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WORLD TIME ATTACK CHALLENGE TO STAR UNDER LIGHTS AT WESTERN SYDNEY THROUGH TO 2025

Sydney Motorsport Park will host the acclaimed World Time Attack Challenge for a further five years - and for the first time under lights - building on a decade of success and smashed records for the event at the Eastern Creek venue.

The NSW Government through its tourism and major events agency Destination NSW has announced its support for World Time Attack Challenge from 2021-2025, ensuring the highly engaging, high-speed event will continue to deliver benefits for Western Sydney's visitor economy.

Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney Stuart Ayres said the event was a firm fan-favourite and staple on the Sydney Motorsport Park calendar, returning 15 and 16 October 2021.

"World Time Attack Challenge is the largest event of its kind anywhere in the world and the last iteration attracted 3.1 million live streams globally," Minister Ayres said.

"Competitors and teams race furiously for the fastest lap and showcase cutting-edge engineering alongside the skill and expertise of the drivers, which is sure to be even more dynamic at night under lights for the first time in the event's history.

"The NSW Government has invested \$33 million in the world-class facility so we're excited World Time Attack Challenge has made Sydney Motorsport Park its home, in turn creating opportunities for the local visitor economy through visitation and media exposure.

"It is expected that the event will generate more than \$14.5 million in visitor expenditure for NSW over the next five years, creating confidence on our road to recovery and reinforcing the critical role of major events as outlined in the Visitor Economy Strategy 2030.

"Bring on October when rubber will hit the racetrack once again and fans will be revved up for two-days of drifting demos, stunt driving, a huge car show and of course, the main event," Minister Ayres said.

The 2021 event will be the debut of night racing, with the schedule to include time trials for the domestic competitors under lights on Friday and Saturday.

The last World Time Attack Challenge in 2019 attracted more than 21,500 attendees, with two in five being intrastate or interstate visitors.

World Time Attack Challenge CEO Ian Baker said the racing community was hungry to return to Sydney Motorsport Park.

“Western Sydney has always been our home since our inaugural event at Oran Park in 2007.

“As much as we will miss our international friends, the champions of our sport reside in our fair country and Sydney will always be the world’s proving ground for time attack racing,” Mr Baker said.

For more information, visit: www.worldtimeattack.com

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