



## Track Policy 2023-2024 Season

Welcome to Masterton Motorplex (MMP) and just like that the season is back again.

The 2023/2024 Season - We have an action-packed season ahead kicking it off with our Dads Drags Street car Showdown on Father's Day the 3<sup>rd</sup> September also our Ute Muster Show and shine ! this was a big hit last year with over 100 racers participating with a majority of them first-time racers .

Through the season you will see NZ Drag Racing Champions meetings , Wild Bunch wars , Gasser Madness , and Mayhem in Masterton is back again with Wildbunch taking on the Out Law 71 class, this is one not to be missed!

To wrap up our season on the 16<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024 MMP will be hosting the NZ Drag Racing Championship Grand Finals , show casing the best of the best in the country battling it out to take the NZ Championship Titles.

### New important information

Last season we trialed an MMP series for Super Street and Super Sedan we are pleased to announce we will continue this series this season and we will be looking for sponsors for Trophy's .

As always, this is a perfect time to extend our thanks to all our current and previous Board members – these guys and gals are the ones that made it all happen, without them there would be no MMP, they are a humble group of people that have made MMP what it is today. Also, to all our Volunteers, again whether you are still involved or have been in the past – MMP could not run these events without you – again a humble group who volunteer their time on race weekend and at other times during the year.

Sponsors and supporters – without these businesses and individuals again there would be no MMP – you see their signs on display at the track and some of them are involved in race weekends, they may be a driver, crew, volunteer, spectator they are everywhere – we have some of the best signage of any drag racing track – that shows how much support we have. Please support our sponsors with your custom.

Drivers & Crew – we thank you for coming to our meetings and supporting our track, you have seen the changes over the last 25 + years and with us you have progressed, improving your skills and your vehicles, getting crews involved with you and getting those juniors out on the track .

So, thanks again to everyone – SEE YOU OUT THERE!



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## 2023-2024 Season Dates

- 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2023      **Dads Drags** – ultimate street car showdown Plus Ute Muster
- 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> November 2023      **Test & Tune** – *all classes*
- 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023      **National Drag Racing Championship** –*all classes*
- 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> January 2024      **Dragstalgia** featuring **Wild Bunch** full comp Meeting - *all classes*
- 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> February 2024      **Mayhem in Masterton** Wildbunch vs Outlaw 71 – *all classes*
- 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024      **National Drag Racing Championship Grand Finals** –*all classes*

## Travel Money

Travel money will be paid for the December, January, February & March meetings to those who meet our criteria, and travel from the South Island, or North of Taupo and New Plymouth & above. Bikes receive half the below travel money.

- Invercargill and below : \$600.00
- Christchurch: \$400.00
- Nelson: \$300.00
- North of Taupo & New Plymouth (not including): \$100.00 or \$200.00 (depending on area)



To be eligible for travel money you must: (full details & form [www.mastertonmotorplex.co.nz](http://www.mastertonmotorplex.co.nz))

- MMP must receive travel money request at least one month prior to event (see the entry deadlines below)
- Provide pictures of car/bike so MMP can promote your attendance (you do not have to complete a pre-entry to apply for Travel Money)
- Give an additional “blurb” about your vehicle, racing career, achievements, crew etc....
- Run quicker than 9.9 seconds.
- Complete the first round of eliminations.

Travel money entry deadlines are:

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| • NDRC Meeting – 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2023            | <b>deadline 10<sup>th</sup> December 2023</b> |
| • Dragstalgia & Wild Bunch – 6 <sup>th</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 | <b>deadline 6<sup>th</sup> December 2023</b>  |
| • Mayhem in Masterton – 10 <sup>th</sup> & 11 <sup>th</sup> February 2024   | <b>deadline 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024</b>  |
| • NDRC Finals – 16 <sup>th</sup> & 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2024              | <b>deadline 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024</b> |
- (\*No travel money paid for Test & Tune meeting in November)

**NOTE:**

**Travel Money is only payable if there are 4 or more eligible cars/bikes to make up your category. Travel Money is NOT payable for any cars racing in any Exhibition Categories – it is only payable for the competition categories available at each individual meeting**

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**Entry Procedure – ALL racers must complete an Entry & SSP form**

- **Street Cars/Bikes** – When you arrive at the track please line up for scrutineering (7.00am – 8.30am Saturday only). If you have a current sportsman licence, your licence number is your car number for the season. If you purchase a meeting licence (day licence \$30.00 NDRC rounds \$25.00) we will issue you with a temporary car number for the weekend on the day. If you have any questions, please contact one of the officials.
- **Competition Cars/Bikes** – Registration Booth open Friday night 5.30pm to 7.30pm. Saturday 7.00am to 8.45am. You must have your licence, log book and completed entry and SSP form. All crew must sign in at the entry to receive armbands.
- **All forms are on our website and we encourage you to fill them in before the meeting (SSP forms must be filled in correctly, signed and dated for the meeting – this is an NZDRA requirement)**

**Late entries**

- We do not accept late entries – if for some valid reason you are going to be late you **MUST** contact Bob or Hollee and discuss.



