

## Rally will set pace

**T**HE Light Car Club's Ballarat Branch will run its Windcreens O'Brien Begonia Rally on 28 February.

The event will be a good example of the State rally championship this year.

It is not surprising that Victorian rallying has split into two this season for the foot-flat, forest racing style does not appeal to the navigation expert. And the foot-flat types hate getting lost.

When rallies were all navigational, and called trials, having a fast car and a fast driver was a two-edged benefit. You could always get lost twice as fast and twice as far in a car with a big performance advantage.

So the eight-event rally championship for Victoria will not involve much navigation, and there will not be too much

night running if the Begonia Rally is an example.

There is a special benefit to the daylight style of rallying.

It allows spectators a good view of the considerable driving skills of our top forest-racing experts, and it gives sponsors the opportunity for plenty of pictures.

The Begonia Rally is 26 years old and has been changed to

consist entirely in its competitive section of 36 special stages in daylight.

Directors are Geoff Boyd and Ross Runnalls. The course checker will be Ian Richards.

The rally will begin at 11 am on 28 February and finish after an overnight stop the following day.

The rally heads north-east on Saturday, and on Sunday will loop, starting at 9 am and finishing in the late afternoon.

Cars will cover 550 kilometres, and a field limit of 60 has been set. Entries close at the Light Car Club on 17 February.

Prize money will amount to \$2500.

Navigational events also will be held this year as part of the Victorian Trials Championship, a separate series from the Victorian Rally Championship.

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