

# REPCO RELIABILITY TRIAL



## 30th ANNIVERSARY REPCO RELIABILITY TRIAL RERUN

ORGANISED BY THE HISTORIC RALLY ASSOCIATION (INC)

### PRELIMINARY INFORMATION AND EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

#### THE EVENT

The event shall be known as the 30th Anniversary REPCO RELIABILITY TRIAL RERUN, hereinafter referred to as "The Event".

The event will celebrate the 30th anniversary of the 1979 Repco Reliability Trial

The event will be a Touring Road Event conducted over public and private roads in Victoria, South Australia and New South Wales, between the 8th of August and the 17th of August 2009.

#### ORGANISATION

The event shall be organised and promoted by the Historic Rally Association (Inc.)  
PO Box 631 Camberwell Vic 3124

The organisers reserve the right to postpone, abandon, cancel, terminate or alter the Event at any point.

The organising committee will consist of the Clerk of Course and Assistant Clerks of Course whose names appear in the key personnel section.

#### KEY PERSONNEL

**Clerk of Course:** Graham Wallis  
14 Rookwood St. Nth. Balwyn Victoria 3104  
Ph: 03 9859 1412 Mob: 0429 939 619  
Email: ewal7731@bigpond.net.au

**Assistant Clerks of Course:**  
Richard Davies, Matt Philip

**Secretary:** Liz Partington

**Checkers:** Rick Hartmann, Rick Bainbridge

#### CREW ELIGIBILITY

Crews shall consist of at least two persons. The maximum number of persons in the crew shall be subject to vehicle capacity and relevant civil regulations.

The entrant and all crew members must be a member of the Historic Rally Association Inc. Competitors can sign up to the HRA at the event documentation. Anyone driving in the event must possess a current civil driving licence. The event will be open to all grades of competitors. A decision is imminent regarding the choice of sanctioning body, based on what is best for the competitor, in any case competitors will be covered by a public risk and accident insurance policy for the duration of the event.

Rally licenses are not necessary, club level licenses issued by the sanctioning body will be required by all crew members.

#### VEHICLE ELIGIBILITY

2wd models produced before 1980 are guaranteed a start, people wishing to enter other vehicles should talk to the Clerk of Course, in most cases there won't be a problem, particularly if the entrant took part in the original event. Our aim is to present an event where historical content and social interaction count for more than just being competitive.

Modifications of all types are permitted but vehicles must be registered and engine and chassis numbers must agree with certificate of registration. Club plated vehicles within NSW, VIC and ACT are all eligible. The use of Unregistered Vehicle permits are also permitted.



Roll over protection is not required but vehicles will be required to have mud flaps, fire extinguishers, safety triangles, first aid kits and an emergency supply of drinking water installed.

Vehicles will be scrutineered for safety and compliance with regulations prior to the start. Official scrutiny will be held in Melbourne and Sydney, during the week prior to the event. Regional entrants should contact the organisers for information re scrutiny procedures.

### **EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**

The organisers are now accepting accepting expressions of interest from entrants along with a \$250 deposit, this will be refundable in full if the event is cancelled for any reason.

The entry fee will be announced with the Supplementary Regulations, it will be less than \$2000, the organisers are aiming for the best deal possible and present indications are that it will be closer to \$1500 than the \$2000 upper figure.

The entry fee includes:

- Sanctioning body permit fees, including public liability insurance
- Rally entry (including hire of venues and safety equipment)
- One set of official maps and instructions
- Set of Car Numbers. Personal identification badges, caps and other paraphernalia.
- Provision of space on truck for entrant's personal belongings, clothing, camping equipment etc.
- Any significant surplus in finances may be returned to the entrants by way of paid for meals.

Entrants will be required to organise and pay for accommodation, food and fuel.

Cheques should be made payable to "HRA Special Events Inc"

Expression of interest forms must be accompanied by the entry fee. If paying by electronic deposit you MUST attach a copy of the receipt to the form..

General entries are limited to 80, accepted in order of receipt.

Notwithstanding the above, up to 10 additional historically significant entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organisers.

### **RUNNING DETAILS**

The event will start from the Melbourne Showgrounds. The event will be run over 4500 km.

No special car preparation, except for basic safety equipment, will be required, although cars will need to be in very good mechanical condition.

