

**North Humberside  
Motor Club Ltd**  
present the

**JOHN OVEREND MEMORIAL STAGES RALLY  
AND  
THE MELBOURNE JUNIOR RALLY**

*VOTED BEST GRAVEL EVENT - 2016 EMAMC CHAMPIONSHIP*



**Melbourne Airfield  
Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

A round of:

- The Roadrunner Phoenix Awards ANEMMC Stage Rally Championship 2017 (Supported by Slicks Tyres)
- The Alexander Calder Financial EMAMC Stage Rally Championship 2017 (Supported by Slicks Tyres)
- The ANCC CHONKA MOT Stage Rally Championship and Legend Fires Ladies Cup 2017
- The ANWCC Stage Rally Championship 2017
- The Formula 1000 Club Kick Start Junior 1000 Rally Championship 2017
- The Melbourne Challenge 2017

**REGULATIONS**



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## INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the 2017 John Overend Memorial Stages Rally to be held at Melbourne Airfield, near York. This is the 21<sup>st</sup> year the event has been known as The John Overend Memorial Stages Rally, named after an active and popular member of North Humberside Motor Club who tragically died whilst setting up a Rally Stage in 1994.

The event was voted BEST GRAVEL RALLY, 2016 EMAMC Stage Rally Championship.

The John Overend Memorial Stages is a round of:  
The 2017 Roadrunner Phoenix Awards Stage ANEMMC Rally Championship  
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The 2017 CHONKA MOT ANCC Stage Rally Championship & Legend Fires Ladies Cup

The 2017 Alexander Calder Financial EMAMC Single Venue Stage Rally Championship  
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The ANWCC Stage Rally Championship 2017

The 2017 Melbourne Challenge, which incorporates all three events on Melbourne Airfield.

The Melbourne Junior Rally is a round of  
The Formula 1000 Club Kick Start Junior 1000 Rally Championship.

For those who have not been to Melbourne, it is a disused airfield offering a varied mixture of good, medium and poor quality concrete and tarmac runways and tracks. Significant resource has been invested in resurfacing large parts of the venue, but the stages still present a variety of surfaces. We will **not** use the section of grass on this event. Good viewing is available for your service crew and supporters. As in 2016, we aim to provide access to and from the service area at specific times during the event.

The entry will be restricted to a maximum of 65 starters. We welcome entries from the usual **Modern Classes**, the **Historic Classes** and we have an up to 1000cc class.  
SUNDAY SCRUTINEERING IS AVAILABLE.

There is space on the airfield for motor homes, caravans and tents and there will be toilets and catering facilities on the venue throughout the event. There are also a number of guesthouses, pubs and hotels located in and around York. Please contact the York Tourist Information Centre for more details on 01904 621756.

The organising team look forward to meeting you and hope that you have a very enjoyable and safe day's motor sport.

The Organisers.

## Acknowledgements

The organisers of the John Overend Memorial Stages Rally would like to acknowledge and express their sincere thanks to:

The Overend Family  
The Motor Sports Association  
Mr. John Rowbottom & staff of Northern Crop Driers Ltd. (Landowners)  
Mr. Steve Murty & staff of York Dragway  
Ti Rally School  
The Championship Sponsors and supporters  
The Championship Coordinators  
Invited Officials  
The Paramedic, Rescue & Recovery Teams  
Marshals, radio operators and volunteer helpers

Specific acknowledgement & thanks must go to the volunteer teams who work to improve the venue. Their work, unseen by most competitors, is invaluable to allowing this event, the Lookout Stages Rally and the Vale of York Stages Rally to run.

