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RULE BOOK DISCLAIMER

The rules and/or regulations set forth herein are designed to provide for the orderly conduct of racing events and to establish minimum acceptable requirements for such events. These rules shall govern the condition of all events, and by participating in these events, all participants are deemed to have complied with these rules.

NO EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED WARRANTY OF SAFETY SHALL RESULT FROM PUBLICATION OF OR COMPLIANCE WITH THESE RULES AND/OR REGULATIONS. They are intended as a guide for the conduct of the sport and are in no way a guarantee against injury or death to a participant, spectator or official.

The Race Director shall be empowered to permit minor deviation from any of the specifications herein or impose any further restrictions. NO EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED WARRANTY OF SAFETY SHALL RESULT FROM SUCH ALTERATIONS OR SPECIFICATIONS. Any interpretation or deviation of these rules is left to the discretion of the officials. Their decision is final.

The Management of Grand Bend Motorplex Inc.

GENERAL RULE STATEMENT

Vehicles participating in drag racing events must be presentable at all times. Cars painted with only primer are not allowed to run on a regular basis. All cars equipped to run a hood must do so. Some special exceptions will be made at the discretion of the officials. A Tech Official may reject vehicles that are improperly prepared. Any rider/driver or crew member, or person in association with a rider/driver or crew member, who is considered to be under the influence of any drug, alcohol or any judgment impairing substance, will be expelled from the race and escorted from the premises, along with the entire crew and vehicle associated with the offender, if necessary. Please, no glass containers or carry-in alcohol on the property.

The speed limit in the pit area, return road and other areas is 10 MPH. Burnouts are not allowed anywhere, except in the burnout area. Violators endangering others with reckless and inconsiderate driving habits (whether it is in or on a race vehicle or a pit vehicle) will be expelled from the race facility with the entire team and race vehicle.

Upon entering, racers agree to abide by the aforesaid rules and that all interpretation of the rules, questions and protest are left up to the final discretion of the race official and may be changed if the situation warrants it. In any event the Race Director(s) have the final word.

Grand Bend Motorplex is a WDRA Member Track. We recommend you utilize an WDRA Rule Book (available at www.racewdra.com), which contains all rules governing racing activities and safety requirements at this facility.

TRACK INFORMATION

The track office can be contacted weekdays from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Messages may be left using the voice-mail system. Please let us know of address changes or name additions so we may keep our database up to date and keep you aware of upcoming events. Suggestions and comments are always welcome. It is our intention to provide the best motorsports entertainment available. If we are not successful in that endeavor, please let us know. And if we are, we'd like to know that too!

ADVERTISING & PROMOTING RIGHTS FOR GBM

Entrance and competition at Grand Bend Motorplex (GBM), gives GBM and its award and contingency sponsor's, permission to use competitor/owner names and/or pictures of the car for promoting, advertising, recording, broadcasting, transmitting and/or reporting of any GBM event before, during and after such events, including but not limited to television and radio broadcasts, film production, video tape, print media and the like, or by any other means or devise, whether or not currently in existence. Acceptance of membership and/or paid admission will hereby relinquish all rights thereto for these purposes.

GRAND BEND MOTORPLEX

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DRAG RACING PROCEDURES

FRONT GATE

Race entries are purchased at the front gate. Once you have purchased an entry, there are no refunds or exchanges.

All vehicles need to be race-ready upon entering the facility.

Gate times on regular weekends are: Friday 5 pm – 11 pm, Saturday 8 am – 10 pm, Sunday 8 am – race completion

Exceptions to this are long weekends, special programs, etc. – these times will be posted on the GBM website.

There is no admittance to vehicular traffic after the gates have closed. You may park and walk back into the facility provided you have purchased the proper credentials. Security will be posted at the gate.

CONDUCT OF PARTICIPANTS

It is the responsibility of each participant and their crew members to conduct themselves in a sportsman-like manner throughout the course of the event. Any conduct directed towards fellow participants, spectators, or event officials deemed unsportsmanlike or inappropriate by the Race Director is grounds for expulsion from the event, or any other disciplinary action as prescribed by the Directors of Grand Bend Motorplex.

PIT AREA

When parking in the pits please allow as many to park in the pit area as possible. Please stay within your pit space and follow the normal flow of traffic at all times. Please read all racer information you were given at the Front Gate. Saving pit spaces may not be allowed. **Dedicated seasonal Pit Spaces are sold to racers. Please do not park in these spots.** If you are unsure where this restricted area is, a map is available at the Front Gate.

Excessive speed or burnouts in the pit area, staging lanes, or return road will not be tolerated, and are grounds for immediate disqualification from the event. For pit control, security, and emergency personnel to identify enclosed trailers in an emergency, it is mandatory that the car number and class designation be put on the top right hand corner of the rear of the trailer.

