



NSW Rally Panel

**Wednesday 4th November 2015
By Teleconference**

MINUTES

1. Attendees

Present:

Katie Fletcher (KF) (Chair), Chris Giddins (CG), Mick Harding (MH), Michael Taylor (MT).

CAMS Personnel:

Nil

Observers/Visitors:

Nil

2. Opening / Welcome / Confidentiality

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 7:30pm and welcomed all attendees.

3. Apologies

Lui MacLennan

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion: "That the NSW Rally Panel accept the Minutes of the Panel Meeting held by teleconference on Tuesday 22nd September 2015 as being a true and accurate record of the meeting."

Moved: MH Seconded: MT All in favour. CARRIED.

5. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

- Separate bank account for Rally NSW has been investigated and decided against due to difficulties in accounting for GST.

6. Decisions made by email vote between meetings

- Nil.

7. Correspondence

Inbound:

- 25/09/15 – Email from CAMS NSW cc'd to us from Adriana Pangas, secretary of Condo 750, enquiring about location of rally clock order form. Sent link to Adriana.
- 28/09/15 – Email from John Paine Post Event Checkers Report for Bathurst Rally. Forwarded to CAMS.
- 28/09/15 – Email from Jenny Gam regarding driver eligibility in DRS for 2016. Panel discussed via email and decided that the seeding limit is working exactly as intended and there would be no change to the DRS eligibility criteria for 2016.



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- 28/09/15 – Email from Andrew Crowley regarding issues with licence upgrade to Bronze Administration for Diane Stephens.
- 6/10/15 – Email from Ben Semple with applications for S1 Rallysprints for WAC.
- 7/10/15 – Email from Jessica Lyford, Service NSW, regarding reopening of Richmond RMS Service Centre as of 9/10/15.
- 19/10/15 – Email from Mathew Boorman regarding car stickers.
- 19/10/15 – Email from Ben Pretty regarding underage navigator at Tumut Rally.
- 21/10/15 – Email from Greg Rust confirming he will act as MC at our Presentation Night.
- 21/10/15 – Email from Cynthia Smith seeking confirmation of 2016 dates.
- 28/10/15 – Email from Matt Rath with query about Rally Rego; looking for his log book.
- 29/10/15 – Email from Wayne Kenny regarding Rally Australia as a possible inclusion on NSWRC calendar.
- 1/11/15 – Email from John Careless with media release from BRR
- 2/11/15 – Email from Barbara Anderson requesting photos of NSWRC winners for CAMS Awards Night.
- 2/11/15 – Email from Matt Martin with updated draft Rallysprint Regulations.
- 2/11/15 – Email from Shawn Fitzgerald requesting dates for 2016 events before 25 November 2015.

Outbound:

- 23/09/15 - Email from KF to Adrian Coppin of Rally Australia regarding the possible inclusion of RA as a round on the NSWRC in 2016 and conditions required.
- 23/09/15 – Approved minutes of July meeting emailed to Barbara Anderson of CAMS.
- 15/10/15 – Email from KF to Craig Ranson regarding a possible DRS round in Coffs Harbour.

8. Chairman's Report

- Col Fletcher resigned from the Rally Panel on 18/10/2015, following KFs appointment as Chair for 2016. KF acknowledged his incredible hard work and effort in bringing to life his vision for the sport. Over three years, he overhauled rallying in NSW under CAMS and has reignited the passion in the sport for countless competitors and organisers. The Panel and larger rallying community is grateful to him for his efforts and hopes to be able to continue his great work.

9. Past Events

- 26/09/15 – Bathurst Rally. Round 3 DRS. Round 3 HRS. 42 entries. Excellent event based on reports from competitors, with good selection of roads. Central start, finish and service was greatly appreciated by DRS competitors. Event has applied to be a NSWRC round as well as a DRS in 2016. Need to work with Event Organisers to improve itinerary and ensure minimum service times, and to improve spectator points for 2016.
- 04/10/15 – Blue Range Rallysprint. 19 entries. Excellent piece of road, well-run, compact event. Panel hopes to see one of these on the 2016 NSW RSS calendar.



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- 17/10/15 – Tumut/Bondo Rally. Round 4 NSWRC, Round 4 DRS. Many competitors report that the roads are some of the best in the State, although the loose shale on top of the road surface does cause more damage than normal to cars. Considering running the event in a different area in 2016. No incidents during the event.
- 22/10/15 – Twilight Tarmac Rallysprint. Round 1. 48 entries. Ran as expected based on 2014/15 events. Competitors enjoyed it. Need to review spectator points.

10. Coming Events

- 07/11/15 – Hastings Rallysprint. Round 7 RSS. Received 32 entries, field is capped at 30.
- 15/11/15 - Rally des Femmes. Currently at 15 entries. Rally NSW has found a sponsor for RDF, and is offering to refund 5 entry fees to encourage some more entries.

11. Finance Report

- Rally NSW is ahead of budget for 2015, looking to make a larger than expected profit.