### PREVIOUS WINNERS OF THIS EVENT

2016	Melbourne	James Sparrow/Phil Pickard	Subaru Impreza
2015	Melbourne	Alex Taylor/ Mark Swallow	Subaru Forester
2014	Melbourne	Alex Taylor/ Shaun Wilson	Subaru Forester
2013	Melbourne	Steve Marriott/ Dave McLachian	Subaru Impreza
2012	Melbourne	Arron Newby/ Martyn Taylor	Subaru Impreza
2011	Melbourne	Alan Kirby/ Lawrence Kirby	Subaru Impreza
2010	Melbourne	Gavin Ruler/ Dave Everard	Mitsubishi EVO 3
2009		No Event Held	
2008	Melbourne	Michael Glendinning/ Fiona Douglas	Subaru Impreza
2007	Melbourne	Michael Glendinning/ Andrew Roughead	Subaru Impreza
2006	Melbourne	Alex Taylor/ Colin Thompson	Subaru Impreza
2005	Melbourne	Phil Gallagher/ Mick Gallagher	MR Metro 6R4
2004	Melbourne	Stephen Simpson/ Mark Booth	Subaru Impreza
2003	Melbourne	Kevin Procter/ Mike Gilby	Ford Escort
2002	Manby	John Coated/ Gary Digger	Subaru Impreza
2001	Manby	Paul Benn/ Richard Cross	Ford Escort
2000	Manby	Wayne Railton/ Peter Railton	Ford Escort
1999	Manby	Gavin Ruler/ Dave Everard	Ford Sierra
1998	Manby	Dave Craven/ Dot Craven	Ford Sierra
1997	Manby	Geoff Stewart/ Colin Thompson	Subaru Legacy
1996	Manby	Jon Ausosky/ Dave Ausosky	Ford Escort

**Cover photograph of the 2016 winners by kind permission of  
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*Please see SR 32 for a special offer for this event*

Cover design by Alan Gilbert

## **NORTH HUMBERSIDE MOTOR CLUB LTD.**

### **THE JOHN OVEREND MEMORIAL STAGES & MELBOURNE JUNIOR RALLY 2017 SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS**

#### **1 ANNOUNCEMENT**

The North Humberside Motor Club Ltd. will organise and promote a National B Single Venue Stage Rally, and a National B Single Venue Junior Stage Rally on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at Melbourne Airfield, near York.

#### **2 JURISDICTION**

The event will be held under the General Regulations of the Motor Sports Association Ltd (incorporating the Provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and these Supplementary Regulations and any written instructions that the organisers may issue for the event.

#### **3 AUTHORISATION**

MSA permit numbers

John Overend Memorial Stages Rally 98291

Melbourne Junior Rally 101070

#### **4 ELIGIBILITY & CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The event is open to:

- (i) Fully elected members of North Humberside Motor Club Ltd,
- (ii) Members of ANCC, ANEMMC, ANWCC, and EMAMC member clubs,
- (iii) (For the Junior Rally) Registered contenders in the Kick Energy Junior 1000 Rally Championship.

The John Overend Memorial Stages is a round of the following championships:-

- (i) The Roadrunner Phoenix Awards Stage ANEMMC Rally Championship  
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MSA Championship Permit number 61/2017,
- (ii) ANCC 2017 CHONKA MOT Stage Rally Championship & Legend Fires Ladies Cup  
MSA Championship Permit Number TBA
- (iii) The 2017 Alexander Calder Financial EMAMC Single Venue Stage Rally  
Championship (Supported by Slicks Tyres)  
MSA Championship Permit Number 60/2017
- (iv) ANWCC Stage Rally Championship 2017 Permit number 25/2017
- (v) The Melbourne Challenge Permit Number TBA  
The Melbourne Junior Rally is a round of  
The Formula 1000 Club Kick Start Junior 1000 Rally Championship

#### **5 LICENCES**

All competitors and drivers must produce a valid 2017 Competition Licence, Club Membership Card (GR H.22-26), MSA Logbook and, where applicable, an Entrant's Licence and Championship Registration Card(s). **NOTE H 22.1.2 Non Production Fee is £67.** Road fund licences are NOT required, but a valid MOT Certificate and V5 or V5C Registration documents must be produced (GR R46.1.2). Historic entrants must also produce an FIA or MSA HVIF and for Historic category 3 cars only, the Homologation papers relating to that car.

## 6 PROGRAMME

The event will be held at Melbourne Airfield near York, on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2017 and will consist of approximately 8 stages with a total length of approximately 55 miles.

