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To whom it may concern

Re: New Road Name
DP 17/0179
Lot 3319 + 3320 Secrett Road Knuckey Lagoon

Attachments: Map showing location of new road
Letter of Support from The Hon. Nigel Scullion
3 * NT News Articles regarding Phil Kerr

I am one of the developers of Lots 3319 + 3320. We are in the final stages of completing a subdivision and construction of a new road. I am seeking approval of a new road name so that I can lodge my application with Place Names.

Please find listed below 4 new road names for your consideration.

1. **Kerr** – In Honour of Phil Kerr

The road name “Kerr” is named in memory of my father Phil Kerr who passed away from Cancer on 15/05/2016.

Phil was a very well-known businessman, motorsport supporter and disability services advocate. Phil became a Quadraplegic in 1982 from a Speedway Accident at Northline Speedway. Phil didn't see himself as being disabled, the only thing he couldn't do was walk.

Phil arrived in Darwin in 1976. Originally from Mildura Victoria. Phil opened his mechanical workshop in 1980. Phil was a champion speedway sidecar racer at Bagot Park Speedway.

Phil owned and operated Phil Kerr Service Centre a mechanical workshop in Harriet Place Darwin City. This was one of the largest workshops in Darwin. Following Phil's accident, he continued to work in the office and run the workshop as he could no longer work on the tools. (Phil was now confined to a wheelchair and had lost the use of his hands). Phil was an inspiration to people with his hard work ethic and positive outlook on life. He trained countless apprentices in his mechanical workshop and assisted people with disabilities to gain independence and get mobile again in their motor vehicles. He would install hand controls, wheelchair lifts and various other modifications to vehicles of disabled persons.

Phil mentored young apprentices through his workshop and would give people a chance at getting a mechanical trade that may not have been able to get this opportunity. He was a role model and a true inspirational Darwin icon. His positive outlook on life was contagious.

I acknowledge that the road name Kerr is currently used in Coomalie. As this is a different local government area and a large distance away from the location of the new road in Knuckey Lagoon I would like this place name to be considered. This will also be a different road type.

Please find attached letter of support from The Hon Nigel Scullion and 3 * NT News articles.

2. Thunder – Re: Territory Climate.

This name is for consideration as the new road is located in Knuckey Lagoon. This area is known for its large Ironstone content.

Darwin and surrounding areas are the most lightning prone in the world, due not only to our location in the tropics, but also because ironstone in the ground attracts lightning and thunder.

We have lived in this area for the last 20 years and the amount of direct lightning strikes we receive and very loud Thunder during the wet season is amazing. I am suggesting this name to reflect Darwin's unique climate, weather and the large Ironstone content in the area. (Ironstone Lagoon etc)

3. Turkey – Re: Native Bush Turkeys

This name is after the Bush Turkeys that inhabit the properties and surrounding areas. Scrubfowl, or bush turkeys, are common in Darwin and surrounding areas.

Many Bush Turkeys inhabit this new development.

4. Cycad – Re: Native Territory Cycad Species

The Territory has many specie of native Cycad. These are protected species and found across the Top End.

There is a large number of native Cycads growing in the Knuckey Lagoon area and in the Knuckey Lagoon Recreational Reserve.

