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## **'Roadkill Nights Powered by Dodge' Returns Saturday, Aug. 14 — A Homecoming for Legal Street Racing**

*Thousands of automotive enthusiasts are welcomed back to Woodward Avenue to celebrate car culture and to attend this year's ultimate car festival of legal street racing*

- MotorTrend Presents Roadkill Nights Powered by Dodge will be held for the sixth year in Pontiac, Michigan, kicking off metro Detroit's weeklong celebration of the American car culture
- High-octane excitement with a full day of sanctioned legal street racing on historic Woodward Avenue, August 14, 2021
- A series of exhilarating interactive experiences, including thrill and drift rides in Dodge Challenger and Charger SRT Hellcats in two locations, immersive activations and exclusive insider access celebrating the return of legal street racing
- New celebrity showdown format with Eric Malone, star of MotorTrend's series "Fastest Cars in the Dirty South," racing against four popular automotive social media influencers
- Stay tuned for Roadkill Nights event information and drag racing applications at [hotrod.com/events/roadkillnights](https://www.hotrod.com/events/roadkillnights)

June 10, 2021, Auburn Hills, Mich. - Returning to kick off cruise week for 2021, MotorTrend Presents Roadkill Nights Powered by Dodge is back with legal street drags on iconic Woodward Avenue.

For the sixth year, Roadkill Nights Powered by Dodge returns as the traditional kick off to the Motor City's weeklong celebration of classic cars and car culture with legal street drag racing, classic and modern muscle car show, exhilarating interactive experiences and immersive, fun-filled activities at M1 Concourse in Pontiac, Michigan. Unlike any other event in the world, drivers of the fastest street-legal drag cars in America have the opportunity to drag race in front of spectators on historic Woodward Avenue as it is transformed from a street into a sanctioned, 1/8-mile drag strip.

"Roadkill Nights — legal street racing powered by Dodge — is back this summer," said Tim Kuniskis, Dodge Brand Chief Executive Officer - Stellantis. "Our Brotherhood of Muscle spoke — screamed, actually — that they were ready for it to return, so we're doing it. Plus, this year we're going to take it up a notch with a TV-versus-online build-and-race challenge. The 'build rules' are going to be really loose, so we should see some serious hardware being built to find out who's faster: the TV or the Internet stars."

Also returning for 2021 are Dodge thrill and drift rides in Challenger and Charger SRT Hellcats, where participants can go for the rides of their lives as the supercharged HEMI® cuts the tires loose on the M1 Concourse skidpad and north loop portion of the track. Other returning fan favorites include the high-octane virtual head-to-head racing in Dodge Challenger SRT Demon simulators; classic and modern muscle car show; dyno testing; "Roadkill" stunts; flamethrower, wheelstander, pro-mod exhibitions; family-friendly activities; and an eclectic array of food truck offerings (subject to change).

Roadkill Nights is shifting gears this year with a new celebrity showdown format providing four popular automotive social media influencers each with a Dodge Hellcat, \$10,000 in cash for car modifications and one task: build drag racing machines capable of besting Eric Malone, star of MotorTrend's series "Fastest Cars in the Dirty South," in a

drag race. Nothing compares to the pure adrenaline of a driver hitting the gas on a 1/8-mile straightaway and MotorTrend will capture it all this year within a one-hour "Roadkill Showdown Special" to air on MotorTrend's streaming service and on MotorTrend TV.

"After a COVID-19 hiatus in 2020, we are proud to partner with Dodge and bring back for our fans Roadkill Nights," said Eric Schwab, MotorTrend Group's Group SVP, Head of Revenue and Partnerships. "If you've ever dreamed of watching street-legal drag racing down Woodward Avenue, come to our event! We have Dodge thrill rides, a car show and street-legal drag racing. It's going to be an absolutely epic day for anyone with a passion for cars!"

Gates will be open for MotorTrend Presents Roadkill Nights Powered by Dodge on Saturday, August 14 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Drag racing starts at 11 a.m.

For those unable to attend Roadkill Nights Powered by Dodge, there will be a livestream feed across a variety of channels, so everyone can experience the excitement as the event unfolds, including:

- [Dodge.com](https://www.dodge.com)
- Dodge brand [YouTube channel](#)
- [DodgeGarage.com](https://www.dodgegarage.com)
- [MotorTrend OnDemand](#)
- MotorTrend [YouTube channel](#) (live and replay)

#### **Registration Information**

Additional information and details are coming soon, including spectator tickets, car show registration, participant registration for drag racing and an extensive range of packages, at [hotrod.com/events/roadkillnights](https://www.hotrod.com/events/roadkillnights).

Automotive super fans will be able to attend and take part in this year's ultimate car festival. Final capacity limits, rules and regulations will be in accordance with state and local health department guidelines.

Roadkill Nights is an event produced by ROADKILL, a brand of MotorTrend Group, with a hit show that delivers a one-of-a-kind taste of "Automotive Chaos Theory" on the MotorTrend App and MotorTrend TV.

For more information on Roadkill and Roadkill Nights, follow [facebook.com/roadkillshow](https://www.facebook.com/roadkillshow) and [twitter.com/roadkillshow](https://twitter.com/roadkillshow). Fans can follow the action for Roadkill Nights with hashtags #RoadkillNights and #PoweredByDodge.

Street racing can have serious legal and safety risks. Both ROADKILL and Dodge want enthusiasts to enjoy performance driving in a safe, controlled environment, run by professionals with vehicle safety inspections, driver evaluations and track safety.

#### **ROADKILL**

The ROADKILL brand delivers a one-of-a-kind taste of "Automotive Chaos Theory" and features authentic gearheads David Freiburger and Mike Finnegan in a variety of mediums, including Roadkill Nights branded events, and Roadkill, Roadkill Extra, Roadkill Garage, and Roadkill's Junkyard Gold shows, available on the [MotorTrend App](#).

#### **MotorTrend Group**

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#### **Dodge//SRT**

For more than 100 years, the Dodge brand has carried on the spirit of brothers John and Horace Dodge. Their influence continues today as Dodge shifts into high gear with a lineup that delivers unrivaled performance in each of the segments in which the brand competes while moving forward to a future that includes electrified muscle in the form of the next-generation, all-new Dodge Charger.

The next-generation Dodge Charger electrifies a legend, with the Charger retaining its title as the world's quickest and most powerful muscle car led by the all-new, all-electric 2024 Dodge Charger Daytona Scat Pack. The all-new Dodge Charger will also offer performance choices via multi-energy powertrain options including the 550-horsepower Dodge Charger SIXPACK H.O., powered by the 3.0L Twin Turbo Hurricane High Output engine.

Dodge also keeps its foot on the gas as a pure performance brand with the 710-horsepower Dodge Durango SRT Hellcat, the most powerful SUV ever, and best-in-class standard performance in the compact utility vehicle segment with the Dodge Hornet.

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