3rd May

17th May

31st May

14th June

28th June

12th July

26th July

**Bookings are essential!** When booking in details of the vehicle will be required.

All Stockcrate's must have weigh dockets before being inspected.

## *Comments from the Manager*

It has been a very busy start to the year & with many new truck deliveries made & more on the way, business is looking very positive at Tatiara Truck & Trailers P/L.

As you can see we have had a lot of exciting things happening internally, including new arrivals, engagements, weddings etc. This is always positive as an employer as it is a sign that staff are happy to settle in Bordertown, meaning high staff retention & a stable workforce.

We have also had a few new staff join the team in the workshop & spare parts area to help deal with the increase in work & to help us to continue to provide our customers with an efficient & reliable service.

I would like to wish Reilly the best of luck when he takes on the best apprentices in the nation up in Brisbane at the Worldskills Competition at the start of May. It is going to be a huge challenge for him, but an invaluable learning experience.

Supplier training dates have been released & many staff will be attending courses throughout the year to further develop their skills & knowledge in this hi-tech world.

On the racing front, Jenkin Racing Team has had a couple of successful outings over the last couple of months, with Dylan taking out 2 A-main features. Our season finishes over Easter after we travel to Geelong, Mt Gambier & Warrnambool to compete with the top ranks in the Easter Trail.

I would like to congratulate Barry Maney & his staff on the prestigious award of Kenworth Dealer of the Year for 2009. We are very proud to be associated with the Barry Maney Group & feel that this outstanding award is well earned & well deserved.

Best Wishes,

*John Jenkin*

*Special Congratulations to  
Barry Maney Group  
on winning  
Kenworth Dealer of the Year 2009*

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*PO BOX 334*

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