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MESSAGE FROM THE CLERK OF COURSE

Welcome and thank you for your interest in the Fast Track Towing & Transport Nissan Nightmoves Trial for 2024.

The Event will be round 4 of the Victorian Club Rally Series (VCRS) and will be held on Saturday 22nd June 2024. The organising team have put together a great mix of seven stages within the Redcastle, Rushworth, Graytown and One Eye forests around Heathcote Victoria.

This year's event will give crews approximately 140km of competitive and about 93km of liaison. Crews will start with 3 competitive sections (including one remote refuel in the forest) then return to service. After service crews will run 2 stages with an optional refuel on the way to start stage 6, then wrap up the evening with another 2 competitive sections. The event will be fully route charted.

Again, for this year, we are very lucky to have sponsors Fast Track Towing & Transport support our event. We sincerely thank Braeden Kendrick and the team for their incredible support. Braeden and his highly experienced team provide 24/7 towing and transport services all over Melbourne. Remember who to call when you need help with towing or transporting your vehicles or equipment!

We are also so grateful for the continued support from Palling Bros. Brewery in Heathcote. We are so lucky to be able to offer their fantastic products as prizes for both competitors and officials. Peter has a wonderful brewery and restaurant in the heart of Heathcote, and we encourage everyone to drop by and enjoy a meal when they can. Why not come up to Heathcote a bit early this year and have a nice lunch before the event?

Phil Thomas from Lock & Load Transport has again joined us as a sponsor. This year we have Lock & Load prizes on offer to showcase their amazing products. For anyone towing or transporting ANYTHING, you should get to know what's in the Lock & Load Transport catalog.

We are also welcoming back this year, Shannon Seabrook from Forklift Clearance Centre as an event sponsor. Forklift Clearance Centre has extensive experience and provides a large range of quality used forklifts to hire or buy.

Our final event sponsors, Windscreen Deals have been long time supporters of our event. Greg and Denise have so much experience and knowledge when it comes to replacing or repairing your damaged windscreen. Give them a call on 9458 5431 for the best service out there!

Scrutineering must be done by regional scrutineers and be organised by the competitor. This is a requirement of the Scrutiny panel and needs to be performed in ADDITION TO the "self-scrutineering" that may have occurred for other events. We look forward to getting your entry and seeing you at the 2024 Fast Track Towing & Transport Nissan Nightmoves Trial.

Cary Seabrook Clerk of Course 2024 Nissan Nightmoves

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1. EVENTSCHEDULE

Entries Open Friday Upon publication of these Regulations

Entries Close for start list Friday June 14th at 20:00 hrs.

Further Instructions Published Sunday June 16th.

Scrutiny Regional scrutineering required. See section 11.

Final Entries Close Wednesday June 19th 20:00 hrs

Documentation Closing Time Thursday June 20th 20:00 hrs

Start of the Event Saturday June 22nd 17:30 hrs

Event Headquarters Heathcote Showgrounds

Cnr Cauldwell St and Chauncey St, Heathcote

Entry Fee Payable to: Nissan Car Club Australia Inc.

EFT transfer via banking details listed below.

2. EVENTSUMMARY

The Event shall be known as the "Nissan Nightmoves Trial", hereinafter referred to as "the Event" and will be run as a **Club Special Stage Rally**. The Event will be Round 4 of the 2024 Victorian Club Rally Series. It will be run as one division of approximately 140 km of competitive and 93 km of transport. The Event will run on private and public roads in the Heathcote/Redcastle/Rushworth area, during the hours of darkness on Saturday the 22nd and morning of Sunday the 23rd, June 2024.

3. AUTHORITY

The Event shall be conducted under the provisions of:

- The FIA International Sporting Code including Appendices.
- The National Competition Rules (NCR) of Motorsport Australia
- The Rally Standing Regulations (RSR), and the current Victorian Rally Bulletins. Where reference is made to the NRC in these Supplementary Regulations, that should be taken as a reference to the RSR as applicable.
- The current Series Rules of the Victorian Club Rally Series.
- These Supplementary Regulations and any Further Instructions, Bulletins, Regulations and Route Instructions which may be issued by the Organisers.
- The Motorsport Australia permit number 324/2306/02 authorising this Event, will be displayed at the start
- This Event will be conducted under and in accordance with Motorsport Australia OH&S, Motorsport
 Australia Safety 1st, Integrity and Legal, Return to Race and Risk Management Policies, which can be
 found on the Motorsport Australia website at www.motorsport.org.au
- Certain public, property, professional indemnity and personal accident insurance is provided by Motorsport Australia in relation to the Event. Further details can be found in the Motorsport Australia Insurance Handbook, available at www.motorsport.org.au.