Roadways to the rear of all trailers must be unobstructed by any doors, tailgates, ramps, awnings, etc. Those contestants utilizing semi tractor/trailers (18 wheelers) are on notice that lift gate type doors must be



closed after loading and unloading procedures are completed. Also, all extended ramps must be stored after use.

THUNDERWEAR SOUVENIR & PARTS STORE

Racing fuel and automotive supplies are available at the Thunderwear Souvenir & Parts Store located adjacent to the fuel pumps. Be sure to stop in to the store, we feature quality motorsports apparel and accessories. **TIMES:** Fridays-5 pm to 9 pm. Race day - Opens one hr prior to time trials. **Payouts:** Available after completion of second round. They must be signed for by a person of legal age. Payouts may be picked up until 1 hour after completion of racing program.

WASTE FLUIDS

Containers are provided for disposal of used oil and coolant. Fluids must be deposited in the waste receptacle tank located directly behind the souvenir booth.

TECHNICAL INSPECTION

Please fill out your tech card 100% and be sure to sign the back. After your tech card is completed, proceed to Tech Inspection located down track by the weigh scales. A Tech Inspector will check your vehicle, take your registration card and put your assigned number on your vehicle. Each car and driver undergoes tech as a team, and neither can be substituted without going to Tech first for re-inspection. If either the car, or the driver, is substituted and it is not reported to Tech, both will be eliminated from further competition.

A number is assigned when you apply for your Thunder Series membership. To compete in any WDRA event, including the Bracket World Finals, an WDRA Divisional and the Canadian Nationals. An IHRA/WDRA/NHRA competition license is required for all vehicles 9.99 and quicker. WDRA membership and licensing forms are available at the Thunderwear Souvenir & Parts Store. Chassis certification is required for all vehicles running 9.00 and quicker in the 1/4 mile or on any entry that exceeds 150 mph.

NITROUS OXIDE - GENERAL

Nitrous oxide is allowed but its use is limited to only one of the three types described in the WDRA Rule Book. These systems are to be only of the full engagement and full disengagement style of activation of the nitrous flow. No pulsing of any type by any means will be permitted. System may be activated and deactivated by means of RPM setting, preset timer, shifting of gears, or action of driver. *External heating of bottle(s) is prohibited.* The use of any agents other than nitrous oxide as part of, or mixed with, this pressurized fuel system is strictly prohibited. Bottles will not be permitted for use if they show discolouring from external heating.

NIGHT RACING

During night racing, headlights and taillights are to be used in all unlit areas of the racing facility by all street legal classes. All entries in competition, no matter what class, are required to have at least one working taillight.

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AGREEMENT FORM AND CREDENTIAL POLICY

All drivers, participants and crew entering the restricted area must sign the "Release and Waiver of Liability Agreement" (staging lanes, burnout area, starting line). Those without credentials will not be allowed to enter the restricted area. Failure to respect these rules and/or race officials will result in expulsion.

STAGING LANES

Three calls over the PA system will be made for each class in each round. *It is the ultimate responsibility of each contestant to answer the call to the staging lanes in order to make their run.* If you are pitted in an area with poor audio from the PA system, you are expected to assign a specific crew person to position him/herself so they may hear the staging call for your category and inform you. If you suspect that you may have a problem making the staging lane call, please notify the Staging Lanes Director so he can be aware of your problem. Contestants not making the call to stage will either miss the qualifying run or, if in eliminations, will be scratched from competition and the round will be run without them.

Come to the lanes only when your class and assigned lane is called. When your lane or class is next, make sure you are race ready.

LANE CHOICE PROCEDURE

Once a vehicle entered in competition reaches the front of the staging lanes for a run, it must be prepared to fire and race. If the vehicle fails to start, a minimum of one minute will be allowed to fire the vehicle. If the vehicle still does not start, then the vehicle and the driver are out of competition. The only way to re-enter into eliminations is if this happens during 1st round, you may buy back if buy backs are available during that event.

When eliminations begin, competitors will leave the staging lanes only when indicated by the Staging Lane Director. Lane choice will go to the car with the quickest dial in.



For pro-tree (heads-up) eliminators using a ladder for the first round of eliminations, lane choice will be given to the quicker of the qualified pair as determined by position on the qualifying sheet. In the following rounds, lane choice will be given to the contestant in each pair who had the lower elapsed time from the preceding round.

BI-RUN

There will be one bi-run pulled by the staging Lane Director prior to every round of eliminations. That driver will be set aside until the last pair leaves the staging lanes. If one more competitor still remains once the lanes are emptied, that competitor will run the earlier selected bi-run driver.

DIAL-INS

Handicap "Dial-In" numbers must be clearly visible from the control room in the tower. The tower staff could misinterpret poorly displayed numbers. Your competition number needs to be at least 6" high, 1" wide, with the class designation 3" high, 1" wide. Numbers need to be displayed in a legible manner in a contrasting colour (preferable white) to the vehicle background and located on both side windows, the right side of the front windshield and on the rear window.

