

Dear Racers,

Even though the snow is deep and the mercury is hiding in the bulb of the thermometer, it is time to think about racing. The track will open on Mother's Day and that is only 4 months away. For those of you who have been hibernating, it is time to blow the dust off, check your moving parts, open your Summit catalog and focus on racing.

A few items of interest:

Super ET will be 11.50 and slower, no box, otherwise the same as last year.

Mod ET will be 11.49 and quicker, no box, otherwise the same as last year.

The updated class for Top Sportsman/Top Dragster are attached.

We are starting a new class: ***Outlaw Nostalgia***

Outlaw Nostalgia class will be for blown and stack or hat injected Methanol burning engines only (no carburetors or throttle bodies allowed), in front engine dragsters, center steer altered, pre-1980 funny cars and pre-1972 door cars and trucks.

- No box
- No electronic or RPM controlled shifters
- Rev limiter and shift light are allowed
- .400 Pro tree
- 7.60 index heads up. If any racer completes two runs at the same event (event = race day)
 - which is greater than two-tenths under their index, a personal index will be created for that racer. Qualifying ETs count towards the two run minimum race requirement. The
 - new adjusted index will be set to two-tenths over their quickest ET run at that event. The new index will be effective on the next race day.
- Chicago-style Old School Sportsman competition with ladder based qualifying time and the
 - fastest running the fastest and the slowest running the slowest. In a true Chicago-style
 - the boundaries of each lane are ignored. It is the first to the finish that wins, however if
 - you red light, you lose.
- Alaska driver's license and IHRA ET license required (9.99 and quicker)
- \$75 entry fee includes entry for 2 pit crew members.
- \$1,000 purse with a minimum 4 car field.

Schedule

Attached find the most recently revised schedule. Please note there are several two-day events on regular weekends, as well as some weekends with no races. This schedule is still tentative due to events outside the track which may impact our schedule.

Times

The pit gate will continue to open at 8 a.m. for early arrivals, with tech from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Lanes will be open from 11 a.m. through 1:30 p.m. for time trials; eliminations will begin at 2 p.m. This will be the same schedule for SATURDAY points races.

'See you on Mother's Day,

The Management and Staff of Alaska Raceway Park

2012 Alaska Raceway Park Tentative Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
April	Sub-Zero Autocross	
May 4-6	SCCA Tire Rack Survival School and Solo	
May 13	Hunison Memorial—Season Opener	
May 19	Kool Kruz	KOOL
May 20	First Points	
May 23	Test 'n Tune	
May 26	King of the Street, Gambler's Bracket,	
May 27	Top Eliminator, Points, Outlaw-Nostalgia	Anchorage Chrysler
May 28	Top Eliminator, Points, Outlaw-Nostalgia	Anchorage Chrysler
June 2	Thunder Valley Flag Drags	
June 3	Sub-Zero Autocross	
June 6	Test 'n Tune	
June 9	Points	
June 10	Points	
June 15	Friday Night Gambler's Race, Test 'n Tune	Alaska Safety
June 16	Points	
June 17	Top Eliminator, Points—Father's Day	
June 30	KOS, Gambler's Race	
July 1	Top Eliminator, Points, Outlaw-Nostalgia	
July 4	Top Eliminator, Points, Outlaw-Nostalgia	
July 7-8	SCCA Solo	
July 14	Points	
July 15	Points	
July 18	Test 'n Tune	
July 21	Hog Ride for MDA	House of Harley
July 27	Friday Night Gambler's Race, Test 'n Tune	Alaska Safety
July 28	Air Show (In Anchorage)	
July 29	Air Show (In Anchorage)	
August 1	Test 'n Tune	
August 4	Points, Outlaw-Nostalgia	
August 5	Top Eliminator, Points, Outlaw-Nostalgia	
August 10	Friday Night Gambler's Race, Test 'n Tune	Alaska Safety
August 11	Hot Summer Night Car Show (In Palmer)	
August 12	Top Eliminator, Points, Summit Finals	
August 17-19	Border Bandits Division 6 Finals (Edmonton, Alberta, Canada)	IHRA
August 18	Sub-Zero Autocross	
August 22	Test 'n Tune	
September 1	Iron Man, King of the Street, Gambler's Bracket	
September 2	Top Eliminator, Points, Outlaw-Nostalgia	
September 3	Top Eliminator, Points, Outlaw-Nostalgia	
September 9	Freedom Flag Run	49 th State Street Rodders

