

*Historic Rally Club of NSW/ACT Inc.*

# *Cootamundra Trial 2023*



## *Supplementary Regulations*

*Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2023*

*NSW South West Slopes*

A round of Classic Rally Club Inc 2023 Club Championship.

## 1. Administration

### 1.1 Nature of the Event

The Event will be known as **Cootamundra Trial 2023** herein after referred to as the Event and will be a **Club Navigation Assembly**. The Event will be conducted on public roads in the NSW South West Slopes on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

There will be three (3) Competition categories: Masters, Apprentices and Tour.

Different instructions may be used for each category. The routes for each category may also differ.

This event will also be a round of the Classic Rally Club Inc 2023 Club Championship.

A Social Tour will be held in conjunction with this Event. Crews in the Social Tour will get the same Instructions as for the Tour but will not be eligible to score points in the Championship or be eligible for awards.

#### Authority and Permit

The Event will be conducted under the general provisions of;

- a. FIA International Sporting Code including Appendices.
- b. The National Competition Rules (NCR) of Motorsport Australia.
- c. National Touring Standing Regulations. (NTSR).
- d. These Supplementary Regulations and any Further Regulations/Bulletins, Route Instructions etc.as issued.
- e. Motorsport Australia Permit No. **223/1903/01**
- f. The Event will be conducted under and in accordance with Motorsport Australia OH&S, Safety 1st, Integrity and Legal, and Risk Management Policies, which can be found on the Motorsport Australia website at [www.motorsport.org.au](http://www.motorsport.org.au).

### 1.2 Promoter

The Event will be promoted by the Historic Rally Club of NSW/ACT Inc.

### 1.3 Organising Committee

Clerk of Course	Malcolm Sinfield	ID # 887912	Ph: 0405 803 222
Deputy Clerk of Course	Arthur Evans	ID # 1103912	Ph: 0412 734 160
Road Director	Peter Parry		
Event Secretary	Peter Reed	ID # 1134600	Ph: 0418 802 972
Entries Secretary	Ian Gilhome	ID # 1064375	Ph: 0417 328 852
Event Checker	Mike Batten	ID # 88605	Ph: 0400 174 579
Scorer	Elizabeth Gilhome	ID # 1064344	Ph: 0418 174 685

#### All correspondence and Entries to be addressed to Entries Secretary

[hrcnswtours@gmail.com](mailto:hrcnswtours@gmail.com) or 712 Skipton St Redan Victoria 3350

### 1.4 Review Requests and Protests

Protests must be lodged in accordance with the NCR of the Motorsport Australia Manual.

### 1.5 Alteration, Abandonment or Termination of the Event

Event Organisers reserve the right to abandon, postpone or stop the Event in accordance with the NCR of the Motorsport Australia Manual.

### 1.6 Disclaimer

The organisers and the Historic Rally Club of NSW/ACT Inc. accept no responsibility for any damage or injury of any sort as a result of participation in the Event.

## 1.7 Judges of Fact

The Organising Committee, Motorsport Australia Officials and all Event Officials shall be Judges of Fact relative to:

- a) All activities and observations at controls
- b) Efficiency of exhaust systems
- c) Deviation from route including direction of travel
- d) Conduct of competitors
- e) Speed of participating vehicles
- f) Breach of NSW Road Rules

## 1.8 Crew Members

A Crew is defined in NTSR-EG 1.8. Crews will consist of a minimum of two people and a maximum of not more than the legal seating capacity of the vehicle. NTSR-EG 2.3 (c)

Passengers will not be carried, all participants will be classified as Crew, Refer to Articles 1.9. & 2.2.

## 1.9 Licences

It is the car owner's responsibility to ensure that any Crew member who drives the entered vehicle during the Event has a current Civil Driver's Licence that permits driving that type of vehicle on public roads.

The Driver and Navigator & Crew in the three Competition categories, as nominated on the Entry Form, must possess as a minimum a current Speed licence, Crew members over 12 and below the age of 18 must hold, as a minimum a valid Speed Junior licence, Refer also NTSR-NA 3.1.

Participants should arrange these licences prior to the Event, as they will NOT be available for purchase at the start.

**Participants in the Social Tour Category ONLY**; Motorsport Australia Affiliated Club membership is required, but Motorsport Australia Competition Licences are not required, however Participants are not covered by Motorsport Australia personal accident insurance policy.

### 1.10 Insurance

Certain public, property, professional indemnity and personal accident insurance is provided by Motorsport Australia in relation to the Event. Further details can be found in the Motorsport Australia Insurance Handbook, available at [www.motorsport.org.au](http://www.motorsport.org.au).

### 1.11 Alcohol, Drugs and Other Substances

The holder of a Motorsport Australia Licence (or a Licence issued by another ASN) may be tested for the presence of any drug or other banned substance and subject to a penalty for a breach of the Australian National Anti-Doping Policy and/or the Motorsport Australia Illicit Drugs in Sport (Safety Testing) Policy at [www.motorsport.org.au](http://www.motorsport.org.au).

