



# NSW Rally Panel

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2016  
By Teleconference**

## MINUTES

### 1. Attendees

**Present:**

Katie Fletcher (KF) (Chair), Charlie Drake (CD), Wayne Elven (WE), Chris Giddins (CG), Stephen Hodgkin (SH), Lui MacLennan (LM), Ernie Martin (EM), Carol Sparkes (CS), John Sparkes (JS), Michael Taylor (MT), Tim Wilkins (TW).

**CAMS Personnel:**

Nil

**Observers/Visitors:**

Nil

### 2. Opening / Welcome / Confidentiality

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 7:37 pm and welcomed all attendees.

### 3. Apologies

Mick Harding (MH)

### 4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion: "That the NSW Rally Panel accept the Minutes of the Panel Meeting held face-to-face on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2016 as being a true and accurate record of the meeting."

Moved: JS Seconded: EM All in favour. CARRIED.

### 5. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

- Director Manual has been completed and will be taken to State Executive by Col Fletcher for approval and will then be distributed to organising clubs.
- Update of National Checkers Manual – feedback sent to CAMS.
- Article for website with an overview on how to apply for Department of Sport and Recreation Grants for car clubs and event organisers is almost complete. MT to finalise soon. Suggested that Destination NSW is also a source of funding.
- Major sponsor for 2016. Gary's Motorsport will stay on as major sponsor for 2016. Another major sponsor is possible for 2017.
- Technical bulletin regarding Restrictors – all on CAMS website. Rallysprint is exempt, as per email from Scott McGrath.

### 6. Decisions made by email vote between meetings

- Nil



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## 7. Correspondence

### Inbound:

- 22/12/15 – from CAMS Technical via Babs re extension to the moratorium for FIA fuel bladder tanks.
- 07/01/16 – from Anthony Wright of Pivotal Planning expressing regret that he can no longer attend the Awards night. Expressed concerns at changes re restrictors and how this may affect his decision re ongoing sponsorship of the RSS. KF followed up with complete outline of the exposure his sponsorship would earn.
- 12/01/16 – from Richard Houghton re clock supply for Condo 750. KF still chasing cost.
- 13/01/16 – from Troy Bennett, chair of VicRP but in his capacity as an ARCom member, asking what the current standards of medical support are required for our various events. KF replied 19 Jan.
- 15/01/16 – from Cynthia Smith of Hastings SCC attaching Pre-Event Checkers report from RS on 19 March.
- 15/01/16 – from Andrew Baxter via CAMS asking for information on working as an official on rallies.
- 19/01/16 – from Katie Philps, Executive Officer for Rally and Off Road attaching final draft of Rallysprint Standing Regs and asking for comments. KF replied.
- 22/01/16 – from Julie Lucas of BMSC attaching draft of NatCap regs for comment on NSW elements. KF replied.
- 23/01/16 – from Anthony Wright of Pivotal Planning informing us they cannot support NSW rally in 2016. KF replied.
- 27/01/16 - from Greg Yard of Simpson via KF, agreeing to be naming rights sponsor of 2016 RSS.
- 28/01/16 – from Richard Thomas with Clock Order Form for Caves Classic. Forwarded to Richard Houghton.
- 29/01/16 – from Bob Carle with Clock Order Form for Coffs Rallysprint. Forwarded to Richard Houghton.
- 07/02/16 – from Richard Houghton re transport of rally clocks for Coffs and Caves Classic. KF replied.
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### Outbound:

- 11/01/16 – from KF to Jon Thomson and NSSCC regarding Kempsey Rallysprint moving their dates to leave 22<sup>nd</sup> May available to NSSCC for gravel rallysprint.
- 11/01/16 – from KF to Richard Houghton, following up on clock supply for Condo 750.
- 11/01/16 – from KF to Ben Pretty regarding CAMS decision to remove regs checkers from anything below championship level. NSW still consider it important to ensure consistency with comp conditions and templates.
- 11/01/16 – from KF to CG regarding appointing checkers for NSWRC rounds.



