2022 VICTORIA CROSS RALLY

5th November 2022



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Further Instructions



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FURTHER REGULATIONS

PERMIT NUMBER 322/0611/01

COMPETITION NUMBER AND PROVISIONAL START TIME

Your competition number and provisional start time are in the attached entry list. A final list of start times will be placed on the official notice board no later than 1815hrs 5 November 2022 (1.5 hours before car 1 is due to start).

COVID MANAGEMENT

No competitor, crew member or service crew member is to attend the event if they have any symptoms consistent with having Covid-19 unless they produce evidence that they are not infected with the Covid-19 virus. Even if such evidence is provided, the organisers may require any attendee at the event to undergo a Covid-19 Rapid Antigen Test (RAT). Refusal to take a RAT or a positive result will mean the person must leave the event immediately. Any breach will be reported to the Stewards who may impose a penalty of disqualification on the relevant crew or any lesser penalty they consider appropriate.

SCRUTINY

There is no official scrutiny. All competitors must ensure that the relevant Motorsport Australia selfscrutiny forms have been lodged with the Entries Secretary, otherwise they will not be permitted to start. Refer to the Supplementary Regulations for further information.

DOCUMENTATION

Competitors are required to lodge all relevant documents and licenses with the Entries Secretary for checking by 2000hrs on Thursday 3 November except for the signed disclaimer. Final documentation will be conducted at the Rally Office, State Motorcycle Complex (next to canteen) on the day of the event. This will include checking of any documents and licenses **as agreed prior with the Entries Secretary** that could not be provided electronically and lodgment of the completed and signed Motorsport Australia disclaimer which can be downloaded at <u>motorsport-australia disclaimer.pdf</u>. Road books will be provided to competitors only after all documentation requirements have been completed satisfactorily.

Your due time at documentation is 1 hour 30 minutes prior to your start time (refer official notice board). You may report early but those booking in "on time" will take priority.

RALLYSAFE (VCSSR only)

All RallySafe units must be collected from the Rally Office no later than 1845hrs and powered up by 1900hrs to enable their operation to be checked. This may mean you must collect your RallySafe unit prior to documentation. From 30 minutes prior to a vehicle's due start time until the vehicle completes the event, the competitor and crew must ensure that power is provided to the RallySafe unit 100% of the time. Failure to meet any of these requirements may be reported to the Stewards who may impose a fine or time penalty of at least 30 seconds at their discretion.

CREW BRIEFING

There will be a pre-event briefing for all crew members outside the Rally Office at 1915hrs on Saturday 5 November 2022.

While the information to be provided at the briefing will likely also be in the Guide to Competitors, we will still hold a briefing to ensure crews are aware of the issues of high importance. Please read the Guide to Competitors in full! Crews will be required to sign to confirm that they have read and understood the Guide to Competitors before being permitted to start the event. If there is anything in the Guide that you don't understand, consult the Competitor Relations Officer.

REGULARITY SCORING

The VCRR will be scored in points are per the Rally Regularity Appendix to the NRSR. Where any penalty is imposed under any other part of the regulations applicable to the event and that penalty is expressed in minutes, the actual penalty imposed will be 60 points per minute of penalty.

EVENT START

The event starts and finishes at the State Motorcycle Complex, Broadford. The start control will be at the bus shelter alongside the service area. Competing vehicles should queue prior to the start (and when exiting the service liaison) along the track within the service area i.e. NOT along the bitumen road. Until the last car has completed the service liaison, this exit from the service area is for competing vehicles only and is not to be used by service crew vehicles.

Helmets are not to be worn on the first non-competitive section, Liaison A. Penalties for breaching this requirement are at the discretion of the Stewards. Adequate time has been allowed for the fitment of helmets and HANS devices after reaching the end of the liaison.

RUNNING AND REFUEL DETAILS

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

The recent rain events have meant that some roads that were intended for use are no longer available for competition. The total competitive distance is therefore less than stated in Supplementary Regulations. At the time of writing, running details are as follows:

	Competitive	Liaison	Total
Pre-service	26.34km	53.38km	79.72km
Service		60 mins	
Post-service	26.34km	53.38km	79.72km
Total	52.68km	106.76km	159.44km

The time allowed for service will not be less than 30 minutes. Any amendment to the time allowed for service will be advised to crews when they book into the service start time control.

Advice: the above information is part of the approved Further Regulations but this paragraph isn't and is therefore solely advice. The Clerk of Course advises that, given the field size, it is intended that the service break will be 30 minutes. Advice of any change to the period for service will be provided at the event. There is no separate time allowance for refueling. All refueling within the State Motorcycle Complex must be done in the refuel zone at the service park, to the south of the main building. No fuel will be available in Broadford after 10pm. The first 15 (approx.) crews may have time to refuel in Broadford – crews are free to leave the service area to go to Broadford to refuel but this must be done within the allowed service time. Most competitors will need to refuel from their own supplies at the service park.

