

Ruapuna Community Liaison Committee Media Release

July 2026

The Ruapuna Community Liaison Committee held its quarterly meeting on Tuesday evening, 9 June 2026. The committee is provided for in the Christchurch City District Plan to allow local residents and the Canterbury Car and Speedway Clubs to work together to monitor noise from Ruapuna, ensure compliance with District Plan provisions and proactively minimise its effects.

The committee is made up of three resident's representatives, John Cunningham and Tracey Riley (Templeton Residents Association), Warwick Wright (local resident) and Cody Cooper, (Waipuna Halswell-Hornby-Riccarton Community Board), Mark Wederell and Chris Protheroe (Canterbury Car Club), Allan Daly (Speedway) and Laurie McCallum (Independent Chair).

Chris Protheroe presented the written report by Mark Wederell for the Car Club. There were no complaints and the usual events on the track with the exception being the Supercars. Discussion followed around the Supercars event which was considered very successful. There were close to 65,000 people in attendance across all three days. Warwick Wright noted that it was interesting that the noise levels varied over the three days even though the event was the same. Chris replied that the wind shifted on Sunday which did have a big effect on the noise readings.

Alan Daly presented the Ruapuna Speedway report. Two minor meetings had been run since the last meeting with no issues arising. The Speedway worked with Supercars to host Campervans over the Supercars weekend to the benefit of both organisations.

The programme for both the Speedway and Car Club can be found on the websites for the Ruapuna Speedway and Ruapuna Raceway.

<https://www.ruapunaspeedway.co.nz/>

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The committee will next meet on Tuesday, 8 September 2026 at 7.00pm but will be in contact by email and phone. Any member may raise matters for discussion and act as a conduit for matters from the wider community.

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