4. KEY PERSONNEL

The Event will be organised and promoted by the **Nissan Car Club Australia Inc.**, which has appointed the following Organising Committee:

Clerk of Course Cary Seabrook (Lic: 1041622) Phone: 0432 578 766

Email: cary.seabrook@outlook.com

Assistant Clerks of the Course Ben Smith (Lic: 9894732) Phone: 0419 716 974

Tim Smith (Lic: 9908579) Phone: 0448 114 681

Event Secretary Susan Day (Lic: 9236667) Phone: 0412 676 902

(Send entries here!)

Email: susan.c.day@biqpond.com

Additionally, the following people fulfil the roles designated:

Course - Compliance Checker Jason Hague (Lic: 9882980) Phone: 0409 166 975

Results Manager Trevor Woods (Lic: 889096) Phone: 0418 300 062

Officials Coordinator Denise Chenhall (Lic: 1508339) Phone: 0417 015 792

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Safety Officer Aiden Peart (Lic: 1043610) Series Stewards William Bennett (Lic: 9936835) Club Steward Jeremy Cath (Lic: 1809543) VCRS Series Scrutineers John Roberts (Lic: 9898788) Chief Scrutineer John Roberts (Lic: 9898788) Area Coordinator Jason Hague (Lic: 9882980) Series Coordinator John Roberts (Lic: 9898788)

5. RUNNING DETAILS

- 5.1. The Event will be run in one division, in the hours of darkness, totaling approximately 160 km competitive.
- 5.2. Late Running time will be 45 minutes.
- 5.3. Further details of competitive and transport distances and service details will be provided in the Further Instructions.
- 5.4. The competitive kilometers of the **Event will be fully route charted** sections. Crew navigators will be required to provide their own rally roamers or other suitable map scaling devices.
- 5.5. Some transport sections of the Event may be designated non-service areas.

6. OFFICIAL MAPS

This Event is <u>fully route charted</u> however competitors may find the following maps useful should they want more information:

MUM, Redcastle, Drawn Jan 1987 MUM, Graytown, Drawn Feb 1987 MUM, Rushworth, Drawn 1987

As well as any other maps which may be supplied by the Organisers.

7. FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS

Further instructions will be emailed to all Crews and will include.

- Competitor Number
- Report time & venue
- Start time & venue
- Odometer check
- List of Competitors
- Running details
- Details of awards
- Availability of fuel
- Any other information or changes that may be deemed necessary

8. COMMUNICATION

Further communications such as Further Regulations and Results will be by way of email sent to the address supplied on the Entry Form. Please ensure that you provide a current, clearly legible email address on your entry form.

In order to remove the handling of documents and also in order to reduce our environmental load, an electronic competitor portal will be set up to communicate between Event Organisers and Competitors.

9. CREWELIGIBILITY

- 9.1. The Competitor and both Crew Members must be members of a club affiliated with Motorsport Australia in Victoria and hold a Motorsport Australia Rally license or superior. The Driver must hold a current civil Driver's license valid in Victoria.
- 9.2 Both Crew Members must have officiated at any gravel surface event on the Victorian Rally Calendar within the previous two years. Crew Members new to rallying are given 12 months to comply with this requirement. Crew Members who do not meet these criteria will not be permitted to start the Event as per VRB part A section 9.
- 9.3. The VCRS Rally is open to all grades of Competitor, however only Crews conforming to the following will be eligible for series awards, or series points: Current state recognised (Grade B), state clubman (Grade C), clubman (Grade D), novice (Grade E) and rookie (Grade F) competitors.
- 9.4. To secure individual points for the VCRS, both Crew Members must be current financial members of any of the VCRS clubs listed in the 2024 VCRS Series Regulations.
- 9.5. A crew shall comprise of two persons only. One shall be nominated as Driver and one as Navigator. No changing of roles will be permitted throughout the Event.
- 9.6. To be eligible for novice awards, both Crew Members must be grade E or grade F.
- 9.7. No person may participate in any competitive section without wearing a helmet and apparel as detailed in the 2024 VCRS Series Regulations 3.4 Apparel and the Motorsport Australia Manual Schedule D.
- 9.8. To be eligible for senior cup points the combined age of both Crew Members and the vehicle must equal or exceed 120 years. Both Crew Members must be at least 40 years old. The age of the vehicle will be determined by the year of manufacture on the registration label or other means deemed acceptable by the Series Coordinator.

The Crew must request senior cup on the Event Entry Form.

9.9. To be eligible for VCRS Junior Cup, competitors must be under 25 years of age on the first of February of that year of competition.

