# 2026/2027 SEASON NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the 2026/2027 drag racing season at NAPA Dragway, Meremere. Please read this newsletter for all the information you need to have a successful season with us.
Any Major changes will be highlighted in Yellow

## NZ PERFORMANCE CAR MAGAZINE NIGHT SPEED DRAG WARS SERIES

NZ Performance Car Magazine returns as our **Night Speed Drag Wars Series** naming rights sponsor for the summer. We kick this season of on Friday 30th October with a big Guy Fawkes bang. As with the previous season, double points are up for grabs at NSDW 2 and at NSDW 6. Please visit our website to see full class details and rules of racing at the NZ Performance Car Magazine's Night Speed Drag Wars Series.

## NAPA DRAGWAY COMPETITION SERIES

The **NAPA Point Score Series** will run over five competition meetings in its now familiar format to ensure full fields of racing. All Competition vehicles will qualify together and will be split into classes of eight quickest to slowest. All Comp classes (Top Comp, Pro Comp etc) will run a DYO format, 0.4 Pro Tree on a Sportsman Ladder i.e., Qual 1 races Qual 5, Qual 2 races Qual 6, Qual 3 races Qual 7 and Qual 4 races Qual 8. Competition Bike will also run on a Sportsman Ladder format.

The Race Schedule will be available at the Entry Booth on race day and your attention to Pit PA calls will assist you to get into your lanes and onto the track on time. The maximum dial in for any racer in the Comp Classes is 10.99, Super Sedan maximum dial in is 10.99 and Super Street minimum dial in is 11.00. Remember there are only 2 qualifying passes for Competition and Competition Bike racers and anyone attempting to do more passes may face disqualification. Seedings and Ladders will be available at the base of the Pit Tower at the conclusion of qualifying.

The **Racer Return** system will continue this season as part of the **NAPA Point Score Series**. It rewards racers in Super Sedan, Comp Bike and Competition for running each round from Quarterfinals onwards. Fifty (50) round points are awarded to each racer that fronts and crosses the finish line under his / her own power from Quarterfinals through to the final. Racers will run each round of eliminations regardless of the results to determine placings and points from 1st through to 8th place. So stay on alert to find out who you are racing each round.

## EVENT TICKETING

This year we will not be having online ticketing. We have implemented Credit Cards/Pay Wave and Tap and Go at the main gate and at race entry.

We have had many enquiries over the years for Family Passes, this will be still available at the main gate. As 11year olds and under are free, all our family passes including two adults and three children aged 12 to 17 years. The Family Pass cost for each event will change but it will always include two adults and three children aged 12 to 17 years.

## EVENTS

**Nov 7th & 8th** — **Test & Tune and NAPA Competition Meeting #1**

The first round of the NAPA Competition Points Score Series with 1.5points on offer.
Gate Admission will be $10 Saturday / $25 Sunday.
Saturday: gates open 9am, track opens 11am to 4pm. Sunday: gates open 7am, race entry opens 8am, track opens 930am.
Note there are separate costs for Test & Tune on this weekend. Refer to Race format sheet at the end of this document or visit the for full costs breakdown. Tow Money is available for Competition Meeting 1 only. No tow money is available for Test & Tune.

**Nov 21st and 22nd** — **Test & Tune and NAPA Competition Meeting #2** featuring OUTLAW 71

Round 2 of the NAPA Competition Points Score Series includes a guest appearance by OUTLAW 71. Timings and costs same as COMP 1.

**Sat 9th Jan** — **NAPA Competition Meeting #3**

Round 3 of the NAPA Auto Parts Competition Points Score Series.
Gates open 7am, racing starts 9.30am.
Gate entry $25,

**Sat, 23rd Jan** — **Wellington Invasion**

This is a standalone event. There will be 3 rounds of qualifying and then into Eliminations – all the action packed into one day. See Competition Events Chart and / or the Wellington Invasion Event page for full details. Gate Admission $30. Gates open at 7am, racing starts 9.30am. This will be a long event that could go to 10.00pm, so come prepared.

**Sat, 20th Feb** — **NAPA Competition Meeting #4** featuring STREET CAR SHOOT OUT & GASSERS

Round 4 of the Series. This is a twilight meeting
Gates open 8am, racing starts 11.00am, costs as per COMP 3.

**Mar 6 2027 / Mar 7** — **IHRA NZ NATIONALS**

The Nationals are back at Meremere this year. This is a standalone event.
Qualifying on Saturday, Eliminations racing on Sunday. There is no race entry on Sunday so please ensure you have pre-entered online or are at the track on Friday and Saturday to enter.
A Race Schedule will be available closer to the event.