Drivers may change their dial-in at any time during eliminations prior to crossing the front of the staging lanes. Bikes and Asphalt Sleds only, must report dial-ins to the Thunderwear Souvenir & Parts Store before entering the staging lanes. All Bikes and Asphalt Sleds must have number plates with their registration number clearly visible. Dial-ins may be used to one one-hundredth of a second.

Each participant is responsible for checking the scoreboards and the dial-in boards for accuracy of both his/her own dial-ins, as well as that of their opponent, before staging. If a participant stages and races then he/she has accepted both dial-ins (right or wrong) and the race will not be re-run.

WATER BOX

Wait in front of the water box until a GBM official has instructed you to continue. This is where the tower operator can read your number and dialin from the tower control room, and enter it into the computer to time your run. The track official operating this area will guide drivers into the water box area. Start your burnout only when starting line/water box staff instructs you to do so. Burnouts are allowed in the burnout area only.

Burnouts across the starting line under power are not allowed (excluding Top Dragster, Top Sportsman and professional classes).



STARTING LINE PROCEDURES

In order to be a legitimate race winner, a contestant's vehicle must self-start and self-stage including single runs. Push starting a vehicle or push staging any vehicle is prohibited. Staging must be done under the vehicle's own power with the engine running. The use of any device, mechanical or electronic, that permits the driver to position their vehicle in relation to the starting line is prohibited.

The practice known as "DEEP STAGING" is allowed. It is highly recommended that "Deep" be put on the front and side windows of the vehicle. THE FINAL STAGING MOTION, USING APPLIED POWER, MUST BE IN A FORWARD MOTION GOING FROM PRE-STAGE TO THE STAGE POSITION.

When indicated by official starter, move forward until the top small yellow light on the "Christmas Tree" (pre-stage) is lit. During eliminations check your dial-in on the scoreboard before final staging. *Once you leave pre-stage, you are indicating that you accept the dial-in as displayed.* Once the vehicle is staged, you may not back out of the beams or disqualification will result. The only exception is if you're motioned to do so by the starter.

The starter has the final starting line control of each race as it is being conducted. Autostart will be utilized in all Thunder Series classes, including Junior Dragster. Once both vehicles have pre-staged the system is on standby.When the first competitor stages, the second vehicle has 15 seconds in which to stage. Failure to do so in the allotted time will result in an automated red light. Once the system is active, any movement forward or backward out of the beams, or "flickering" the stage light will result in an automatic red light to the offending vehicle.

SINGLE RUNS

In competition, the driver is considered the winner once he/she stages and receives the start signal, or is declared the winner by the official starter. If a competitor crosses the boundary line on a single run, the elapsed time is voided for the lane choice determination.

RACE TIME

If your vehicle has problems, pull to the outside of your lane and stop. If you "red light", it is an automatic loss during eliminations. DO NOT slow down and hold up the next pair of racers. Clear the racing surface as quickly and as safely possible.

Tow vehicles are permitted to retrieve only racecars whose times are less than 10 seconds, non-street driven motorcycles, and Jr. Dragsters. Jr. Dragsters must be towed from the time-slip booth back to their pits. Tow vehicles are not allowed to start down track until motioned to do so by the Starter.

FINISH LINE

Drive past the finish line. NEUTRALING YOUR VEHICLE AT THE FINISH LINE WILL RESULT IN AUTOMATIC DISQUALIFICATION.

FIRST TURN-OFF

Use this turn off if you have a problem and know you cannot make it to the end. Jr. Dragsters must use this turn off at all times.

END OF TRACK

For your safety there are fire extinguishers, oil dry and brooms located at the top end. Please clear the track at the completion of a run.

RETURN ROAD

Do not speed (10 MPH limit) and follow posted signs. Violators will be penalized, which could mean disqualification. The return road is not to be used to warm up your vehicles.

ET BOOTH

Stop here and get your time slip. If you spot something on the track or someone needs help, please inform the ET Booth attendant.

SAFETY INFRACTIONS

If at any time during the course of an event (time trials, record runs, qualifying, eliminations, etc.) an entry exceeds the ET or MPH for which it is safety certified, or is found to be in violation of any other current safety standards, the Grand Bend Motorplex safety/event directors have the discretion to levy penalties up to and including disqualification.

WINNINGS

Sometime after 2nd round of competition has been completed, monies may be picked up at the Thunderwear Shack. They will be available until 1/2 hour after the completion of the racing program. All payouts must be picked up by Thunder wear closing time on Sunday. If payouts are not picked up on the race weekend in which they were won, they can be picked on a following wkd. They must be picked up by the person (or his family) in the season they are issued.

RE-ENTRY PROVISION

When eliminations begin, competitors who have lost in the first round have the opportunity to continue in competition. Within 20 minutes after the final pair run 1st round, the losing competitor may report to the Thunderwear



Souvenir & Parts Store. The re-entry fee is: \$30 for Top ET ,Mod ET and Bike/Sled, \$20 for Sportsman ET, and \$20 for Jr. Dragster consolation race. All competitors that re-enter will compete in round two - runoff of re-entered competitors. The winners will advance into round three of eliminations. No round win points will be awarded to a re-entry driver. Re-entry may not be available at all events.