The general route will consist of Touring Sections following the original 1979 route. This will consist in the main of unsealed roads and tracks. Some of the original control locations will be manned and although these stages won't be timed if you arrive after the control has closed you will be deemed to have missed the control and will incur a penalty. Most of the course will be route charted, using the original road book whenever possible.

Of the 16 original competitive sections between the start and Kingoonya you will be able to drive 12, 9 of these substantially unmodified from 1979.

Various competitive sub events will be organised around the course.

These will include Speed Events, mainly in the form of timed runs on a variety of dirt circuits. Helmets and ankle to neck to wrist non-flammable clothing and enclosed footwear will be required for these events.

Motorkhana or Khanacross sub events will be held at venues that don't have a licensed circuit. Both these and the speed events will be timed to the tenth of a second.

There will be also Road Sections run as sub events. These will include competitive timed to the minute sections on private property and also regularity sections on public roads.

There will be no competitive sub events in days 8 and 9, the event presentation will be held at the Prairie



Hotel, Parachilna on day 7.

We aim to finish each days driving by sunset, leaving the evenings free for socialising.

### OFFICIAL MAPS

- (a) RAA and RACV road maps as specified in the Supplementary Regulations
- (b) Other maps as supplied by organisers.

### TRAINING SESSION

A Training and Information session will be held on Friday the 7th of August 2009 at a place and time to be advised.

### EVENT SCHEDULE

Below is listed the proposed event schedule as at the start of February, events will be added or changed as the event organisation progresses.

#### AUGUST 8

- Start at Melbourne Showgrounds
- Jim Maude Memorial Lunch at Tooborac
- Autocross sub event at Bagshot, NE of Bendigo
- Drive to Ballarat overnight stop via Maryborough and Creswick Special Stage.
- Dinner at Ballarat Sailing Club

#### AUGUST 9

- Khanacross sub event at Ballarat Airport
- Khanacross sub event at Dunkeld
- Optional navigation sub event to Mount Gambier
- Tour Heywood Special Stage for those not doing navigation sub event.
- Autocross sub event at SEAC Park, Mount Gambier.
- Dinner in Mt Gambier, including Rally Forum featuring well known rally competitors.