**Sat 10th Apr** — **NAPA Competition Meeting #5 – Final Round**

Round 5 of the NAPA Competition Points Score Series and will run the same format, times and costs as COMP 3.

**Sat TBC April** — **Sponsors & Crew Fun Day**

This is a popular day for the Sponsors and Crew. All racers that have supported the NAPA Competition Series and NSDW series are invited to attend with their Sponsors, cast and crew to show them what drag racing is all about. Gate entry $10, Race Entry $75 ($50 for IHRA NZ Membership card).
This day is for racers who have raced at the track this season, if you have not raced at one of the above meeting please do not be offended when you are turned away.

**MAY 2027** — Awards Night – details to be confirmed in 2027.

## VENUE INFORMATION

### Pit Notices

We have limited Pit runners so listen and follow instructions from the Pit PA. The Pit PA will call you into the lanes for qualifying and racing. They will advise when the Seedings and Ladders (pairings) are put up on the notice board under the Pit tower. Please be aware when your class is ready to go out, it is up to the racer to make sure he/she is ready.

### Pit Area Shelters

No areas are to be chained off at any time during the season. No permanent shelter will be allowed although concrete pads and "easy-ups" are permitted. Ring Meremere Dragway's office for details.

### Waste oil dumps

There is one waste oil dump station in our facility; it is located behind the Main Tower near the green shed between the Top Alcohol and Top Doorslammer pits. Please do not dump your waste oil in our rubbish bins.

### Pit FM Radio

In addition to the Pit PA and Pit Runners, you can also tune into 106.8FM for Pit Tower announcements and when you need to be in the Staging Lanes.

### Pit Area / Space Allocation

Carol Phillips will be allocating pit spaces to competitors for the season. Carol can be contacted on 027 260 8452. Please call her prior to the first meeting to let her know whether you will require a pit space this season. Regular racers also need to confirm their pit space requirements.
NAPA Dragway Meremere Management would like to clarify these points:

- Racers do not own the concrete pads or shelters they use, but own the right to use the concrete pad/shelter when they are racing
- If a racer has not raced for 3 years or has not contacted NAPA Dragway Meremere Management for 3 years, they forfeit their user rights to the pit space and it will be allocated to another racer
- Any racer is welcome to concrete their allocated pit space for their use. Please contact Management if you want to do so meremeredragway@xtra.co.nz.

NAPA Dragway Meremere management must be consulted prior to any permanent concrete pads being on-sold or leased out.

- At any private Track Hire it is up to the Promoter to utilise any pit spaces as they see fit.
- The trailer park is at the end of the camping area (ex-Vintage Speedway). Please follow the signs.
- As space is precious the only vehicles permitted in pit areas are race vehicles along with one tow car and where applicable a vehicle service unit. Please respect your neighbours and stay within the confines of your allocated space.

### Sponsorship and Signage

If you know anyone who would like to utilise our venue as a method of promotion, please contact us at meremeredragway@xtra.co.nz or give the office a call on (09) 238 5564 or
0272 629627.

On Site Accommodation – Light NO fires.

Camping is restricted to racers and crew members and is only to be in designated areas – not in Pit spaces. We kindly ask campers to respect the privacy of others. The venue may be locked on Saturdays before Sunday events so please contact the office (09) 238 5564 or 0272 629 627 to pre-arrange camping. Limited hot showers and power are available for campers. Please Note there is no camping at NSDW events and Private events. Please light NO fires!

Track Preparation

Because NAPA Dragway prepares the race surface the entire day prior to events we are unable to allow vehicles to test during that day. If you have any questions with regard to testing, please contact the office on (09) 238 5564 or 0272 629627.

Private Track Hire/Testing

The track is available for private hire/testing. If you would like to know more about this contact the office on (09) 238 5564 or 0272 629627.

