

2019 GATEWAY TRACK CHAMPIONSHIP E.T. SERIES QUICK FACTS

The 2019 Gateway Motorsports Park Championship E.T. Bracket Series will consist of eleven (11) races. A participant's best eight (8) finishes count toward the championship.

Saturday, April 6:	Race #1 with JEGS Super Quick
Sunday, April 7:	Race #2 with JEGS Super Quick
Saturday, April 13:	Race #3
Saturday, May 25:	Race #4
Sunday, May 26:	Race #5
Friday, July 5:	Race #6 – Holiday Evening Special
Saturday, July 6:	Race #7 – Evening Event
Saturday, July 20:	Race #8 – Late Night Special
Saturday, July 27:	Race #9 - Late Night Special
Saturday, August 31:	Race #10 – King of the Track Qualifier, Focus Fest
Sunday, September 1:	Race #11 – King of the Track Eliminations, Randy Drake Memorial
Friday, October 18 (non-points):	FALL BRACKET SPECIAL
Saturday, October 19 (non-points):	NHRA ALL Access Challenge
Sunday, October 20 (non-points):	FALL BRACKET FINALE

*The 2019 King of the Track will feature a match-up of winners from Saturday, September 1 in Super Pro, Pro, Sportsman and Pro Motorcycle vs. the Sunday, September 2 winners in the same classes. King of the Track eliminations will be contested as 1/8 mile **without** Complulink Cross-Talk.*

CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES

Please refer to 2019 NHRA Summit Racing Series Division 3 E.T. Finals Bracket Rules for class specifications and safety requirements. In addition, the NHRA 2019 rulebook will be adhered to in conducting our event. Championships will be presented for the following classes:

*Super Pro **	(3.66 – 7.75) – 1/8 mile
*Pro	(5.40 – 8.99) – 1/8 mile
*Sportsman	(12.00 – 19.99) – ¼ mile
*Super Pro Bike	(7.50 – 15.99) – ¼ mile
*High School⁺	(12.00 – 19.99) – ¼ Mile
Trophy	(12.00 and slower) – ¼ mile

*indicates NHRA E.T. Finals Championship Category.

**Please note that Super Pro has a quicker dial-in allowance than the 4.30-7.75 that will be contested at ET Finals. However, drivers must meet license, safety and chassis requirements in order to run quicker than 4.30.

⁺ Contested on Select W.O.W. Dates. Number of races that count and number of events differ from the regular bracket program. Contact Paul Hagen for more information.

TEAM GATEWAY 2019

Team Gateway for the 2019 E.T. Finals will be comprised of 32 total vehicles from our Gateway Championship events (listed above) and 2 High School participants. Only racers who have signed up for points membership and have competed in Carl's 4WD Super Pro, Pro, Sportsman and Super Pro Bike will be eligible for competition at the 2019 Summit E.T. Racing Series NHRA Finals in Indianapolis. Racers will be chosen based on final points standings at the end of

the season. The number of racers taken per class will be dependant on the overall participation of the class throughout the season. Kevin Corzine will be the Team Coordinator for 2019. NHRA Division 3 has some exciting programs to change up Indy for 2019, including 3 Races now. We will have full details shortly.

A word from 2019 Indy Team Coordinator:

I have volunteered to be the coordinator for team Gateway for the 2019 Div 3 ET Finals. Please take some time and read all the information available for the new multi race format they are planning for this year in Indy. Please also read all of the new incentives and plans Gateway is offering to be in the points program to be eligible for the finals. I will be in points this year and part time working the track so I will be very visible throughout the year and would like anyone interested, joining, or having any questions to stop by and talk with me and let me know your intentions.

I will be putting together the roster, captains, decorations, t-shirts, and everything associated with the event. Any suggestions, volunteers, or help is appreciated. If you can be a team captain and would like to be a part of this, let me know as I have someone in mind but need 3 total people to be captains. Decoration committee and ideas for t-shirts are encouraged. I am trying to get everyone involved early so we can be prepared as a team like we never have before. The theme I am choosing to run with is "Car Wars"! I think we can use this Star Wars knock off to have one hell of a cool shirt, have decorations to go along, maybe a costume or two. (Who's the poor sap that is going to be Chewbacca?) Let's get this rolling and hopefully get excited about the finals this year and have a great points race to get on this team. I am looking forward to hearing from you all, we have plenty of time, so catch me at the track, email me, or call knowing I have a business of my own to run but would love to chat when I'm not too busy at work.