RESTRICTED AREA

Once the vehicle is staged, crew members must stand TO THE REAR OF THE STARTER. All 14 to 17 year old crew members need a signed Minor Release and Waiver of Liability Form. Kids 14 years of age and under must have a signed parental Release Form and remain in tow vehicles when in the restricted area (riders in the bed of pick-up trucks must be sitting down). These forms are available at the Front Gate.

DRIVERS/PASSENGERS/CREW

All vehicles in competition require seat belts. Drivers of all vehicles going quicker than 13.99 seconds in the quarter mile are required to wear an approved helmet with a current and valid SFI rating.

One passenger is allowed in 14.00 second or slower vehicles during time trials only. This passenger is required to have a seat belt and must sign a release form at Tech. Passengers riding in cars 14.00-14.99 seconds must wear an approved helmet with a current and valid SFI rating.

All bikes, three-wheelers, pit/support transportation must be identified with the competition number of your vehicle. *All rider/drivers of any form of transportation must be licensed and 16 years of age or older.* Vehicles must be used in a safe manner. This activity will be monitored. After dark, all vehicles MUST HAVE OPERATING HEADLIGHTS AND TAILLIGHTS. Grand Bend Motorplex reserves the right to confiscate pit transportation of any violators. Dusk and nighttime bring added safety concerns. Please watch and be extra careful.

All high school racers (16 and 17 years of age) must have a current 2019 signed Minor Release and Waiver of Liability Form signed by parents or legal guardian (forms are available at the Front Gate). This also applies to any competitor racing in the Junior Dragster programs.

RACE INFRACTIONS

Concerning rule infractions, the policy is generally that the driver committing the major infraction will be disqualified and the driver with the lesser offense will be reinstated. In all cases, however, the Race Director will make the final ruling. A list of Offense Rankings can be found in the IHRA Rule Book.

CREDENTIALS

Each driver of a vehicle entered in any event must have a valid State or Provincial driver's license and a valid WDRA, NHRA or IHRA license where applicable. These licenses are subject to inspection by race officials at any time.

ELECTRONICS

Use of any electronic devices that function to relay vehicle track position, progressive elapsed times or "read" the Christmas tree are specifically prohibited. Their use will result in immediate and indefinite suspension of all competition privileges. Data loggers are allowed in vehicles running 9.99 or quicker in the ¹/₄ mile. Downtrack throttle controllers (electric or pneumatic) are prohibited in GBM classes; all downtrack throttle control must be a function of the driver.

ENGINE DIAPERS

All cars running 8.90 seconds or quicker in the quarter mile must use a GBM accepted engine diaper, regardless of class.

RACE CANCELLATION POLICY

RACERS

NO REFUNDS. If rain, curfew or other occurrences halt racing before the completion of two time trials, racers will receive full entry fee credit, valid at any future event within that race season. There will be no pay out. If rain, curfew or other occurrences halt racing after the completion of two time trials, but before the completion of first round eliminations for all classes, racers will receive a credit equal to their entry fee, less \$10 for the classes that did not complete first round (\$5 for Junior Dragster). Wristbands must be turned in to redeem this voucher. For the classes that completed first round, the payout will be divided equally to all first round winners of that class. The Box Office will remain open to distribute the Rain-checks for one (1) hour after the event has been canceled. Rain-checks must be picked up on the same date as the rainout. Rain-checks will not be distributed for the event at a later time.

If rain, curfew or other occurrence halts racing after the completion of all first rounds, the race will be considered complete, and:

- all monies earned to that point will be paid
- the balance of the entrants not yet eliminated will receive equally the balance of the unpaid purse due their class for that event
- points will be awarded to the end of the last completed round for each class

SPECTATOR/CREW

NO REFUNDS. If rain, curfew or other occurrences halt racing before the completion of two time trials, spectators/crew will receive full entry fee credit, valid at any future event within that race season. If rain, curfew or other occurrences halt racing after the completion of two time trials, but before the completion of first round eliminations for all classes, spectators/crew will receive a credit equal to the gate fee of that day. These are valid for use at future events within that racing season. *Wristbands must be redeemed in exchange for rain-checks.

If weather, curfew or other occurrence halts races after the completion of first round, the race will be considered complete. Tickets will not be valid at any future event. This includes concerts.

THUNDER SERIES MEMBERSHIP

DRIVER: There is a **\$100 membership** fee for the 2023 THUNDER SERIES.

CO-DRIVERS: will be allowed. Points earned by a co-driver are credited to the member driver. A co-driver's membership fee is \$40. Cut off for co-driver registration is **June 4**, **2023**. ALL co-driver fees must be paid prior to the earning of any points.