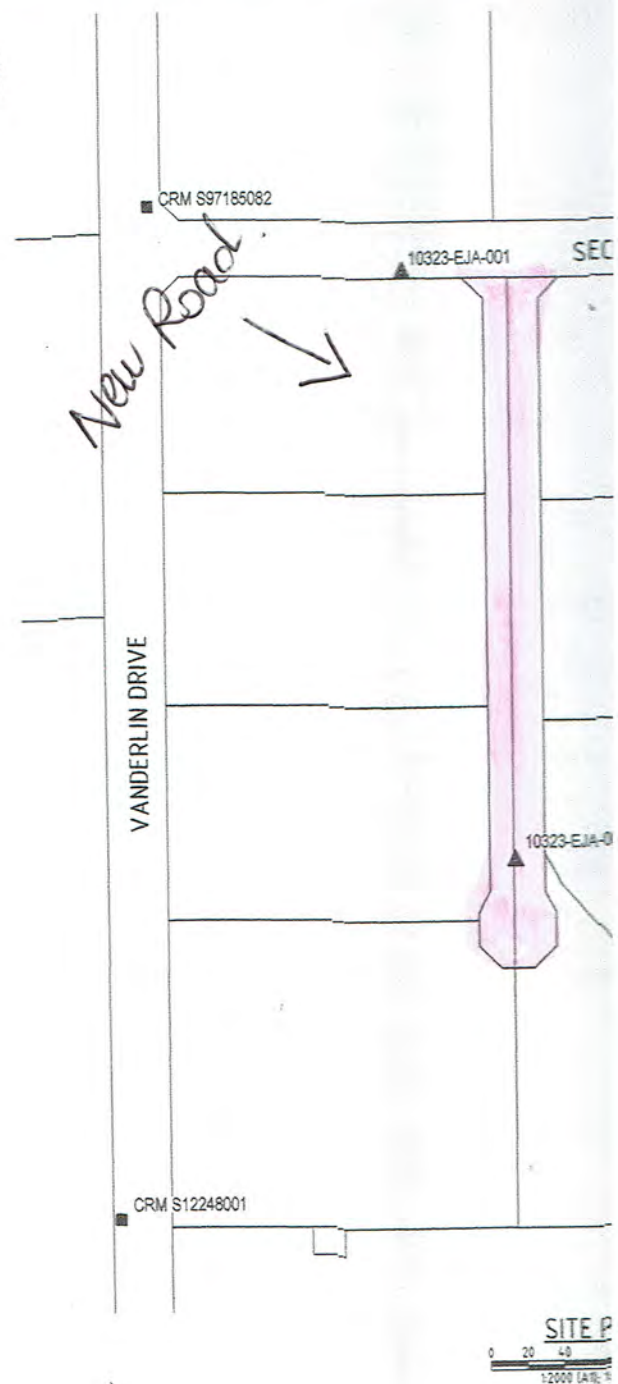
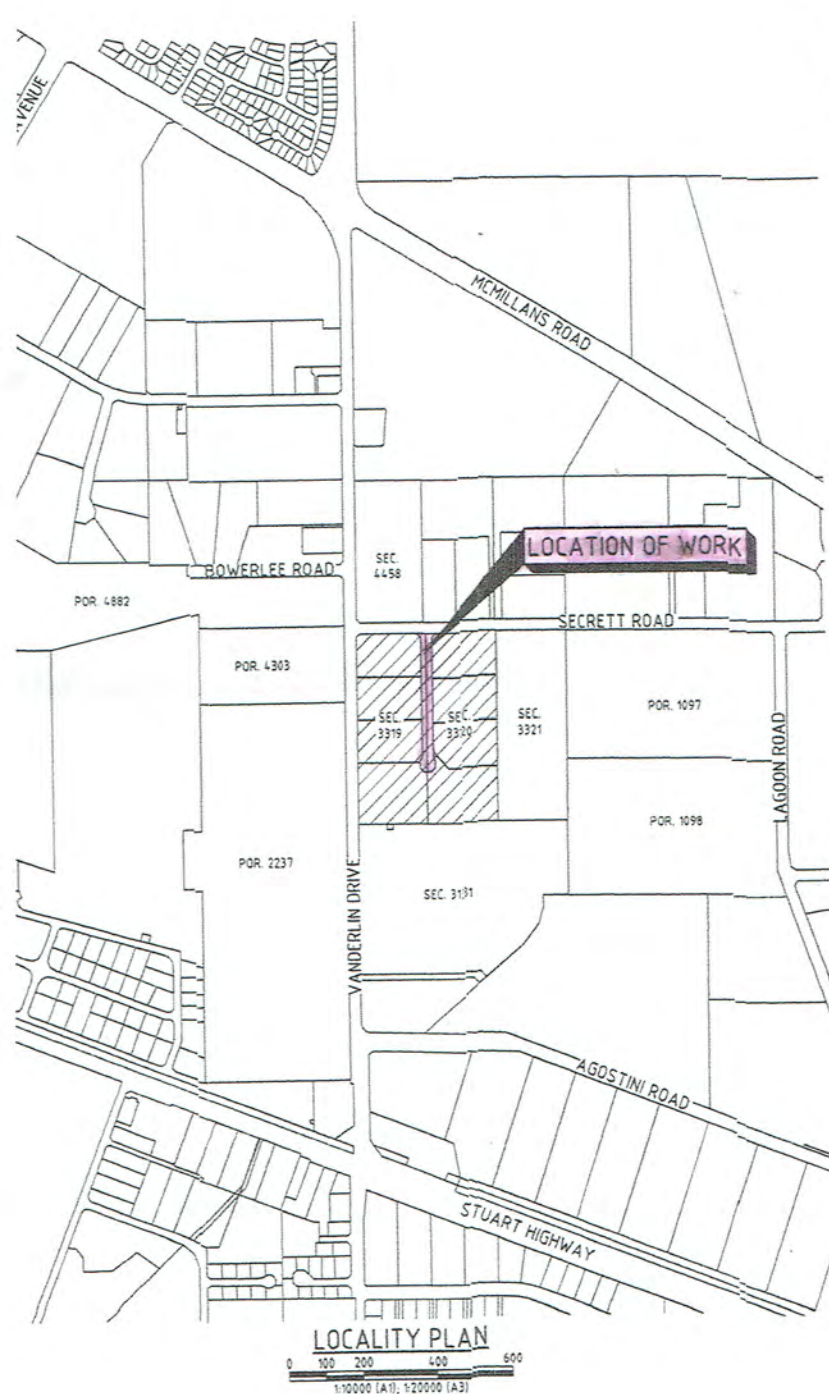
Thankyou for your time and consideration of our new road names.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards

