



A DAY TO FORGET FOR MCNALLY IN V8 UTES
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The final day of the V8 Utes Series at Sandown got no further than the opening lap of race two today after Glenn was involved in an incident which ended with Stephen Robinson rolling.

Glenn, starting from the sixth row in the reverse-top-16 race, came into turn one with too much speed before hitting Robinson after he turned across the ripple strip in an effort to wipe off speed.

The impact turned Robinson around and his car started to lift before McNally, now a 'passenger', hit him again and sent Robinson over.

"I put my hand up straight away to say that it was my mistake," Glenn said.

"I came in too hot and once you are out of control in these heavy, under-tyred utes it is near impossible to get them back."

As a result of the accident the race was finished under the safety car and later declared a non-event.

Glenn was quick to seek out Robinson after the race to apologise and make sure he was ok.

"I apologised and he was as good about it as you could expect.

"We race close all the time and we have never come together before; it was just a mistake that I made at the time."

Glenn waited for the expected call to the stewards office and was prepared for some sort of penalty.

When he was handed a \$7,500 fine and excluded from racing in the final race Glenn was in shock at the severity of the penalty.

"I couldn't believe it; the penalty definitely didn't fit the crime."

After some discussion and protest, and a few good words from Robinson, the penalty was reduced to \$3,000 up front and \$6,000 suspended for 12 months while the race 3 exclusion still remained.

"I can't race with that sort of penalty hanging over my head for the next year," Glenn said.

"I made a mistake and I can't say that somewhere in the next year I won't make a mistake again; drivers are always making mistakes out there."

"I think that they are trying to clean the category up to appoint that is a procession and I was made an example of.

"We have sponsors who have missed out on race 3 and that is disappointing for them and a little unfair because they put so much in."

"I definitely won't be racing this category next year and my car is pretty much up for sale right now."

On a brighter note, Glenn is still the holder of the race lap record at Sandown in the V8 Utes and that can't be taken away from him!

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