



## Crimmins runner up at Mt Gambier

Saturday February 8th saw Crimmins Racing head down to the south east of the state to Borderline speedway Mt Gambier.

It was a hot day leaving Adelaide but as the team pulled into the track the temperature dropped and the team was ready for a big night of racing.

Heat one saw Mat starting from position 5 in the De Conte Chiropractors S10 Rocket. With a good start Mat made his way through the field and in a tight handling car made it into second, to catch the leader at the drop of the chequered flag.

Heat two had Mat starting from position 3, and after a good start had the lead coming down the back straight, only to have the yellow come on. At the restart Mat had another good start, to once again get the lead, but mid race made a mistake and let the S67 through and had to settle for a second.

The team, then seeing the track going dusty, made some changes to the car, only to find out on the grid that the track crew were doing some prep to the track. The Australian Multiskill Trainers & Assessors S10 Rocket was starting out of position 6, and with the track not suiting the changes the team made, Mat could only manage a 5th place finish.

Feature time, and the team noticing the track going away and no prep in sight, made some changes. Mat was starting from position 3 in the Ruston Engineering S10 Rocket and at the start jumped straight into second place. With the track going away as the race went on the Toledo Tools S10 Rocket was coming on strong, and with five laps to go pulled within three car lengths of the leader, fellow Rocket driver Cam Waters, but unfortunately the laps and tyres ran out and Mat had to settle for second place.

Crimmins Racing learned a lot on the night, and used the meeting as a test for the upcoming Australian Title next month. The Team should have put the harder tyres on, as that would have made a big difference, but all in all the Team is happy with the outcome, and to have two RACIN Tyre & Accessories Rockets up the front is a good thing.

Crimmins Racing would like to thank it's hard working crew : Craig, Steve, and Lisa, plus all who help on the night. We would also like to thank the tracks, their staff, and all of the other competitors.

Our next race is on the 6, 7, 8th of March at Borderline Speedway Mt Gambier for the 2014 Australian Title. Be sure to come down and support the team, and with close to 40 cars for the event it will be awesome.

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**ABOVE : Mat Crimmins on the gas at Mt Gambier. Photo by Stephen Pickering.**