

# FMG STADIUM



The oval at FMG Stadium is the feature winter sports ground in the central districts of the North Island and is home to the Manawatu Rugby Football Union. Unlike many other major New Zealand sports grounds, the FMG Stadium does not double as a Rugby/Cricket ground, but shares with International Speedway. The ability to properly prepare and renovate the turf during the summer fallow ensures a playing surface which is particularly well presented. Supplementing the oval are three other first class playing fields located at the rear of the FMG Stadium.

## PLAYING SURFACE

First class playing field on well drained and turf managed grass area, with Oval shaped dimensions of 165 metres length and 95 metres width. During the period April to September, this facility is marked out for Rugby Union use incorporating line markings and goalposts.

## VIDEO REPLAY SCREEN

The FMG Stadium features a widescreen electronic scoreboard. The screen was purchased from Tecnovision in Italy in 2006 and can be used for video replays, for the screening of DVDs and advertising as required. The display size of the screen is 7.94 metres (width) x 4.40 metres (length).



## SPEEDWAY TRACK

During the summer months the track on the perimeter of the Oval features Stockcar, Speedway and Saloon Car racing on most Saturday evenings. The track, which is composed of a specially formulated clay and lime composition, is renown for many of New Zealand's National and International Speedway events. Patrons are protected by a 1.2m concrete wall and a demountable steel cable and netting fencing system.



## SEATING CAPACITY

Speedway 15,000  
Sports 18,000 made up with portable seating (including on speedway track)

## LIGHTING

1500 lux capacity lighting up to SANZAR standards is available.

## CORPORATE LOUNGE

The McMillan & Lockwood Lounge is located on the top floor of the grandstand and features striking 360 degree views including the Taranaki and Ruahine Ranges and the Central North Island mountains. The McMillan & Lockwood Lounge is able to accommodate 400 people standing or 200 people seated banquet style. Glass doors open outside onto 148 premium balcony seats.

## MEDIA LEVEL

Level 3 of the Grandstand features full facilities for Television, Radio and Press representatives.

## COACHES BOXES

Two separate glass fronted coaches boxes are located in the Grandstand between the 22m and halfway lines. Each box can seat up to six people and has a monitor with live broadcast feed.

## CHANGING FACILITIES

Four full changing rooms with the option to open up into two larger rooms for bigger matches/teams. Two separate referee changing rooms. Tunnel leads directly out onto the field from beneath the grandstand.

## FIRST AID ROOM

A first aid room with full facilities is provided on the ground floor next to the players tunnel entrance.

## ANTI DOPING

The Doping Control Station is located on the ground floor next to the players tunnel and comprises a waiting area and a separate processing room with a toilet.



## **PHOTOGRAPHERS/MEDIA ROOM**

A room specifically developed for photographers and media is located on the ground floor next to the player tunnel entrance.

## **TOILETS**

Four toilet block facilities service all sides of the Oval (including each end of the Grandstand). Additional toilet facilities are situated in each floor of the grandstand.

## **POWER**

Numerous power points and heavy duty connections allows for practical and multiple use of power (including catering caravans) at several convenient points around the Oval. 3 phase and domestic power is also located throughout the grandstand.

## **WATER**

The Arena complex has its own water bore with hydrants situated around the eastern and northern sections.

## **PARKING & ACCESS**

Access is by way of Cuba, Pascal, or Waldegrave Streets, with extensive parking available both inside the complex and in the surrounding streets.

## **DISABLED PATRONS**

Ramp access for eight wheelchair positions and eight adjacent carer positions.

