

## CREW BRIEFING NOTES

### ROUND 2 – EROAD AUSTRALIAN RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP

### 22 – 24 MAY 2026

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These notes are to be read in conjunction with the FIA International Sporting Code including Appendices (ISC), Motorsport Australia (MSA) National Competition Rules (NCR), 2025-27 ARC Sporting and Technical Regulations, THE ARC Sporting and Technical Regulations Addendum, the Supplementary Regulations and any Bulletins or Instructions issued for the Event.

#### General

1. We Welcome everyone back to Busselton and Nannup for the 41<sup>st</sup> running of the Forest Rally. Thank you to the teams who have travelled from interstate and welcome back to Tom and Andreas who have come from Sweden. And welcome to our first time Forest Rally competitors.
2. introduce the Stewards, CRO's, and Event Chaplain
  - Clerk of the Course                      Ross Tapper
  - Deputy Clerk of the Course            Stuart Mitchell
  - Stewards                                      Paul Makela; Stephen Ebenestelli; Paul Woolhouse; Megan Peek
  - Competitor Relations Officers        Bob Nicoli & Alex Baird
  - Chaplain                                        Kim van Keul
3. Please remember to **SIGN ON**
4. Speed in Service Park, refuel areas, etc please keep to walking pace
5. Respect the Public on the open roads and obey all road rules including posted speed limits. The Police are aware of the rally and will be out on the event. We will not tolerate tyre and brake warming by weaving across the road.
6. If you withdraw from the event, you must advise the CRO as soon as possible, If you are restarting you must advise the CRO prior to booking in to the next Time Control. If you do not finish Heat/Leg 1 and intent to restart Heat/Leg 2 you must inform the CRO.
7. All enquiries must be submitted via the Competitor Relations Officers (CRO's)
8. Emergency and Red Flag Procedures – **Alan Vaughan**  
 Rally Standing Regulations – Special Stage Rally, article 6.3  
 ARC Sporting Regulation, article 21  
 Event Supplementary Regulations, article 17
  - **The integrity of these procedures relies on each Crew in the rally**
  - **You** are the first on scene who can help the Crew of a car which is stopped.
  - The Emergency Procedures are a suite of tools we all use for the safety of all Crews, Including OK/SOS Boards, triangles, Rallysafe, SOS Radio Points, Red Flags and **YOU**.
  - If you see a car stopped and there is no **OK** board you must **STOP.**
  - If you see a Red Flag at an SOS radio point or you get a Red Flag on you RallySafe unit
    - you must slow to 60km/h and proceed to the end of the stage with caution
    - You must acknowledge the red flag on the RallySafe unit.



- If you stop on a stage, you **MUST** advise Rally Control of your status, via your RallySafe unit by pressing OK or SOS. it is important that you do this ASAP and within 1 minute of stopping, this allows Rally Control to act accordingly with correct information.
  - **SOS** - there is a **2**-step process. Press **SOS** then you must confirm with **MEDICAL** or **FIRE?**
  - If you **DO NOT** confirm with Medical or Fire, the next approaching car, will only see a HAZARD.
  - In Rally Control the Clerk of the Course can see the hazard as unconfirmed SOS, however Rally Control cannot assume ANYTHING in this situation.
  - If you have mistakenly pressed SOS you **MUST** downgrade it by pressing CANCEL (green left button) and confirm with Y or N.
- If you get a RallySafe “Hazard” you must look for the car and an **OK** board. If you do not see an OK board, you must STOP.
- Remember that you will typically follow the same car throughout the rally. Take a moment at the start of the rally to check where the kill and fire-bomb switches are on that other car in case you need to get to them quickly.
- If you have any questions read the regulations, review the RallySafe information or **ASK** a question.

### **Event Specific**

1. Clubman competitors Please be aware that the use of old pace notes or other people's fresh notes is not only dangerous, but contrary to the regulations and certainly not in the spirit of clubman.
2. The Emergency Number is on the sticker supplied. Please make sure it is on your dash and readable by driver and co-driver. If you don't have a sticker, see Katie on the way out.
3. Remember to carry your driver's licence and vehicle permit papers in the car at all times.
4. Any additional CAUTION signage put up by the zero cars will be in reverse colour, including the Bulletin.
5. There have been three (3) Bulletins issued, they are on the Sportity system
6. Respect our Officials, they are volunteer out there so you can enjoy the event.
7. Please remember to **SIGN ON**

### **First on Scene**

Dr Matt Croxford

### **Chaplain**

Kim van Keul

### **Ross Tapper**

### **Clerk of the Course**

#### **Copy:**

Officials Notice Board, Sportity  
Stewards of the Event  
Secretary of the Event  
ARC Sporting Delegate