The stages will take the form of former runways and perimeter tracks giving a combination of sealed and loose surfaces. The first car is due at MTC 0 at 08:57 hrs. All competitors must be in the service area by 08:00 hrs. Competitors will be required to start some stages at 30-second intervals and all stages will be timed to an accuracy of less than 1 minute (GR R26.6). Pace notes will NOT be permitted but information provided by the organisers may be transferred onto maps/ stage diagrams (GR R.25.9) [SR 29].

## 7 TYRES

All vehicles must comply with the current MSA tyre and vehicle regulations for rallies with special stages.

**ASSOCIATION OF NORTH-WESTERN CAR CLUBS**  
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## 8 CLASSES

### John Overend Memorial Stages Rally:

- 1) Cars up to 1000cc
- 2) Cars 1001cc up to 1400cc.
- 3) Cars 1401cc up to 1600cc.
- 4) Cars 1601cc up to 2000cc.
- 5) Cars 2001cc and over.
- 6) All four wheel drive cars.
- 7) All Historic Rally cars in categories 1, 2 and 3, complying with MSA specific regulation R49

### Junior Rally:

- 8) Junior Rally competitors.

Vehicles with rotary engines or engines having forced induction will be considered as having a capacity using the coefficient 1.7:1 and should be entered in the class applicable to this multiplication factor (GR J5.4.1).

#### GR J.5.13.4

The MSA have issued a waiver on permitted fuel. Competitors in classes 1 to 6 are only permitted to use fuel that conforms to the definitions of Pump Fuels in the 2017 MSA Yearbook or fuel that complies with FIA Appendix J, Article 252, Art 9. No other fuels are permitted.

Competitors competing in championships are reminded that they should check that their championship permits FIA specification fuel before using it on this event.

Competitors in class 7 and 8 (Junior Rally) are only permitted to use fuel that conforms to the definitions of Pump Fuels in the 2017 MSA Yearbook.

## 9 SCRUTINEERING

Scrutineering and noise check will be on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May at Melbourne Airfield; between the hours of 16:00 and 18:30, and on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May, between the hours of 06:00 and 08:00 (GR R5.1.1). It is the responsibility of the entrant to ensure compliance with the current Road Traffic Act, Construction and Use Regulations and MSA Technical Regulations (GR R46-49).

**If you would like Sunday Scrutineering, please tick the box on the entry form**

## 10 VIDEO CAMERAS (In Car)

The Chief Scrutineer will inspect the camera fitting (GR R48.10.10).

## 11 BACKFIRING AND ANTI-LAG DEVICES

Vehicles that are fitted with Rapid Detonation Exhaust Systems (also known as Anti-lag devices) MUST have this deactivated. Any vehicle, with or without such a device, which constantly backfires, may be excluded from the event **instantly** (GR J5.17 [SR21]). This is a specific request from the RLO and Land Owner to preserve the future use of the venue.

**BACKFIRING WILL NOT BE TOLERATED, HELP PRESERVE THE VENUE.**

## 12 NOISE

The sound test at Scrutiny will be carried out in accordance with GR R4.1, GR J, Chart 5.18 section C, 100db @ 4500 rpm at 0.5m. Further sound checks will be made during the event. Competitors exceeding the sound limit at any one of these checks may be excluded.

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### **Championship Details**

#### **The Roadrunner Phoenix Awards ANEMMC Stage Rally Championship 2017**

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#### **The 2017 ANCC CHONKA MOT Stage Rally Championship & Legend Fires Ladies Cup**

Chris Pattison (07891 250363) / Bruce Lindsay (07446 642884) stage.rally@ancc.co.uk

#### **The 2017 Alexander Calder Financial EMAMC Single Venue Stage Rally Championship**

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#### **Melbourne Challenge**

Andy Turnbull

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#### **ANWCC Stage Rally Championship 2017**

Dave Thomas

[www.anwcc.org](http://www.anwcc.org)

The Formula 1000 Club Kick Start Junior 1000 Rally Championship.