### Drivers Briefing

- All Drivers and Crew Chiefs MUST attend the drivers briefing prior to the start of racing – approx. 9.30am on Saturday morning (announced over the pit PA prior to drivers briefing starting).

### MMP Track Crew Briefing

- All MMP volunteers MUST attend the MMP Crew briefing prior to the start of racing after Drivers briefing - approx. 9.45am on Saturday morning (announced over the pit PA system).

### New Racers, Racers new to MMP, or experienced racers wanting a refresher

- All new racers MUST attend the “Newbies Briefing” – this is announced over the pit PA and starts at 9.10am on the pedestrian crossing in the staging lanes – gives a rundown of racing rules and procedures – some drivers and crew may want a refresher on this – feel free to attend.

### Qualifying

- Qualifying will be on the first day only except at the Event Coordinator’s sole discretion. If this day is cancelled or rained off MMP may extend qualifying to the second day. The number of qualifying rounds will be at MMP’s discretion. If the driver wants to change to a different competition category, they must inform the officials (at Registration Booth) no later than 10 minutes after the last qualifying round for the intended category has finished.

### Crew

- We will be strictly enforcing the limits on crew numbers. Your crew ***MUST BE PRESENT*** at the entry booth to sign in and receive their armbands. These armbands will get them into the venue on Sunday morning only.
- Super Street, Modified Bike or other sportsman DY0 classes are only permitted 1 official crew.
- Junior Dragster, Junior Drag bike, are permitted 2 official crew.
- All other classes are permitted a maximum of 4 official crew.
- Additional crew are allowed & should sign entry form, but will not receive armbands.
- Crew that have not signed the entry form are only permitted in the public areas. The vehicle driver takes full responsibility for them and their actions if they are in the drivers pit space.
- If you require more than 4 crew (Group 1 only) please let Bob or Hollee know.

### Pits

- Only race cars/bikes and tow-vehicles are approved to be in the Pits (these have stickers from registration booth). Any unapproved vehicles / trailers will be required to move – This will be enforced this season – please let the Registration Booth know if you see vehicles in the pits that are not authorised.
- All concrete pit spaces are privately leased. Please do not use a concrete pit space unless you are the owner, or you have been given permission by the Registration Booth or the event coordinator.
- There is a map of the pit layout on our website. There will be a large map of the pit layout at entry to the pits – and one at the Registration Booth – If you don’t park in the correct area – please don’t be offended when you are asked to move.



- Camping - If you can't set up your tent within your pit space, you will be directed to the camping area (at the back of staging lanes). If you do camp in your pit space, you must pack up your tent before racing starts each day.
- Any one on a bike, quad or trike MUST be wearing a helmet at ALL times
- Racers are required to have a fire extinguisher in their pit space to assist quickly if a fire is caused.
- The "VIP pit spaces" along the drag strip fence line are privately leased. Please respect the owners and do not wander through or use these spaces to view the racing without the owner's permission.

### **Gate Opening & Parking**

- Gates open – Friday night at 5pm and 7am on Saturday & Sunday
- DO NOT ARRIVE EARLY AND PARK ON MANAIA ROAD – please park on South Belt or South Road until the gates are open – this is a Council requirement for the safety of other road users.
- Parking on Manaia Road may result in you being asked to move your vehicle from this area – DO NOT wait by the gates early for them to open and block this road for other traffic.

### **Prizegiving**

- Prizegiving will be held ½ an hour after the last Competition final is completed or as soon as all the certificates have been printed.
- The location for prizegiving is the area in front of the Yellow Container - Registration Booth – if there is a change in location it will be announced at drivers briefing

### **Passengers**

- No passengers are permitted unless Masterton Motorplex (MMP) receives a Passenger request form at least 7 days prior to event (under "Forms" on the website). Passengers must have a direct involvement to the car i.e.: Sponsor, Crew, family (at MMP discretion). MMP reserves the right to refuse any application. MMP or the NZDRA Area Steward reserves the right to revoke any application on the day of the event.
- You MUST advise the Entry booth that you are taking passengers, and the passenger(s) must sign the indemnity form – no later than 8.45am on Saturday.
- All cars with a passenger on-board must display the letter 'P' 150mm or taller on the left front window. This letter must be removed when there is no passenger on-board

### **A few extra points to note**

- The Competition Area is the staging lanes, start line area, track and return road.
- Only racers/crew that have signed the indemnity form and have an armband are permitted in the Competition area.
- An adult MUST accompany any participants under the age of sixteen when they are in the Competition area (this includes Junior Dragster teams).
- Any one on a bike, quad, trike, motorised scooter, chilly bin etc MUST wear a helmet at ALL times.

