

Speedway combines music, racing

A diversified assemblage of country, rock, and boogie musicians will tune up their instruments this weekend as the sound of motorcycles piping around the Texas World Speedway track fades with the evening light.

The National Championship motorcycle race scheduled for Saturday and Sunday at the speedway is the last of 54 season races for the Western/Eastern Roadracing Association. More than 50 bikes are expected to race, with some of them reaching speeds approaching 200 miles per hour (mph).

Racing buffs can watch the heat and bracket races Saturday and Sunday, but those who prefer the more melodious whine of a guitar can attend the Saturday night concert for an advance ticket price of

\$10. The price covers admission to the motorcycle races Saturday and Sunday, and also admission to the concert Saturday night.

The concert, which will be held in the infield, will feature such performers as Ray Wylie Hubbard, a progressive country musician who has emerged as one of the leaders of the "redneck rock" movement in Texas. Hubbard, who has been playing in Texas for 12 years, captured the spirit of the movement in his song, "Redneck Mother," which lauds pick-up trucks, beer-drinking and dear old mother.

To follow up Hubbard's performance, Grammy nominee Tracy Nelson will belt out some blues and soul numbers to complement the relaxed country atmosphere.

On the a jazzier note the Texas-

based Balcones Fault, recent visitors to Texas A&M, will satisfy the funkier music lovers and let the concert-goers boogie.

Aggie Meyers and the Western Head Band, an Austin group that packs beer joints and dance halls across the state, plays rock, country, dixie, polka, blues and even jazz. The band has occasionally been known to take nostalgic trips back into the 50's and 60's music scene.

Aggie Meyers' band will follow the opening act, the Silver City Sad-

dle Tramps from Austin, the group which in June brought 10,000 people to the Texas Speedway infield for a summer concert.

Speedway manager George Martin advised those who like both racing and music to buy advance tickets, since tickets are \$12 at the gate. Martin said that the speedway will allow camping in the infield, and will build six bonfires to surround the crowd and warm the chilly night air.

Martin said that he is excited about the concert/race idea and

thinks the combination will work well.

"It's hard to describe the feelings generated at these concerts with the music, the bonfires, and the crowd cheering and all. I just hope the students support it so we can do it again in the future," he said.

The affair is jointly sponsored by WTAW-FM in College Station-Bryan and the speedway. Advance tickets can be purchased from either sponsor. The Speedway is located just south of College Station on Highway 6.

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"They've said a few things about me. . . I know I'll play hard," says Cowboy quarterback Roger Staubach.

The Cowboys have the best of all worlds going into the 3 p.m. Texas Stadium game Sunday. They've clinched the NFC title and can nail down a home play-off berth in the first round with a victory over the Redskins.

Washington gets a National Conference wild card if it can whip the Cowboys. Should Dallas win and St. Louis defeat the New York Giants then the Cardinals would be the wild card.

"It galls me to have to do a favor for either one of them," says feisty safety Cliff Harris.

Dallas is 11-2 and Washington is 9-4. The Cowboys ripped Washington 20-7 in their first meeting and the Redskins were all but written off.

But Washington beat St. Louis twice and knocked off San Francisco

on a critical road game. The Redskins defense has produced 44 "take aways" on 24 interceptions and 20 fumble recoveries while Billy Kilmer has completed 58 per cent.

Professional football's most experienced team also has added 39

quarterback sacks to its credentials and Washington special teamer Eddie Brown has a chance to break an NFL record on punt returns. He has 606 yards and needs only 50 more steps to break Neal Colzie's record.



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