



NSW Rally Panel

Wednesday 4th May 2016
By Teleconference

MINUTES

1. Attendees

Present:

Katie Fletcher (KF) (Chair), Charlie Drake (CD), Chris Giddins (CG), Mick Harding (MH), Stephen Hodgkin (SH), Lui MacLennan (LM), Ernie Martin (EM), Carol Sparkes (CS), John Sparkes (JS), Michael Taylor (MT)

CAMS Personnel:

Nil

Observers/Visitors:

Nil

2. Opening / Welcome / Confidentiality

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 7:33 pm and welcomed all attendees.

3. Apologies

Wayne Elven (WE), Tim Wilkins (TW)

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion: "That the NSW Rally Panel accept the Minutes of the Panel Meeting held by teleconference on Monday 4th April 2016 as being a true and accurate record of the meeting."

Moved: JS Seconded: CS All in favour, CARRIED.

5. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

- All items in Action Points discussed and several finalised.

6. Decisions made by email vote between meetings

- Motion: "That the scoring of points in the NSWRC and DRS at Bega Valley Rally be limited to the Sunday stages only. Competitors may contest the Saturday stages as part of the "Allcomers" event if they wish, but those stages will not form part of the Series' events."
CARRIED

7. Correspondence

Inbound:

- 23/03/16 – from Neil Schey regarding the possibility of a dual state series/championship in which Classic crews from Victoria and NSW could compete.
- 06/04/16 – from a competitor via EM querying capacity on Entry Form (1700) vs CAMS Manual (1600). KF confirmed 1700 cc car would be Pocket Rocket for NSWRC but P3 for any other event. 2017 Conditions to be discussed by Panel July/August.



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- 05/04/16 – from Chris Judge re possibility of changes (pacenoting, reverse direction) to Rally of New England in 2017 and requesting 4th March 2017. KF advised against reversing direction and recommended keeping it blind. This raised considerable discussion in the Panel regarding writing significant additional notes in the roadbook.
- 06/04/16 – from Selina Goodreid via EM requesting list of registered competitors. Forwarded to CS who emailed current list.
- 06/04/16 – from Scott McGrath of CAMS regarding safety issues at RNE. KF replied, as did SMcG on 22/04/16. Col Trinder replied 22/04/16 suggesting terminal speed of 190 kph and 132 kph average.
- 18/04/16 – from James Arocca of CAMS member services, regarding renewal of Official's Licence for Paul Tams.
- 19/04/16 – via CG that Allan Wall has agreed to be checker for the Mundarlo Road RS.
- 21/04/16 – a rather late response from John Crowley to the survey (sent on 23/02) regarding the dates of Blue Range RS and Brindabella Stages, he would only enter the DRS/HRS event.
- 27/04/16 – from Babs Anderson of CAMS, notifying the Panel of Matthew Windsor's desire to be removed from the certifiers' list and seeking a replacement. JS replied with David Robinson.
- 28/04/16 – from Denise Ferguson of Blacktown RSL, requesting letter of acknowledgement for waiver of room hire for face-to-face meetings. LM replied with letter attached.

Outbound:

- 06/04/16 – from JS to Evan of Barcodes Australia, requesting invoices for signage work done in 2015 and quotes for vinyl for 2016.
- 11/04/16 – to Selina Goodreid from EM/KF regarding door panels and clocks for Nabisac RS.
- 20/04/16 – from KF to Kim Boyd of Bega Valley Rally with serious concerns regarding change of BVR schedule to all daylight running, forcing competitors to take time off work and requiring extra accommodation. KB replied.
- 22/04/16 – from Rally Panel to registered DRS, DRS4 and HRS competitors re whether they had a RallySafe installation kit.
- 28/04/16 – from EM to Brett Middleton of Volksmuller Rallysprint, checking if anything required from Panel.
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8. Past Events

- 17/04/16 – Nabisac Rallysprint RSS Rd 3. A full field of 40. A few mechanical retirements. No issues. A well-run event.

9. Coming Events

- 07/05/16 – BP Clybucca Rally DRS/HRS Rd 2. Full field of 40. Everything on track.
- 22/05/16 – Volksmuller Rallysprint at Sydney International Dragway RSS Rd 4. Panel needs to promote it.
- 28/05/16 – National Capital Rally – NSWRC Rd 2.



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- 11/06/16 – Bega Valley Rally – NSWRC Rd 3.

10. Finance Report

- Circulated to all Panel members. On budget for year to date.

11. CAMS Reports (ARCom / State Exec)

- ARCom Minutes Summary – no meeting since last minutes. Scheduled for 06/05/16.
- State Executive Report - JS & KF attended. Nothing of consequence to rally.

12. Rally NSW Working Group Report

- Harvey & Heather Smith did a great job at RNE but will be unable to get to NatCap. They will be at BP Clybucca. Getting a team together for NatCap. Aaron Wisheart and Lachlan Winks were suggested by SH. The group will be meeting early next week.