### **Alcohol/Drugs**

- Drivers may be subjected to random breath alcohol and drug testing. Failing a test means disqualification
- No alcohol in the pits until all racing has finished (not just your vehicle) Anyone caught consuming alcohol in the pit area while racing is on will be removed from the facility.



- No alcohol in the public spectator area unless bought at the concession stand.

### Camping

- Overnight camping is available at the track for racers and crew only for \$10 pp.
- Please ensure you pay for camping at the gate and you will receive a camping armband– we will be doing spot checks.
- There are no showering facilities.
- Please keep the camping area clean and tidy. There are several bins – please use them
- No race car engines to be run after dark – please use the pits for working on vehicles
- This is a family camping area. Please - no loud music after 10.30pm.
- We are powered by a generator and this will be turned off 10.30pm Friday & Saturday night
- Gates will be Locked 10.30pm Friday & Saturday Night by our onsite MMP official their Camp is at the end of Sandi Lane in the Last “VIP pit space”.
- **In case of emergency when gates are locked phone: 021 02215593**
- **STRICTLY NO CROSSING THE FENCES – THERE IS AN OPERATIONAL AIRPORT DIRECTLY BESIDE THE MMP BOUNDARY AND YOU NEED TO STAY WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES FOR YOUR SAFETY.**

### NZDRA Rule changes

- Please make sure you are familiar with all rules, not just the ones in your category. A full copy of the rule book can be downloaded from the NZDRA website - [www.nzdra.co.nz](http://www.nzdra.co.nz). Remember to also download the additional rule supplements.
- If you require a logbook, contact NZDRA – [www.nzdra.co.nz](http://www.nzdra.co.nz)
- New rules are usually confirmed by the NZDRA Board in May each year. Their website will be updated once their decision has been finalised.

### Personal Bests (PB's)

- We will have a PB whiteboard located at Registration Booth
- If you do a PB during the meeting it is up to you to write it on the board
- We will present a PB certificate at Prize-giving for all PBs written on the board

### Price List – November 2023 Test & Tune Meeting:

- Gate entry per person ..... \$20.00
- Gate entry (14 years old and under)..... Free
- Super Street, Modified Bike race entry ..... \$80
- Junior Dragster race entry ..... \$80
- Super Sedan / Modified Racer entry ..... \$120.00
- Supercharged Outlaw/Top Street/Sport Compact/Competition .....\$150.00
- Top Doorslammer / Top Alcohol .....\$180.00
- Day License (NZDRA sanctioned Meetings)..... \$30.00
- Additional driver ..... \$20.00
- Approved passenger ..... \$20.00pp
- Overnight Camping ..... \$10.00pp



**Price List – December 2023 NDRC Meeting:**

- Gate entry per person..... \$ 20.00
- Gate entry (14 years old and under).....FREE
- Top Doorslammer / Top Alcohol .....\$180.00
- Supercharged Outlaw/Top Street/Sport Compact/Competition .....\$150.00
- Competition Bike .....\$150.00
- Super Sedan / Modified .....\$120.00
- Super Street .....\$ 80.00
- Screaming Eagle / Modified Bike .....\$ 80.00
- Junior Dragster race entry ..... FREE
- NZDRA Day License (NZDRA sanctioned Meetings)..... \$ 25.00
- Additional driver ..... \$ 20.00
- Approved passenger ..... \$ 20.00pp
- Overnight Camping ..... \$ 10.00pp

**Price List – January 2024 Dragstalgia Meeting:**

- Gate entry per person ..... \$25.00
- Gate entry (14 years old and under)..... Free
- Super Street, Modified Bike race entry ..... \$80.00
- Junior Dragster race entry ..... \$80.00
- All other Car / Bike race entry ..... \$ TBC
- Day License (NZDRA sanctioned Meetings)..... \$30.00
- Additional driver ..... \$20.00
- Approved passenger ..... \$20.00pp
- Overnight Camping ..... \$10.00pp

**Price List – February 2024 Mayhem in Masterton Meeting :**

- Gate entry per person..... \$ 30.00
- Gate entry (14 years old and under).....FREE
- Top Doorslammer / Top Alcohol .....\$180.00
- Supercharged Outlaw/Top Street/Sport Compact/Competition .....\$150.00
- Competition Bike .....\$150.00
- Super Sedan / Modified .....\$120.00
- Super street .....\$80.00
- Screaming Eagle / Modified Bike ..... \$ 80.00
- Junior Dragster race entry ..... \$80.00
- NZDRA Day License (NZDRA sanctioned Meetings)..... \$ 30.00
- Additional driver ..... \$ 20.00
- Approved passenger ..... \$ 20.00pp
- Overnight Camping ..... \$ 10.00pp