Tony Bilham tony2t@live.co.uk

**Provision for spectators has been made at this event. Those who arrive before 8.00am can use the main entrance and drive to the service area, parking in the trailer park. They can then be conveyed out with competitors at specific times during the day.**

**After 8.00am, please follow the "Parking" arrows to the area set aside. They can watch from the car-park or can walk to the service area under marshals instructions - usually after each pair of stages or lunch. Please note – the walk from the parking to service is around ½ a mile.**

**There is no spectator parking or access via any other entrance to the venue. Any parking in those areas puts the event at risk. BE WARNED - Crews associated with Spectators or vehicles parked in prohibited areas face EXCLUSION from the event.**

# RB Motorsport Ltd

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Working with Slicks Tyres, RB Motorsport has Hans Devices to buy or hire at most events. (Helpful to know if you forget yours!)

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Stock is limited, so to take advantage of either offer, please contact Rob on 07598 294750 or email [Rob@RB-Motorsport.co.uk](mailto:Rob@RB-Motorsport.co.uk)

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### 13 AWARDS

	1 <sup>st</sup> Overall	Awards to both crew members
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Overall	Awards to both crew members
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Overall	Awards to both crew members
	1 <sup>st</sup> in each class	Awards to both crew members
*	2 <sup>nd</sup> in each class	Awards to both crew members
**	3 <sup>rd</sup> in each class	Awards to both crew members
	1 <sup>st</sup> Mixed crew	Awards to both crew members
	1 <sup>st</sup> Female driver	Award to the driver only
#	1 <sup>st</sup> North Humberside MC Crew	John Overend Memorial Trophy <i>(This is presented at the 2018 NHMC Awards Dinner held in early 2018)</i>

\*/\*\* *Subject to a minimum of 4 / 6 starters in the class*

# *To qualify for the NHMC award, both crew members must have valid NHMC memberships for the current and previous calendar year and have indicated their eligibility on the entry form.*

*Junior Rally competitors are not eligible for the Mixed crew, Female driver and NHMC crew awards*

**No Competitor may win more than 1 award other than the NHMC crew award.**

### 14 PRESENTATION OF THE AWARDS

The awards will be presented on the venue following the event, any award winning crew must be present to receive their award, or nominate a representative to collect them on their behalf otherwise the award will be withheld but without affecting the final result.

### 15 RESULTS

Tynemouth Computer Services will provide a computerised results service. Provisional results will be posted on the Official Notice Board as soon as possible following the end of the event (GR D26.1). Results will be made final (subject to official delays) on the airfield.

### 16 PROTESTS

Any protest must be lodged in accordance with GR C5.1 – 5.7.

### 17 ENTRIES

Entries open on the publication of these regulations and close at the normal entry fee price on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2017** and finally at **23:59 on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017** (GR D 20.1). The entry fee is **£245.00** which may be paid in full or in two instalments. In the latter case, for entries that are made before **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May**, two cheques should be sent, one for **£85.00** and one post-dated for payment on or before **6<sup>th</sup> May 2017** for the balance. All entries will be acknowledged and all cheques will be banked. Entries made after **7<sup>th</sup> May** and before midnight on **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017** will be required to pay an extra **£30** plus the normal entry fee in **cash only, at documentation on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2017**. Payment can also be made by direct bank transfer to NHMC account sort code **40-22-13 a/c no 61043072. Please use driver's first name and surname as reference.**

No entries or reservations will be made by telephone and incomplete entry forms will not be accepted. An online entry form will be available on the club's website.

**[www.northhumbersidemotorclub.co.uk](http://www.northhumbersidemotorclub.co.uk)**

## **17 ENTRIES (continued)**

Completed entry forms should be sent to:

THE ENTRIES SECRETARY

ALAN GILBERT

6 ROWAN AVENUE

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Please make cheques payable to: **North Humberside Motor Club Ltd.**

The maximum number of starters will be **65** with a further 5 held in reserve, the minimum is 40. 15 Entries will be reserved for the Junior Rally until Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May at 13:00hrs. Classes are subject to a minimum of 3 with no maximum. Should any of the above minimums not be reached, the organisers may cancel the event, amalgamate classes or reduce the number of stages. Should permission for use of the venue be withdrawn, the organisers reserve the right to cancel the meeting. Entries will ONLY be accepted on a first come, first served basis. The organisers reserve the right to refuse an entry without giving a reason. Entry fees and any other charges will be refunded in full to any entrant whose entry is not accepted or whose entry is cancelled, in writing, on or before the closing date. Entries cancelling after the **12<sup>th</sup> May 2017** may have a charge of £10 deducted if no reserve is available. The entry fee is based on charges and VAT at 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017. Should these increase, the organisers reserve the right to increase the entry fee for collection at signing on. **Entrants held in reserve will be notified whether they have a run or not, no later than close of documentation on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2017.**

