

LIVING LEGENDS



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Damon's motor racing story commenced at the Warwick Farm circuit as a youthful and enthusiastic teenage spectator in the early 1960s, cheering on his heroes such as Jack Brabham, Stan Jones, and Lex Davison. Within a couple of years, he took his first step on the path to realising his motor racing dream by volunteering as a trackside official at Warwick Farm, Catalina Park, and Bathurst.

Damon's motor racing dream then came true when he competed in his first race in the mid 1960's behind the wheel of an Elfin Formula Vee, instantly becoming one of the pioneers of the new Formula Vee class, then in only its second year. Over the next few years, Damon went on to compete in Formula Vee with distinction, with countless victories, podiums, and titles to his credit, many behind the wheel of his beloved, and now famous Rennmax Mk2.

By the mid 1970's, Damon began to chase a career in other classes of motor racing, going on to race several classes of cars throughout the seventies, eighties, and nineties, including competing in many Bathurst 500, 1000, and 12 Hour events, and forging an outstanding name for himself as a racing car driver and personality along the way.

However, even more significant than his distinguished competition career was Damon's service towards the good administration of motor sport at many levels.

His service has included assuming the roles of President, Secretary, Committee Member, and Treasurer, of his beloved Formula Vee Association of New South Wales. Damon has also held the important position of the National Administrator of the Formula Vee Association of Australia.

Damon, now a member of the Australian Racing Drivers Club for 42 years, also served with distinction as General Manager, President, and Board member, including safely steering them through one of its most difficult periods in the late Nineties, and into its new home at Eastern Creek in 1997.

Damon also served with distinction for many years on the CAMS NSW State Council, assuming the position of the NSW Delegate to the CAMS National Council for nearly ten years until 1992.

His service to the Formula Vee Association of New South Wales over many years was finally recognised in 1997 with the awarding of a Life Membership, and more recently in 2006, CAMS acclaimed Damon with an esteemed CAMS Life Membership.

To this day, Damon remains one of the great Formula Vee drivers, and one of the great motor sport administrators. However, words alone cannot describe how much this unselfish, respectful, proper, independent, and caring, man's efforts over his lifetime has ensured that we can continue to love Formula Vee and motor sport for many years to come.