



Australian Rally Championship  
Round One  
Victorian Rally Championship  
Round Two

13 - 14 March 1993

All systems are go for the Healesville Stages Rally. This exciting event will start in Melbourne with a large portion of the event in the Yarra Valley area, just 60 kilometres from the heart of the city. It will be the opening round of the 1993 Australian Rally Championship as well as the second round of the Victorian Rally Championship, and will be conducted in conjunction with the Melbourne Moomba Festival and other festivities in the Yarra Valley area.

**"All Star line up"**

A capacity field of 100 of Australia's top rally crews are set to do battle with the elements. In two days they will complete 25 special stages and 250 competitive kilometres.

**SPECTATORS**

Spectators will be well catered for with many vantage points located throughout the area giving the best chance to see top rally action over a weekend packed with excitement. All spectator points will be located within easy reach of the main roads, and all will be within an hours drive from the Melbourne city centre.

**ACCOMMODATION HOTLINE**

The prestigious Hilton on the Park has been selected as the official rally hotel and is located in East Melbourne, just five minutes from the city centre. Bookings can be made directly with the Hilton by phoning Brett Coates on (03) 412 3095 and by stating 'Australian Rally Championship' you will qualify for the special rally rate of \$120 per night, per twin share room. The Melbourne Hilton on the Park are supporting this event so please support them. A special accommodation hotline has also been set up in the Healesville area. A block booking of all the accommodation houses in the Yarra Valley has been made and bookings can be made by phoning Bruce Cormack on (059) 623 939.

**PRE-EVENT FUNCTION**

Competitors and various officials will attend a briefing at the Hilton on the Park on Friday 12th March. This will be followed by an informal rally get together. Drivers, co-drivers, media persons, sponsors and interested rally people are invited to attend.

**THE EVENT**

Friday March 12th

Rally scrutineering will be conducted in the Melbourne City Square from midday where the general public will be able to see Australia's top rally cars at close quarters. The competitors' briefing will be held at the Hilton on the Park, followed by an informal rally get together, with drivers, co-drivers, media persons, sponsors, and other interested rally people invited. Competing vehicles will be held at the Hilton parc ferme on Friday evening.

Saturday March 13th

The cars will line up in the Swanston Street Walk, Melbourne's new pedestrian mall, and at 9:00 am the Lord Mayor of Melbourne will officially start the rally from the City Square.

A super special stage is currently being planned that is within 5 minutes of the city centre. Crews will then head out to the Yarra Valley area where a selection of the best shire roads will be used before

**News**

"Healesville Comes Alive". Once again we will be running the traditional special stage around the local side streets of the town which also incorporates a blast along the Maroondah Highway. Thousands of rally fans will line the full length of the stage to see Australia's top rally crews in full flight. Crews then venture back into the forests for more competition over the best roads available. Spectators will have the chance to see Australia's top rally crews in action from many vantage points located along the rally route, all easily accessible from the main roads.

The end of Division One then finishes back in Healesville with the first car due around 10:00 pm.

Sunday March 14th

An early breakfast warms up the competitors for Division Two, which starts in the pine plantations around Narbethong before moving into the mountain ash forests that surround Lake Mountain. Crews will have the chance to enjoy a lunch break in Marysville before heading back to the finish in Healesville with a final blast around the sports complex. The first crews will arrive back to the finish around 2:30 pm. A fully catered spit roast dinner will precede the prize presentation. A social dance concludes the event. A good time to be had by all.

**SUMMARY**

This event will have a high promotional profile and will fill the role of being one of Australia's premier rallies and Victoria's major motorsport event. All enquires should be directed to the Clerk of Course, Mr Glenn Cuthbert.

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