COMPETITOR INFORMATION

Tech Inspections – Before arriving at NAPA Dragway Meremere, please ensure your vehicle is tech inspected and your IHRA Tech is up to date. For a list of IHRA NZ Tech Inspectors please go to www.ihra.co.nz

IHRA NZ DRIVERS REPS

Please go to www.ihra.co.nz to contact your class rep

NAPA Dragway Points

The NAPA Auto Parts Dragway Point Score Series will take place at the following meetings:
COMP 1 – Sun 8th Nov | COMP 2 – Sun 22nd Nov | COMP 3 – Sat 9th Jan | COMP 4 – Sat 20th Feb
COMP 5 – Sat 10th Apr

1.5 Points: All divisions will get 1.5 points allocations at the opening meeting on 5th November.

Junior Dragster, Super Street, Drag Wars, Screaming Eagle and Mod Bike = 50 Entry Points

Ten Points will be allocated to competitors after each round of racing is completed. i.e. a loss in the first round of racing equals 10 points; a loss in the second round equals 20 points, etc.
To obtain points racer must have crossed finish line under own power including during Bye runs.

Top Comp, Pro Comp, Super Comp, Comp, Super Sedan*, Comp Bike Divisions Points

1. The following points will be allocated in all the divisions listed above:
   Entry = 50 points

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| 1st | 200 | 2nd | 180 | 3rd | 160 | 4th | 140 |
| 5th | 120 | 6th | 110 | 7th | 100 | 8th | 90 |

   Round Points = 50 points per round contested from Quarterfinals onwards.

To obtain round points, racer must cross the finish line under own power including during Bye runs.

Allocation: Points are allocated to each vehicle/team but the team may be expanded and the points retained. There will be no transferring of points – a Racer can only earn points in that Bracket, e.g. Competition.

2. Individual Division Points – Junior Dragster, Super Street, Drag Wars, Screaming Eagle, Modified Bike, – unlimited field sizes. The points will be calculated manually as per the previous season. Points will not be transferrable between categories.

* Individual Division Points – Super Sedan, – unlimited field sizes
Points will be calculated manually as per the Comp Brackets. Please note – because of dissimilar field sizes all points will be calculated from an 8 car field size i.e. Super Sedan racer return points will only start accumulating once the eight car field size stage (quarter final) has been reached.

Combined Competition Point Score –
Top Comp, Pro Comp, Super Comp and Comp 8 car fields – on the day prize money only. Trophies and certificates will be awarded to the Winners and Runners-Up at the Awards night. Points are transferable between the Competition DYO categories. Accumulated points during the season will count to recognition for these awards. Please note that the maximum DYO you can elect in these brackets is 10.99secs. If your vehicle is unable to run these numbers you will not be eligible and you must run in Super Street, Drag Wars or Super Sedan.

Pukekohe Hot Rod Club Top Drag Racer Points
Racers competing in Top Comp, Pro Comp, Super Comp, Comp, Super Sedan and Comp Bike will be eligible for the PHRC Top Drag Racer Award. Please note – because of dissimilar field sizes all points will be calculated from an 8car field size i.e. Super Sedan points will only start accumulating once the 8car field size stage (quarter final) has been reached.

Group Two Indexes
*Competitor Index Control (CIC) index system is in effect for Comp Bike at the NAPA series plus Comp Eliminator at the Wellington Invasion and the NZ Nationals.*
Example, if an index is 9.00 and a racer runs 8.00 in eliminations, the index will automatically adjust by half; in this case the new index will be 8.50 for the next round. The system will adjust the index if a racer continues to run under index throughout the meeting.
If a racer runs twice under the index at the same event through qualifying or eliminations, then the index will be changed for the next meeting to the quickest ET as long as it was backed up by 1%, if not backed up within 1% then the second quickest ET under the index will be the index for the next meeting.

Junior Dragster & Junior Drag Bike
This year for all our events we will be splitting the Junior Dragster Beginners class from the rest of the field
The Beginners class must have 4 vehicles to have trophies and certificates awarded, if 3 or less turn up they will be seeded with the rest of the Junior Dragster Class.

Junior Drag Bike must have 3 bikes to make up the class to have trophies and certificates awarded, if there is 2 or less they will run off the back of the JD field as exhibition runs.

## Crew Start line Arm Bands

With NAPA Dragway's on-going Health and Safety policy we are implementing start line arm bands for crew. These will be issued at race entry when the driver enters to race. The amount of arm band issued to each driver is as follows: (this excludes the tow vehicle driver if they don't get out of the vehicle)

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| Top Alcohol and Top Door Slammer | 5 Arm bands |
| Comp Classes. Comp Eliminator and SCO | 4 Arm Bands |
| Comp Bike and Super Sedan | 3 Arm Bands |
| Super Street, Mod Bike, Screamin Eagle and JD | 2 Arm Bands |

