

The Andy Lowe Memorial Rallysprint

Held at Piakonui Road, Matamata

Round 3 of the Northern Rallysprint Series

Proudly brought to you by Thames Valley Car Club

Sunday 30 April 2023

1.JURISDICTION

This event is a Rallysprint, promoted by the Thames Valley Car Club and will take place on Sunday 30th April 2023 in the Matamata area. The Rallysprint is Round 3 of the Northern Rallysprint Series.

The Rallysprint will be held under these Supplementary Regulations, the MotorSport NZ National Sporting Code and its Appendices and Schedules particularly Appendix Three, Schedule RS being the Standing Regulations for all Rallysprints and Appendix Two, Schedule A – Driver and Vehicle Safety Requirements as in the most current Manual.

This event is a Clubsport event and is open to members of Motorsport NZ affiliated clubs.

The MotorSport NZ Permit Number is: 230070

2. OFFICIALS OF THE EVENT

Clerk of the Course: Michele Brunt 021 636 068

Event Secretary: Michele Brunt 021 636 068

Chief Scrutineer: Don Brunt 0274 739 185

MSNZ Steward: Steve Lachman

3. THE EVENT

The Event will be held on Sunday, 30th April 2023 at Piakonui Road, Matamata. The Rallysprint Headquarters will be based at the TVCC Caravan on Piakonui Road. The course consists of approximately 8kms of gravel public road with a touring section of approximately 10ks also on public roads.

Competitor access, from Morrinsville proceed via Morrinsville Kereone Road for approx. 2 k's, turn right into Morrinsville Walton Road and follow for 15 k's turn right into Paratu Road, 1.5 k's follow left into Paratu Road, 3.2 k's follow left again into Paratu Road, at 1.8 k's ahead into Piakonui Road and 0.8 k's to control and pit paddock. From Highway 27 north of Matamata, turn into Morrinsville Walton Road follow through Walton to turn left into Paratu Road and follow as above. Or Google 399 Piakonui Road.

4. ENTRIES

Entries open with the publication of these regulations and close at **5:00pm, Thursday, 27th April 2023.** Entries after the normal closing date but received prior to 5.00pm, Friday, 28th April 2023 will be subject to a late entry fee.

PLEASE ENTER VIA a Possum Online – https://possum.motorsport.org.nz/

No entries will be accepted on the day.

Entry fee is \$250 – this includes GST and levies. Late Entry Fee is \$300 – this includes GST and levies.

Please Note - Dual Drivers can be accommodated.

Please make sure you include your correct email address as this will be used to send out the Acceptance of Entry.

Internet Banking payments can be made to account number **02 0396 0039007 000.** Put the drivers name and the word Rallysprint in the payment reference details. Payments by Direct Credit must be received before the normal closing date for entries.

The organisers reserve the right to abandon the event if less than **30** entries are received at normal closing date. The maximum number of starters will be **60**. Any additional entries received will be placed on the reserve list in order of receipt.

5. COMPETITOR REQUIREMENTS

All drivers must hold as a minimum a current M Grade MotorSport NZ issued Competition Licence. If you are carrying a passenger under the age of 16, they must provide a signed underage indemnity form signed by a parent or legal guardian or this can be done at the Rallysprint headquarters on the day by the parent or legal guardian.

The driver is responsible to ensure your passenger is suitably briefed on the correct procedures to evacuate the car, to follow the required safety procedures in the event of an accident, either involving your car or upon encountering another accident.

6. VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

All vehicles shall comply with Appendix Two Schedule A and Appendix Three Schedule RS of the current MotorSport New Zealand Manual.

Classes will be:

Class A 0 –1300cc
Class B 1301 –1600cc
Class C 1601 – 2000cc
Class D 2001cc & over

Class E 4WD

Class G Classics 4wd Class H Classics 2wd

PLEASE NOTE - All vehicles must have a current registration and warrant of fitness. Vehicles must be registered as a motor vehicle. Dealer (trade) plates and/or Exempt class A or B registrations are not acceptable. As the event includes touring on public roads, all competing vehicles MUST comply with the appropriate road regulations, including road rules. (Please refrain from touring to the start line with helmets on)

PLEASE NOTE 2. No mud tyres on driven wheels will be permitted. If you are unsure whether your tyres come under this ruling, check with the Clerk of Course before drivers briefing. If you are found to be running non-compliant tyres, you will be excluded from the event and any results.

7. DOCUMENTATION AND SCRUTINEERING AUDIT

Competitors must present themselves at documentation for the checking of licences and documents, issuing of competition numbers and applicable advertising material.

FOR LOCALS OR ANYONE IN ELSE IN THE AREA AT THE TIME - Documentation and scrutineering will be held on <u>Saturday</u>, 29th April 2023 from 2.00pm to 3.30pm. The Venue will be On Site Auto Electrical. 2598 SH26, Morrinsville. Behind the big orange VTNZ building.

There will be limited documentation only on the morning of the event, at the venue between 8.00am and 9.00am. This will be strictly enforced.

N.B. There will be NO documentation available up north as in recent years.

N.B. There will be NO scrutineering available Sunday morning.