### Price List – March 2024 NDRC finals Meeting

- Gate entry per person..... \$ 25.00
- Gate entry (14 years old and under).....FREE
- Top Doorslammer / Top Alcohol .....\$180.00
- Supercharged Outlaw/Top Street/Sport Compact/Competition .....\$150.00
- Competition Bike .....\$150.00
- Super Sedan / Modified .....\$120.00
- Super Street .....\$ 80.00
- Screaming Eagle / Modified Bike .....\$ 80.00
- Junior Dragster race entry ..... \$FREE
- NZDRA Day License (NZDRA sanctioned Meetings)..... \$ 25.00
- Additional driver ..... \$ 20.00

MMP may change racer entry prices for one off events (e.g. NZDRA Nationals or IHRA Rounds). This will be advertised in advance and on our website. Above entries may be subject to change.

### Start line Breakdowns

- If the car is between the start line and the yellow line on the barriers (about 100 feet / 30 metres out) the driver must stay in the car if they cannot restart. The starter will signal to the backup person to get behind the wall, and the starter will allow the other lane to go. The crew **MUST NOT** go onto the track
- If the car is past the yellow line on the barriers, the starter will shut the other lane down. He will then signal the crew to tow the stalled car to the finish line and onto the return road. Do not return to the start line. The other lane will then be restarted and have a bye run.
- If the driver requires **MINOR** assistance (e.g. can't get into reverse) signal the starter, or have your back up person signal, and he will allow the crew past the start line. This **DOES NOT** include remote starting or using battery packs in the tow vehicle.
- Please tell your crew – **DO NOT** go onto the track without the starter's permission.
- **DO NOT CROSS/JUMP THE BARRIERS AT ANY TIME** regardless of the situation.

### Dial-In Times

- Racers are permitted to change their dial-in time for their racing up to the top of staging lanes (before they enter the concrete of startline area.) If a Driver wishes to change their dial-in time they must advise the Pit runner for their class who will then notify to opposing driver and also notify the Portacom control.
- Once Racers enter the startline and or their Dial-In time is displayed on the Timing Boards and the Burnout is completed they are then accepting this Dial-in time and it cannot be changed.
- No re-runs will be allowed for incorrect dial in if the racer enters full stage – the dial in displayed on the timing boards has been accepted!

### Interruptions to racing caused by a racer (e.g. oil downs) - Fines

- Interruptions to racing are often caused by participants, many are accidental or unintended.
- However, occasionally interruptions are preventable, including incidents such as oil-downs, loose parts and fittings spilling fluids or vehicle parts, failure of unsuitable or illegal parts being used etc.





- Where MMP determined the interruption was preventable MMP may impose any of the following sanctions:
- Warn the racer that the next offence may incur a penalty
- Impose a penalty on the racer – between \$50 to \$500 depending on the seriousness of event and number of previous incidents i.e. damage to track including sensors/sponges.
- Require the racer to perform specified remedial work on the vehicle before racing again
- MMP may impose a sanction during the event or after the event. Where a penalty is imposed this must be paid before the next event or the racer/vehicle will be refused entry.
- Where remedial work is required the vehicle is not permitted on the race track until the work is inspected and passed by the area steward.

### **Driver Conduct**

- Any driver or rider who refuses to voluntarily reduce speed or stop in the event of a vehicle not handling properly (i.e. excessive drifting of the vehicle towards the centre or edge of the strip) or any driver who wilfully fishtails or weaves with undue regard for the safety of himself or spectators, will be immediately barred from further competition. If such conduct should take place during an elimination run-off, the race will automatically be forfeited to his opponent.
- Any driver / rider and/or pit crew member found to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs, regardless of amount will be barred from the meet and is cause for suspension and/or revocation of competition privileges. (Refer Substance Abuse Policy).
- Abuse of any kind (including yelling or swearing) to officials regardless of whether the official is right or wrong will **not be tolerated**. Any person or persons involved may be banned from the remainder of the event at MMPs sole discretion. The driver/vehicle may be banned if a crew member is abusing officials. MMP may, at its sole discretion, impose further sanctions after the event, including a ban from future events, and/or reporting of the behaviour to the driver's sanctioning body for faction under their rules. Entrants / Drivers are also responsible for their crew's behaviour.

### **Prize Incentives for Racers**

This year we again offer some additional incentives for competitors at each race meeting:

- Best Appearing Vehicle & Crew – \$100 or voucher
- Lowest ET of the meet – \$100
- Top MPH of Meet – \$100