Australia’s fastest show on four wheels returns to Darwin this weekend, with the ANDRA Drag Racing Series set to light up Hidden Valley for a second consecutive year.

Known as the ‘Nitro up North’ fans can expect the fastest cars in the country to hit speeds of over 500kmh – travelling a quarter mile track in 4.5 seconds.

Chief Minister Adam Giles said the action-packed weekend of motorsport would have great benefits for the Northern Territory.

“The Northern Territory Government is proud to bring the ANDRA Drag Racing Series back to Darwin for a second consecutive year,” Mr Giles said.

“In 2015, the event was the Territory’s second largest motorsport spectacle of the year with an average nightly attendance of over 10,000 fans.

“The economic benefit is also fantastic, with over $1.7 million to be thrust into the Territory economy through tourism and event costs. The ANDRA Series is also nationally televised bringing great exposure to the region.”

“Motorsports, like drag racing, are important for the Territory economy which is why the Country Liberals Government have allocated $8.99 million in Budget 2016 for utility infrastructure upgrades at Hidden Valley Motor Sports Complex.

“This Government has been working hard to cement the Territory’s reputation as a haven for motorsports and entertainment.”

President of the Hidden Valley Drag Racing Association Scott MacLean said the weekend-long event would satisfy every motorsport fan’s need for speed.

“We are very excited to have the Nitro up North back again in 2016,” Mr MacLean said.

“This year we will have some of the best vehicles and drivers in the world compete in the Top Fuel, Top Doorslammer, Top Bike and Summit Sportsman Series.
“It is going to be a massive event. Ticket sales have been fantastic and we are expecting to increase all of our numbers from 2015.”

Tickets to the ‘Nitro up North’ ANDRA Drag Racing Series are still available. They can be purchased at the gate or at Redline Plumbing in Palmerston.

A 2 Day Pass is $55 for adults, children under 15 are free.

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