13. Registrations

Series	May 2016	April 2016	Nov 2015
NSWRC	76	76	88
DRS	64	61	64
DRS4	22	19	37
HRS	9	9	5
RSS	105	95	84
PRS	15	15	37
Total Registrations	291 (165 people)	275 (155 people)	315

14. General Business

- Correspondence from CAMS re RNE safety issues
- Correspondence from the organisers of BVR
- Survey of DRS, DRS4 and HRS registered competitors as to whether their vehicle was fitted with a RallySafe installation kit. 37 responded, 16 were fitted, 21 not but several of those were willing to install. Only one negative response with respect to cost. A healthy discussion was generated between the respondees. For 2017 Conditions, RallySafe may be made mandatory for state rounds and encouraged for DRS.
- Championship Points idea – MT suggested NSWRC Conditions for 2017 be changed to allow each competitor to ‘play a joker card’ on one event of the year and receive double points. MT to email Panel with details.
- Email from Dave Ballard requesting a date for BMSC Tumut rally in March 2017. JS has started working on 2017 calendar. Can we spread Rallysprint dates in the north of the state over the year. EM to email clubs involved.



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- Re Phoebe Turnbull being allowed to run in BP Clybucca. Approved by ARCom and Panel.
- JS raised issue of confusion regarding vehicle eligibility for NSWRC and DRS. Should the Panel put a brief summary on the website of what is required for each series. JS to talk to TW.
- Eligibility – Definition of vehicles eligible for earning championship points is no longer in Competition Conditions. Conditions to be amended to reflect the spirit of the competition.
- Positive feedback regarding Nat Cap online entry form. MT disagrees due to lack of security on website. MT to follow up.

15. Close and Next Meeting

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9:43 pm.

Next Face-to-Face Meeting: TBA.
Next Teleconference: Wednesday 1st June at 7:30 pm.

16. Distribution to

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



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17. 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	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. New suppliers now being sought. Quotes from all but present supplier who is supplying vinyl for BP Clybucca. One supplier reduced price by \$1	JS	Ongoing
2016-9. Investigate running co-driver training sessions at some Rallysprints and Eastern Creek RS throughout the year. KF has spoken to Brett Middleton and Coral Taylor. Eastern Creek not possible. KF speaking with CAMS re passengers and possibility of doing it at Blue Ranges RS.	KF	Ongoing
2016-10. Upload National Touring Code and NSW Standing Bulletin 1 to RallyNSW website. Still with NRAC CAMS.	KF/LM	Ongoing
2016-11. Amend Scrutineering forms and Supp Regs to cover Turbo restrictors and Fuel. Still to be uploaded. KF to contact CAMS re Scrutineering requirement for restrictors.	LM/KF	ASAP
2016-12. Review of Organisers' Manual	ALL	ASAP
2016-19. Document standards, procedures and expectations for incoming media crews with Rally NSW.	CD/KF	Ongoing
2016-20. Letters of thanks and 2016 invoices to be sent to Series' Sponsors.	CS	ASAP
2016-28. Further discussion with ARCom regarding Bronze Results Managers. See 2016-33. Will be on agenda for next meeting. In future cc Katie Philips.	MT/KF	Ongoing
2016-29. JS to review information to be emailed to individual officials.	JS	Ongoing
2016-31. MT to contact Fro Horobin regarding the impact of CAMS Bulletin B16-004 re Schedule R. No longer able to run a car under Schedule R but must run under other categories. To write an article explaining this to be sent to competitors.	SH	ASAP



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2016-34. CG to send a box of turbo restrictor tags to Stewart Wilkins.	CG	ASAP
2016-35. Purchase one set of turbo restrictor gauges. Panel will fund six 36 mm tools and sealing kits.	KF/CG	ASAP
2016-36. Seeking Club bio's for website. Panel members to approach their own car clubs to provide.	ALL	ASAP
2016-37. Determine and define which cars are eligible for NSWRC and amend Competition Conditions.	KF	ASAP
2016-38. Regarding additional pacenotes in Roadbooks. There is a need to protect the integrity of blind rally competition. Organisers need to be enforcing regulations and a definition of Pacenotes needs to be formulated. KF to discuss with Stewards Panel.	KF	ASAP



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18. List of Attendees

Panel Member	Meetings	Reason
Katie Fletcher	5/5	
Charlie Drake	3/5	6 6
Wayne Elven	1/5	9 6 9 6
Chris Giddins	5/5	
Michael Harding	2/5	9 9 9
Stephen Hodgkin	3/5	9 9
Lui MacLennan	4/5	6
Ernie Martin	5/5	
Caroline Sparkes	5/5	
John Sparkes	5/5	
Michael Taylor	5/5	
Tim Wilkins	4/5	6

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