12. CAMS Reports (ARCom / State Exec)

- ARCom Minutes Summary
 - ARC calendar has been released. Nat Cap has moved to 27-29 May 2015.
- State Executive Report (17/10/15)
 - CF was elected as member of State Executive for 2016.
 - State Executive approved 2016 Competition Conditions.
 - Touring Code was ratified by the State Exec.

13. Rally NSW Working Group Report

- Adrian Coppin and MT covered the Bathurst Rally for RallyNSW, and did an excellent job. Reached an audience of almost 30,000 over the weekend.
- Charlie Drake covered the Tumut Rally for RallyNSW, and had some challenges with reception and broken gear. Gave good coverage to leading NSWRC competitors. Need to ensure we can have a team of at least 3-4 at each event in 2016.
- Entries have now closed for the “Ultimate Rally Navigating Experience” have closed. Hundreds of entries received, now to the shortlisted.

14. Registrations

- List of current registrations updated by MT on 04/11/15. Registrations to date, compared with end of 2014 figures are:

	Nov 2015	vs	Dec 2014
NSWRC	88	vs	70
DRS	64	vs	68
DRS4	37	vs	0
HRS	5	vs	11



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RSS	84	vs	58
PRS	37	vs	0
Total	315	vs	207

15. Touring Working Group Report

- Touring Code ratified by State Exec on 17/10/15, the NSWTWG has now been disbanded as it has achieved its goals.

16. Report on Re-write of the Rallysprint Regulations

- Draft has been sent off and is getting very close to approval.

17. Draft Calendar for 2016

- Calendar is very close to being finalised now that ARC calendar has been published.
- Six NSWRC events, seven DRS events, seven RSS events drafted for 2016 calendar.
- Collaboration with AMSAG to ensure no conflicting dates.

18. 2016 Panel Structure

- 2016 Panel is likely to have 12 members. Will be finalised in early December.

19. General Business

- At the Tumut Rally, a 15-year-old competed as a co-driver. The Event Secretary sighted her valid Junior Navigator Licence prior to the event. The organising club has contended that if the club is to be held responsible for determining whether a particular licence is appropriate for their event, CAMS should clearly print on the licence which event types the licence is applicable for. It has been requested that this amendment on licences is included in 2016.
- Discussion on inconsistency between Rallysprint Events in 2015. Panel acknowledges need for consistency, and will seek feedback from registered competitors regarding events that vary significantly from the expected format.
- Plans for sponsorship for 2016 are well underway. New tiered sponsor structure has been released and is being picked up by individuals and businesses. Naming rights sponsors for minor series for 2016 are all confirmed.
- Discussed running an Organiser's Forum or Competitor's Forum in 2016. Decided that this wasn't necessary, and instead would engage with competitors and organisers via email, phone and survey.

20. Close and Next Meeting

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:57 pm.

Next Face to Face Meeting: 9th January 2016.
Next Teleconference: 9th February 2016.



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21. Distribution to

CAMS NSW for posting on <https://www.cams.com.au/about/structure/state-panels/new-south-wales-the-act> and KF for posting on <http://www.rallynsw.com.au/>



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22. Action Points

Item	Responsibilities	Timeline
2014-5. Update of Director Manual – long term project.	CF	Ongoing
2014-6. Update of National Checker Manual – long-term project. Will be ready for 2016.	CF	Ongoing
2015-29. Article for website with an overview on how to apply for Department of Sport and Recreation Grants for car clubs and event organisers.	MT	Ongoing
2015-36. Liaise with WSID and CAMS about running 'World's Biggest Garage Sale' for rally enthusiasts, regarding ground hire and insurance.	CF	Early 2016
2015-38. Update 100 day letter to include suggestions about running media days the week prior to the event.	KF	Ongoing
2015-39. Update 2016 Calendar to include WAC S1 Rallysprints.	KF	ASAP
2015-40. Follow up with sticker supplier re new material and adhesive.	KF	ASAP
2015-41. Follow up with ARCom for amendment to licences to include definition of event type licence is applicable for.	MT	ASAP
2015-42. Create survey for registered competitors regarding 2015 events and some proposed events for 2016.	KF	ASAP
2015-43. Finalise major sponsor for 2016.	KF/CF	Due 15 Jan 2016.
2015-44. Email database re new tiered sponsor opportunity.	KF	ASAP



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23. List of Attendees

Panel Member	Meetings	Reason
Colin Fletcher	6/8	3, Resigned 18/10/15
Chris Giddins	5/8	3,6,6
Katie Fletcher	7/8	6
Lui MacLennan	5/8	7,6,6
Michael Harding	6/8	3,9
Michael Taylor	8/8	

Legend

1. Absent due to officiating
2. Absent due to club commitment
3. Absent due to work commitment
4. Absent due to urgent commitment
5. Absent due to competition
6. Absent due to personal leave
7. Absent due to National meeting
8. Absent due to illness
9. Absent no apology
10. Absent due to Panel work