## Division Sponsors (For NAPA Dragway 5xCompetition Series Only)

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| Top Drag Racer | Pukekohe Hot Rod Club |
| Top Comp | AeroFlow |
| Competition Bike | Auckland Harley Davidson |
| Pro Comp | Petrol Head |
| Super Comp | 1st Auto Parts |
| Comp | Mothers |
| Super Sedan | B&B Freighters |
| Super Street | Burger Fuel |
| Screamin' Eagle | Auckland Harley Davidson |
| Modified Bike | Top Cru |
| Junior Dragster | Fun Time Food and Amusements |

## Sponsors

Each competitor racing at a Sponsored event may be required to affix a decal on both sides of the vehicle or bike. Any competitor not displaying the decal may not be eligible for prize money. It is important to remember that with Sponsorship, it allows television coverage which, in turn, benefits both the competitors, Sponsors and the image of New Zealand drag racing as a whole. Please support our sponsors.

## Tow Vouchers (excludes Test & Tune) – Collect BEFORE PRIZEGIVING

Only competitors who run 10.00 or quicker during eliminations at the event qualify for tow vouchers. All vehicles must be trailered to the event, run slicks and be tech inspected. Tow vouchers can only be collected and signed for by the Competitor on the day. Junior Dragster and Screamin' Eagle will not be eligible for tow vouchers and Motorcycle competitors will receive half of the following pay out.

From the Wellington/Wairarapa area tow vouchers will be $150. From Palmerston North/New Plymouth area it is $90
From Taupo/Whakatane/Whangarei area it is $60

Please present your time slip to the Tow Voucher co-coordinator in the Main Tower in order to pick up your petrol vouchers – these are to be collected on Race Day. You must collect your tow vouchers

before Prizegiving at the meeting you attend, the office will no longer be issuing tow money after the fact.

All South Island competitors must apply for tow voucher consideration four weeks prior to events. Please call Gary on 0272 629627 or email meremeredragway@xtra.co.nz for further information.

## RACE ENTRY

The entry booth as per last season will be at the entry shed near the back of the pits/canal and will be open for an hour the night before every event and again for one hour prior to track opening on race day. Please ensure you have completed the weighing and classifying process and have your civil drivers licence, competition licence and log book with you before coming to the entry booth.

- Scrutineering will be in the entry shed. Please enter before you go to scrutineering.
- Please keep an eye out on our Facebook page, our website and email updates for pre-entry to upcoming meetings.

Note: If an endorsement has been entered in your logbook from the last event attended, please see the IHRA Area Steward to check the fault and have the log book signed off before coming to Entry Booth. Any changes in your health or changes to your vehicle must be declared at Race Entry before the event.

Ensure you complete your personal and vehicle details on the entry forms; your best time and speed, all your drag racing highlights and all your sponsors details, next of kin and the full legal names of your crew when you fill in forms this summer. In order to keep fans informed at the track, we need to know all about you and your Sponsors so please help by filling in the details. You will only need to do this once during the season but the information can be updated. It will be a great help to the announcers! The racer entry form (online and printed) also contains legal information concerning insurance and indemnity that you will sign/agree to at the beginning of the season and confirm by signing your Scrutineering card at every subsequent meeting you attend.

### Health & Safety Requirements:

All Racers are required to complete and sign the new Health & Safety form in the first meeting of each season that you attend at NAPA Dragway.

### Scrutineering

There will be no scrutineering for Tech Inspected vehicles. An IHRA Area Steward will however be carrying out random audits throughout the season. All vehicles with a WOF/Rego (>11.00 secs) will continue to be scrutineered at each event.

Your competition number and bracket category is to go on the windscreen of each race vehicle and tow vehicle, as well as the standard side position.

*Important Note: No express or implied warranty of safety shall result from scrutineering, Tech Inspection or audit checks. These checks are intended to assist the competitor with his/her safety and are in no way a guarantee against injury or death to a spectator or participants. Signing this card means you agree with the indemnity on the racer detail sheet and that all health and vehicle changes have been declared.*

## Medical for vehicles 10:00sec and quicker

All racers with vehicles 10:00sec and quicker must have a current medical. This must be noted on your Drag Racing license.

Group 2 & 3 racers medical form.

Group 1 racers medical form.