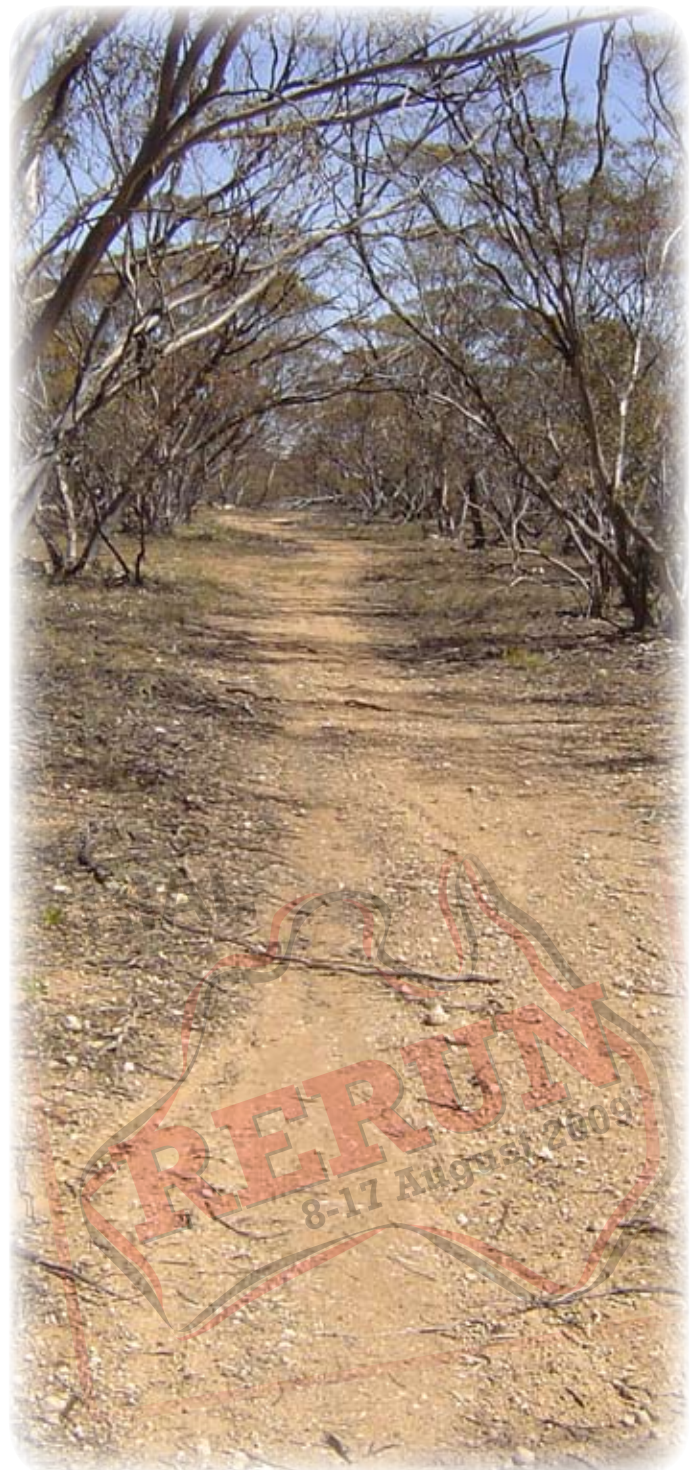
#### AUGUST 10

- A touring day but plenty of challenge!
- Competitive stages driven today include: Introductory Trial Stage, Tarpeena Trial Stage, Wrattontully Transport Stage (counts as competitive as it had a 100km/h average and was where everyone got bogged just before Bordertown!), Moonlight Mud Trial Stage (deleted in 1979 due to wet weather) and Mallee Root Trial Stage.
- Dinner at Renmark Club.

#### AUGUST 11

- Starts with Riverland Transport then most of the Murray Flats Trial Stage, the end of this stage has been diverted to Tailern Bend so that we can hold a sub event at the old Rallycross track where Larry Perkins won the Australian Championship in 1979.
- Transport via Mannum and Sedan to Walky Park for a Autocross sub event.
- Overnight at Nuriootpa, dinner at the Vine Inn

*continued next page.*





HISTORIC RALLY ASSOCIATION (INC)  
30TH ANNIVERSARY REPCO RERUN  
AUGUST 2009  
**ENTRY RESERVATION FORM**

ENTRANT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CREW MEMBER'S NAMES

1 \_\_\_\_\_

2 \_\_\_\_\_

3 \_\_\_\_\_

4 \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE H \_\_\_\_\_ W \_\_\_\_\_

MOB \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION

OF ENTRANT (OPT) \_\_\_\_\_

VEHICLE MAKE \_\_\_\_\_

MODEL \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR \_\_\_\_\_

BODY TYPE \_\_\_\_\_

I WISH TO ENTER THE REPCO RERUN AND ENCLOSE NON  
REFUNDABLE PART ENTRY FEE PAYMENT OF \$250.

Cheques to be made out to HRA Special Events (inc)

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_



**AUGUST 12**

- Collingrove Hillclimb sub event first up then transport to Burra.
- Modified South Flinders Trial Stage will form the basis of a Regularity sub event which finishes at Yunta, fantastic scenery and driving.
- Transport to Broken Hill.

**AUGUST 13**

- Free time in Broken Hill for the first half of the day.
- Broken Hill Road Sections sub event starts 80km east of Broken Hill late afternoon and finishes back at Broken Hill by mid evening for a meal at the Mulga Hill Tavern.

**AUGUST 14**

- Transport to Olary then tour a modified Mingary Trial Stage in reverse to Curnamona Station for lunch and a Motorkhana sub event.
- After some transport to Frome Downs the Blinman Trial Stage takes us to Blinman, via superb scenery, then a transport down to Parachilna for the overnight stop and awards presentation dinner.
- There will be an optional Motorkhana sub event at Parachilna, navigators to drive.

**AUGUST 15**

- Travel to Maree then via Boggy Detour Trial Stage to Coober Pedy for overnight.

**AUGUST 16**

- Travel to Kingoonya, where the Repco headed west, then south via Mt Ive to Iron Knob and Port Augusta for a farewell dinner.

**Note** that the last two days are purely touring but spectacular and well worthwhile, particularly if you haven't been to this area before.