Consumption of alcohol in the paddock, pits or any other Reserved Area is prohibited until all Competition is concluded each day. The holder of a Motorsport Australia Licence (or a Licence issued by another ASN) may be tested for the presence of alcohol by a Motorsport Australia Accredited Testing Official (CATO) in accordance with the Motorsport Australia Alcohol Policy at [www.motorsport.org.au](http://www.motorsport.org.au).

## 2 Competition and Entries

### 2.1 Event Format

The Event will be conducted over two days. Day 1 and 2 will start at Cootamundra Ex Servicemen's Club Cnr Wallendoon and Parker Streets in Cootamundra. Day 1 will finish at the same location and the finish of Day 2 will be in Harden NSW. The total length of the Event is approximately 700 kms, including unsealed and sealed roads for Masters & Apprentice Crews. A schedule of fuel locations will be advised prior to the start. Participants should arrive at the start with a full tank of fuel.

The Tour and Social Tour will only use sealed roads.

## 2.2 Entries

Entries will open on publication of these Regulations and close as set out in the Schedule. The number of entries will be limited to **50** entries which will be accepted in order of receipt. Entries may be refused in accordance with the NCR of the Motorsport Australia Manual.

Entries must be made on the official entry form and sent to the address listed in below. The entry fee is \$240.00 (including GST) for all categories of the Event. The entry fee is for a crew of two, per competing vehicle. Additional crew member/s require an additional payment of \$40 per person.

Cheques should be made payable to “**Historic Rally Club NSW/ACT**”.

Entries are **only** to be sent to the **Entries Secretary** either via email at [hrcnswtours@gmail.com](mailto:hrcnswtours@gmail.com) or posted to **712 Skipton St Redan Victoria 3350** and accompanied by the entry fee and advice of payment if paid directly to the nominated bank account.

Payments may be made to the Historic Rally Club NSW/ACT bank account at **BSB 032-716 Acct 393766**,

Please identify the payment with “CT23 and the surname of the Entry”.

If electing to pay by electronic deposit you **MUST** attach a copy of the EFT receipt to the entry form.

Entry fee includes:

- a. Event entry
- b. One set per car of all official maps and instructions
- c. One set per car of windscreen numbers
- d. Saturday & Sunday lunch or finger food

Changes in the Crew and/or vehicle after the acceptance of entry will only be permitted at the discretion of the Clerk of Course. Any Crew that is changed after the start may continue in the Event but will not feature in results.

Crews will be placed in the relevant category and car numbers allocated at the discretion of the Clerk of Course, although Crews are asked to indicate their preference of category on the entry form. It is a condition of the entry that the number is affixed to the top of the windscreen on the passenger side of the participating vehicle.

## 2.3 Starting Order

Vehicles will start in ascending numerical order within categories.

## 2.4 Schedule

Entries open: On publication of these Regulations.  
 Entries Close: Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023.  
 Start Location: Cootamundra Ex Servicemen’s Club, Cnr Wallendoon and Parker St  
 Cootamundra NSW  
 There are breakfast and coffee shops nearby

### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Administration: Cootamundra Ex Servicemen’s Club

### Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Administration: Cootamundra Ex Servicemen’s Club

Competitors briefing 7:30 am

First car starts: 8:00 am

First car due at finish: 4:30 pm approx.

### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2023

First car starts: 8:00 am

First car due at finish: 12:30 pm

### Lunch:

Saturday Lunch and Finger Food at the Finish on Sunday will be included in the entry fee.

## 2.5 Participant's Documentation

The following current Original documents must be provided at Administration.

- Civil driver's licences for all drivers. Refer to Article 1.9.
- Motorsport Australia Competition Licence for all Crew members, in each Competition Category.
- Motorsport Australia Affiliated Club membership for all Crew members.
- Registration certificate for the vehicle.
- A completed Vehicle Safety Inspection form, or a Self- Assessment Vehicle Safety Check or an E Safety Check. Refer to Article 2.8.
- Note: **No inspections will be done at start venue.**

**PHOTOCOPIES ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.** Also, the NSW Police expect original documentation relating to full or Conditional Registration to be carried in the vehicle. **NOTE:** Please check the currency of your documents several weeks prior to the event to allow time to renew if necessary.

## 2.6 Odometer Check

The survey car measured 5.00km over a standard RMS odometer calibration check.

## 2.7 Eligibility of Vehicles

Any road-registered vehicle or a vehicle on Conditional Registration is eligible to enter, Unregistered Vehicle Permits (UVP's) will not be accepted. (EV) Electric Vehicles will also not be accepted.

## 2.8 Vehicle Condition

Vehicles will be required to have a **Safety Check** (see 2.5 dot 5 above) carried out within fourteen days prior to the event start. The completed Vehicle Safety Check document **must be received by** the Entries Secretary, prior to 20:00hrs Wednesday 16th March 2023.

*Please download either the Navigation Assembly Vehicle Check or Self- Assessment Vehicle Safety Check Document from <https://hrcnsw.org.au/category/future-events/>*

If a vehicle has been issued with a Motorsport Australia logbook, then it must be produced at Scrutineering/Administration. A valid pink slip (E Safety Check for) NSW registration renewal, completed within one month of the Event, is an acceptable alternative to an official safety check. It is the responsibility of the Competitor and/or the Driver to ensure the vehicle is in a roadworthy condition, both at the start and during the Event.