CAUTION BOARDS AND SAFETY TRIANGLES

All competitors must drive appropriately when a caution board (or a competitor's safety triangle) is displayed. While every effort is taken to describe all cautions in the road book, there may be caution boards on the road that are not called up in the road book. Wherever the word "caution" is used in an instruction or by use of boards, its degree shall be indicated as follows:

Caution identification	Degree of Caution
!	a hazard where no significant reduction in speed is required but where difficulty might be encountered if crews were unaware of the hazard
!!	a situation where damage to a vehicle or crew could result from negotiating the hazard at speed
!!!	a severe hazard which cannot be negotiated without a significant reduction in speed

Caution boards will usually be placed approximately 100m prior to the relevant hazard but may be more or less than that if considered appropriate to the road layout at a particular location. Where the actual location of the hazard being cautioned may not be readily identifiable, the organisers *may* also place a " Δ " board adjacent to the hazard to assist crews. Crews should generally expect a " Δ " board will be placed at most !! and !!! cautions but infrequently at ! cautions.

NO WHEEL SPIN RULE

Drivers are reminded of the "No Wheelspin" at stage starts rule. Refer section 13.1 of the Supplementary Regulations. This is for the safety of the officials and to minimise road damage.

COMPETITORS RELATIONS OFFICER (CRO)

The CRO, Bill Bennett, will be located at the service park for the duration of the event. His base within the service park will be the rally office, next to the canteen. Bill's phone number is 0408 346 765.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Crews are reminded that the ability to use public roads for rallying is dependent on goodwill from members of the public who may be inconvenienced by competing cars. There are residents adjacent to various sections of roads on liaison stages, some with speed limits. It is intended that speeds on liaison sections will be monitored via RallySafe. The event is all at night and crews are especially asked to drive quietly, within the speed limits and without driving lights on the parts of liaison stages with speed limits of less than 100kph. Any identified inappropriate behavior will be reported to the Stewards, possibly including for bringing the sport into disrepute, for application of a penalty up to disqualification.

Cars judged by a control official to be excessively noisy at the end of the final special stage in each division will not be permitted to continue and the control officials will retain the crew's Timecard until they are satisfied that any excessive noise has been rectified.

WILDLIFE

If any competing vehicle makes contact with any wildlife, the crew must report the location of the incident and details of what occurred at the next time control or Stop Point and complete an Incident Report which must be handed to the CRO.

If any crew member of a competing vehicle observes injured or dead wildlife on or adjacent to the route, they must report the location of the incident and details of what was observed at the next time control or Stop Point and complete an Incident Report which must be handed to the CRO.

Any breach of these requirements may be reported to the Stewards for application of a penalty up to disqualification.

If Rally HQ receives a report of injured wildlife, a competitive stage may be delayed or stopped to allow Wildlife Rescue volunteers to attend.

ALL COMPETITORS – SPEED RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSPORT/LIAISON SECTIONS

There are a range of speed limits on parts of every transport/liaison section. Compliance with these limits will be monitored and it is intended that penalties will be applied for breaches.

In most cases, speed limit changes on transport/liaison stages will not be identified by signs placed by event management. **IT IS UP TO CREWS TO ENSURE THEY READ THE ROUTE INSTRUCTIONS AND THAT THE DRIVER IS AWARE OF ANY SPEED RESTRICTIONS.** If any driver has a less experienced codriver or one who may forget to notify the driver of a speed restriction, they should ensure prior to starting the event that they are aware of all relevant speed limits and are appropriately warned by the co-driver during the event.

ALL COMPETITORS – RESTRICTED SPEED ZONES

A Restricted Speed Zone (RSZ) approximately 0.25km in length with a speed limit of 40k/hr will be used on special stages 2 and 5 where FFMV has upgraded the road. Crews should familiarise themselves with the relevant Motorsport Australia Regulations (NRSR-SSR 5.6(a)(i)).

Penalties will be applied in any case where the maximum speed within the RSZ is greater than 40k/hr, with no leeway. In calculating penalties, for each competitor the average speed within the RSZ will be deemed equal to the maximum speed.

REGULARITY ONLY - MAXIMUM SPEED ON STAGES

Rally Regularity Regulations stipulate a maximum speed of 110Km/h on Stages. Road selection and other means are used to keep the maximum achievable speed below this. Radar may be used to monitor compliance.

Additional to the RSZs in special stages 2 and 5 already described in these regulations, other Restricted Speed Zones (RSZ) will be used where necessary to monitor vehicle speeds., The speed of a vehicle may be monitored by measuring speed at any one location. Average speeds over the whole of an RSZ will be calculated based on the length of the RSZ as determined by the organisers and the times recorded at Time or Passage Controls at the start and end of the relevant RSZ.

ODOMETER CHECK

An odometer check 4.92km in length is available near the State Motorcycle Complex. The start of the odometer check will be at a white post near a concrete gate at 450 Strath Creek Rd, approximately 2.0km generally east from the entrance to the State Motorcycle Complex (turn right out of complex onto main road, then 2.0km). The end of the odometer check will be at the mail box for 945 Strath Creek Rd (labelled Rooks Peak) approximately 1.3 km east of the intersection of Strath Creek Rd and Reedy Creek Rd.

OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD

The Official Notice Board for the event will be on the glass door/window of the Rally Office, adjacent to the canteen, at the State Motorcycle Complex.

SPONSOR'S ADVERTISING

It is a requirement that each vehicle competing in the Victorian Club Rally Series displays two signs provided by the series sponsor, LDV Geelong. One sign is to be placed on the upper rear section of each front guard or, if that is impractical, consult the Competitor Relations Officer to identify another prominent location on your vehicle that is acceptable to him.