RACE PROGRAM

The 2023 Thunder series season will consist of a 10-race program. Best 9 of 10. Can't drop the final Pts race.

POINTS VALUES

Thunder Series members earn points with an elimination round win on a Thunder Series points event. Each round win earns one point.

A driver may run undecided for the first 2 appearances on points days and collect full points for both the first and second weeks. If a class transfer is processed, only these first two week's points will be transferred. To transfer classes, you must inform the tower before eliminations begin.

Registered members will be provided with class sponsor, IHRA and Summit Super Series decals, which are to be is displayed on both sides of the racecar. **These decals must be displayed to earn points in your class.**

BRACKET WORLD FINALS

At the end of the season a team will be created to represent Grand Bend Motorplex in Martin Michigan for the 2023 WDRA Summit North Division Bracket World Finals. All Thunder Series classes will have the opportunity to qualify to compete in the 2023 WDRA Summit North Division Bracket Finals Sept 23-24, 2023. **Qualifying will be based on your Thunder series points total over the entire season.**

SEASON END TIE

In the event of a tie on the last scheduled event of the THUNDER SERIES program, the following procedures will determine the winner:

1) # of wins for the season, if still tied then;

- 2) # of r/u's for the season, if still tied then;
- 3) # of semi appearances for the season, if still tied a runoff will take place

THUNDER SERIES FULL PROGRAM

- TOP ET:7.00 11.99, boxes OK, throttle stops as starting line
launch only (not as "downtrack" throttle stops)
WDRA rulesMODIFIED ET:7.00 13.99, boxes, throttle control counters or
- timers Not Allowed; Trans Brakes and 4 wheel line locks OK SUPER BIKE/
- ASPHALT SLED: Any dial, no boxes. No exhaust pointing down on Asphalt Sled
- SPORTSMAN ET: 11.70 and slower, delay boxes, transbrakes, two steps, air/electric shifters or throttle control counters Not Allowed. OEM electronics required. Single staging Line locks allowed.
- JUNIORS : 1/8th mile Advanced & Development Trophies to winner/Runner Up & Consolation winner

CLASS ENTRY FEES	(car & driver): TOP ET/MOD ET \$100 S/BIKE-SLED \$100 SPORTSMAN \$70 JUNIORS \$40/\$50 OPEN COMP \$100	Racer entry is comprised of a participation fee and a contribution toward the purse/payout.
RE-ENTRY FEE	TOP ET, MOD ET, Bike/Sl Sportsman JUNIOR (consolation rac	\$20

ADMISSION: ADULTS \$15 - \$65 (depending on event)

THUNDER SERIES PAYOUTS

Top, Mod ET & Bike/Sled & O/C \$100 entry

	0- 10	11- 16	17- 20	21- 24	25- 28	29- 32	33- 37	38-41	42-44	45-48	49-52
Win	250	450	500	525	600	675	700	750	800	850	900
R/up	150	175	200	225	250	275	290	300	310	330	350
Semi	50	75	100	125	155	175	190	200	210	230	245
Quarter			25	50	60	75	80	90	100	110	125
Eights							20	30	35	40	45
Sixteens											

	53- 55	56- 60	61- 64	65- 69	70- 74	75- 79	80- 84	85-89	90-94	95+	
Win	950	1050	1100	1125	1150	1175	1200	1225	1250	1300	
R/up	375	400	425	435	450	465	475	500	525	575	
Semi	255	275	300	315	325	340	355	375	400	425	
Quarter	130	140	150	150	160	170	180	200	220	235	

Eights	50	55	60	60	65	70	85	100	110	115	
Sixteens				15	20	25	30	35	40	45	

These are the minimum purses if there are unused payouts on the ladder they will be added back and split $2/3^{rd}$ Winner, 1/3rd Runner up.

Sportsman \$70 entry

	0-10	11- 16	17- 20	21- 24	25- 28	29- 32	33- 37
Win	125	160	175	200	225	250	300
R/up	75	100	125	150	175	200	220
Semi	25	50	65	80	100	120	125
Quarter		25	35	45	50	60	65
Eights							10

	38- 41	42- 44	45- 49	50+			
Win	320	330	350	375			
R/up	230	245	260	275			
Semi	135	140	150	160			
Quarter	70	75	85	90			

Eights	15	20	25	30			

These are the minimum purses if there are unused payouts on the ladder they will be added back and split $2/3^{rd}$ Winner, 1/3rd Runner up.

2023 THUNDER SERIES CHAMPIONS AWARDS

The 2022 THUNDER SERIES Champions Awards date will be determined and posted on the GBM website later in the season.