## Racer Costs for NAPA Dragway Series

Junior Dragster, Junior Bike & Teen Championship Racing $75 or $50 with IHRA NZ membership card.
Super Street, Mod Bike & Screaming Eagles, $110.00 or $85 with IHRA NZ membership card.
Super Sedan & Competition Bike = $155.00 or $130.00 with IHRA NZ membership card.
Competition Classes = $175.00 or $150.00 with IHRA NZ membership card.
**No refunds and no rain checks – please click here for the NAPA Auto Parts Dragway Rainout Policy.**

## Random Breath Testing & Drug Testing

Random alcohol breath testing and drug testing will take place throughout the Season. If approached by the assistant Area Steward for a random breath or drug test, you are required to comply. Any refusal will result in immediate disqualification from further racing for that meeting. No refunds of gate or race entry will be applicable in this case. Please note the alcohol limit for racers and crew is **0 (ZERO).** If ANY crew member is under the influence the whole team will be disqualified. If a racer or crew member tests positive during the drug test, the whole team will be disqualified.

## Quads/Scooters Helmets and Golf Carts

Drivers of quads/scooters/golf carts (as a tow vehicle) must be a minimum of 14years old. Passengers of quads/scooters/golf carts (as a tow vehicle) must be a minimum of 12years old.
All occupants of quads and scooters must wear a helmet at all times on the Dragway site. Repeated non-compliance may see your race team removed from racing.

## Licensing

All competitors must hold applicable current licences prior to race day. A civil driver's licence will be accepted for Super Street (slower than 11.00 if WOFd / Reg'd) and Mod Bike (slower than 11.00 if WOFd / Reg'd) on the day at competition meetings.

## Licence Passes

To eliminate delays in the racing schedule all license passes will occur during qualifying schedules unless otherwise approved by the Race Director and Area Steward. Licence passes at the Wellington Invasion/Nationals is by application only to the manager.

## Race Day Schedule

Race day schedules will be available at entry booth on race day. These are a guideline to racing and should be adhered to in conjunction with any information supplied by Pit Control and the Pit Runners. Every effort will be made by the NAPA crew to stick strictly to the schedule however, any incidents such as weather, oil downs, turn-around times and any other unforeseen circumstances will affect the order of the day. Please assist by ensuring you are in your correct Pit Lane when called. If your class has been called and you are not in the Pit Lanes when they approach Head of Stage, you will be disqualified.

## Advised Out

It is of paramount importance that all racers advise out as soon as this becomes apparent so fields can be fully seeded correctly and in a timely manner.

## ON TRACK

### Tow Vehicles

If you use a tow vehicle please ensure it uses the return road when following race cars down the track. In line with safety regulations, there should be no children or standing passengers on the back of the vehicles. The return road has been widened from the burn out pad to the Chute Packers shed. When going to tow cars from the braking area do not use the track but continue down the return road. Please be considerate of racers driving back under own power – move over to allow room for them to pass to avoid overheating. The speed limit for all internal roads is 10kmh, please abide by the speed limit as children are well known for popping up out of nowhere.

### Chute Pins

As per the rulebook, all chute pins must be removed in the staging lanes. Failure to remove pins before the burnout can lead to disqualification at the Starters discretion.

### Burnouts

Super Street and Super Sedan are prohibited from crossing the start line during the burnout. One warning given during qualifying, disqualification if start line crossed during eliminations.

### Staging

All vehicles will be called to the staging lanes by the Pit Control announcer. Listen carefully to these calls. Once a vehicle reaches the front of the staging lanes for a run, it must be prepared to fire and race as directed by the Starter. Any vehicle not prepared to fire or unable to fire when directed by the Starter may be excluded from the race at the Starter's discretion.

### Courtesy Staging & Auto Start –*will continue to be enforced this season.*

As a reminder, both contestants must activate their pre-stage lights before either may advance into the stage beams. The final staging motion, using applied power, must be in a forward motion, going from pre-stage to stage position. (This is considered a courtesy rule and the Starter has the option of backing out both drivers and re-staging to assure a proper start). The second infringement in one event will result in DISQUALIFICATION. In the case of Junior Dragster, the Starter will allow one pull back. See track rule below. Disqualification is at the discretion of the Starter.

Failure to courtesy stage more than once at one race meeting will result in disqualification in eliminations at Starters' Discretion.

Courtesy Staging - Both cars must Pre-stage before either car stages. A vehicle that accidentally lights both bulbs may be allowed to back up (pull back with juniors) and restage correctly if the other Racer is not yet in Pre-Stage or Stage. If the Tree is activated during this process and the Racer has not restaged, he will be eliminated. The amount of time allowed for the second car to stage is predetermined by the AutoStart function in the system (refer NAPA Dragway rulebook).