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Nigel Scullion

Minister for Indigenous Affairs

Country Liberals Senator for the Northern Territory

To whom it may concern

In support of road naming application by Mrs Katie David (nee Kerr)

As Senator for the Northern Territory, I seek to support the road naming application by Mrs Katie David (nee Kerr) in honor of her father, the late Phil Kerr.

Mr Kerr was a successful business man and well known in the Darwin community for his passion for motorsports. Phil Kerr Brake and Clutch Specialists mechanical service has a proud operational legacy of over three decades, and is still going strong.

The speedway accident that confined Mr Kerr to a wheelchair, also spurred him to action; he used his expert mechanical skills to adjust cars so they could be used for people with disabilities. Mr Kerr's kindness and contribution to the local community will always be remembered with fondness.

As such, I encourage full support of the road naming application in honor of a well liked and highly respected individual such as the late Mr Kerr.

Kind regards

NIGEL SCULLION

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When going gets tough Phil gets working

By PENNY BAXTER

If there is anyone who can inspire great achievements, then Darwin mechanic Phil Kerr is that man.

After becoming a quadriplegic in a motorcycle speedway accident 20 years ago, he was dealt the double blow of contracting hepatitis C from a blood transfusion.

But nobody can accuse this Territorian of giving up when the going gets tough.

Mr Kerr, 48, spoke modestly of his achievements in running one of Darwin's biggest mechanic workshops yesterday to highlight International Day of People with a Disability today.

He told how his life changed when at the age of 28 he broke his neck in a motorcycle sidecar race at Northline Speedway.

His wife, Janice, who was riding in the sidecar, escaped serious injury.

"I clipped another bike and when I came off another bike ran over my neck and broke it," Mr Kerr said.

"As soon as I stopped I knew what had happened straight away — there was intense pain and I couldn't move."

He was sent to Royal North Shore Hospital, in Sydney, to find out if experts could help him recover movement, but all attempts failed, and he returned to Darwin six months later.

Mr Kerr said that during his treatment he contracted hepatitis C through blood transfusions. He now suffers cirrhosis of the liver.

Mr Kerr returned to work at his mechanic workshop 10 months after the accident confined to a wheelchair and with only partial movement in his hands and arms.

And he hasn't looked back — with his garage going from a turnover of two to three cars a day to more than 15.

"If a motorbike hitting me at 120km/h couldn't kill me and hepatitis C hasn't killed me, I think I've got a few more years in me yet," he said. "I am one of these silly people that loves getting up out of bed and going to work every day."

"I've got the drive to keep on doing things — you've got to because if you sit at home feeling sorry for yourself you end up in the doldrums."

"You've got to live your life as normal as possible."

Break-ins charges for Karama man

POLICE have arrested a man in Karama over a string of alleged break-ins. The earliest break-in dates back more than three years, when the man, 25, allegedly stole a large amount of property from self storage containers in Berrimah.

In October 2014, police said he broke into an East Arm transport company base and allegedly stole diesel, lubricants and work equipment valued at \$1700. Police will also allege he broke into a construction site in Muirhead,

stealing \$16,585 worth of kitchen appliances, and, in October 2015, he allegedly filled a White Toyota Land Cruiser with \$110 worth of diesel, before leaving without paying.

The man will face Darwin Local Court on June 22.

Prison for spitting, ripping mattress

A WOMAN who spat at police and tore up a mattress at a Darwin watch house was sentenced to a month in prison.

