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Re - Healesville Stages - Officials

Dear Glenn, on behalf of Cerberus Car Club Inc. I wish to repeat the concerns raised at our April Meeting regarding the running and organising of the Healesville Stages. There were many club members who volunteered to officiate at your event and these are their combined opinions of the rally. We appreciate that the event was a success "on the road", but may not have been but for club level officials.

- 1 Officials were notified by letter far too late, some never!
- 2 Officials were not notified of the actual task that they were to perform until the morning of the day that they were required.
- 3 The contact numbers on the forms supplied were almost useless as they weren't all manned, perhaps the use of answering machines and guaranteed call backs?
- 4 Officials were required to leave road closures in the middle of forests by their own means, no route maps with easily followed exits were supplied.
- 5 Tee-shirts, caps and fuel vouchers were promised, but not seen by many of our members. One received vouchers on the Saturday because he was a stage commander, but none on the Sunday. The supply of fuel vouchers would have "sweetened the situation", except for the rumour that the fuel ran out.
- 6 Set-up officials through no fault of their own were poorly informed, they did what they could, but the organising committee should have ensured the information was available to all.

7 Officials Guide page 6. Section 8. Many of our members want the first sentence committed to your memory.

8 Many stage commanders had no kits, or equipment supplied.

9 Finish Control Stage 28, Sunday 14th. Nobody on this control had been informed prior to this day that they were doing a control, let alone A-A timing, they had to work it out between triple zero and double zero.

3 times.
10 Many residents were not informed or poorly informed. Service points opposite people's driveways and controls set past the entry to properties, stopping access during the event.

11 Officials were taken over the competitive route to be set up rather than direct access roads to their control/road closure. Most were in standard road cars and found this irritating and un-necessary.

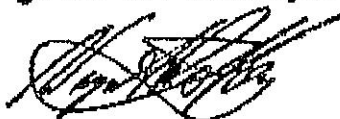
12 South Australian clocks were supplied to controls without being set on local time.

13 Training was given to officials on the day in a rush, rather than being well organised.

I realise this barrage of criticisms is rather negative, but for this event to claim C10 or higher, a major shift in the organisation and planning is required. It was only due to the initiative of many car club members (not just Cerberus) that this event ran.

I am able to back up these shared concerns with the individuals in our club should you so wish.

yours in Motorsport



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