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**NEED FOR SPEED:** Historic motorbikes from the 1950s–1990s raced their way around Carnell Raceway at the weekend.

PHOTO: CONTRIBUTED

# Big Thaw race revs up

By **LINDEN MORRIS**

SWIMMERS were not the only ones enjoying the warmer weather on the Granite Belt at the weekend.

The Queensland Early Motorcycle Sports Club road into town for its inaugural Big Thaw race at Carnell Raceway.

QEMSC public relations officer Keiron Rees said riders and spectators were treated to a spectacular weekend.

“It was fantastic and we are really pleased with the whole

affair,” Rees said.

“We raced on Saturday and Sunday with practices in the morning and five rounds during the day.

“We also had quarter-hour races and continental races where we spit bikes up into the continents they were made.”

Rees said 80 participants was a great number for a first time event.

“We get a lot more at our Big Chill but we were not expecting to get this good a

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turn out,” he said.

“We had a lot of new comers who came for their first ride and the regularity event was really well attended.

“We also drew people from far and near and one guy

come travelled down from Rockhampton.

“This event was also run on a shoestring budget.”

Rees said the day weekend was also incident and accident free.

Next year the Big Thaw will be held in April because of scheduling conflicts with the Australian Titles in September but the Big Chill will be held as normal.

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► **SUMMER SPORTS**

## YMCA calls out for nominations

THE Stanthorpe YMCA is calling for last-minute nominations for its summer sport competitions.

Spots are filling up fast for touch football, five-a-side and the new junior futsal league.

Seven teams have nominated for mixed touch so far, with room for one more side.

The men’s five-a-side competition has six teams to date. Organisers are hoping for an eighth nomination for the women’s division.

There is no longer a men’s touch football competition or junior five-a-side division.

Junior footballers are encouraged to go along to the second and final instalment of futsal trials at the YMCA tomorrow.

A Football Queensland representative will be at the trials to provide coaching to the younger players.

The touch football competition will start on the Labour Day public holiday, Monday, October 7.

Five-a-side kicks off on Wednesday, October 9 and the junior futsal season starts on Saturday, October 12.



**FANCY FOOTWORK:** The YMCA five-a-side football comp kicks off soon. PHOTO: FILE

**FUTSAL**

**Tomorrow's trial times**

- 9am: U7s
- 9.30am: U9s
- 10.30am: U11s
- 11.30am: U13s

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**5 YEARS**

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