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- 11/01/16 – from KF to Ben Pretty of CAMS regarding removal of rally cars from being able to use UVPs. UVPs remain. 134 vehicles on Rally rego. KF suggests we should still be encouraging the rally scheme.
- 12/01/16 – from KF to Col Trinder of ARCom sending NSWRP mark-ups on Checker Manual and Spectator Safety & Control Procedures.
- 14/01/16 – from KF to David Mori of CAMS sending updated list of checkers for NSW.
- 17/01/16 – from KF to Col Trinder & Scott McGrath with queries re restrictors for 4WD turbo cars. Col T replied but not conclusively.
- 19/01/16 – from KF to Penrith Whitewater Rafting, amending numbers for Awards pre-activities.
- 19/01/16 – from KF to Ben Pretty and Jon Thomson, inviting them to Awards night. Jon accepted.
- 22/01/16 – from KF to Dan & Rosie White, giving approval for dates for Southern Cross Rally Festival, TRE.
- 27/01/16 - from NSSCC via Panel to CAMS, requesting amendment of Caves Classic regs to include pacenoting, to accommodate ARC entrants wanting a shakedown.
- 08/02/16 – from KF to Anne Khan of CAMS with report of NSW Rally Panel to State Executive.

## 8. Chairman's Report

- Nothing to report but congratulations to MT on the arrival of his daughter Amalie!

## 9. Past Events

- 21/01/16 – Twilight Summer Rallysprint Rd 4 - 42 entries. Only one run completed due to heavy rain and standing water. Refunds of 80% of entry fee to entries. Good decisions by NSSCC.

## 10. Coming Events

- 18/02/16 - Twilight Summer Rallysprint Rd 5
- 28/02/16 – Coffs Rallysprint RSS Rd 1. Entries opened 2 ½ weeks ago and was soon fully subscribed. Organisers would like to know if there will be an official photographer to events. Darryl may attend. Clocks will be transported by Richard Houghton.
- 05/03/16 – Caves Classic DRS/HRS Rd 1. Entries opened two days ago. All on track. JS greatly appreciates Col Fletcher's assistance. Pacenoters running at front of field.
- 17/03/16 – Twilight Summer Rallysprint Rd 6
- 19/03/16 – Hastings Rallysprint RSS Rd 2 – Entries open 09/02/16
- 02/04/16 – Rally of New England NSWRC Rd 1

## 11. Finance Report

- Due to change in 2016 sponsorship, budget has been re-done. We should break even for 2016. CS to distribute, along with updated P&L, pending fund statements from CAMS Will need to work on 2017 sponsorship.



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## 12. CAMS Reports (ARCom / State Exec)

- ARCom Minutes Summary
  - Next meeting 10/01/16. KF has been asked to suggest NSW issues that ARCom might address. Communication and consultation needs to improve.
- State Executive Report
  - Next meeting 13/02/16. Unlikely to have a RP representative present.

## 13. Rally NSW Working Group Report

- Group have yet to meet in 2016. Phone conference organised for Thursday 11/02/16. Adriana Pallister's offer to help in updating the website has been accepted.

## 14. Registrations

Series	Feb 2016	Nov 2015
NSWRC	28	88
DRS	15	64
DRS4	7	37
HRS	0	5
RSS	48	84
PRS	4	37

## 15. General Business

- 2015 Presentation Night

KF expressed thanks to all. The night ran well and feedback has been positive. Potential to improve numbers next year. Cost to Rally Panel was approx \$3000. Planning for the next event needs to start earlier, especially regarding video production, trophy production and novelty awards. CG to follow up on non-payment of ticket fee.

- Ultimate Rally Navigating Experience

CD & Michelle will be competing at the Caves Classic. Bernie Webb plans to meet up with Michelle prior. Everything is on track for prize pack of helmet, driving suit, etc. CD asking CAMS to waive National Licence Fee but RallyNSW has budgeted for it.