## Over Staging

If you are last in and "over stage" (drive through the lights), the Starter will trigger the Christmas tree and let the other car go. The offending vehicle/driver will be given an automatic red light. You are not permitted to "reverse stage".

NAPA Dragway requests all Competitors to comply with the Track Rules relating to Staging as it is a mandatory part of racing at our facility.

## Breakages/Oil Downs

In the event of your vehicle breaking or dropping oil, please ensure that you pull to the SIDE of the track as soon as it is practical and STOP. This will drastically speed up the clean-up operation. If your vehicle requires a nappy or belly pan and one is not fitted and you do oil down the track, this may result in a fine or disqualification at the discretion of the IHRA Steward / NAPA Track Manager and Race Director.

## Antifreeze

All competition vehicle/bikes are prohibited from having antifreeze i.e. glycol, in their vehicle/bike. Violations may result in disqualification/fine at the discretion of the IHRA Steward/MDI Track Manager and Race Director.

## Passengers

To ensure NAPA Dragway adheres to safety regulations, there should be no passengers in race vehicles without prior arrangement in writing to the Track Manager (excludes Teen Racing). Vehicles given prior dispensation and capable of exceeding 150mph through the finish line must shut down at halftrack. We are passionate about upholding our safety record so please don't abuse the privilege.

## Time Slips

Please have one crew member uplift time slips. Only Modified Bike, Super Street and Screamin' Eagle competitors may collect these on the return road. Please observe the speed limit of 10kmh as you approach the Main Tower.

## Dial in and Indexes

They will be displayed on the timing boards and on the display boards at the Christmas Tree. Once a racer goes into pre-stage that means they have accepted the dial in/index and cannot be changed. Check your dial-in before going into pre-stage, do not go into pre-stage if it is incorrect but get the attention of one of the officials to have it corrected.

## Sponsors

Please support our Sponsors by using and promoting their products. For details on the supply of products such as VP Race fuels please ring Gary on 0272 629627.

Have a great season at "the best place to race".

# NIGHT SPEED DRAG WARS CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

There will be eight NZ Performance Car NSDW events over the drag racing season commencing 30th October 2026 through to Friday, 16th April 2027:
Friday 30th October 2026 – Round 1
Friday 13th November 2026 – Round 2 Double Points
Friday 4th December 2026 – Round 3
Saturday 16th January 2027 – Round 4
Saturday 6th February 2027 – Round 5
Friday 12th March 2027 – Round 6 Double Points
Friday 19th March 2027 – Round 7
Friday 16th April 2027 – Round 8 Final
Sunday 18th April 2027 – NSDW FUN DAY
Prize money, trophies and certificates will be presented at the NAPA Dragway Prizegiving night in May 2027 (date to be confirmed).

## Race Categories

When you arrive at the track, please go to Race Entry to pay, complete licence checks and get your Scrutineering card and armband. You must complete this race entry process before you line up for Scrutineering.
On the form you will need to tick a category box depending on the type of vehicle you're entering. The category will also be written on your windscreen driver's side rear window at scrutineering.

At subsequent events collect your racer scrutineering card from race entry and take your car directly to scrutineering. Once you have entered and been through Scrutineering, make your way over to the Pits and wait for the Pit Control call to go into the staging lanes. Ensure you have your armband on throughout the night as this will be checked at Head of Staging prior to entering the Start line area for each race.

Categories 1,2,3,4 and 6 are for vehicles running 11.00 sec and slower (automatic loss if they run under 11.00 during racing). Visit our website for Drag Wars racing classes and rules.

C1 **Prowear 4WD Turbo**, Supercharged, NOS, 4, 5, 6 cyl, No V8's V10's V12's or EV's, 11sec and slower. HEADS UP.

C2 **Prowear 2WD Turbo**, Supercharged, NOS, 4, 5, 6 cyl & Rotary, No V8's V10's V12's or EV's. 11sec and slower. HEADS UP.

C3 **All Motor & Turbo NA** – 4, 5, 6 cyl & Rotary No V8's V10's V12's or EV's, 11sec and slower. HEADS UP.

C4 **B&B Freighters Quick V8** – All V8s, V10s, V12s 11seconds and slower. HEADS UP.

C5 **Motorcycles DYO** – Street legal Bikes only, minimum ET 9.00, Factory stock bikes slower than 10.00 do not need Tech Inspection but do need Drag Racing License if going quicker than 11.00

C6 **Dial-Your-Own Class** – All make & models, including Electric / Hybrid vehicles.