The crew must request junior cup on the Event Entry Form.

9.10. Crew Members must not have won the VCRS Junior Cup in their respective roles previously.



10. VEHICLE ELIGIBILITY

- 10.1. All vehicles eligible for Series points or awards must comply with the provisions of Group 3C, Production Rally Cars (PRC) (which accordingly includes FISA Group A and Group N) or Historic or Group 3 Club Rally Cars and Classic Rally Cars or road registered 4WD vehicles that comply with Groups A0, A1 or A2 of the Motorsport Australia Cross Country Rally Standing Technical Regulations.
- 10.2. The following classes shall apply:
 - Class A: up to and including 1400cc
 - Class B: over 1400cc, up to and including 1600cc
 - Class C: over 1600cc, up to and including 2000cc

Class D: over 2000cc
 Class E: over 2000cc
 4 Wheel Drive

Note: Capacity is multiplied by a factor of 1.7 for forced induction (turbo chargers etc.) and by a factor of 1.8 for rotary powered cars. Competitors are to ensure these factors are applied, if necessary, when nominating a class upon entry.

- 10.3. Competitors must indicate which class they wish to be entered in on the Entry Form.
- 10.4. All vehicles competing in VCRS Events must have roll over protection complying with at least Schedule J, Rallies section 3.4 as defined in the Motorsport Australia Manual.

10.5. Junior Cup Vehicle Eligibility

- 10.5.1. An eligible VCRS Junior Cup vehicle must be a normally aspirated vehicle of no more than six cylinders within the classes of A, B, C or D as listed above.
- 10.5.2. The vehicle must not be classified by VicRoads as high-powered for the purposes of P Plate power restrictions.





11. RALLY SAFE

- 11.1. All Competitors must make provision in their competition vehicle for the RallySafe GPS tracking system.
- 11.2. Competitors must have a RallySafe wiring loom, antennas and mounting kit installed prior to scrutiny. This is a one-off purchase via the RallySafe web shop see: www.rallysafe.com.au/shop/.
- 11.3. Installation instructions are available at https://www.rallysafe.com.au/wp- content/uploads/2019/08/Competitor-User-Manual-V2-Wayne-Final.pdf.
- 11.4. The RallySafe system must be wired to permanent 12v power.
- 11.5. The RallySafe GPS tracking unit screen will be available at the Event, prior to the start. Further details will be in the Event Further Regulations.
- 11.6. Competitors should familiarise themselves with the use of the RallySafe by reference to the "Quick Reference Manual" are available at www.rallysafe.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Competitor-User-Manual-V2- Wayne-Final.pdf
- 11.7. Any misuse of the equipment will result in the Competitor being reported to the Stewards of the Event who may impose penalties that may go as far as exclusion.
- 11.8. RallySafe requires constant power commencing 60-minutes before leaving the first control.
- 11.9. Should a competitor retire, they must return the tracking unit screen to Rally Headquarters as soon as possible. Do not take the RallySafe units' home.
- 11.10. The tracking unit screens should be removed from the rally cars at the Final Control.
- 11.11. It is solely the Competitor's responsibility to return the RallySafe tracking unit screen to the Event Organisers immediately after the Event and Sub Events. The Competitor will be responsible for reimbursing RallySafe for the cost of any unit not returned or damaged for any reason.

12. SCRUTINY

- 12.1. Scrutineering is to be performed by an approved Victorian Rally Scrutineer and must be arranged by the competitor for a time and place suitable to both parties. The list of approved scrutineers can be found in the 2024 Victorian Rally Bulletin Part A found on the Vicrally website www.vicrally.com.au. Competitors are strongly encouraged to have their vehicle scrutineered at least 3 days prior to the Event so there is adequate time for re-scrutiny if deficiencies are detected.
- 12.2. Competitors will be emailed an official Scrutineering form which shall be completed by the Scrutineer. This form must be complete and include the stamp (including Motorsport Australia License number) of the Scrutineer in order to be accepted prior to starting the Event.
- 12.3. Crews are to present the following documentation at Scrutiny:
 - Official Scrutineering Form (see section 11.2).
 - Copy of Event Supplementary Regulations and Further Regulations as available.
 - Motorsport Australia logbook.
 - Current vehicle registration papers, unregistered vehicle permit and homologation papers (if applicable).
 - If on a VicRoads Club Permit (CPS), the CPS logbook.
- 12.4. Crews are reminded to present their vehicles in full Rally trim (except for tyres but including safety equipment and driving lights and apparel as required). Vehicles must be presented for Scrutineering and the Event start in a clean and tidy condition. Vehicles deemed not to comply with this requirement by the Scrutineer or Clerk of the Course will not be scrutineered or allowed to start the Event as appropriate.
 - Please note that Frontal Head Restraints are required for all rallies and will be checked at scrutiny. (refer to Schedule I Motorsport Australia Manual.)
- 12.5. All competing vehicles must pass Scrutiny to start the Event. **A completed Scrutiny Form is required at bookin** in order to receive event documentation including route instructions. There will be no Scrutiny at the start.
- 12.6. The Scrutineers are deemed to be Judges of Fact in regard to Scrutiny matters.
- 12.7. All cars must be adequately muffled in accordance with Rally Standing Regulations VG 2.3 Measurement of Emitted Noise. Fuel must be in accordance with Schedule G of the Motorsport Australia Manual.
- 12.8. An OK/SOS Board must be supplied in each competitive vehicle by the crew. 'OK' shall be green and 'SOS' shall be red. The sign may incorporate reflective materials and be at least A4 size. The board must be accessible by both Crew Members.