Team Gateway ET Finals Coordinator,
Kevin P Corzine

NEW FOR 2019 Highlights:

- Re-Vamped Points Structure, now following the NHRA Sportsman Points Standard, see www.gatewaymsp.com for more info.
- Bye run now determined off Best Reaction Time, unused bye carries over until Ladder Round.
- Bonus payout in Super Pro, Pro, and Sportsman for joining the Points Membership and making the final round. See Payouts for more information.
- Increased End of Year Purse!
- Rookie of the Year Program: If you have run 3 or less races in a class per year over the last 5 years, you are eligible for "Rookie of the Year" status for that class. There will be something special at the end of the year. Please select Rookie Eligibility on the Points Signup Form.
- 2nd Time Trial Round will be a "Run for the Money". Cash entry to be paid in the staging lanes, Super Pro and Pro is \$20, Sportsman is \$10. Put a dial in on your car once you have paid. 50% of the money goes to the winner, 50% of the money goes to the Year End Points Fund per class. You can track the progress of the Year-End fund online on the points page.
 - In the event of a tie, tie-breaker policy is as follows:
 - 1st Tie-Breaker: Best Reaction Time

- 2nd Tie-Breaker: whoever did it first
- 2019 Season Banquet to be held during the AAA Midwest Nationals!!!
- Bracket Racing Call-Outs: Do you have that race you are dying to see? Do you want to put some skin in the game and call out your buddy? Put up some money and we will make the race happen. More details coming soon.

Points Program Overview:

- Drivers competing in multiple classes must have each class listed on their car.
- Drivers entering in multiple classes are solely responsible for quickly returning to the lanes between rounds of competition. All classes will be based on 10 minute turn-around rule.
- All drivers and cars must meet minimum NHRA competition guidelines. Please refer to the 2019 NHRA rulebook.
- Point registration must be purchased before points will be credited. Point Membership registration fee is \$50 per year, per class and includes NHRA –or- track number registration. MUST be signed up for points prior to Round 1 of competition to be eligible for “Points Bonus” Money.
- New for 2019; ALL competitors who compete in a Carl’s 4WD event will have their points tracked, however, to receive points and be eligible for Indy, the \$50 Points Membership MUST be purchased. You will only receive the points for races AFTER you sign up for Points Membership, they will NOT go retro-active.
- Please refer to gatewaymsp.com and monthly e-mail update for schedule information as they will change based on event schedule/special features.
- Track reserves right to add special bracket eliminators at all events based on show content, time constraints and weather. Our main priority will be for the championship point classes.
- Trophy is established as an entry level class designed to introduce our street legal, Midnight Madness and High School participants to the sport of bracket racing. Drivers with more than 5 consecutive years of bracket racing experience are not eligible to enter. Trophy is a non-points class. If you have won 2 prior races in Trophy, you are no longer eligible.
- Gateway Motorsports Park will utilize Compulink TruSTART for all classes in the 2019 Points Series. A special description of True-Start will be posted in the racer’s tab of Gatewaymsp.com
- All items are subject to change at the discretion of the event director. All decisions by the event director are final.
- In the event of a tie in the final standings, a tie-breaker will be used to determine final finish. Tie-breakers are outlined in the racer handbook posted on Gatewaymsp.com

2019 Gateway Motorsports Park Standard Bracket Payout

Super Pro – Championship Points Class – Summit E.T. Finals

\$75 entry fee - \$40 buyback

1/8 Mile

<u>Win</u>	<u>R/U</u>	<u>Semi</u>	<u>Qtrs.</u>
\$1,000*	\$500*	\$200	\$100

If 2019 Points Member, Bonus \$100 to Win, \$50 to R/U

\$200 winner bonus if more than 64 cars in round 1 of eliminations

NOTE: Bonus checks will be mailed the week following the event for verification purposes.

Pro Bracket – Championship Points Class – Summit E.T. Finals

\$60 entry fee - \$30 buyback

1/8 mile

<u>Win</u>	<u>R/U</u>	<u>Semi</u>	<u>Qtrs.</u>
\$800*	\$400*	\$150	\$75

If 2019 Points Member, Bonus \$100 to Win, \$50 to R/U

\$200 winner bonus if more than 64 cars in round 1 of eliminations

NOTE: Bonus checks will be mailed the week following the event for verification purposes.

Sportsman Bracket – Championship Points Class – Summit E.T. Finals

\$40 entry fee - \$20 buyback

Quarter Mile

<u>Win</u>	<u>R/U</u>	<u>Semi</u>	<u>Qtrs.</u>
\$300 ⁺	\$150 ⁺	\$75	\$55

⁺If 2019 Points Member, Bonus \$50 to Win, \$25 to R/U⁺

\$200 winner bonus if more than 64 cars in round 1 of eliminations

NOTE: Bonus checks will be mailed the week following the event for verification purposes.

Pro Motorcycle – Championship Points Class – Summit E.T. Finals

\$40 entry fee - \$20 buyback

Quarter Mile – Payout based on minimum of 6 bikes in round 1

<u>Win</u>	<u>R/U</u>
\$150	\$75

5 or less: 75% payback split between win and runner up

Street Trophy[™] - Non-Points Class

\$30 entry fee – No buyback, 3 time runs

Quarter Mile

Winner receives Trophy – Runner-Up receives plaque

[™]Per race sponsorships are available for both Street Trophy and Jr. Dragster Classes. Please contact drag manager George Whitaker for additional information. Class sponsorship fee is \$150 for Street Trophy (\$100 to winner / \$50 to runner-up).

