



QUEENSLAND RALLY ADVISORY PANEL

Meeting held on Wednesday, 5th March 2014
at 'Sports House, 150 Caxton St, Milton

MINUTES

PRESENT:

	Attended	Apology
Paul Woodward (Chairman)	2	0
Stephen Davies	2	0
Jamie Lawson	2	0
Peter Marcovich	2	0
Barry Neuendorff	1	1
Marius Swart	2	0
Clay Weston	2	0

APOLOGIES:

Matt Sosimenko	1	1
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Queensland Rally Advisory Panel Chairman, Paul Woodward, opened the meeting at 7.30 pm and welcomed the Panel members.

RAP14.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

013 Reviewed the Minutes of the Rally Advisory Panel meeting of 5th February 2014, noted.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

014 Ref. RAP14.004 - Rally Car Registration Scheme

Barry Neuendorff will contact CAMS National Office regarding the status of the CAMS negotiations with Qld Department of Transport and Main Roads on the new Rally Car Registration process.

015 Ref. RAP14.012 - 2014 Qld Rally Handbook Amendments

Panel discussed the draft amendments and a related information document to be sent to QRC event organisers to explain the implementation of this sponsorship package. Chairman to make the agreed amendments and forward to State Council for ratification.

Action: That State Council consider the proposed amendments to the 2014 Queensland Rally Handbook and resolve to adopt those amendments.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 016 Email received by Chairman from Peter Macneall, ARC Series Sporting Director, advising Panel of an apparent anomaly in the eligibility of a recently imported VW Polo to be entered as a PRC P3 in the first round of the QRC on 8 March 2014.

Panel discussed the email from Peter Macneall and considered a range of available information including advice received from the Chairman before the meeting from Mr Dave Wood, Gold Scrutineer, on possible homologation aspects and it's comparison to G2 Polos being run in the ARC. Panel agreed that it was not Panel's intention to prevent this car from competing but in the interests of the owner and organisers, the eligibility of the vehicle must be resolved so the logbook can correctly identify the eligible class of the vehicle. Panel agreed that the Chair request Dave Wood to inform the owner of the anomaly and the intention of the Panel to resolve this issue. Dave Wood was to arrange for an inspection of the vehicle at Manumbar (QRC 1) and provide an opinion on the appropriate class eligibility. Once known, Panel will take a recommendation to ARCom (through QSC) for any dispensation needed to have the vehicle allocated to an appropriate class. Panel would also assist in having the necessary documents lodged for a logbook to be issued.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- 017 AIMSS Review of Rally Safety
Panel considered a request received by Chairman from AIMSS seeking information from rally organisers about past rally incidents and incidents on future events to assist with data collection and assessment of safety factors in Rallying. Panel members agreed to provide available data and circulate to organisers.
- 018 Road to Rallying Document
Jamie Lawson spoke to Panel on a project he wants to undertake to develop a simple document to explain the various aspects of rallying and encourage increased new participation in the sport. Panel provided information on existing data sources and supported the development of this document.
- 019 Logbooks at Events
Jamie Lawson raised the issue of what rules or requirements apply for scrutineers and organisers to retain the logbooks for vehicles during events. There has been concern that logbooks are not being returned and could be lost. Panel discussed the reasons why scrutineers retain logbooks and stated that it is the responsibility of competitors to collect their logbooks after the event. Panel believes that a prompt could be given at Competitors' briefings to collect logbooks after the event as well as ensuring that competitors ensure that scrutineers can inspect a vehicle damaged in a rally and make notes in the logbook, before the vehicle leaves the event.
- 020 QRC rounds in 2015 – International Rally of Queensland
Jamie Lawson asked whether IRoQ in 2015 should be one or two rounds of the QRC. Discussion followed on the pros and cons of this approach and Panel agreed that this can be resolved with the organisers when 2015 event planning commences.
- 021 QRC Media Activities
Jamie Lawson gave an update on the media activity done to support the QRC and the first round at Manumbar on 8 March 2014. Panel noted this report.

022 QRC Seeding List Updates

Clay Weston requested clarification on how the 2014 QRC Seeding List is being maintained and how the data from events is sent to the seeding person. Barry Neuendorff advised that Dr Michelle Gatton has taken on the role of maintaining the seeding list and updates this list from spreadsheets provided by organisers after the event. A new Seeding List will be available shortly. On the subject of the calculation of results, it was agreed that BSCC will provide assistance to CQMSC prior to the Wowan QRC round to enable consistent results scoring layouts to be used.

MEETING CLOSED: 9.20pm

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, 2nd April 2014

"I have signed this draft document and believe it is a true and accurate record of the meeting".

Signed:.....

Paul Woodward

Chairman: Rally Advisory Panel

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