13. ENTRIES

- 13.1. Entries must be on the Official Entry Form, complete in every detail and accompanied by the appropriate Entry Fee or evidence of payment via Direct Deposit. Scanned, completed Entry Forms must be emailed and accompanied by evidence of payment. Competitors are reminded of the penalties under the NCR for false statements.
- 13.2. Entries will open and close as listed in Article 1.
- 13.3. The Entry Fee will be \$650

Cheques, etc. should be made payable as listed in Article 1.

Direct deposit to the Nissan Car Club is the preferred method of payment.

Transaction reference line should state Driver's surname preceded by NNM, e.g., "NNM McCrae"

Account Name: Nissan Car Club Australia

Inc. BSB: 013 225

Account No: 2971 92428

The field shall be limited to sixty (60) cars, accepted in accordance with Section 6.1 of the current VCRS series rules.

The Event Secretary shall record the time and date of each entry. Receipt shall not be considered until a complete Entry Form accompanied by full payment is received.

- 13.4. Competitors under the age of 18 years must have written consent of parent or guardian to enter and participate.
- 13.5. Entries may be refused in accordance with the NCR.
- 13.6. The Organiser reserves the right to abandon, postpone or stop the Event in accordance with the NCR or if twenty-five (25) or fewer entries are received before the final close of entries, or for reasons of force majeure.
- 13.7. Competitors are encouraged to nominate an Official to attend the Event with their own car and assist as requested. Nominations should be given to the Clerk of the Course or the Officials Co-Ordinator.

14. DOCUMENTATION

- 14.1. To facilitate document checking, electronic copies of the following documents must be sent to the secretary prior to the date for close of documentation in Article 1.
 - Documents which need to be shown during the Documentation Check include:
 - Motorsport Australia Licenses of the Competitor, Driver and Navigator.
 - Membership cards of the Motorsport Australia affiliated club for the Driver and Navigator.
 - Motorsport Australia Vehicle Logbook.
 - Vehicle Registration/Permit papers.

Civil Driving License of the Driver and, if one is relevant, of the Navigator will be checked at book-in in order to safeguard against identity theft.

- 14.2. If the Competitor is not the vehicle owner, written permission from the vehicle owner for the Driver and Navigator to use that vehicle in The Event.
- 14.3. **The event portal** described in Article 8 will be used as the Official Notice Board. Competitors will be sent a link and instructions on gaining access to this. Documents such as Further Regulations, Bulletins, Disclaimers and Service Instructions will be accessed in this portal. Documents that need acknowledgement (electronic signatures) will be checked by Event Organisers before crews start.
- 14.4. A completed Scrutiny Form needs to be given to the Event Secretary prior to the event starting. This will be exchanged for Route Instructions and car numbers once all other documentation has been completed.

15. STARTING ORDER

- 15.1. The starting order shall be as per section 6.4 of the current VCRS regulations. Crews not on the current Victorian Seeding list should provide performance information, including results, to assist the Organisers in determining their starting position.
- 15.2. Vehicle Numbers will be supplied by the Organisers.

16. CONTROLS & TIMING

- 16.1. Controls and timing will be in accordance with the provisions of the RSR in the Motorsport Australia Manual. The Event will use A to B timing as per the RSR SSR 3.2.
- 16.2. Note that under these rules the penalty for Competitive sections is the Time Taken to complete the stage and those on Liaison sections are 1 min per part of each Minute early.
- 16.3. Late Time will accrue for each minute in excess of the Target Time for competitive stages and for each minute in excess of the time on Liaison sections.
- 16.4. Crews are reminded that it is the Crew's responsibility to ensure that all appropriate entries are made completely and correctly on their road card. For this Event, this must be done before leaving the control of that section.
- 16.5. If used, Passage Controls will be preceded by a "P" board and Observations will be preceded by an "O" board, both within 50m of the Passage or Observation location.

