



SOUTHERN CROSS DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY TOUR

Sunday 8th – Friday 13th November 2026

Historic Rally Club of NSW/ACT



This year marks the sixtieth anniversary of the first Southern Cross International Rally, one of the most significant events in Australian rally history. To celebrate this classic event, the HRC is pleased to announce that it will conduct the Southern Cross Diamond Anniversary Tour over six days in November.

While the majority of the fifteen editions of the Southern Cross Rally were conducted on the NSW north coast, the first three events ran south from Sydney into eastern Victoria. While many of the roads used back then have been greatly improved over the years, we have put together a challenging and enjoyable tour utilising a selection of the best rally roads from the three early Southern Cross Rallies.

Over a third of the 2700 km tour course will be on good quality gravel roads. The terrain varies from open grazing country to rugged mountains with breathtaking scenery throughout. The course doesn't have any sections that would require 'rally' preparation of cars, however there may be a few roads that might require a slower and more cautious approach to your driving. While there will be no separate tarmac course, the tour will provide alternatives for those who may wish to short-cut or to avoid some of the gravel.

The event will start in Goulburn NSW on Sunday November 8th and return there on Friday November 13th. Planned overnight stops are Queanbeyan (twice), Albury, Melbourne (Lilydale) and Orbost. A list of recommended accommodation venues is available, and prospective entrants are encouraged to make reservations as soon as possible.

Two dinners will be included in the entry fee, one in Albury and another at the finish in Goulburn. Social get togethers are in place on every night of the event and we will be enjoying the company of some original Cross entrants from the late '60s. They may be persuaded to share some stories from those years.

Entry Form, Accommodation information and Notice of the Event are available on the HRC website [here](#). Entries may be limited to 50 cars and preference may be given to previous entrants in Southern Cross Rallies. Options will be available to do half the tour, either Days 1 to 3 or Days 4 to 6. The full tour entry fee is \$690 (includes dinner for two on two occasions), half \$400 (includes dinner for two on one occasion). The only requirements for participation are membership of a Motorsport Australia affiliated car club and a vehicle registered for use on public roads.

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