HIGH COUNTRY TOUR

24th – 27th March 2026

NOTICE OF THE EVENT

1. Description

The Tour will be conducted by the Historic Rally Club of NSW/ACT (HRC) under Motorsport Australia Permit Number TBA.

It is a prerequisite of Motorsport Australia (MA) that this event **will not involve any form of competition or activities of a competitive nature** involving the timed movement of a car.

The HRC has adopted a 'Code of Conduct' for participants to minimise the Tour's impact on the local road users. The Code is available on the HRC website and you are encouraged to make yourself familiar with it and to observe it during this Tour.

Requirements for participation

All participants must be a member of a Motorsport Australia affiliated Car Club.

HRC membership is $25 (available on the HRC website)

Participants' vehicles must be road registered and the number of people in each vehicle must not exceed the legal registered carrying capacity of the vehicle.

Unregistered Vehicle Permits and Trade Plates will not be accepted.

Drivers must hold a current civil Drivers Licence from an Australian authority. Provisional Licences and Learners Permits are not acceptable.

Organising Team

Tour Organiser	David Johnson	0493 812 474
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Road Director	Graham Thompson	0412 108 185
Entries Secretary	Allan Denney	0414 902 500

All correspondence to the Entries Sec. at highcountrytour@hrcnsw.org.au

2. Start and Course Details

The Tour will start at Albury NSW at 8:30am on 24th March 2026.
The course for each day will be given in the Road Book for the event with lunch breaks locations, rally landmarks and finish of day locations.
Both the Regular Course and the Tarmac Option are approximately 1,800km and will be run over the four days on the dates listed.

Day 1: Albury-Bright-Albury. **Day 2:** Albury-Mt Beauty-Mitta Mitta-Albury **Day 3**: Albury- Khancoban- Tumut **Day 4:** Tumut – Batlow - Tumut

The Tour will finish at Tumut at approximately 5pm on Friday 27th March 2026.

3. Entries

Entries open on the publication of this Notice and close at **20:00** hours on Monday 9th March 2026.
Entries will be limited to a total of 40 participants.
Entry is open to any financial member of any Motorsport Australia affiliated Car Club.
The Entry Form is available on the HRC website and can be downloaded, completed (clear lettering please) and forwarded to the Entries Secretary on highcountrytour@hrcnsw.org.au It must be completed in full, including the details for all intending participants in the vehicle.

The option exists to participate in the Tour for shorter periods of time than the full four days

The Entry fee is $430 for 4 days and the fee can be discussed with the Entries Sec if a shorter option in required.

If you have a preferred Number or one that is affixed to your car that you are entering please insert it on the Entry Form and we shall endeavour to allocate that number to you for the event.

4. Social Dinners and Accommodation

Casual Social Dinners are planned for the evenings of the event in a separated private eating area. All participant's meals of choice are to be ordered at the Bistro.

It is planned to run an End of Tour Social Function on the Friday evening at Tumut as a barbecue at a location to be advised. Food will be provided with BYO drinks of your choice.

All accommodation and meals (other than the Finish barbecue) are at the expense of participants.

5. Vehicle Check and on-going Conditions

By asking to participate in the Tour you are agreeing to use a vehicle that is fully roadworthy and is registered to drive on Australian roads throughout the event.

It is the responsibility of the participants and/or drivers to ensure the vehicle is in a roadworthy condition both at the start and during the event.

Each participating vehicle will be allocated a number for the event and two sets of the number to be affixed to front and rear windows to enable the cars to be identified by the sweep vehicle and other participants in the event.
Please ensure that the front and rear windows are clear of any other conflicting numbers so that no confusion can exist.

6. Extra Equipment in the Car

a) The roads to be travelled do not require the fitting of a sump guard under normal driving conditions. Care may need to be exercised at times and you are urged to drive to the conditions.
b) **Essential** equipment is a reliable resettable distance measuring instrument (Terratrip / Monit / Carrvas or the like or Phone App like 'Rally Tripmeter').
c) Recommended equipment:
    - first aid kit
    - fire extinguisher
    - compass
    - 5 watt UHF CB radio
    - warning triangles
d) There is no restriction on other equipment that may be carried, a Navman, TomTom, Garmin or smart phone with Google Maps, could be beneficial.
e) Communication from the organisers during the event will normally be using the App 'WhatsApp'. It will assist if you have it loaded and are familiar with its use.

7. Road Books

The Road Book/s for the whole event will be issued at the Start.

There will be a full set of maps so that you can follow where you are going but the full course will be route charted to minimise navigational challenges.

The Road Book will contain a full list of any abbreviations that are used in the route chart as well as any information relating to special interest places along the course.

8. Code of Conduct

How you behave on the road reflects on all motorsport and could impact our future use of our roads. This is not a timed competition. Drive carefully and be courteous to all road users at all times.

Please read the full details of the Code of Conduct on the website before the event.

This Code has been suggested by participants from earlier Tours both for the benefit of newcomers to motorsport and to jog the memories of long term participants as well.

Notwithstanding the NSW and Victorian Motor Traffic Acts and their regulations, Motorsport Australia has adopted Policies prohibiting the use of Alcohol, Drugs and Illicit Substances at their sanctioned events.