

Castlemaine Autoplex – Identifying Miss Valvoline



During this presentation by Larry O'Toole, an image of Ash Marshall's dragster, with a young lady in a gold one-piece suit was shown. The question was asked Who was she? I recalled the day and the lady and was able to find in my collection a copy of the January 1966 *Australian Rodding World*. (I was the Vic. Representative for this magazine)

On the cover was the young lady in question with Don Bradshaw's drag team. The caption tells us the team were (L to R) Gary Atkins (Editor), Warren Young, Mike Stewart and Don Bradshaw, the young lady was Carol Forbes, Miss Valvoline. The event was the Australian Drag racing Championships Oct 2 & 3 1965 at Riverside, Fishermans Bend. I have a recollection that Lester Albury, the Valvoline Manager, presented the main trophy with Carol at his side to Jack "Fizzball" Collins who drove the Norm Beechy Holden powered dragster. Jack is happily living at Newstead Vic.

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