C7 **ALL ACCESS DRAINAGE Ltd PRO-STREET** – HEADS UP, FULL TREE class for street legal vehicles with Tech and Drag Racing license, 10.00-10.99secs. Qualifying for this class starts at 630pm with a minimum 15minute turnaround time between rounds and the aim of completing racing by 930pm. This class will be seeded and laddered on a PRO Ladder for eliminations racing i.e. QF 1 vs QF 8, QF 2 vs QF 7, QF 3 vs QF 6 and QF 4 vs QF 5 etc.

EXHIBITION CLASS – please contact meremeredragway@xtra.co.nz if you want to run at the Night Speed Drag Wars but do not meet any of the eight class requirements (above). Exhibition passes for Competition vehicles at Night Speed Drag Wars is by prior arrangement only.

*NB: ALL CLASSES EXCEPT EXHIBITION, MUST HAVE A MINIMUM OF FOUR COMPETITORS IN ORDER TO RUN.*

Drag Wars Rule Changes – please read and familiarise yourself with the rules before you race. Ignorance is not an excuse.

Please visit our website or click here for the updated 2026/2027 Night Speed Drag Wars rules.

## NZ Performance Car Magazines NSDW Championship Point Series

NAPA Dragway will run a point score series over the eight events for the season, with prize money and trophies awarded at the end of the season.

The winners from each night's event however will receive 2 gate entry passes and free race entry to the next NSDW event and Runners up will receive 2 gate entry passes.

Ten points will be allocated to competitors after each round of racing is completed i.e. a loss in the first round of racing equals 10 points; a loss in the second round equals 20 points, etc. Points are not transferable between categories.

All competitors at the NZPC Magazine's NSDW Championship Series Round 2 on 13th November 2026 and NSDW Championship Series Round 6 on 12th March 2027 will receive double points.

## Gate & Race Entry

The cost to race is as follows:

$20 Gate entry
$60 Race entry
**$80 Total**

**No refunds and no rain checks – please click here for the NAPA Dragway Rainout Policy.**

## Health & Safety Requirements:

All Racers are required to complete and sign the new Health & Safety form in the first meeting you attend at NAPA Dragway.

If a vehicle has two alternating drivers, both driver's licenses must be presented and both drivers must complete a racer entry form and pay to race. Only one racer number and scrutineering card will be allocated to the vehicle.

If you change any details with regard to your vehicle, your address or email, a new racer detail sheet should be completed so that we can update your personal information in our database.

## Points Update

Meeting information and points' update will be available on our website www.dragway.co.nz. Please ensure you have completed the racer entry form including your email address as we will be in contact with you alerting you to events and changes to our websites via our email database.

## Noise

To adhere to a restricted noise policy all vehicles must have full road legal mufflers in place and make no more than 95db.

## Scrutineering

No express or implied warranty of safety shall result from scrutineering, Tech Inspection or audit checks. These checks are intended to assist the competitor with his/her own safety and are in no way a guarantee against injury or death to a spectator or participant.

## Helmets

All competitors must wear an approved helmet. See the IHRA Rule Book for further details. No Moto Cross Helmets

## Passengers

Passengers are not permitted at NSDW events.

## Venue Information

- Gates open at 5.00pm.
- Racer Entry and Scrutineering from 5.30pm to 8.30pm
- Track opens at 6.00pm to 6.30pm, racing till late.
- **No alcohol, drugs, dogs, fireworks and gang patches permitted.** There will be random Racers and/or crew breath testing during these meetings. By entering to race, you agree to comply with these requirements. Any refusal will result in immediate disqualification from further racing for that meeting. No refunds of gate or race entry will be applicable in this case.

We are on Facebook as Drag Wars and as Meremere Dragway. Alternatively, you can sign up to email updates on our website. For more detailed information about Drag Wars especially for first time racers, visit our website www.napaautopartsdragway.co.nz.

**NAPA Dragway welcomes Competitors, Spectators and Sponsors. We look forward to sharing a sensational and exciting season with you.**

