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GUIDE TO COMPETITORS & SERVICE INSTRUCTIONS

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We hope you enjoy participating in the 2022 Victoria Cross Rally. To assist with your participation being a safe one and so that you understand the facilities available and event schedule, we recommend you read this document.

GETTING TO THE EVENT

The base location for competitors and service crews is the State Motorcycle Complex, Strath Creek Rd, Broadford. To get there from Melbourne, use the Hume Freeway and exit at Broadford (don't use the exit for Clonbinane/Broadford; use the next exit on the outskirts of Broadford). At the end of the freeway exit, turn right into Strath Creek Rd (signposted to Flowerdale). The gate into the State Motorcycle Complex is approximately 1.3km along this road on the right.

COVID MANAGEMENT

While there are no compulsory protocols in relation to managing the risk of infection with the Covid-19 virus other than non-attendance by any person who has symptoms consistent with having Covid-19, we ask competing crews, service crews and anyone else attending the event to exercise respect for others and the risk of Covid-19 spread. In particular, maintain social distance where possible and wear a mask in crowded areas.

In particular, no crew member is permitted to enter rally headquarters, other than the room adjacent to the canteen where book-in will occur. All liaison with HQ staff must be via the Competitor Relations Officer, Bill Bennett, who will be based in the Rally Office.

If any person in your crew has symptoms consistent with having Covid-19, they must not attend the event.

WHEN YOU ARRIVE

Competitors, service crew members and others who aren't an official of the event are requested to not enter the State Motorcycle Complex prior to 1700 hrs on Saturday 5 November 2022. This is because a prior motorcycling event may still be using the area allocated for the Victoria Cross.

When you do enter the State Motorcycle Complex, immediately turn left and follow the bitumen road. The area being used by the event is at the end of the bitumen – then turn right into the service area for VCRS or left for Regularity crews. All trailers should be parked along the southern edge of the service park.

COMPETITOR RELATIONS OFFICER

The CRO will be Bill Bennett (0408 346 765). All enquiries to the organisers should be made via Bill who will be based in the Rally Office, next to the canteen.

SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS

The start, mid-event service and finish are all at the State Motorcycle Complex. There is no need for your service crew to travel anywhere other than maybe into Broadford to get fuel. A map of the

service park is enclosed. Please use the areas allocated to your category – one area is reserved only for Regularity crews without trailers.

There is adequate space but please ensure you park in a way that doesn't impede access for other crews, especially the exit track to the blue bus shelter. If an event official asks you to move or park in a specific place, please do what they ask.

For service vehicles, the exit from the grassed service park is the same as its entrance – take care as there will be two-way traffic. The exit from the service area next to the bus shelter will be closed to all but competitors, as the bus shelter will be the Start, Service IN, Service Out and Finish controls.

It is essential that there be no oil spills in the service park. Waste oil must be collected and disposed of responsibly. Please report any inadvertent oil spills to the CRO.

REFUEL ARRANGEMENTS

Competitors can choose whether to refuel in the refuel zone or drive to Broadford for pump fuel during their service break (only the early cars in the field will be able to refuel in Broadford). There is no separate time allowed for refuel – you should refuel during your allotted service time.

The refuel zone is in the gravel area immediately west of the main building. This area is to be used only for refueling and is not for through traffic although you can enter and leave for refueling from either end of the zone.

The service station in Broadford will be open until 10pm.

RUNNING SCHEDULE

The Event will be run in 1 Division with Late Running Time (LRT) being 15 minutes until the end of Special Stage 3 and an additional 15 minutes (30 minutes total) thereafter.

The planned running details are as follows:

| | Competitive | Liaison | Total |
|--------------|-------------|----------|----------|
| Pre-service | 26.34km | 53.38km | 79.72km |
| Service | | 30 mins | |
| Post-service | 26.34km | 53.38km | 79.72km |
| Total | 52.68km | 106.76km | 159.44km |

Scheduled times for car 1 are start at 1945hrs, arrive at service 2127hrs and arrive at event end 2336hrs.

RETRIEVING NON-OPERATIONAL CARS

A separate map will be provided with the Route Instructions for the use of Service crews who need to retrieve stranded cars from the forest. If your crew breaks down during the first running of the stages, **there will be no time to retrieve cars before the second running of the stages.** Before entering a stage after the second run of the field, service crews must wait until the road is legally open again i.e. after both the sweep and recovery vehicles have passed any point which you will traverse on a stage, unless otherwise specifically authorised by the Stage Commander.

OTHER FACILITIES

The main building houses the toilets at the north end and the canteen and rally office at the south end. The Official Notice Board will be on the window of the rally office. The rally office will be staffed by the

CRO, Bill Bennett (0408 346 765), the event scorer/documentation guru, Gary Hodgskiss and the service park manager, Peter Fraser (0411 573 173).

FOOD AND DRINK

The caterer for the State Motorcycle Complex will operate the canteen at the venue from approximately 6pm until midnight. They will have a range of hot meals (including burgers, pasta, chips, etc), hot homemade soups and coffees. No need to call at Maccas on the way!

DOCUMENTATION AND ROAD BOOKS

For any uncompleted documentation and issue of road books, see Gary Hodgskiss in the rally office. Please report in accordance with the schedule in Further Regulations.

SCRUTINY

There is no official scrutiny at the service park. Nor is self-scrutiny permitted. If you want to make any special arrangements about scrutiny, contact the chief scrutineer **prior to 3 November**.

ROUTE

Information boards may be used on the route. An "O" board will be placed on the route prior to the information board as a warning to look out for an information board. Information boards will not necessarily be at intersections.

REGULARITY

Competitors in the Regularity should ensure they understand the timing system for Regularities (see MA Rally Regularity Standing Regulations) and Restricted Speed Zones (RSZs - see MA National Rally Standing Regulations Special Stage Rallies 2022). It is planned that passage controls will be used to check RSZs and penalties will be applied where applicable.

CAMPING

The State Motorcycle Complex allows camping in the area being used as the service park. The cost is \$10 per person cash, to be paid in advance to the CRO or the Service Park Manager (Peter Fraser).

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

Phone numbers to use in an emergency are:

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|------------------------------|--------------|
| Rally HQ EMERGENCY ONLY | 0427 443 821 |
| Rally HQ General Enquiries | 0407 405 109 |
| Competitor Relations Officer | 0408 346 765 |
| Police - Ambulance - Fire | 000 |

