



27th October – 6th November 2022

Q&A

18 May 2022

NSW Gathering – GPC Castle Hill NSW

The following Questions and Answers arose from the NSW Gathering. The Q&A are not necessarily in any order of priority and hopefully provide information for Participants to apply as they deem appropriate to their circumstances.

Is general Vehicle Insurance covered on the event?

Feedback provided by Shannons Insurances suggests that the nature of the event being non-competitive and generally using public roads, individual Shannons vehicle insurance coverage will apply for the event. Individuals may wish to seek confirmation of their particular circumstances under individual insurance policies.

What are the arrangements for vehicles on Historic Registration Scheme?

The feedback from the CRC Registrar is that in NSW, members should record the days used driving to the event in the Logbook and also make reference in the logbook for the duration of the event. This will cover off to be sure that Police in various States see that the event is recorded. The Days of the event will not contribute to "Days Used" out of the 60 Days (NSW Scheme) of the Logbook.

The event is included in the CRC Club Calendar as a Club Listed Event for CRC registered Historic Reg vehicles.

Entrants/Crews in other Car Clubs/States should seek to have the event included as a Listed Event in their individual Club Calendars to make the event eligible for "Club Days" for Logbook purposes.

What are the Mandatory Equipment Items for Crews?

All Mandatory Equipment items for Crew are listed in Article 9 of the Supplementary Regulations.

Satellite Phones over other satellite devices

The objective is to have reliable Voice and SMS capability from satellite devices. SatPhones achieve this by allowing SMS to reach people easily and cheaply to then start a phone call if needed. Contact with Emergency Services via 000 is faster and easier and potential life-saving instructions can be better provided by voice.

UHF Radios

All vehicles are to have a UHF Radio fitted (e.g. 40 band) with attached aerial for communication between vehicles. Hand-held UHF Radios are unsuitable for use on the event due to distance limitations.

Are Mandatory Items required for Service Crew?

There are no mandatory Service Crew items however the Organisers STRONGLY RECOMMEND that Crews consider that their Service Crew carry the items specified for Crew, especially SatPhones.

When Service Crew are working on any Vehicles by the roadside it is a requirement that Hi-Viz clothing is worn at all times, and that adequate roadside warning is provided to other road users by the positioning of road triangles or similar (e.g. witches hats, etc). BE SAFE – STAY SAFE.

What are the COVID-19 changes about?

The pandemic continues to be the most significant risk to the event.

All State borders are currently open to Domestic visitors without restriction, however at the time of writing the WA Government still retains a 7day isolation period for International visitors. International visitors should consider arriving into another State at least 7 days prior to the event.

Access to Yalata Indigenous Lands and Community requires that all Visitors must be FULLY Vaccinated (at least 3 at this time) and may require a negative RAT within 3 days of entering the community precinct. TO BE CONFIRMED.

Recent motorsport events held in NSW have become “COVID Super Spreader” events that caused significant disruption for Crews and the Organisers. It is the strident desire of the Organisers not to inflict the same conditions upon participants in this event if we can do anything to prevent it. The last thing we want is for a participant to attend and infect everyone else by mid-way through the event and the Health requirements require those infected to isolate and/or go home.

The Organisers want to protect all participants and are seriously considering requesting ALL participants to undertake COVID testing (RAT or PCR) 3 days prior to attending the event and if the test returns a positive result do not attend the event.

All participants need to remain aware of the current State Health requirements that exist leading up to and during the event.

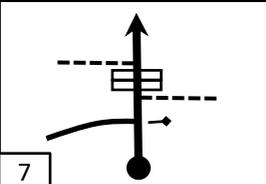
Each Participant should be prepared to carry a box of Rapid Antigen Tests with you on the event.

What will the Roadbooks include?

The Roadbooks have been constructed only in KILOMETERS not MILES. The 1968 event was in Miles but today 98% of all vehicles and distance devices (Trip meters) are set to measure in Kilometers. We had to make a call and we thought Kilometers would be easier for the majority on the event.

The Route Instructions use a combination of Distances, Tulips and Instructions to provide route details.

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Total Dist	Incr	Tulip	Instructions	Dist To Go
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Each set of Route Instructions is for the current Route Sector.

Each Day Roadbook will include the following;

1. **Route Schedule** with Distances, Estimated Times and Locations.
2. **Route Overview** with general outline and Map of the Day.
3. **Fuel Schedule** Table
4. **Route Instructions** – including Directors Notes on what to expect on the route.
5. **Route Redirections**- Instructions in case we need to follow a different route for whatever reason.

What is the status of Vehicle Shipping to Perth?

Entrant Starr Mifsud has negotiated a special discount arrangement for shipping vehicles to Perth. The vehicles will go by SHIP to Perth not by road. We have also arranged secure storage of the vehicles once they arrive in Perth through participants on the event Adrian Holdaway and Peter Eastwood.

Sydney Shipping out of Wollongong at a cost of \$1400 plus \$110 delivery to Perth Storage.
Melbourne Shipping out of Melbourne at a cost of \$1380 plus \$110 delivery to Perth Storage.

NOTE: Booking with the shipping company **must be finalized by 31st May 2022** to secure the pricing.

Contact Starr Mifsud on email mifsudstarr@gmail.com

Has the Event Route been finalized?

The event route had been settled back in 2020 but we were always hopeful of being able to use more. An opportunity to do so came only in the last month with the assistance of Barry Lloyd and Peter and Greg Eastwood from Western Australia. Together they used chainsaws and shovels to open a section of road that we had previously thought too difficult to access. But with their hard work we now have an extra 20 km section of the original “Horror Stretch” Marvel Loch to Lake King road, to play on.

A huge huge thank you to Barry, Peter and Greg.

When is the next NSW Get Together?

Wednesday 15th June at the German Performance Centre Castle Hill at 7.00pm.

If there are more questions that need answering out there, please send them through for Q&A. I am not able to answer the question of “what is the meaning of life” though.

Laurie
Event Director.