THUNDER SERIES SEASON PAYOUTS

100% of memberships (net of tax)

Place	Top \$800	Mod \$800	Street \$400	S/B-S \$800
1	or 40%	or 40%	or 40%	or 40%
2	25%	25%	25%	25%
3	20%	20%	20%	20%
4	10%	10%	10%	10%
5	5%	5%	5%	5%

2023 THUNDER SERIES CHAMPIONS

40% of memberships (or guarantee) plus Champions Trophy & Jacket

PLUS CONTINGENCY

2023 JUNIOR DRAGSTER CHAMPIONS

40% of memberships (or guarantee) plus Champions Trophy & Jacket **PLUS CONTINGENCY**

2023 THUNDER SERIES RUNNER UPS

25% of membership monies plus Runner Up Trophy **PLUS CONTINGENCY**

YEAR END PAYOUT LEVELS WILL BE DETERMINED BY CLASS PARTICIPATION

Class Winners get 40% of memberships or a Guaranteed Payout (Top,Mod,Bike/Sled \$800, Street/Sportsman \$400, Open Comp \$500, Junior Advanced \$350 Development \$250) whichever is greater, 2nd through 5th will be based on a percentage of memberships purchased. See above.

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

A Rookie of the Year is a first time Thunder Series member and must be indicated on the Membership Application. The winner will be determined in the same fashion as a Championship tie, combining all Thunder Series classes.

2023 THUNDER SERIES Rookie trophy and "Rookie of the Year"

jacket PLUS CONTINGENCY

2023 JUNIOR DRAGSTER - ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

2023 Rookie of the year trophy & jacket PLUS CONTINGENCY

2023 THUNDER SERIES GRAND CHAMPION

This award can be won by any Thunder Series member driver and is in recognition of winning the most rounds of competition throughout the whole season. The final winner will be determined through a Tournament Style run-off of each of the four Thunder Series class winners.

THUNDER SERIES "Grand Champion" jacket & trophy PLUS CONTINGENCY

KENDALL HEBERT MEMORIAL AWARD SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR

This prestigious award is a tribute to a fine young woman who grew up racing at GBM. Kendall loved drag racing and all the aspects that go with it. Her goal was to make a career in the sport and we lost her doing what she loved to do. Kendall, like our Sportsman Candidates, was always there to help the local racer and promote the sport to the fans in any way possible. It is a great honour to the recipient to have this award in her memory.

Trophy presented to Winner Name added to plaque displayed in VIP Lounge at track

JUNIOR DRAGSTER SERIES

BRACKET RACE DATES

Development/Advanced classes May 20 & 21 – June 3 & 4, June 17, July 1 & 2, July 22 & 23, September 2 Championship day

NON POINTS JUNIOR RACES

July 30/31, July 17, Aug 5/6, 12/13 &19, Sept 3 &16/17

EVENT ENTRY Advanced: car & driver \$50/day, Development : car & driver \$40/day

DRIVER: There is a \$50 membership fee per class for 2023

CO-DRIVERS: will be allowed. Points earned by a co-driver are credited to the member driver. A co-driver's membership fee is \$15. Cut off for co-driver registration is June 4, 2023 ALL co-driver fees must be paid prior to the earning of any points.

PRIZES Junior Advanced & 330 Outlaw 0-4 5-8 9-12 13-16 17-20 21+

Winner	\$65	\$90	\$125	\$145	\$160	\$175
Runner up	\$35	\$50	\$65	\$75	\$90	\$110
Semi's		\$20	\$30	\$45	\$50	\$60
Quarters				\$10	\$25	\$30

Junior Development 0-4 5-8 9-12 13-16 17-20 21+ Winner \$40 \$60 \$85 \$110 \$130 \$140 Runner up \$20 \$25 \$40 \$50 \$60 \$65 \$40 Semi's \$10 \$20 \$25 \$35 Quarters \$5 \$10 \$15

CONSOLATION	Winner	\$50, Trophy
(bracket only)	Runner up	\$25
	Semi's	\$10 GBM Bucks

The Junior Dragster Series programs are designed to allow youth, from 7-17, the opportunity to race at Grand Bend Motorplex as a legitimate part of our overall racing program. Competition is restricted to a 1/8-mile format, for primarily ½ scale dragsters. Jr. Funny Cars and Altereds are permitted, with design approval by the WDRA technical department prior to competition.

AGE AND ET RESTRICTIONS: The Jr. Dragster classes are an all run format, they have no age restrictions in running either class but WDRA age/ ET requirements will be observed. The Driver can run in the class that he chooses, but points cannot be transferred from one class to the other.

-Competitors aged 8 or 9 are restricted to 11.90 sec., or slower ET's.

-10-17 year old competitors may run as quickly as 8.90 seconds.

-Competitors aged 12 and up may run as quick as 7.90 with a minimum of 2 years experience; licensing by WDRA or Grand Bend Motorplex track official after 6 approved runs.

17 year olds can apply to WDRA for an E licence to run 7.50

<u>WDRA safety and procedural rules will apply at all times</u>, unless an exception is made on the part of the Grand Bend Motorplex officials. In all cases, the decisions of the race director are final. Jr. Dragster competitors and crew must adhere to the same rules of competition and conduct as the other Thunder Series classes.