*To be eligible to receive the bonus money, you MUST have been signed up prior to Round 1 of eliminations.

In the event that an event is cancelled during eliminations for any reason, the purse will be split among remaining competitors. Checks will be cut and mailed the Tuesday following the event, a valid 2019 W-9 MUST be on file with Gateway MSP to receive a check for 2019. 2019 Points Membership bonus money will ONLY be split between those racers who signed up for the 2019 Points Membership.

Unless otherwise noted. Purses are guaranteed.

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2019 CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS FUND

The following awards will be distributed at the 2019 Banquet.

The total per class raised from the Run for the Money will be added to these amounts.

Super Pro

- 1). \$1,200 + track gold card, trophy and jacket. + 55% of Run for the Money Pot
- 2). \$600 + trophy + 25% of Run for the Money Pot
- 3). \$300 + trophy + 10% of Run for the Money Pot
- 4). \$200 + trophy + 5% of Run for the Money Pot
- 5). \$150 + trophy +5% of Run for the Money Pot

Pro

- 1). \$1,000 + track gold card, trophy and jacket. +55% of Run for the Money Pot
- 2). \$500 + trophy +25% of Run for the Money Pot
- 3). \$250 + trophy +10% of Run for the Money Pot
- 4). \$175 + trophy +5% of Run for the Money Pot
- 5). \$125 + trophy +5% of Run for the Money Pot

Sportsman

- 1). \$500 + track gold card, trophy and jacket +55% of Run for the Money Pot
- 2). \$250 + trophy +25% of Run for the Money Pot
- 3). \$150 + trophy +10% of Run for the Money Pot
- 4). \$125 + trophy +5% of Run for the Money Pot
- 5). \$100 + trophy +5% of Run for the Money Pot

Pro Motorcycle

- 1). \$150 +track gold card, trophy and jacket.
- 2). \$75 +trophy.
- 3). \$50 +trophy.

General Bracket Schedule (Day Event):

Note: Subject to Change, detailed schedule will be posted 1 week prior to event at

www.gatewaymsp.com

Gates Open:	9:30 AM
Tech Inspection: (Lanes 7 & 8)	10:30 AM
Jr. Dragster Time Trials:	11:00 AM (2 runs, ½ hour apart)
Time Trials: (2 Runs)	12:00 PM
Run Order: Jrs, Trophy, Sportsman, Guest Class (if applicable, subject to move), Pro, Pro Motorcycle, Super Pro	
Round 1: (approximate)	2:30 PM
Secure: (approximate)	8:30 PM
Pits Clear:	10:00 PM (appx 1 hour after race completed)

General Bracket Schedule (Late Night Special Events):

Note: Subject to Change, detailed schedule will be posted 1 week prior to event at

www.gatewaymsp.com

Gates Open:	4:00 PM
Tech Inspection: (Lanes 7 & 8)	5:00 PM
Jr. Dragster Time Trial (1 Run):	6:00 PM
Time Trials: (1 Runs)	6:30 PM
Run Order: Jrs, Trophy, Sportsman, Guest Class (if applicable, subject to move), Pro, Pro Motorcycle, Super Pro	
Round 1: (approximate)	8:00 PM
Secure: (approximate)	1:00 AM

2019 Season Banquet Details:

Anyone signing up for points by the end of the first weekend (completion of race #2) will get \$100 in bonus perks for free:

- Free admission ticket to the Friday, September 27, 2019 AAA Insurance NHRA Midwest Nationals and 1 free ticket to the awards banquet being held following racing that evening. (\$70 value)
- Gateway Motorsports Park collectible aluminum insulated tumbler (\$30 value) which will be distributed at the May 25 & 26 event.

2019 Dragstrip Awards Banquet – Friday, September 27

- Banquet will be held at Gateway Motorsports Park immediately following the completion of drag racing activities.
- The banquet tent will open at 7 p.m. on Friday night with dinner at 8 p.m. and awards beginning 15 minutes following the completion of racing. Banquet attendees will enjoy the event from the comforts of a corporate finish line area tent. Awards presentation will last approximately 75 minutes.
- Bracket members who sign up prior to April 7 will receive one (1) adult general admission race ticket and a banquet ticket free of charge.
- Bracket members, who did not sign up prior to April 7, will be eligible to purchase a general admission/banquet ticket combo for only \$50. (A \$20 discount). Purchase must be completed by Monday, September 9, 2019.

- Each racer is eligible to purchase up to 4 Friday general admission/banquet combo tickets for \$50. Additional adult race/banquet combo tickets, if available, will be \$70.
- Kids 12 and under banquet tickets will be available to purchase for \$15 (as kids 12 and under are free to the event).