Please remember you should be scrutineered to Schedule R.

AGAIN: There will be **NO** scrutineering on Sunday morning.

We are recommending that anyone requiring scrutineering for this event, completes a pre–event scrutineering with one of the listed scrutineers below.

NCC – Mike Jordan 09 434 6850

HCMC – Garry Trayes 09 444 1811 or 021

050 5753

PCC – Craig Tickle 021 168 8406

HCC – Sean Elder 0274 875 680

MBOP – David Loughlin 021 917 866

TVCC - Don Brunt 0274 739 185

N.B. Driver and co-driver apparel may be inspected either at scrutineering, prior to, or during the event.

8. EVENT PROGRAMME:

a) Drivers Briefing will commence at 9.30am at the Rallysprint Headquarters (TVCC Caravan). A roll call will be held, any driver not attending will be deemed a non-starter. Be ready to race – meaning you and your co-driver are in overalls and your car is ready to go.

- b) Recce will commence shortly after the completion of the drivers briefing. All competitors must travel the course route in convoy.
- c) Time and Weather permitting, ALL competitors will have FOUR timed runs.
- d) Eliminations will be occurring throughout the day as per the Northern Rallysprint Series Rules. The fastest two cars from each Class will have a 5th run to determine the Class Winner time permitting.
- e) If you are unable to start at any time during the day, for whatever reason, you must notify the Rallysprint Headquarters.
- f) If you are wishing to withdraw from the event, a withdrawal form will need to be completed and handed into the Rallysprint Headquarters.
- g) The organisers reserve the right to combine Classes if less than 3 entries are received in a Class.
- h) It is the driver's responsibility to be lined up in the start queue in their correct running order. Failure to abide may result in you being refused a start in the run. This is to ensure the event can run to time. All competitors get the opportunity to complete their run in a safe manner. The venue has the pits located adjacent to the finish area.

9. SEEDING

Seeding will be in class order and will be fastest car to slowest car per Class, as decided by the organisers with possible input from the Northern Rallysprint Series Convenors; starting order will be 4wd through to 0 - 1300cc.

10. TIMING / RESULTS

The event will use Rally Timing with cars starting at 1-minute intervals. The Start Line will be run by lights – please make yourself familiar with the system on the day. Timing clocks will be supplied by Rally New Zealand.

Provisional results will be posted during the day at the event HQ.

Final Provisional results will be posted immediately after the last run in the runoffs at the Event Headquarters. Results will be declared final 30 minutes after posting final provisional results.

There will be a 2-minute interval between classes, as well as possible 2-minute intervals where the Officials feel it is required for Safety Reasons.

Jump Starts: Appendix One Schedule P – Penalties, Penalty A3R.11 will apply. Judge of fact (Jumped Start) will be any of the start officials of this event.

11. GENERAL

- a) There is to be absolutely NO parking on the side of the road between the road closure and pit paddocks on Piakonui Road. This has been stipulated by the council and must be adhered to.
- b) Spectators viewing for spectators is not very good this year due to the change in direction, and the finish being earlier up the road for safety reasons. We will update any solutions to this in the acceptance of entry.
- c) Time Cards we will be running time cards at this event including target times for the start of each run.
- d) All servicing must be done in the designated service area.

- e) No dogs or alcohol allowed at the venue. Alcohol is prohibited at the venue while cars are competing. Any infringement by a Competitor or their Crew may result in immediate disqualification, **even though the Competitor may have finished the competition or withdrawn**
- f) Please collect all rubbish, including cigarette butts at the end of the event, this venue is becoming very delicate with residents, so we ask you leave nothing but footprints in the interest of good motorsport public relations.
- g) All drivers are required to advise the organisers of and will be liable for any damage that they may cause to private or other property, including fences or other structures. Failure to do so will be in contempt of these supplementary regulations, this may incur further sanctions and/or expense.
- h) A prize giving will be held after the event, at the Venue Piakonui Road. Attendance is highly recommended for all prize winners. If you are unable to make it to the prize giving, please nominate someone in your place.
- i) We hope to have local community groups providing food and drinks during the day. Please support the local community. This will be confirmed in the Acceptance of Entry
- j) THE ORGANISERS ASK THAT NO COMPETITION CARS WARM BRAKES TYRES OR TEST OUTSIDE OF THE ROAD CLOSURE ZONE. This is to appease resident concerns and we ask all to respect this request.

12. POSTPONEMENT CANCELLATION ABANDONMENT & ORGANISERS' RIGHTS

The Organisers reserves the right to cancel, abandon or postpone the event should it be found impossible to run the event due to circumstance beyond our control which lead to either the venue being unable to be used or any articles in the Safety Plan cannot be implemented.

The Organisers also reserve the right to refuse any entry in accordance with the prescribed provisions in the National Sporting Code.

For reasons of Force Majeure should a meeting or part thereof be cancelled any entry fee refund will be made only at the discretion of the organisers.

In the event of wet weather check the TVCC or NRSS Facebook pages on Sunday morning.

TVCC COMPETITORS - You are required to contact Michele Brunt (021 636 068) with a name and phone number of a designated helper/marshal. This event will not happen if we have insufficient marshals.