



NSW Rally Panel

Tuesday 18th March 2014
Teleconference

MINUTES

1. Attendees

Present

Colin Fletcher (chair) (CF), Laurie Cunningham (LC), Mike Cherry (MC), Matthew Martin (MM), Darren Mowett (DM), Lui MacLennan (LMc), Jon Thompson (JT), Andrew Crowley (AC). Katie Fletcher (KF), Chris Giddins.

CAMS Personnel

Nil

Observers/Visitors:

Nil.

2. Opening / Welcome

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 7.33pm.

3. Apologies

Nil.

4. Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of the Panel Meeting were not presented.

5. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

- CF – A very busy time all round with 2 State Rallysprints and 1 State Rally all achieving great results with excellent promotions – reports that the New England Sporting Car Club were very happy with the response to their event and MM gave an excellent talk about Rally NSW at briefing – was very well received.
 - The last S1 Rallysprint at Nabcac went well with 43 entries – a huge day.
 - CF – The V-Sport Stages TDRS at Batemans Bay is ready to go in 3 weeks time.
 - CF thanked all those able to help at the Top Gear Festival, lots of promo material was handed out with a great response from those that stopped by.
 - CF - The Hastings Sporting Car Club has approached the Panel with a view to running a State Rallysprint at Comboyne in November – it was unanimously agreed to include this event in the Series – Details will be forwarded as they come to hand along with a firm date.
 - KF to update the calendar on the website.
 - MM suggested that we canvas competitors re the inclusion of the HSCC Rallysprint.

6. Action Points from Previous Meeting.

NIL

7. Safety.

NIL

8. Decisions made by Email.

- Nil.
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9. Correspondence.

- Nil.

10. Reports

- Nil.

11. Past Events.

- CF advised that the scoring of points for the Natcap Rally were a directive from CAMS.
- Discussion took place re a Competitor excluded by the Natcap Organisers.
- The NESCC State Rallysprint had 33 starters with no incidents by all accounts a top days competition. The Organisers hope to make it a regular event, the owners of Echidna Gully are very keen to host the event again.
- Nabcac State Rallysprint had 38 starters and 32 finishers with no incidents. AC reported that there was a good mix of competitors and feedback from the day was good – one minute intervals worked well – was finished by 4.00pm.
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12. Upcoming Events.

- V-Sport Stages – 12 entries to date.
- CHDSCC State Rallysprint.

13. Clock Hire.

- We need to adopt a procedure for distribution to events.
- CF noted that the clock supplier, Mr Richard Houghton would prefer a hire arrangement to be in place rather than outright purchase – this would allow him to monitor the condition of the clocks and service them on a regular basis.

14. General Business .

- CF thanked all those that contributed to the season launch and v2013 presentation night. The event was a great success and bodes well for the future of the sport.
- The Top Gear Trade Stand – DM reported that a huge number of people attended the stand and collected the promotional material we had on hand – many wanted to know how to get started in the sport and that people were excited to be able to find out how they could get involved and that this is a future must do.

- CF reported the he and JT have approached Mr Graeme Emerton of the CAMS Board with a proposal to have a 12 month moratorium on the introduction of FHR devices for State Level Events, also a possibility of a discounted entry fee through 2016 to encourage competitors to embrace the devices. The reasoning behind the approach is a lack of research and consultation by ARCom in this matter. JT suggested that we post information on the website.
- LC advised that the pointscores for 2014 had been updated on the website.
- CF suggested that we need to engage columnists to contribute to the website.
- CF reported on progress of the rally registration scheme. The RMS are of the view that not enough cars will be registered to warrant all motor registry's being involved and they are looking at one central registry in Sydney as the base – preferably near Stewart Wilkins.
- CF suggested that we need to start thinking about 2015 conditions and calendar applications.
- MM reported that AMSAG are considering running an event at Dungog – DM reported that he had encountered a great deal of difficulty negotiating with Forestry etc in trying to get their event up and running.
- LM reported that the Classic Rally Club 20th Anniversary Touring Assembly went extremely well. They also have a 2 day event to be held at Grafton on the 1st of March.

Action Points

Item	Responsibilities	Timeline
Targeted scrutiny	Panel members to review and discuss at the next meeting	Ongoing
2014 Competition & Organising Conditions	All panel members to review and prepare proposals	August Panel Meeting & Forum
Excel Series	MM to seek EOI for 2014 series	August Panel Meeting & Forum
2014 Series Registration form	CF to review in light of "7 days" clause	August Panel Meeting
Source new display clocks	MC to explore options	August Panel Meeting
Competitor Database	CF to explore with NSW Office	Ongoing
Newsletter	JT to advise on practicality and content	Ongoing
Rallysafe	CF to invite	Rally Forum
Checking of Event Paperwork	CF	August Panel Meeting
Authourity of Event Checkers	CF	August Panel Meeting

15. Close and Next Meeting

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45 pm.

Next Meeting:

Teleconference – Tuesday 22nd April March @ 7.30am.

16. Distribution to

State Executive, ARCom, NSW Stewards Panel, Ben Pretty, Judith Humphries.

17. List of Attendees

Col Fletcher	7/7
Laurie Cunningham	6/7 ¹
Jon Thomson	4/7 ^{4,1,8}
Adrian Dudok	1/7 ^{4,1}
Tom Anderson	3/7 ⁶
Ray Baker	0/7 ³
Lui MacLennan	0/7 ⁶
Matthew Martin	4/7
Mike Cherry	4/7
Darren Mowett	3/5
Michael Harding	2/5
Chris Giddins	1/5 ³

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