CONSOLATION RACE: Those competitors who lose in the first round have the option of buying into the consolation race. These competitors will race off against one another to determine a consolation winner.

VISIBILITY AND TOWING REQUIREMENTS: It is mandatory that a fluorescent or brightly colored flag be attached to the Jr. Dragster anytime the vehicle is towed. Tow vehicles in the form of a golf cart, three or four-wheel support vehicle is mandatory. No full-size vehicles permitted. The tow vehicle is to be operated only by an adult or a street-licensed individual anywhere on the facility. Any time a Jr. Drag Racing vehicle is being towed, the driver must be seated in the cockpit. NO PASSENGERS.

JUNIOR SERIES SEASON PAYOUTS 100% of memberships less tax

Place	Junior A	Junior D
1	\$250 or 40%	\$200 or 40%
2	25%	25%
3	20%	20%
4	10%	10%
5	5%	5%

ROCKSEDGE EX32

EVENT DATES:

May 20 & 21 – June 3 & 4, June 17, July 1 & 2, July 22 & 23, & September 2 Championship day

RACE FORMAT: – 2 Qualifiers, followed by eliminations, Sportsman (Sat) or Pro(Sun) ladder applies.

EVENT ENTRY FEES: Car/Driver \$170/event.

DRIVER: There is a **\$100 membership** fee for the 2023 season.

CO-DRIVERS: will be allowed. Points earned by a co-driver are credited to the member driver. A co-driver's membership fee is \$40. Cut off for co-driver registration is June 3, 2022. All co-driver fees must be paid prior to the earning of any points.

QUALIFIED FIELDS: 9.99 maximum dial – quickest 32 vehicles per side that enter & qualify. Open to any competitor.

QUALIFYING PROGRAM: There will be no assigned lanes for qualifying; a competitor can make all of their qualifying runs in the same lane, per WDRA Sportsman rules. But competitors will qualify "side by side". If one staging lane is emptied and vehicles remain in one staging lane (lined up one behind the other), the first car out of each pair will be sent to the left lane.

RULES:

- Chassis must conform to WDRA/IHRA or NHRA certificate rules.
- Engine diapers mandatory. (if 8.90 or quicker)
- Must run sponsor decals for points and yearend payout
- All drivers must be licensed.
- Parachutes required over 150 MPH.
- No re-staging.
- First driver to pre-stage will wait for the other driver to prestage.
- Any unacceptable delay in leaving the track at the turnaround will cause automatic disqualification.

EXTREME 32 PAYOUT PROGRAM

Payout total for each class will be based on \$125 per entry money received (example 20 cars @ \$125 = \$2500 purse) and will be paid out as follows.

Winner	40% *	(minimum payout \$1200 16 cars and up)
Runner up	20%	
Semi's	10%	
Quarter's	5%	

POINT STRUCTURE:

POINTS

100 Attendance Points

QUALIFYING POINTS					
1 st & 2nd	20 pts	15 th &16th	13 pts		
3 ^{5d} & 4 ^h	19 pts	17 th & 18th	12 pts		
5 th & 6th	18 pts	19th & 20th	11 pts		
7th & 8th	17 pts	21 st 7 22 ^{ad}	10 pts		
9 th & 10 th	16 pts	23 ^{°d} & 24 ^h	9 pts		
11 th & 12 th 15pts 25 th & 26 th 8 pts					
13 th & 1	4 ^h 14pts	$27^{h} - 32^{ad}$	7 pts		

COMPETITION POINTS Winner – 120, Runner Up-100, Semi Finalist- 80, Quarter Finalist – 60, Eight Finalist – 40, 16th Finalist – 20

EXTREME 32 YEAR END PURSE

1st Place 40% of memberships or \$800 (whichever is greater) plus Champions Jacket & Trophy

2nd Place 25% of memberships + Trophy

3rd Place 20% of memberships

4th Place 10% of memberships

5th Place 5% of memberships

TEST & TUNE PROGRAMS

Open to all Race and Street legal vehicles

May 6, 19 June 2, 16, 30 July 22, Aug 11, Sept 1,15

NO PRESSURE!! OPEN TIME TRIALS AND TESTING GATE OPEN 5 PM, LANES OPEN 6 PM - 10:30 PM - TRACK SPRAYED 300 FEET. - AMBULANCE ON SITE - RACE FUELS AVAILABLE. CAR & DRIVER: \$40 CREW: \$15 KIDS (6-12): \$5

TRACK RENTALS

Grand Bend Motorplex is available most weekdays for track rentals, to individuals, car clubs, group rentals, etc. Call the track for availability and rates 519 238 7223.

WDRA SUMMIT SUPER SERIES FOR THE BRACKET RACER

This \$250,000 program is the World Championship for WDRA member track sportsman racers. Summit Racing Equipment, the Official Mail Order Company of WDRA, sponsors a revolutionary program for WDRA sportsman racers. Providing the base for the Summit SuperSeries are the more than 50 WDRA member tracks across the local regions and divisions. The competitors are sportsman, or ET bracket racers, the backbone of grassroots drag racing. The two tiers comprising the Summit SuperSeries are the Summit SuperSeries World Championship and the Summit Team Finals.

