



NSW Rally Advisory Panel

**12 March 2013
By Teleconference**

MINUTES

1. Attendees

Present: Colin Fletcher (chair) (CF), Julie Lucas (minutes) (JL), Laurie Cunningham (LC), Jon Thomson (JT), Lui MacLennan (LM), Tom Anderson (TA)

CAMS Personnel

Nil

Observers/Visitors:

Nil

2. Opening / Welcome

The Chairman, declared the meeting open at 7:33 pm.

Noting Adrian Dudok resigned from the position of chairman due to heavy workload with National and International events. An election by the NSW State Executive Committee saw Col Fletcher move into the chair position from this meeting on.

3. Apologies

Adrian Dudok (AD), Ray Baker (RB)

4. Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of the Panel Meeting held by Teleconference on Tuesday 12 February 2013 have been confirmed and received as a true and accurate record of meeting by the Panel

Moved: JT

Seconded: TA

5. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

November minutes: revisited targeted scrutiny and how that might work. Such as the Entrant signing that the vehicle complies with safety requirements of the NSW RMS (or ACT equivalent), compliance with the General Requirements for Rally Cars, as well as being prepared to a standard to withstand the rigours of rallying.

Take off line for conference call before April 13th with David Healy, CF and JT.

Date	Item	Responsible	Status
13 Nov 2012	Medical requirements to be checked	AD	Hasn't had response from contact. Will follow up
11/Dec 2012	Talk to Adrian Stafford re: what is possible for State competitors	RB	12 Dec
11 Dec 2012	Find Perpetual trophies	RB, CF to follow up with the NSW Office	Mid Jan 2013 March
12 March	Target scrutiny discussions off line	CF and JT to discuss the issue with Mr David Healy, and report back to the next NSW RAP Meeting	
12 March	All panel members to start highlighting what is wrong with the current conditions and bring to the table in April.	All	April
12 March	Julie to email copies of all correspondence to panel members.	JL	monthly
12 March	Follow up with Nat Cap organisers as to why it wasn't publicised a round of the Clubman series	CF	April
12 March	Check with Cams to see if the RAP is responsible for providing a checker for Condo	CF	
12 March	Derek Reynolds raised concerns with the point systems.	CF to call and discuss.	

6. 2012 Presentation

CF has contacted the majority of 2012 trophy winners to ascertain their preferences for a presentation function. The Panel discussed the responses of the trophy winners and the various options. One option is to have a "stand alone" presentation dinner in May. The second option is to incorporate the presentation at a NSWRC event which already has a "Rally Dinner" as part of its format. Two such events are the Rally of the Bay, June 29 and Myall Stages on August 10.

Following discussion a motion was moved to include the presentation at the Rally of the Bay and any competitor who is unable to attend, be presented at Myall Stages.

Moved CF.

2nd JT

Carried Unanimously (02-201303-NSWRAP-01)

7. Checker for Rally of the Bay

LC has offered his time to be Checker for the Rally of the Bay.

The Panel unanimously accepted LC to perform this function.

8. Panel Objectives for 2013

- CF spoke of looking at the sport from a driver perspective and how to give them what they want.
- Identify target market
- Simplicity – how can we make it simple to compete?

A more detailed set of proposals will be tabled prior to the next meeting for all Panel members to consider and discuss.

9. Meeting format for 2013

- Quarterly face to face meetings
- Sat 13th April (late pm after State Council meeting) will be first face to face meeting in Sydney.
- Will establish meeting calendar at the face to face meeting.

10. 2014 competition conditions

- Some criticisms of this year's competition conditions by competitors.
- Slowly identifying 'bugs' as we move through the year.
- Objective to finalise the structure of the 2014 competition conditions by mid 2013, allowing time for consultation with organisers and competitors.
- All panel members to start highlighting what is wrong with the current conditions and bring to the table in April.
- CF will continue to ask competitors their opinions and expressed a wish that all panel members would seek out comments from the competitor base.
- Question on two day format and whether our customers want that format.
- There was discussion around amending the clause around the timeline for registrations, particularly before the first round of a series. A revised regulation within the Competition Conditions may eliminate the type of difficulties encountered by the organisers of the National Capital Rally in awarding trophies as a complete list of registered competitors was unavailable at the conclusion of the event.

11. Confirmation of decisions made by email vote between meetings:

NIL

12. Correspondence

- Not all members had received email correspondence. JL to email copies of all correspondence to panel members.
- Re email from Mr Ronny Maroun (CAMS) re: come and try day registration. What options might we have to promote a rally come and try day? Further discussion to take place at the next meeting.
- Additional discussion on how CAMS can support the panel (and others) to better market the sport. Specifically discussed was the recent Top Gear event where CAMS had a display tent. Col has offered to speak to the NSW Office to establish a line of communication for future opportunities when they arise. An opportunity missed to promote rally in NSW.

13. Past Events

National Capital Rally – Successfully run in March with a significant learning curve for organisers in dealing with ARC requirements.

- This event was listed as a round of the NSW Clubman Series in the NSW Rally Calendar, but the organisers omitted the references to that series within the

Supplementary Regulations. However, points will be allocated in line with the event being included on the calendar. We will put steps in place to minimise the chance of errors such as these been repeated in future.

- Some preliminary discussion took place regarding the various vehicle classes which may be eligible for the 2014 NSW Clubman Series. Discussion to continue at next meeting.

14. Upcoming Events

Condo – CF to check with NSW Office to see if we need to provide a checker.

15. Reports

ARCom –AD – provided an update via email. ARCOM have had no face-to-face meetings yet in 2013, however activity has been occurring via email.

State Executive – Mr Ben Pretty is now working on the rally registration scheme (see below)

Rally Registration Scheme – One of the final hurdles seems to be an issue in relation to brake efficiency testing.

As the introduction of a “workable” Rally Registration scheme is seen as an essential element in the rebuilding of NSW Rallying, the Panel remains very keen to see this scheme finalised and continues to be available to assist in any way possible to bring it to a successful conclusion

16. General Business

- **Webmaster** - RB is responsible for the maintenance of the website. Some amendments and updates are required to the www.nswrally.com website. LC will liaise with RB to facilitate these changes.
- **Growing the NSW RAP.** The chairman expressed a desire to include more current competitors on the panel to ensure that the competitors are being consulted on changes and new initiatives and to ensure that the deliberations of the Panel are in the best interests of the competitors and therefore will assist to re-build the sport. The chairman asked all Panel members to consider which competitors would add the most value to the outcomes.
- An email was received from Mr Derek Reynolds raising concerns with the 2013 NSWRC point scoring system. CF has volunteered to contact Mr Reynolds to discuss his concerns in much more detail.

17. Close and Next Meeting

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.58pm.

Next Meeting: ...13 April Face to Face in Sydney

I have sighted these minutes and declare they are a true and accurate record of the meeting:

CHAIRMAN Colin Fletcher

DATE: 26 March 2013

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List of Attendees:

Adrian Dudok	1/2 ⁴
Tom Anderson	1/2 ^{6,3}
Ray Baker	0/2 ⁶
Jon Thomson	2/2
Laurie Cunningham	2/2
Julie Lucas	2/2
Colin Fletcher	2/2
Lui MacLennan	1/2 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