

NEW SEASON NEAR AT TERETONGA PARK

The new season of motor racing at Teretonga Park in Invercargill commences this month with a superb programme of events ahead over the next six months.

The opening meeting of the 2009/2010 season is scheduled for the last weekend of September and an exciting line up is in store. One of the feature events will be the 3 Hour Endurance Race, the opening round of the South Island Endurance Series. Also on track at the opening weekend of the season will be the Pro 7's, the local Noel McIntyre Drainage Clubmans Saloons and the Sports & Racing Car Class.

The Clubmans Saloons and the Sports & Racing Cars return for the next meeting on Sunday 1 November. Several motorcycle races will be held while the other long distance event of the season, the A1 Auto Services 1 Hour Enduro, is also part of the programme. The annual Southland versus Otago Challenge will also be fought out at this meeting.

The last meeting prior to Christmas follows over the weekend of 5/6 December with a full muster of classes. The mighty OSCA Saloons and exciting Kumho Sport Saloons will make their only Teretonga appearance of the summer. The action packed programme also contains Super 6 Saloons, Pre 65 Saloons, Pro 7's and South Island Formula Ford competitors along with the Sports & Racing cars and Clubmans Saloons. It all adds up to a fantastic finale to the 2009 year at the track.

The new year starts with a bang as the premier event of the summer arrives at the circuit. The summer series will make it's annual Teretonga appearance between 15-17 January. Headlined by the spectacular NZV8s, the supporting acts are also impressive with the Toyota Racing Series, Porsche GT3 Cup, Suzuki Swift Sport Cup Series, Production Racing Series and MINI Challenge plus Formula Ford all part of a spectacular entertainment package.

The other major event of the summer, the annual Classic SpeedFest, will return over the weekend of 20/21 February. This event invariably attracts drivers from around the globe with millions of dollars of exotic machinery at their disposal. The Touring Car class that provided some superb machinery last year returns while SpeedFest will also host Mini 7 South and Pre 65 Saloons plus the Clubmans Saloons and Sports & Racing Cars.

The season wraps up over the weekend of 20/21 March with the return of the South Island Formula Fords and Super 6 Saloons along with the final round of the Noel McIntyre Drainage Clubmans Series and the Sports & Racing Car class.

Once again this summer Teretonga Park will offer Southlanders the opportunity to see many of the country's best drivers in action at one of the best motor race circuits in New Zealand.

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