## **18 IDENTIFICATION**

Competitors will be identified by black numbers on a light background applied to both sides of the car, these numbers are to be supplied by competitors and will be on sale at scrutineering by **CJ Rallying on Saturday only, but can be ordered for Sunday Scrutineering.**

## **19 DOCUMENTATION**

Entrants will be supplied with time cards and stage diagrams (Sketch maps) on completion of documentation. The documents will provide all the information necessary to comply with GR R.26.1. Competitors will be supplied with sketch plans of each stage, which will not be to scale. Arrows, chicane diagram boards and numbered locations will physically define the correct route. The onus is on the competitor to follow the correct route at all times. If there should be any conflict between the arrowed route and that shown on the stage plan, the arrowed route shall be deemed to be correct. Before, during and after the event, official notices may be displayed on the **Official Notice Board** and every competitor will be deemed to have read those notices and be bound by them. The location of the **Official Notice Board** will be supplied with the final instructions (GR R 2.8.1).

## **20 SHORTCUTTING**

Short Cutting is defined as follows:

“The placing of a competing vehicle such that one or more road wheels come into contact with cultivated grass at either side of the stage access road or driving off the otherwise defined stage route or access road, i.e. through straw bales, road cones or other like barriers, and in doing so to drive a course that is not as the organisers intended whether the course is longer or shorter than the intended route and irrespective of whether any gain was made”.

This definition covers the entire venue from the arrival of the first competitor to the departure of the last. **NON-COMPETITIVE SECTIONS ARE SPECIFICALLY INCLUDED.**

## 21 PENALTIES

Marking and penalties will be as written in Chart 32.2 except as modified below.

Completing fewer than the required laps	<i>Maximum</i>
Completing more than the required laps	<i>Time taken</i>
Making a false start at a special stage	<i>30 seconds</i>
Reversing back or turning round and returning to a split	<i>Exclusion</i>
Reversing after passing a stop line	<i>Exclusion</i>
Intentionally causing an obstruction on the event	<i>Exclusion</i>
Failure to wear Crash Helmets / FHR's / Seatbelts on special stages	<i>Exclusion</i>
Smoking on a special stage	<i>Exclusion</i>
Not being seated in the car when on a special stage	<i>Exclusion</i>
Misuse of the SOS/OK board or Yellow Flag procedures	<i>Exclusion</i>
Having an unarmed fire extinguisher while on a special stage	<i>Exclusion</i>
Any competitor or service vehicle caught speeding by a judge of fact in the service area / access roads to and from service area	<i>Exclusion</i>
Leaving the venue after 8am on Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2017 and before completion of, or retirement from, the event.	<i>Exclusion</i>
Depositing of litter anywhere other than in the bins provided	<i>Exclusion</i>
Backfiring as described in SR 11	<i>Exclusion</i>

Competitors who strike stage boards, cones, bales, barrier tape, tyres or any other stage furniture which define splits, merges & chicanes will receive a penalty of:

**30 seconds per incident.**

Shortcutting as defined in SR20 will result in a penalty of:

**30 seconds per incident**

## 22 TIMING

The event is a target-timed event (GR R31.2.1) comprising main time controls, arrival controls, stage start / finish controls and passage controls. Apart from due time at Main Time Control 1 (MTC 1) which will be issued to you at signing on, all other due times for subsequent arrival controls will be issued at the passage control (Time Card Collection) following each stage finish control. The organisers will automatically calculate any stage delay times. Competitors will be required to reduce any lateness as per GR R32.1.1. In the event of any retirements, competitors will be required to close gaps in the running order. Controls will open at the due time of car 1 and close 5 minutes after the due time of the last competing car. Competitors reporting to a stage arrival control more than 5 minutes after their due time will be deemed not to have visited that control.