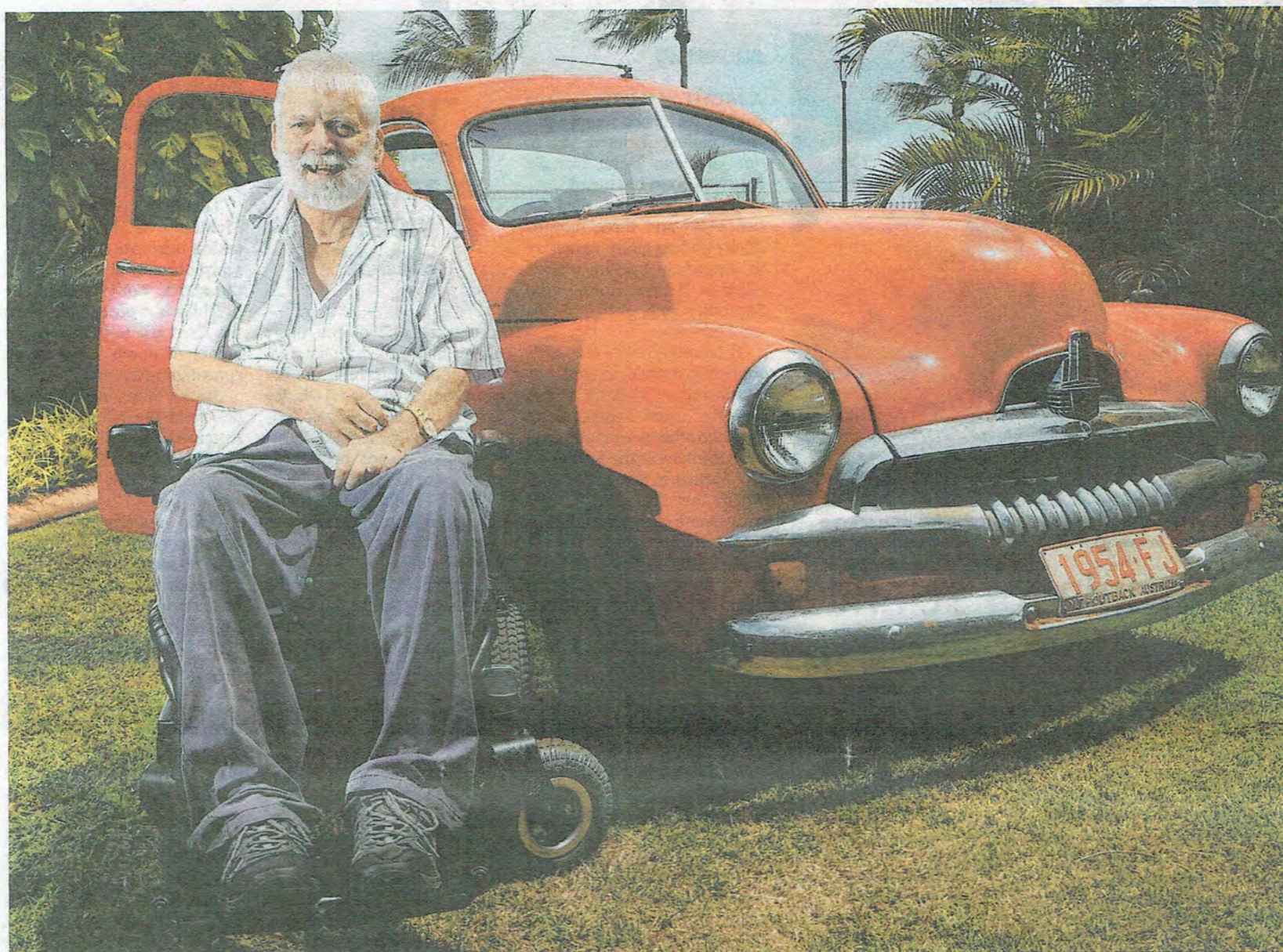
Deanne Dunn was arrested on October 21 in Darwin and became aggressive towards police as she was taken to a

watch house cell. Darwin Local Court heard Dunn spat and swore at an officer. Dunn's spit landed on the right hand side of the officer's shirt.

The Court heard Dunn was then placed in the cell and began tearing the mattress

with her teeth and hands.

Magistrate Michael Carey said Dunn behaved terribly and sentenced her to a month in prison, back dated to April 12. She was ordered to pay \$324 for damage to the mattress.



Motoring enthusiast Phil Kerr, who lost his battle with cancer on the weekend, always said he "never had a disability except he couldn't walk"

Road well travelled

ASHLEY MANICAROS

MOTORSPORT enthusiast Phil Kerr gathered all his friends in January to celebrate his life and have a beer because they couldn't drink with him when he was dead.

Such was his outlook on life he wouldn't allow a negative diagnosis about his future to diminish his view.

On Sunday Phil lost a long battle with cancer. He lasted more than five months longer than the doctors had originally told him Christmas Eve.

Motorsport farewells a favourite

Phil was 62.

Yesterday daughter Katie David, 34, said her father would be remembered for his optimistic outlook, personal integrity and the ute with the wheelchair strapped to the top.

