



Please read carefully

WELCOME to the "Castrol Australia" Rally. The course this year is the fastest and most demanding that the event has yet seen.

Here are a few simple rules designed to provide for your safety and comfort. If you obey them, you and your fellow watchers will enjoy the action without taking unnecessary risks.

1. Don't smoke in the forests or anywhere near a car which is being refuelled.
2. Choose your vantage points carefully and try to stay within the tree line. Keep well back from the roadside.
3. Avoid the outside of corners and natural escape routes. Apart from endangering yourself, you are also denying the competitors the opportunity of getting out of trouble.
4. Please take heed of all instructions from marshals. Their assistance is given with your safety, comfort and enjoyment in mind.
5. Plan to arrive early in case the first car does the same.
6. Don't litter the forests — please take your rubbish with you.
7. Don't park your car where it will obstruct rally traffic, other spectators, service crews or other motorists.
8. Please drive sensibly and don't try to match the speeds of the competitors. If you give cause for complaint, it may discredit the entire rally as well as endangering you or earning a traffic conviction.
9. Motor sport is dangerous and you are present at the event entirely at your own risk. All persons having any connection with the promotion, organising or conduct of the event, including the owners of land and the drivers and owners of the vehicles are absolved from all liability in respect of personal injury, whether fatal or otherwise, to you or your property, howsoever caused.

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Please read this guide very carefully and assist the officials by following the advice and suggestions given.

1. **BELCONNEN MALL** — Rally starts at 1200 on Saturday, March 14.
2. **BLEWETTS PINES** — First Car Due 1220.
3. **MOLONGLO GORGE** — First Car Due 1310 and 1420.
4. **MACARTHUR** — First Car Due at 1615 on both days.
5. **FADDEN** — At Appel Crescent and Bugden Avenue. First Car Due at 1625 on both days.
6. **GREENHILLS** — Off Uriarra Road. First Car Due 1910 Saturday and 1100 Sunday.
7. **WARKS ROAD** — In Uriarra Forest. First Car Due at 2040 and 2220 Saturday.
8. **BLUE RANGE ROAD** — In Uriarra Forest. First Car due 2030.
9. **STROMLO** — Just North-West of the junction of Cotter and Uriarra Roads. First Car Due 1105 Sunday.
10. **MINESHAFT** — First Car Due 1230 and 1335 Sunday.
11. **MURRAYS CORNER** — First Car Due 1245 and 1350 Sunday.
12. **PIERCES EAST** — First Car Due 1315 and 1420 Sunday.

Note — Condor Creek **NOT** in use.

Rally Scores available at ACT Motor Sports Club, Dundas Court, Phillip.

Rally Headquarters at Canberra Workmen's Club

Even the top stars can go astray sometimes! **OBEY OFFICIAL INSTRUCTIONS ON WHERE TO OBSERVE!**



How to reach the ... SPECTATOR POINTS

Note use of 24-hour clock

SATURDAY AFTERNOON,

It is recommended that spectators have a current Canberra street map for the bitumen stages.

1. BELCONNEN MALL

The first car will start the Rally from the main entrance to the Belconnen Mall at 12 noon. Cars will be on display in the carpark adjoining Lathlain Drive from 1000 hours.

2. BLEWETTS PINES

Once again we are not using Stromlo Forest so as not to disrupt the operations of the Observatory. Instead the action of the very first Special Stage is in Blewetts Pines at 1220. Travel via either Cotter Road or Coppins Crossing Road to Uriarra Road. Proceed toward Uriarra Crossing for 2 km and park safely off the main road. Enter the forest on your right and walk 400 metres to the first road junction. The rally cars come toward you and turn hard left.

3. MOLONGLO GORGE

We are back in Kowen Forest this year and Kowen Hill near Molonglo Gorge is our main spectator point on Saturday. The cars will come down the hill at 1310 and 1420. To get there, travel past Canberra Airport or from Qeanbeyan to the Sutton Road. Head north toward the Federal Highway on Sutton Road for about 1 km past Pialligo Avenue, then turn right onto Kowen Road. After 500 metres turn right then keep right toward Molonglo Gorge. Park your car and proceed uphill to the rally course.

4. MACARTHUR

Part of the Macarthur Park circuit, as used recently by the superkarts and motor bikes, will be the second last Special Stage on both days at 1615. It will be best to approach from the Monaro Highway via Isabella Drive and to park off Coyne Street.

5. FADDEN

This is our best viewing spot on the bitumen stages. Cars negotiate a very fast twisting road while you are secure on a high bunk with sweeping views of the route. **NO SPECTATORS WILL BE ALLOWED ON THE DOWNHILL SIDE OF THE ROAD. CROSSING POINTS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED FOR YOU TO REACH THE HILLSIDE.** The first car reaches the spectator point at the corner of Bugden Avenue and Appel Crescent at 1625. This point will also be the last of the rally on Sunday, again at 1625.

SATURDAY NIGHT,

IMPORTANT CONDOR CREEK WILL NOT BE USED THIS YEAR because of the roadworks on Brindabella Road. However, the nearby Warks Road is used.

6. GREENHILLS

A grid where the cars will fly through the air. The location is just off Uriarra Road, 1km from the Cotter Road. This is our first night point at 1910. It will also be used on Sunday morning at 1100.

7. WARKS ROAD

Travel from Canberra toward the Cotter. 1 km after crossing the Murrumbidgee River, on the single lane bridge with traffic lights, turn right onto Brindabella Road. Follow this road for 7 km to the top of the mountain. Then turn left onto a gravel road and follow this for 5 km to a major road on the left. This is Warks Road. Park on the side of Brindabella Road and then walk along Warks Road to a vantage point. **PLEASE STAND ON THE BANKS. BE WARNED,** parking is not plentiful and you may have a long walk unless you are early. Food and refreshments will be on sale. First car due at 2040 and 2220.

8. BLUE RANGE ROAD

100 metres past Warks Road, Blue Range leaves to the right. A Special Stage will finish here at 2030. Again you will have to walk into the forest and select a suitable vantage point. There is a tricky S-bend under the power lines 200 metres in.

SUNDAY,

NOTE: THE RALLY WILL FINISH AT THE FADDEN STAGE (Spectator Point 5) and not at the usual Weston Special Stage.

9. STROMLO

Along Uriarra Road near the Cotter Road you may watch this very fast stage, which follows Greenhills on Sunday

morning at 1105. If you are here, please stay outside the fence.

10. MINESHAFT

It wouldn't be the "Castrol" without the Mineshaft, the most famous descent in Australian rallying. The area around the drop is clear of trees, enabling all to have a clear view. If you haven't seen it, don't miss the first car at 1230 and again 1335 Sunday. To get there, travel through the Cotter Reserve toward Tidbinbilla. 4.5km from the Cotter Hotel watch for signs on the right. Parking is limited and we advise that you make the most of the many forestry tracks on the left as you approach the Mineshaft. **DO NOT OBSTRUCT THE MAIN ROAD - PARK ONLY ON THE LEFT HAND SIDE.**

11. MURRAY'S CORNER

1.5 km past the Mineshaft, this location has a lot to offer, especially to family groups. There are barbecue facilities overlooking the course which finishes as usual at the water splash causeway. The first car will finish here at 1245 and 1350.

12. PIERCES EAST

Not always popular, Pierces East offers the enthusiast a good opportunity to watch the cars in action over longer distances. There are several access points to this area on the way to the mineshaft. The first car will contest special stages here at 1315 and later at 1420. Why not call in on your way back to the finish at FADDEN.



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