Stage Time penalties;      Minimum penalty = Bogey time (GR R32.1.2)  
    Maximum penalty = Target time

To be classed as a finisher, a competitor must report to all controls listed in the road book and report to the final control, within the maximum lateness specified, with the same crew in the same car in which they started.

## 23 NOTICES

All official signs and arrows are mandatory.

## 24 CONTROVERSY

Should controversy arise over a section, the organisers reserve the right (*'Force Majeure'* notwithstanding) to cancel the section from the results if they deem it fairer to do so. All official times and mileages are deemed to be correct and are not subject to protest.

## 25 STAGE START PROCEDURE

The starting signal for Special Stages will be either a flag or a set of traffic lights driven automatically from the start clock. For stages using a flag as the starting signal, the starting procedure will be as GR R25.7 but with countdowns starting at 15 seconds due to starting intervals of 30 seconds. The starting procedure (including the sequence of lights on the traffic lights) if the start is by automatic traffic lights will be specified in an Official Instruction.

False starts will be penalised as SR 21: 30 seconds per offence.

## 26 JUDGES OF FACT

The following will be judged as specified below:

R 25.3.1	Crash helmets, FHR's & Seatbelts	All marshals & officials
(SR 21)	False Start	All stage start marshals/officials
R 25.6.1	Reversing back to stop line	All stage finish marshals/officials
R 25.6	Correct route on stages	All marshals & officials
R 25.6	Reverse direction on a stage	All marshals & officials
R 24.9.1	Excessive noise & Backfiring	Sound test officials
R 25.4.9	Misuse of SOS / OK boards	All marshals & officials
R 25.9.1	Possession of pace notes	All marshals & officials
(SR 21)	Depositing of litter	All marshals & officials

## 27 SAFETY

The yellow flag system will be used (GR R25.6.4). The locations of the Yellow Flags will be printed on the stage diagrams. On seeing a Yellow Flag, all competitors "**must immediately and significantly reduce speed as well as being prepared to stop at any time**".

All vehicles must carry a SOS / OK board and in the event of an accident, where urgent medical assistance is required, the SOS board must be displayed to following competitors; in the event of an accident where assistance is not required the OK board must be displayed. Any competitor seeing an SOS board displayed must stop at the incident (GR R25.4.2). Detailed procedure at an incident will be specified in the Road Book.

## 28 SERVICING

Defined as work carried out by someone other than a competing crew, or the use of parts or tools not carried in a competing car. There will be a service area set aside where this work may be carried out (GR R38). The behaviour and conduct of the service crew is the responsibility of the competitor and any contravention of the regulations by the service crew will be dealt with (Chart 32.2). You are reminded that the service area is not a test track and the warming of tyres/brakes etc is forbidden. It is suggested that all crews take great care when working on their cars. If using a jack, axle stands are recommended, when working on fuel systems, the battery should be disconnected. All service vehicles are requested to carry a working fire extinguisher.

Only one service vehicle will be allowed into the service area, all other cars and vehicles must be parked to the organiser's instructions (details will be supplied with the Final Instructions). Service crews must stay within the designated area, **all other areas are strictly out of bounds. Any service crew moving into other areas may**

**cause the exclusion of their competing crew.** Service can only be carried out within the service area, all other areas will be deemed "out of bounds" and will carry the Motor Sports Association penalty of exclusion for contravention. All stage link roads will be deemed out of bounds to service crews (R38.1.3)

R38.1.7 The designated refuelling area is the service area

## **29 PACE NOTES**

Possession of pace notes as defined in GR R25.9 (whether the pace notes refer to this event or not) is not allowed. Only route and safety information issued by the organisers may be marked onto maps of scales 1:25000 and 1:50000 and the stage diagrams issued for this event.

## **30 FINAL INSTRUCTIONS**

These will be available on the NHMC web site on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May and a copy emailed to the nominated member of the crew, for an entrant whose entry has been accepted on or before Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May. Final Instructions will not be posted unless specifically requested. Entries received and accepted after the 7<sup>th</sup> May, but before the closing date, will be notified by telephone and the final instructions will have to be collected at signing on.

