



## QUEENSLAND RALLY ADVISORY PANEL

Meeting held on Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> March 2015  
at 'Sports House, 150 Caxton St, Milton

### MINUTES

#### PRESENT:

	Attended	Apology
Paul Woodward (Chairman)	2	0
Stephen Davies	2	0
Peta Davies	2	0
Jamie Lawson	2	0
Matt Sosimenko	1	1
Marius Swart	2	0
Clay Weston	2	0

#### APOLOGIES:

Peter Marcovich	1	1
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#### VISITORS:

Justin Northage      Gary Mitchell

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Queensland Rally Advisory Panel Chairman, Paul Woodward, opened the meeting at 7.35 pm and welcomed the Panel members and visitors.

#### RAP15.

##### MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

009 The minutes from the previous meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2015 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

##### BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

010 Ref. RAP15.002 - Rally Car Registration Scheme  
Panel noted that CAMS have advised that it has clarified all points raised by TMR and TMR is now finalising the Scheme for approval by its Executive. Panel Chair will continue to get updates from CAMS.

- 011 Ref. RAP15.003 - 2014 Rally Awards Dinner  
Final update provided and all funds have been sent to CAMS Office and reconciled. Panel again thanked Peta Davies for her work on the Dinner planning.
- 012 Ref. RAP15.004 - 2015 QRC Series Sponsorship  
Panel discussed a number of options for sponsorship in 2015 but also wanted to work towards a good deal for the QRC in 2016. This will continue to be pursued in 2015.
- 013 Ref. RAP15.007 - Rally of Kyogle (QRC 5)  
Panel was advised of the current situation with QRC 5 (Rally of Kyogle) following the recent AGM of the GCTMSC. Information on the status of negotiations and route selection are being sought from the previous Organising Committee. Panel asked SD to provide an update on the progress of QRC 5 at the next RAP meeting, if not by email before then.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Nil

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- 014 Justin Northage (QRC competitor) requested Panel to consider his approach to film and develop a “video story” of the 2015 QRC with sections on how the QRC is structured, interviews with crews etc. Panel supported the concept and the approach and asked Justin Northage to put together a package for the proposal and send it to Panel for consideration.
- 015 Jamie Lawson raised the idea of reinvigorating the Clubman and Junior aspects of the QRC in 2016 and offered to develop a proposal for an attractive Series that would focus on the entry level of rallying and be run at either separate events or with certain QRC rounds. After much discussion on the concept of a revival of the older style Clubman/Novice Series, Panel asked Jamie Lawson and Peta Davies to develop a Series model including crew and vehicle eligibility, number and types of events and cost structures.
- 016 Jamie Lawson also suggested that RAP invite the Qld ARCom Commissioner to a future Panel meeting to get a briefing on the issues before ARCom and how they affect the State. Panel Chair will issue an invitation to Mr Menzies at next QSC.
- 017 PD requested clarification of how the new FHR apparel requirements of the CAMS Manual apply to competitors in the Qld All-Comers and the Qld Clubman series when they compete in a QRC round. The issue revolves around the difficulty experienced in clearly communicating the comparative risk profile in different levels of events and where entrants in the QRC components of an event must comply with Schedule D for FHR but entrants in a multi-club rally on similar roads do not have to comply with the Schedule D FHR requirements. The issue initially arose when the organising committee of QRC 1 sought advice from Panel on whether a separate Multi-Club rally should be held on the same day as QRC 1 in order to clarify the comparative FHR requirements for each event. After an email discussion within RAP, the Panel Chair advised the organisers that given the definitions of the Qld All-Comers Series and the Qld Clubman Series in the 2015 Handbook, it is considered that these two Series could be regarded as State level competitions when run in conjunction with a QRC and it would be best to run a separate Multi-club event with separate regulations and a shorter or different route to allow the application of the Schedule D FHR requirement for each event. Panel members provided advice to PD on how to communicate the relative risk profile of a Championship/Series event against a non-Championship Multi-club. State Council should note that as some entrants are resistant to adopting FHR in events and have challenged the interpretation of what is a State level competition, this matter may continue to be debated for some time.

**MEETING CLOSED:** 9.55pm

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015

“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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