



## PROVISIONAL RESULTS AT THE END OF DAY 1

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### MICHAEL GUEST TAKES LEAD AT END OF DAY 1

Young rally star, Michael Guest, in his Mitsubishi Lancer, finishes Day One of the Rally of Melbourne in first place, ahead of Melbourne's husband and wife team, David and Kate Officer.

Group N Champion, Ed Ordynski, actually finished all the day's stages ahead of Guest but failed to complete the transport section back to parc ferme due to radiator problems.

The Rally of Melbourne, the first major round of the 1994 Australian Rally Championship, saw drivers tackling 145 kilometres of challenging roads around the Healesville area.

Reigning champion, Neal Bates in his Toyota Celica was in the lead all day until he experienced turbo charger problems on special stage seven.

Bates finishes day one in seventh position.

The day certainly saw a number of casualties.

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**MEDIA INFORMATION**

Coffs Harbour banana farmer, Wayne Hoy, in his brand new Mitsubishi Lancer was fast on the opening stages but was forced out on stage three when the gearbox failed.

At the half way point for the day, six cars had retired and this had increased to 14 by the end of the day.

The major mover of the day was Ian Douglas in a Mitsubishi Galant VR4 who started in 35th position and finished outright third.

The final five special stages start from the Novotel Bayside Hotel in St Kilda at 8.00 a.m. tomorrow morning with the finish back at the hotel at 2.30 p.m.

A complete update on the rally can be obtained by phoning the Rally's dedicated information line, 0055-83202.

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