



## Heart of the Hunter Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2023

### ADMINISTRATION:

Australian Historic Rally Group.

In case of an emergency or withdrawal from the Event, Geoff Thomas may be contacted during the Event by Mobile Phone number 0404 931 131.

### THE EVENT:

The Event will start at the southern end of Shell Service Station, Freemans Waterhole NSW and follow a simple navigation throughout the Event. The event will be run as an all-tare event. The finish will be at a Nulkaba Potters Brewery. All vehicles must be road registered.

Road rules and regulations are to be adhered to during the event. Anyone NOT complying with the rules will be reported to the organising committee with a penalty up to and including exclusion from the event.

ALL historic registered vehicles with a European origin are encouraged to enter this event. Left hand drive and "Rare" cars are most welcome.

Late model vehicles may enter but will be ineligible for outright placings.

Clerk of Course	Geoff Thomas	0404 931 131
Event Secretary	Karen Piggott	0412133899
Sweep	Russ Baldwin	

### ALTERATION, ABANDONMENT OR TERMINATION OF THE EVENT:

Event Organisers reserve the right to cancel, abandon or postpone the Event.

### LICENCES:

The Driver/s must hold a current valid civil driving licence.

### ENTRIES:

The Organisers have the authority to refuse entries. Organisers being the elected AHRG Committee

Entries must be made on the attached official entry form and receipt sent via email [karen@corpman.com](mailto:karen@corpman.com) or to the Event Secretary, P.O. Box 987, Warners Bay 2282 NSW.

**Direct Deposit to our account. Preferable**

Details: BSB: 182-222  
Account Number: 120660865

**Entry Fee is: \$50.00**

Entries close **19<sup>th</sup> August 2023**

Entries open with publication of these notices.

Entries close at the start of the event.



**SCHEDULE:**

Entries open		on publication of these notices
Entries close		19 <sup>th</sup> August 2023
Drivers Briefing		9.00
First Car Starts	9.15	
First Car Finishes		Approx 3.00 pm

**ELIGIBILITY:**

The club fosters the entry of vehicles first manufactured 30 years prior to the Event date. Each vehicle must be currently road registered, including Historic and Classic.

As this is an Australian Historic Rally Group Event, older vehicles are encouraged to compete, however later vintages up to and including current models are accepted but those vehicles will be classified Class X.

Class X vehicles are not eligible for outright positions and will receive class positions only.

**CLASSES:**

Vehicles will be graded as per AHRG classes relating to age and categorised by **Peter Meadows**, Eligibility Officer.

**VEHICLE CONDITION:**

It is the responsibility of the Entrant and/or the Driver to ensure the vehicle is in a road-safe condition, both at the start and during the Event. Vehicle may be checked at any time by the Officials for compliance.

**SECTIONS AND DISTANCE:**

The Event will be conducted on public roads, over a total distance of about **300 km**. The longest distance between refuelling service stations will be about **100 km**.

**FUEL:**

Before the start & at the lunch break at Dungog

**MAPS:**

Any maps required will be supplied by the organisers.

**ROUTE INSTRUCTIONS:**

Instructions for the Event will be issued two minutes before each car starts.

Instructions for the Event may be given as fully route charted, with or without Tulip arrows. Different instructions may be issued to competitors, depending on their classification,

**NAVIGATION:**

Navigation will be simple Route Chart.

The same road cannot be traversed in the opposite direction during the running of the event unless explicitly directed to do so in the Route Instructions or in the case of a Redirection.

**OBSERVERS:**

There may be observers, who will be Judges of Fact, positioned along the route.

The observers may be on course to note any infringements of traffic laws, quiet zones and the general conduct of competitors. Points may be deducted according to their observations.

**MAIN CONTROLS:**

Main controls may be manned or unmanned. Your Route Card MUST be signed by the officials and competitors must sign the official's control sheet.

Manned controls will close 15 minutes after the arrival of the sweep vehicle.

Main controls may also be unmanned and signified by a board displaying the letter "M" in RED as well as another board with a RED letter displayed. This letter must be recorded on the Route Card in correct sequence.

**ROUTE CHECKS:**

Route Checks may be manned by officials or Visual Route Checks, (VRCs) in the form of a RED letter on a white board which competitors must record on their Route Card in correct order of observation. Where officials are present, competitors must sign the official's control sheet as well as having their own Route Card signed. It is the competitor's sole responsibility to ensure that this procedure is followed.

VRCs may be placed on incorrect roads and will be used as a penalty if recorded on a competitor's Route Card.

Samples of unmanned Route Checks (VRCs) and Main Control boards will be on display at the Start of the run.

**REDIRECTIONS:**

Redirections may be used where required due to current conditions.

Crew's will be advised of conditions and the procedure to be followed at the drivers briefing.

**ABBREVIATIONS:**

Abbreviations that may be used in the Instructions to Navigators:

T.L.	Turn Left	T.R.	Turn Right	S.O.	Straight On
B.L.	Bear Left	B.R.	Bear Right	R.J.	Road Junction
T.H.L.	Turn Hard Left	T.H.R.	Turn Hard Right	T.J.	"T" Junction
X.R.	Cross Road	F.M.R.	Follow Main Road	S.P.	Sign Post

Points of the compass may also be employed, E.G. - N.E. for Northeast etc. when specifying a direction of travel or entry to or departure from a via point or control.

## **SCORING:**

### **RESULTS:**

Scoring may be judged by manned and unmanned route checks as well as manned and unmanned controls. (Observation questions may be used throughout the Event for tie breaking purposes.)

Other skills testing may also be employed in order to determine a clear winner at the discretion of the Director and/or Organising Committee, i.e. Photo points or other proof of compliance with the instructions, including distance travelled.

### **PENALTIES:**

Failure to attend Competitors' Briefing	20 points.
Incorrect or missing Route Check	7 points
Incorrect sequence of recorded VRC	6 points.
Missing Main control	15 points.
Wrong Direction into manned control	10 points
Incorrect answer to observation questions	5 points.
Judge of Fact penalty	10 points.

#### **Only to be used in the case of a tied score**

Per your position overall in the tie breaker 1 point

### **EVENT WINNER:**

The winners of the event shall be the competitor who successfully completes the full course with the least number of points lost.

### **TROPHIES WILL BE AWARDED AS LISTED:**

1st & 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> outright

1<sup>st</sup> in class (Min of 4 competitors)

Trophies will be presented at the bimonthly meeting of the AHRG.

An emergency contact Phone Number is to be included here and on the instruction sheet and/or Route card. This will allow competitors to be able to communicate with the organisers in the case of a problem i.e. breakdown or withdrawal from the event or a call for assistance.

**Geoff Thomas. 0404931131**

**Karen Piggott 0412 133 899**