SUMMIT TEAM FINALS

All members of our THUNDER SERIES program are automatically eligible to attend this exciting weekend at US 131 in Martin, MI on September 24-25th, 2023. Each track in the Thunder Division can send 50 of their members including Jr. Dragster. The GBM TEAM THUNDER will be selected based on the Season Final point standing as of September 3rd , 2023

2023 OVERNIGHT PIT CAMPING RULES

Glass alcohol bottles are prohibited in all areas of GBM.

No beer or alcoholic beverages of any kind shall be allowed outside your campsite at any time. Contents of ALL GLASS CONTAINERS must be put in cups and empty bottles placed in cases or garbage receptacles immediately. All garbage shall be placed in cans and receptacles provided around the campground.

Campsites must be kept in a neat and tidy condition. Used motor oil must be disposed of in the GBM used motor oil tank at the fuel depot.

Restrict all noise after 11:00pm. No radios, horns, or musical instruments, etc., shall be used outside of camper vehicles from 11:00pm to 8:00am each day. Do not start race vehicles until instructed by the track.

No weapons, firearms, explosives or narcotics of any kind or nature are allowed in the campground at any time. Fireworks, bottle rockets, etc. are not permitted.

No fighting, taunting, teasing or other disruptive activity with other campers, neighbors of the site, security personnel or other campground personnel will be tolerated. Campers are required to comply with all requests made by security and other personnel assigned to control the use of the property. Security has the authority to evict any person or party at their own discretion.

Only one race trailer, racecar, crew car and camper per site. Generators must be positioned to minimize noise to adjoining sites as much as possible.

A decal will be issued from the Grand Bend Motorplex office when a site is purchased. This decal indicates the site number reserved and must be displayed on the camper so it is visible from the road at all times. Campers left on a site without a Pit Site decal will be towed from the property at the owner's expense.

Burning of wood pallets or any wood containing nails or staples is prohibited.

Campfires are permitted and must be contained in a fire pit and/or truck rim. Any fire shall be extinguished if, at the sole discretion of security personnel or officials, the fire is hazardous or dangerous. No bonfires or burning of garbage, refuse, tires, etc. is permitted.

One hour after the final round of eliminations is run the use of pit vehicles (mini-bikes, golf carts, ATV's, etc.) is prohibited.

Grand Bend Motorplex reserves the right to revoke any pit camping permit at any time.

Discharge or leakage of wastewater will not be permitted. A sanitary dump station is located behind the campground washroom; however, dumping of holding tanks is not permitted during the race program.

Grand Bend Motorplex will not be held responsible for any damage, theft, fire, vandalism, act of God, lost or stolen property, accidents or injuries.

THE FOLLOWING RULES APPLY FOR PETS BROUGHT TO THE RACE TRACK:

- a) Pets must be humanely and securely restrained or confined at all times
- b) Owners are responsible for the cleanup of feces
- c) All animal bites or scratches shall be immediately reported to security
- d) Pets must be under owners direct control and must be walked on a leash
- e) All pets must be vaccinated for rabies as required under the Huron County code

Please use a wood block under your trailer jack stand if pitting on asphalt.

- FIREWOOD AND ICE IS AVAILABLE AT THE FRONT GATE
- PIT SHOWERS ARE FOR RACE TEAMS ONLY

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- ALL CAMPERS MUST WEAR A WRISTBAND OR HAVE PROPER CREDENTIALS AT ALL TIMES. ANYONE NOT COMPLYING WILL BE IMMEDIATELY ESCORTED TO THE GATE FOR PURCHASE AND POSSIBLY EVICTED.
- PURCHASING A SEASON CAMPING/PIT SITE DOES NOT ENTITLE YOU TO FREE SPECTATOR ENTRY INTO THE TRACK ON FRIDAY FOR ANY EVENT.

2023 Dragstrip Schedule

May 6 Sat Season Opening T & T (tentative)

May 19-21 Leaf Racewear Spring Fling, GBM Pts Opener

June 2-4 GBM Points Wkd/Can Am S/SS

June 16-18 SUMMER SPECTACULAR (formerly Stratford) GBM Points (Sat) + PM, TD/TS & Show cars

June 30-July 2 Specialty Race Friday, ONDR Nostalgia Wkd + GBM Pts Sat & Sun

July 21-23 GBM Points Wkd

Aug 4-6 THE BIG ONE! WDRA CDN Nationals

Aug 11-13 Windsor Wkd

Aug 17-20 660 Sportsman Nationals Big \$ wkd

Sept 1-3 "Thunder by the Beach" Championship Wkd

Sept 15-17 Fallfast Big \$ Wkd & Racer Appreciation dinner

WDRA BRACKET FINALS at US131 Sept 23-24th

Oct 14- CSCS series.