Top Sportsman (TS/1) – Elite Eight (TS/2) – Transition (TS/3)
Unlimited bracket class, qualified fields, elimination ladders based on racer attendance

15 Cars or less: One class, all run, qualification required; Chicago style format, the fastest cars will compose one side of the ladder and the slower cars will compose the other side of the ladder. Total qualifying field will be split in half with odd number car going to the faster ladder. The final will consist of the “fast” bracket winner vs. the “slow” bracket winner.

16 cars or more: The top eight qualifiers will compose a separate Elite Eight (TS/2) field, which will run as an independent class for that event. The remaining qualifiers will be ladder as the Top Sportsman (TS/1) field for that event. Both the Elite Eight field and the Top Sportsman field will be awarded full points for that event competition.

Dial: 0-11.49, Handicap start

Qualification & Pairings: Qualified field; pairings in all classes will be based on best reaction time during qualification. Lane Choice will go to the lowest qualified vehicle.

Tree: 5 tenths full

Entry Fee: \$60, car and driver only

Payback: Cash payback to top two in each field, 60/40 split

Electronics: Delay Box, Transbrakes, two steps and playback tachometers are allowed. Onboard computers that control car function during the run are prohibited; Data Recorders may only be used to record vehicle functions, must be activated by a separate switch, and not activated by any triggered switch or timer during the run.

Points: All Points will be kept in one overall pool, regardless of actual resulting event elimination format. However, the Top Sportsman, Elite Eight and “Transition” points leaders will be recognized as separate class champions at season end; “Transition” (TS/3) competitors are vehicles that may qualify for **some but not all** Elite Eight events based on participation and qualifying position. A three-way runoff between TS/1, TS/2, and TS/3 points leaders will determine the Summit Super Series champion; in the final SSS elimination, the competitor with the highest overall total points will receive a first round bye.

Points strategy: All vehicles will be awarded points as TS/1 Top Sportsman competitors until such time that the car count will yield a Elite Eight field (TS/2 - 16+ Cars). At that time the Elite Eight (TS/2) Division will become a race within a race; all Elite Eight cars will carry all existing points into the TS/2 Division and accumulate points in TS/2 Division, regardless of car count/elimination format from that point forward.

Vehicles that initially qualify as Elite Eight (TS/2) competitor, but are bumped from the field due to non-qualification for a specific event, will move to the TS/3 division. All points accumulated prior will be carried to the TS/3 Division. Once qualified as a TS/3 competitor, all results, regardless of class participation for a given event, will be awarded to that competitor in the TS/3 bracket.

Determining the top five for the actual year end track champion: Racers have until July 4th to declare a class, TS or EE. All the points accumulated as a transition racer will, at season end, be moved back into their declared class to determine the top five.

Year End Payout: \$10 from each entry fee goes to year-end purse. Purse starts at \$1500 Year-end awards will be to the top five in Top Sportsman and Elite Eight

All competitors must register in the Midnight Sun Points Championship & display membership stickers on vehicle during seasonal competition.

Tow Vehicles: Limited to non full size vehicles, must use return road to go to top end

Qualifying Sessions: There will be two qualifying sessions; one at noon, the second at 1 p.m. No Top Sportsman car will be allowed to make a pass after the second session. Entrants are not required to make both sessions, but must run at least one.

Lanes: If qualifying during both sessions, alternate lanes must be used for each pass. Violators may be disqualified from the event. If a race official (lane director) puts you in same lane as run before to keep event moving, then it will not result in a DQ.

Credentials: Must have valid Alaska Driver’s license and required IHRA competition credentials based on class requirements.