## **31 OFFICIAL VIDEO – MAD VIDEO**

Copies of the official video may be purchased direct from MAD Video Productions.  
P. O. Box 81 Keelby, Grimsby, DN41 5SN 01469 561281 [www.madvideo.demon.co.uk](http://www.madvideo.demon.co.uk)

## **32 OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER – Phil and Marcus Andrews PHOTOGRAPHY**

Competitors can order a full set of images of their car on one CD plus a 12x8 image for £12 delivered, or all images on CD plus a 18x12 image for £15. CD's ordered afterwards will cost £20. Call Phil Andrews on 07940 250022, E Mail [andrewspga@aol.com](mailto:andrewspga@aol.com) for more information. Please complete the box on the entry form and add the cost with your entry fee.

## **33 REFRESHMENTS**

Tea, coffee, burgers, bacon sandwiches, soft beverages, etc. will be on sale in the burger van from 7:00 am, situated in the service area.

## **34 EVENT CANCELLATION**

Should it be necessary to cancel the event due to legal or other unforeseen circumstances, the exact amount of the refund will be determined by the actual administration expenses incurred. The organisers are not liable for any further consequential losses incurred by prospective competitors because of event cancellation.

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## The Melbourne Rally Challenge 2017

### Regulations

1. The Association of Northern Car Clubs will promote the Melbourne Rally Challenge in accordance with the General Regulations of the Motor Sports Association United Kingdom, (Incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), and these Rally Challenge 2017 Regulations.
2. The championship registration number is **TBA**
3. The Melbourne Rally Challenge 2017 will consist of all three Special Stage Rallies to be run at Melbourne Airfield Nr York.
4. The Rally Challenge is open to all entrants on the three rallies
5. The Three Special Stage Rallies will take place on these dates:

The Lookout Stages (Trackrod MC)	Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April
John Overend Memorial Stages (NHMC)	Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> May
Vale of York Stages (Lindholme MC)	Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> September
6. Should any of these rallies have a change of date; the new date will be applicable for the Challenge.
7. Drivers and Co-Drivers entering the above events will automatically be registered for The Melbourne Rally Challenge 2017. There are no registration fees. The results will be accessible from any of the three club websites.
8. The Championship Coordinator is Andy Turnbull  
  
[andy@theturnbulls.co.uk](mailto:andy@theturnbulls.co.uk) 01757 248396
- 9.
10. All correspondence regarding The Melbourne Rally Challenge 2017 should be addressed to the Championship Coordinator
11. The Awards for the Melbourne Rally Challenge 2017 awards will be presented at Melbourne Airfield at the presentation of the last event.

12. The six classes for the Melbourne Rally Challenge 2017 will be:-

0. Cars up to 1000cc
1. Cars 1001 to 1400cc
2. Cars 1401 to 1600cc
3. Cars 1601 to 2000cc
4. Cars over 2001cc
5. All 4wd Cars
6. Historic

Event classes can be amalgamated at the organiser's discretion. In such cases, competitors will score points in the amalgamated class in which they take part.

**N.B.** Engine capacities will be actual capacities. Cars with forced induction and rotary engine cars: regulation **R 48.2.4.** will apply and have engine capacities multiplied by 1.7 to determine their class. All vehicles must comply with MSA Technical Regulations for special stage rallies with due attention to **R 46 - R 48.10.11.**

- 12 Points may be scored on all of three rallies, based on performance in Class: 20 for 1<sup>st</sup>; 19 for 2<sup>nd</sup>, and so on. If crews enter in different classes on different rallies, the tally of points will still be carried over for the overall Challenge Champions.
- 13 The Driver & Co-Driver with the highest number of points will be declared the Challenge Champions.
- 14 The Champion Driver & Co-Driver of The Melbourne Rally Challenge 2017 will be presented with awards. To be eligible the winners must start all 3 rallies.
- 15 To be eligible for any class awards the crew must start at least 2 out of the 3 rallies.

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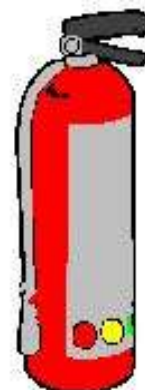
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