17. PENALTIES & PROTESTS

- 17.1. The Clerk of the Course, when compiling results, reserves the right to take into account any documents provided by Officials of the Event.
- 17.2. Protests must be lodged in accordance with the NCR.
- 17.3. All Control Officials of the Event will be Judges of Fact in regard to time and direction of entry into controls.
- 17.4. Victorian events run under the A to B format are exempted from the time penalty for late arrival from a Liaison section as described in RSR SSR 4.3 (a) (x)(A). However Late Time will accrue accordingly.
- 17.5. The penalty for missed or incorrect Information or missed Passage Control will be 30 minutes per instance.
- 17.6. Rejoining the event is possible but only at the end of the main service.
- 17.7. Rejoining is subject to approval by Clerk of Course and Chief Scrutineer and must be within late time limit.



18.1. The Organiser reserves the right to abandon, postpone or stop the Event in accordance with the NCR, current Victorian Rally Bulletins and the current Victorian Club Rally Series Regulations.

19. CREW CONDUCT

- 19.1. Practicing and reconnaissance on the roads in the general area of the Event is forbidden for a period of four weeks prior to the start of the Event. Any Competitor so doing will not be allowed to start the Event.
- 19.2. Any crew observed to be deliberately obstructing the passage of another crew will be liable to exclusion from the Event.
- 19.3. Any observed misconduct of a crew within a Quiet Zone or Restricted Speed Zone will not be tolerated. Any infringement will be subject to the maximum penalty possible, the minimum being exclusion from the Event.
- 19.4. In the instance where a vehicle has stopped on a section the first requirement of the competing crew is to prominently display two reflective triangles, so that the following Crews receive adequate warning of any danger ahead.
- 19.5. Competing Crews are requested to familiarise themselves with all aspects of the Rally Code, the Victorian Rally Bulletins, the standing regulations of the VCRS, the motor traffic act and to conduct themselves in a manner befitting to the sport.
- 19.6. The maximum speed allowed on non-bitumen transport sections will be 80 km/h. Lower limits may be specified for bitumen and non-bitumen roads.
- 19.7. Use of two-way radios and mobile phone communications is encouraged for safety reasons. Please register mobile numbers on your Entry Form.
- 19.8. Competitors are reminded of bush fire dangers and of civil penalties for throwing lighted matches and cigarettes etc. from vehicles and for entering forest areas with faulty exhausts.
- 19.9. Competitors and crew are reminded that the consumption of alcohol is forbidden in accordance with the NCR and the Motorsport Australia Anti-Doping Policy.

20. SERVICE CREWS

- 20.1. Service Crews must be registered in the space provided on the Entry Form.
- 20.2. Competing Crews may be penalised for misconduct of their service crew. Any observed misconduct of Service Crews may result in the exclusion of their competing crew from the Event.
- 20.3. Start, Finish and Service will be at Event Headquarters listed in Article 1. Service crew instructions will be comprehensive and require no supporting maps.

21. SPECTATORS

A Spectator Guide will be available electronically at the start of the Event.

22. AWARDS

The minimum awards to Crew Members for the VCRS shall be as follows:

•	Outright	1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd	Driver and Navigator
•	2WD	1^{st} and 2^{nd}	Driver and Navigator
•	Novice	1^{st} and 2^{nd}	Driver and Navigator
•	Junior Cup	1 st only	Driver and Navigator
•	Class Awards	1 st only	Driver and Navigator
•	Senior Cup	1 st and 2 nd	Driver and Navigator

Note: Only one award will be issued to multiple award winners, engraved to recognise each award.

23. INTEGRITYS

23.1. Smoking (which includes e-cigarettes and "vaping") and any naked flame is prohibited within 3 meters of any refueling/defueling operation.

Motorsport Australia's National Integrity Framework and any associated policy (including the Australian Anti-Doping Policy, Motorsport Australia's Illicit Drugs in Sport (Safety Testing) Policy, the Motorsport Australia Alcohol Policy), apply to any activity authorised by Motorsport Australia as published at www.motorsport.org.au.

Any Porticipant including the holder of a Motorsport Australia License (or a License insued by prother ACN) may

Any Participant including the holder of a Motorsport Australia License (or a License issued by another ASN) may be tested for the presence of alcohol, any drug or other banned substance. In addition to any penalty imposed by Motorsport Australia, a further penalty/s may be applied by Sport Integrity Australia.

Consumption of alcohol in any Reserved Area is prohibited until all Competition is concluded each day.