



NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF THE EVENT

Dear Entrants and Participants,

This communication probably comes as no real surprise given the current situation occurring across Australia, with the outbreak of the COVID variant Delta in multiple States infecting so many people and causing multiple city lockdowns and multiple State border closures. The situation regarding vaccinations in Australia is well behind schedule and this will have long lasting impact on the reactions by States to regularly close their borders.

The vision has not faded, only the event is postponed.

The Event Committee, mostly operating under lockdown conditions themselves, have considered the guidance offered by Federal and State Governments and Medical Authorities, noted the seemingly unchanging trigger situations enacted by individual States to closing their borders, and recognised that the current infection outbreak has by all accounts a long way to run at this point of time. We have unfortunately come to the decision that there is no clear alternative that can guarantee a clear pathway forward to be able to run the event in 2021 with any degree of certainty.

In the interests of ensuring that Entrants and Participants are not unduly impacted by restrictions and unnecessary expenses to participate in the event, we have taken the view that it is best to postpone the event now, rather than in one or two-months' time.

We have an obligation to Entrants and Participants to reduce expenses where we can, and we wish to ensure that you are able to recover any costs with adequate time in hand instead of having a late event postponement where your costs may not be able to be recovered.

The Event Committee have decided that given all the current information and advice, that the event should be rescheduled to:

Gather in Perth on Thursday the 27th October 2022

and to

Finish in Sydney on Sunday the 6th November 2022.

Please accept our sincere apology for this postponement and the delay to the event, but be assured that the Event Committee, in making this decision, have the best interests of all Entrants and Participants in mind when we make this announcement.

We will continue to prepare for the event to now start in Perth on the 28th October 2022 to make this event the best it can be. As stated, the vision is not lost.

Should you feel that you are no longer able to participate in the event under this circumstance, the option to withdraw is available. The Event Committee wishes that this is not the case.

The Event Committee will immediately take steps to inform all listed accommodation venues of the postponement and will seek to have all accommodation bookings transferred forward to the rescheduled dates. If this is unable to be arranged at some locations Entrants will be informed accordingly.

If you have made separate accommodation bookings at alternate non-listed venues, we would ask you to look to making the transfer arrangements yourself.

Should you have any questions regarding this announcement or the status of your entry in the event, please do not hesitate to contact the following.

Yours sincerely

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