



NSW Rally Panel

Wednesday 16th July 2014
Teleconference

1. Attendees

Present

Laurie Cunningham, Andrew Crowley, Jon Thompson, Matt Martin, Chris Giddings, Darren Mowett, Katie Fletcher.

CAMS Personnel

Nil

Observers/Visitors:

Adrian Dudok.

2. Opening / Welcome

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 7.30pm.

LC appointed Chris Cunningham as in position of Minute Secretary for the panel as Mike Cherry resigned his position on the panel. CC isn't a rally panel member. No objections to this appointment.

3. Apologies

Lui MacLennan

4. Minutes of previous meeting

Read by all. Motion made that minutes from meetings are correct. MM passed, KF second it.

5. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Update on responsibilities and attendance needed as lacking from previous minutes.

6. Decisions made by Email.

Nil

7. Correspondence.

Two letters of resignations from Panel received.

1. Colin Fletcher resigned as Chairman and Rally Panel member due to work commitments.
2. Michael Cherry resigned as Secretary and Rally Panel member due to work commitments.

Suggestion from AD that a letter to be sent out to both Colin Fletcher and Michael Cherry to thank them for their commitment and services to the NSW Rally Advisory Panel.

8. Chairman's Position

E-mail was sent out, no-one seemed interested. Laurie Cunningham is happy to do the job. Motion that LC be appointed Chairman for rest of the year. MM moved it, AC second it. All in favour - unanimous.

9. Rally NSW subcommittee

LC has spoken to Ben Pretty (CAMS NSW). He said that the NSW Rally subcommittee was against the standing regulations of CAMS. Cannot be an autonomous body as it has to answer to NSW Rally panels and CAMS. All major decisions to Panel for discussion. Relevant processes have to go to CAMS and the State Executive for approval.

Accounting Department has written a letter to CAMS for copies of invoices so monies can be reconciled with what comes in. Sponsorship monies are coming in the next two weeks.

Recommendation that a proposal be put to CAMS about the subcommittee. KF has already done one and will e-mail it to all. Recommendation to execute it for ratification and an e-mail vote be done on Friday 25th July.

Note: See note at end of minutes

Discussion on a change of name from Subcommittee to Working Group. All in favour.

10. Past Events.

- Rally Of The Bay: 58 entries, State and DRS; thought it was a good effort and great event.
- Cooperook DRS Rally: Good, 30 entries comprising of 20 DRS and 10 Excels. 14 drivers not registered. Roads challenging first time around. No major incidents. Structure was good. Positive feedback.
- Coffs Harbour Rally Sprint: Best rally sprint in years. Urunga and back. Two forward runs.
- Kempsey Rally Sprint: No report. Competitors said that the course was very rough. Six cars had suspension broken.
- Narooma Rally (ACT Series): Iconic event but number of entries was disappointing. 24 entries, 23 starters, 1 DNS due to no co-driver. 19 finishers, 4 mechanical DNF. Local town behind event and praised by everyone as a great event so will be re-used in 2015 as DRS and also for purposes for training of Clerk of Course. Possibly a round of State Championship in 2016.

11. Upcoming Events.

- Border Ranges Rally 2nd - 3rd August
- Myall Stages DRS Rally 9th August
- Tour Of Knodingbul DRS Rally.

12. Rally NSW Update.

Border Ranges Rally – Social media, e-mails to registered competitors, pre-event articles and interviews. Competitions and prizes consisting of 2 rides and a helicopter ride. Promotion in form of banners, stickers. Five people to conduct interviews, MC and photographers. Marquee, television screen in Service Park.

Same for Tumut Rally as promotion at Border Ranges Rally, draft copy of promotional flyer to be sent to Adrian Dudok.

13. 2015 Competition Conditions

LC would like to see a 4WD competition /series in rallying next year as there is a need for 4WD's owners to be able to compete somewhere. Light series run in conjunction with State Rally. 4WD classic series run alongside DRS. Survey at Rally Sprints for possibility of rallies for 4WD's for quantification of competitors and interest for such series. Questionnaire to be put together as to make and model of car; budget, eligibility, would they buy driving suits&/Hans devices and would they enter a series run in conjunction with the State Rally series. CG and DM to ask questions at rally sprints.

14. 2015 Calendar Events

- Letter to go out to Clubs for 2015 programming.
- Hastings and Coffs Harbour clubs may be possible to run events next year. Glenn Innes would like to run a State Rally in late March next year. Bega would like to be on, on the long weekend in June, Bathurst DRS to run again next year, if necessary State round, but would prefer to leave as DRS.
- ARC: National Capital Rally hopefully on 1st weekend in May. WA is 1st round, possibly one week earlier than 1st round this year (around mid February).
- WRC and APRC: Still to fix their calendars.
- Presentation Night: To be discussed at next meeting.

15. General Business.

- In March minutes it was stated that the Hans Devices directive was from ARCom. AD says that this wasn't the case. The directive was from CAMS (Graeme Emerton announced it) to all levels of motorsport. Everyone agreed it could have been done better with consultation to everyone. A press release wasn't the best way to go and it was a massive surprise to everyone.
- Meetings to be held the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Action Points

Item	Responsibilities	Timeline
Letters to CF & MC re: resignation	LC	ASAP
Letter to club re: 2015 calendar	LC	ASAP
E-mail vote re: item 9	Panel	25/8
Survey @ rally sprint re: 4WD competition	CG & DM	26/8
2015 Comp & Org conditions discussion	Panel	Next meeting
Presentation night discussion	Panel	Next meeting

16. Close and Next Meeting

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.30 pm.

Next Meeting:

Teleconference –Wednesday August 13th 2014 @ 7.30am.

17. Distribution to

State Executive, ARCom, NSW Stewards Panel, Ben Pretty, TBA

18. List of Attendances

Col Fletcher	2/2
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Laurie Cunningham	3/3
Jon Thomson	3/3
Tom Anderson	0/3
Lui MacLennan	2/3
Katie Fletcher	2/3
Matthew Martin	3/3
Mike Cherry	2/2
Darren Mowett	3/3
Michael Harding	1/3
Chris Giddins	2/3
Andrew Crowley	2/3

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

State Exec note: Item 9.

Proposal was e-mailed to all panel members by KF. Discussion of proposal was opened on Wednesday 30th July at 8am and closed on Thursday 31st July at 5pm. E-mail vote was done and the motion for the proposal to be submitted to the State Executive was carried unanimously.