*On behalf of NAPA Dragway and the Meremere Dragway Committee.*

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| Date | Day | Meeting | Track Opens | Gate Entry | Brackets | Field Size | Race Entry NON-IHRA | Race Entry with IHRA Membership Card | Prize Money |
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| 07-Nov | Sat | Test & Tune | 11am | $10 | N/A | N/A | TWO DAYS<br>COMPETITION: $225<br>COMP BIKE, S/SEDAN: $205<br>S/EAGLE, S/ST, DRAG WARS, MOD BIKE: $170<br>JD's & TEEN RACERS: $85<br><br>ONE DAY<br>COMPETITION: $175<br>COMP BIKE, S/SEDAN: $155<br>S/EAGLE, S/ST, DRAG WARS, MOD BIKE: $110<br>JD's & TEEN RACERS: $75 | TWO DAYS<br>COMPETITION: $200<br>COMP BIKE, S/SEDAN: $180<br>S/EAGLE, S/ST, DRAG WARS, MOD BIKE: $135<br>JD's & TEEN RACERS: $60<br><br>ONE DAY<br>COMPETITION: $150<br>COMP BIKE, S/SEDAN: $130<br>S/EAGLE, S/ST, DRAG WARS & MOD BIKE: $85<br>JD's & TEEN RACERS: $50 | N/A |
| 08-Nov | Sun | COMPETITION MEETING 1 | 930am | $25 | Top Comp, Pro Comp, Super Comp, Comp<br>(brackets determined by qual positions) | Fields of 8<br>*the bottom class will pick up all the remaining qualifiers* | | | Top Comp = $1000<br>Pro Comp = $750<br>Super Comp = $500<br>Comp = $300 |
| | | | | | Competition Bike | 16 | | | End of season |
| | | | | | Super Sedan | Unlimited | | | End of season |
| | | | | | Screamin Eagles, Junior Dragster/Bike, Super Street/Teen Champs & Modified Bike | Unlimited | | | End of season |
| 21-Nov | Sat | Test & Tune | 11am | $10 | **REFER COMPETITION MEETING 1 COSTS** | | | | |
| 22-Nov | Sun | COMPETITION MEETING 2<br>**OUTLAW 71** | 930am | $25 | | | | | |
| 09-Jan | Sat | COMPETITION MEETING 3 | 930am | $25 | **Refer COMP 1 (excl Test & Tune)** | | COMPETITION: $175<br>COMP BIKE, S/SEDAN: $155<br>SCR EAGLE, S/ST & DRAG WARS, MOD BIKE: $110<br>JD's & TEEN RACERS: $75 | COMPETITION: $150<br>COMP BIKE, S/SEDAN: $120<br>SCR EAGLE, S/ST & DRAG WARS, MOD BIKE: $75<br>JD's & TEEN RACERS: $20 | Refer Competition Meeting 1 prize money |
| 23-Jan | Sat | **WELLINGTON INVASION** | 9.30am | $30 | All Rulebook Classes<br>AS PER IHRA NZ RULE BOOK | Rulebook | GROUP 1 = $190 / SCO & GROUP 2 = $160<br>SUPER SEDAN & MODIFIED = $130<br>SUPER STREET, SCREAMIN' EAGLE, MODIFIED BIKE = $90<br>JUNIOR DRAGSTER/BIKE = $50, DAY AFFILIATION = $25<br>**If there are less than 4 entries in a class, prizemoney and/or the value will only be paid at NAPA DRAGWAY / MDI Board discretion.** | | GROUP 1 = $1500<br>Group 2&SCO = $500<br>Modified&S/Sedan = $300<br>S/Street, Mod Bike & Scr Eagles = $200<br>J/Dragster = $100 |
| 20-Feb | Sat | COMPETITION MEETING 4<br>**Street Car Shoot Out & Gassers** | 11.00am | $25 | **REFER COMPETITION MEETING 3 COSTS** | | | | |
| 6 & 7 March | Sat<br>Sun | **IHRA NZ NATIONALS** | 930am | Sat - $20<br>Sun - $30 | All Rulebook Classes<br>AS PER IHRA NZ RULE BOOK | Rulebook | Refer race entry costs for Wellington Invasion<br>**If there are less than 4 entries in a class, prizemoney and/or the prizemoney value will be only paid at MDI Board discretion.** | | GROUP 1 = $1500<br>Group 2&SCO = $500<br>Modified&S/Sedan = $300<br>S/Street, Mod Bike & Scr Eagles = $200<br>J/Dragster = $100 |
| 10-Apr | Sat | COMPETITION MEETING 5 | 930am | $25 | **REFER COMPETITION MEETING 3 COSTS** | | | | |
| ***April TBC*** | Sat | NAPA SPONSORS & CREW FUN DAY | 930am | $10 | ***THIS EVENT IS OPEN ONLY TO RACERS THAT HAVE RACED AT A COMP MEETING AT MEREMERE FROM 7-NOV-26 TO 10-APR-27*** | | $85 JD $45 | $60, JD $20 | N/A |