## 2.9 Recommended Equipment

Although not compulsory, it is strongly recommended that a fire extinguisher be **fitted** to all vehicles. Also strongly recommended that a first aid kit, warning triangles and safety vests be carried in all vehicles. Competitors in Masters and Apprentice categories are recommended to carry a compass in the car.

## 2.10 Use of Banned Equipment

The following **use** of any device is banned:

- (a) to show the device's current location on the surface of the earth, either graphically or in data form or
- (b) to give information so that such a location can be derived or
- (c) to display electronically stored maps

This doesn't prevent Crews from using a mobile phone as an odometer or for emergency communications.

## 2.11 Control Areas

No vehicles may be worked upon in the control area. The marker cones at a control site will constitute a **SAFETY ZONE** and any intrusion of the competing vehicle into this area or knocking over a cone may result in a Disqualification penalty being applied. Any incident relating to safety of Control Officials or the public at controls will be taken most seriously by the Organisers.

### 3. Route Instructions and Interpretation (for Masters and Apprentices only)

The following supplement the NTSR and particular attention should be given to all sections of that document in interpreting the Route Instructions.

#### 3.1 NTSR-NA 5.1 (c) (iv) unmanned Controls

Where the board is an 'M' or a 'Z' then that letter (M or Z) shall also be recorded. (i.e. M25 or Z2).

#### 3.2 Unmapped Roads, NTSR-NA 4.3 (h)

Where mapped roads are only to be used then unmapped roads may only be used if deemed as 'mapped' for that Division or other segment of the Event as specified. Unmapped roads will be deemed as 'mapped' roads where either extremity of an unmapped road are identified. Route Charts and Map Traces will also be deemed as mapped roads.

#### 3.3 Road Closed and Detour Signs NTSR-EG 5.5

Any Road Closed, No Through Road, Detour or similar sign encountered within 2.5 km of a Major Control, VIA or any other point given in the Event Documentation shall be ignored.

#### 3.4 Use of mapped roads

Notwithstanding that minor re-alignments of roads may occur along the course, mapped roads only may be used within 2.5 km of any Major Control, VIA or any other point given in the Event Documentation.

#### 3.5 Sectors of Navigational Significance

Some Sectors of the Event may be designated as "Sectors of Navigational Significance" and additional VRCs or Controls may be used to render double penalties for errors in those Sectors.

**3.6 Mapped Features NTSR-EG 1.14 (a) (vii)** is modified so that when instructed in the Route Instructions to 'Pass' a specified mapped feature or word you must use the closest mapped road to that feature or word.

#### 3.7 Miscellaneous

- a) For each Section, maps will be listed in their order of priority.
- b) Map Grid lines are deemed to run N/S and E/W.
- c) Note that the CRC protocol which normally requires that either a VRC or a question is placed in the first 1 km on an unsealed road will not **apply** during this Event.
- d) Foot-track or trail may be used.

## 4 Penalties, Scoring, Results and Awards

### 4.1 Breach of Rules

In addition to the penalties in **NTSR-EG 3.1 & 3.2**.

The following breaches of the rules may result in the penalty of “no start”;

- more than 30 minutes late at Start

The following breaches of the rules may result in the penalty of “Disqualification”

- False declaration
- Irregularity of crew or vehicle ID
- Control area infringement
- Failure to visit a Start Control for division
- Excessive noise level or unroadworthy vehicle
- Use of equipment that is banned, Refer to Article 2.10

In the event of exclusion from the Event, a competitor must withdraw from the Event immediately, remove all windscreen numbers and forfeit all further privileges of a competitor and all monies or rights associated with the Event.

Any other breach of the Australian Road Rules as detected by Event Officials 100 points

### 4.2 Breach of Schedule

The following penalties replace the penalties for those offences as listed in **NTSR-EG 3.2 (c)**

- Loss of Road Card 400 points
- Failing to report to the Control at the end of a Division prior to the nominated time of closure of that control and / or failing to provide proof of reporting to any Major Control. 60 points
- Wrong direction (W.D.) into or out of a Major Control 30 points
- Proceeding through an out of bounds location 25 points
- Being detected by an observer on the incorrect route 25 points

#### Passage Controls (manned, V.R.C. and Redirection (Z) boards)

- Missing or failing to report to a passage control 25 points
- Wrong direction (W.D.) into or out of a passage control or passage control out of sequence 20 points
- Visiting a passage control more than the correct number of times, per visit 25 points

#### Information Tour

- Missing or incorrect answers to observation questions 11 points

### 4.3 Results

Penalties shall be expressed in points lost. The crew with the lowest total in each category shall be proclaimed the winner of that category, the next lowest second and so on.

The appropriate awards will be shared in the event of any ties.

### 4.4 Awards

Trophies will be presented for the first 3 placegetters in all 3 competition categories. There will be no trophies awarded for the Social Tour Crews.