- Checkers Manual and Spectator Safety Guide

Draft National Checker's Manual was released in January, and Panel has submitted feedback. Awaiting release of the final manual. CAMS Training session has been scheduled for Thursday, 25th February. CAMS have emailed organisers and checkers to inform them, and tell them that if they do not attend, they may not be able to check events. Panel will be working to train any checkers on the new manual as soon as possible, so that there are no disruptions to events. JS



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suggested an online module. Col Fletcher has sent a copy of the NSW Organisers & Checkers Manual to David Mori and suggested that CF would run training courses. DM agreed that NSW could organise a local checkers course after communicating with ARCom. Need confirmation from DM under what circumstances a checker would be refused. Intend to go ahead with local training.

- Draft Rallysprint Standing Regulations

These have been circulated. Deadline extended to 10/02/16. There is a requirement for ambulances at RSS but this has always been the case – concerns raised with the clause regardless. Logbooks not required unless vehicle already has one. Age of competitor needs qualifying. Final document expected very soon. EM to circulate draft document to organisers.

- Rally Organisers Manual

All encouraged to look at it and ensure that all are comfortable with conditions expected. It will be taken to State Exec on Saturday.

- Turbo restrictors

Rallysprints are exempt. EM to inform organisers. RSS organisers should be mindful of top terminal speeds, and consider other measures to reduce these speeds, eg hay bales to alter course. Three kits were available to measure constrictors for compliance but location of kits no longer known. CAMS requesting each panel to monitor kits – location, function etc. KF to contact CAMS for kits if required.

- National Capital Rally

Last weekend in May. Presentation for NSW will be on the Saturday night at Hotel Realm. A Super Special Stage is scheduled to run on Friday after ceremonial start and also on Saturday evening. Vehicles to be at ceremonial start at 4:00pm and drivers by 5:30pm. NatCap organisers want as many competitors and spectators as possible. For NSW, recce will be on Friday from 7:00am till 3:00pm and there would still be time to get to the start by 5:30pm. NSW competitors will start the stage before ARC.

Motion: “That NSW competitors be included in the Super Special Stage of the National Capital Rally run on the Friday night.” Proposed: TW Seconded WE. MT & KF abstained. CARRIED unanimously.

## 16. Close and Next Meeting

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9:45 pm.

Next Face to Face Meeting: TBA.  
Next Teleconference: Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 7:30 pm.

## 17. 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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## 18. Action Points

Item	Responsibilities	Timeline
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	Very Close
2015-36. Liaise with WSID and CAMS about running 'World's Biggest Garage Sale' for rally enthusiasts, regarding ground hire and insurance.	CF	Ongoing
2015-38. Update 100-day letter to include suggestions about running media days the week prior to the event.	KF	Ongoing
2015-40. Follow up with sticker supplier re new material and adhesive.	KF	Ongoing
2016-1. Technical Bulletin for the construction of restrictors, and how this will be checked, and how the fuel will be checked.	KF	Done
2016-2. Reply to Glynn Elliot re: his request to change engines on his Sprinter. ?run as club rally car.	CD	February
2016-7. KF to discuss concerns with date of Blue Range Rallysprint with Mat Boorman.	KF	ASAP
2016-9. Investigate running co-driver training sessions at some Rallysprints throughout the year.	KF	Ongoing
2016-10. Upload National Touring Code and NSW Standing Bulletin 1 to RallyNSW website.	KF/LM	Early 2016
2016-11. Amend Scrutineering forms and Supp Regs to cover Turbo restrictors and Fuel.	KF	ASAP

## 19. List of Attendees

Panel Member	Meetings	Reason
Katie Fletcher	2/2	
Charlie Drake	1/2	6
Wayne Elven	1/2	9
Chris Giddins	2/2	
Michael Harding	0/2	9 9



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Stephen Hodgkin	1/2	9
Lui MacLennan	1/2	6
Ernie Martin	2/2	
Caroline Sparkes	2/2	
John Sparkes	2/2	
Michael Taylor	2/2	
Tim Wilkins	2/2	

## 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