"Dad always said he never had a disability except he couldn't walk," Katie said. "People loved he was just a genuine person who would give everyone a chance, even when he could see they were a

chance of going off the rails."

Phil moved to Darwin following Cyclone Tracy. Born in Mildura, New South Wales, he was a mechanic just like his father. Phil was confined to a wheelchair following a speedway accident in 1982 on the opening night of the then new Hidden Valley Northline Speedway. He rode sidecars with wife Jan, who was his swinger on the night.

Phil ran successful mechan-

ical workshop, Phil Kerr Brake and Clutch Specialists, in the Darwin CBD for 33 years. He sold it several years ago but daughter Katie said it was difficult to keep him out of there in between treatments.

She said he trained around 20 apprentices over the years, had a strong work ethic and was known for adjusting cars so they could be used for people with disabilities.

Friend Stem Edwards, him-

self confined to a wheelchair, said Phil was the type of bloke who you would have a beer with. "If you could have a drink with someone it would be him," Stem said. "He was an inspiration to me. Anyone who ever shook Phil Kerr's hand should be proud they did."

Mr Kerr leaves behind wife Jan, daughter Katie and two grand-daughters, Alicia and Rachel. His funeral will be Friday at 2.30pm at Thorak Cemetery and will be followed by a celebration of his life at the Speedway.

Planning rally final chance to be heard

ASHLEY MANICAROS

A COLLECTIVE of groups opposing various zoning and planning decisions will rally at Parliament House on Sunday.

Rally organiser and independent candidate for the seat of Port Darwin, Carol Phayer, said the rally was an act of desperation to get the community's message across.

"So many of us have put in written submissions, signed petitions, gone to meetings, held meetings, sent e-mails and letters to no avail," she said.

"The message I'm receiving from residents is that no one is against development, they just want it done right. Our lifestyle is our biggest asset and we need to develop that not destroy it with inappropriate zoning and development."

Speakers on the day are expected to include Gerry Wood, Bill Day, Margaret Clinch, Kezia Purick, Delia Lawrie, Catherine McAlpine, Andrew Arthur, Sue Fraser Adams and Ms Phayer.

Planning Action Network convener Margaret Clinch said there had been a number of recent developments which need to be opposed.

She said the Cullen Bay hotel proposal flagged by the Paspaley Group was one.

"We need all the groups to come together to send a message to the CLP they need to listen to the people not the developers," she said.

"I've met the developers at Cullen Bay and explained to them Flagstaff park belongs to the people and it is not negotiable."

Ms Phayer said residents would demand all decisions about zoning issues and contentious developments be placed on hold until after the Territory election. They hope to form a ring around Parliament House, holding hands, following the rally.

Speedway icon to be honoured

GREY MORRIS

SIX race classes are set to deliver another big night of racing at Northline Speedway tomorrow.

Unfinished business is the theme in the open sprintcars after last week's feature race was washed out, leaving highest points-scorers Steven Ling and Simon Spitzbarth stranded on who was the better driver on the night after their respective heat wins.

Troy David, David Ling, Keith Phelps and rookie Chris Harrison will also be looking for frontrunning spots.

John Staynoff's opening-round win in the Formula 500s has set a task for NT champion Hayden Brown after his retirement in the early stages of the feature race.

Podium spots will be keenly sought in the bracket, with Boysie Bartholdt and Cori Jackson pushing Staynoff and Brown for the top three spots.

Justin Brumfield's dominance of the street stocks section was evident last week with his feature race win coupled with a triumphant march through all three heat races.

Brendan Davison and Colin Menzies know they have to find something extra to beat the NT Champion, while Ray Davis and Dean



Troy David has decorated his sprintcar in a tribute to the late Phil Kerr. Pictured are Phil's granddaughters Rachel and Alicia David

Picture: KATRINA BRIDGEFORD

Jones are also in the field.

Meanwhile, the Territory motorsport community will stop today to remember the late Phil Kerr, a long-time member of the Northline and former Bagot Park

speedway family.

A crash on the first corner of the first race at Northline in 1982 confined Phil to a wheelchair.

But he never complained. "Dad always said he never

had a disability except he couldn't walk," his daughter Katie told the NT News this week.

Kerr lost a long battle with cancer last week. He was 62. A memorial service is plan-

ned for 2.30pm at Thorak Regional Cemetery where several tales, tall and true, will be told of the former sidecar rider who was everyone's friend.

His son-in-law Troy David

remembers Kerr as someone the entire speedway fraternity knew and loved.

"Phil was an icon of speedway, he was everyone's mate and that's the way we want to remember him," David said.

