



Back in the COT again!

As Australian roads and vehicles continue to improve and ever increasing bureaucracy strangles adventure, it has become obvious that organising the challenge of the traditional long distance Round Australia event is no longer a feasible exercise in its own right. However, the flavour and challenge of these classic events, which were the pinnacle of long distance adventure rallying, can still be captured in a reasonable time frame, to give those who missed the golden eras of the Round Australias an opportunity to taste the essence of what the early heroes experienced.

We believe the Classic Outback Trials of 2009 and 2010 captured the spirit of the early Round Australia trials, and provided the kind of adventure that those events provided. Due to the very positive response and feedback from last year's Classic Outback Trial we are delighted to announce that there will be another Classic Outback Trial in 2012. Taking on board the many suggestions we have received, and lessons learned, we believe we can continue the tradition of these classic events. To put it in a nutshell, it's on again.....

.....Bigger, Longer, Better!

The **Classic Outback Trial 2012** will commence in Forbes NSW on Saturday 18th August 2012 with a prologue and welcome function, and will be followed by seven days of outback competition heading out west to Cobar and Broken Hill, finishing at Renmark on the Murray.

The event will be run over NSW forests and many private properties with a large diversity of terrain incorporating many features found in the Australian outback. With the valuable assistance of Allan Wells, the Clerk of Course of the Condo 750, we have obtained some fantastic property tracks. We are expecting to travel around 400 to 500 km per day with a very high percentage of competitive stages.

PROPOSED EVENT CALENDAR

- Saturday Aug 18
 - o Documentation, Scrutiny, Prologue, & Welcome function
- Sunday Aug 19
 - o First day competition overnight Condobolin
- Monday Aug 20
 - o Second day competition overnight Cobar
- Tuesday Aug 21
 - o Third day competition overnight Cobar
- Wednesday Aug 22
 - o Fourth day competition overnight Broken Hill
- Thursday Aug 23
 - o Fifth day competition overnight Broken Hill
- Friday Aug 24
 - o Sixth day competition overnight Renmark
- Saturday Aug 25
 - o Seventh day competition overnight Renmark, Presentation function



Renmark finish

The presentation function will be held at Ruston's Rose Garden and Visitor Centre in the heart of Renmark the final Saturday evening. The Ruston's visitors complex, has recently been completed and extended and can accommodate up to 200 guests in a formal dining location. It will be another highlight of the event.

The visitor's centre also contains a Classic Car Museum where you will be pleasantly surprised to see an eclectic collection of vintage and historic racing cars.





Again we will be supporting Frontier Services as our charity partner who will be celebrating their centenary in September next year. Frontier Services is the successor in the Uniting Church to the Australian Inland Mission, developed by Rev Dr John Flynn to provide support to the people of outback Australia. Flynn presented a proposal to the Assembly of the Presbyterian Church on 26 September 1912 which resulted in the establishment of the Australian Inland Mission.

Flynn's vision for a "mantle of safety" - to help build sustainable community despite the hardships of Outback life - which was enabled by the resolution of the Assembly on that day, created a network of pastoral care and social services.

They consider that 2012 is the opportunity to turn around the perception that Outback Australia is the forgotten wilderness and instead to resolve that in this Centenary Year we will celebrate the changing face of remote Australia.

ELIGIBILITY

We will issue supplementary regulations in a few months, however, they will be similar to previous COT events. Eligible vehicles will be as listed below. Model run-ons are permitted :

- (1) Group 1 - Historic Rally Cars, Categories 1 (Pre-1968), 2 (Pre-1976) and 3 (Pre-1981).
- (2) Group 2 - Classic Rally Cars (Category 4) built prior to 1/1/1982.
- (3) Group 3A - Production Rally Cars (PRC, Group 3), built prior to 1/1/1986.
- (4) Group 3B- Production Rally Cars (PRC, Group 3), built between 1/1/1986 and 1/1/1997

Note: Pre 1986 PRC cars are allowed extra freedom. Refer Page 11-44 of CAMS Manual of Motor Sport.

- (5) Group 4 - Any vehicle that complies with CAMS Schedule R built prior to 1/1/1997 and at the invitation of the organisers. Vehicles in this group are only eligible for group 4 awards.

(Note: Four wheel drive sedan-type cars and forced induction cars are not eligible for the event, save for Category 5 above.)

Contacts ?

If you have a contact(s) in the areas we are travelling through we would be delighted to receive any property names, addresses, locations etc.

Secure your entry NOW

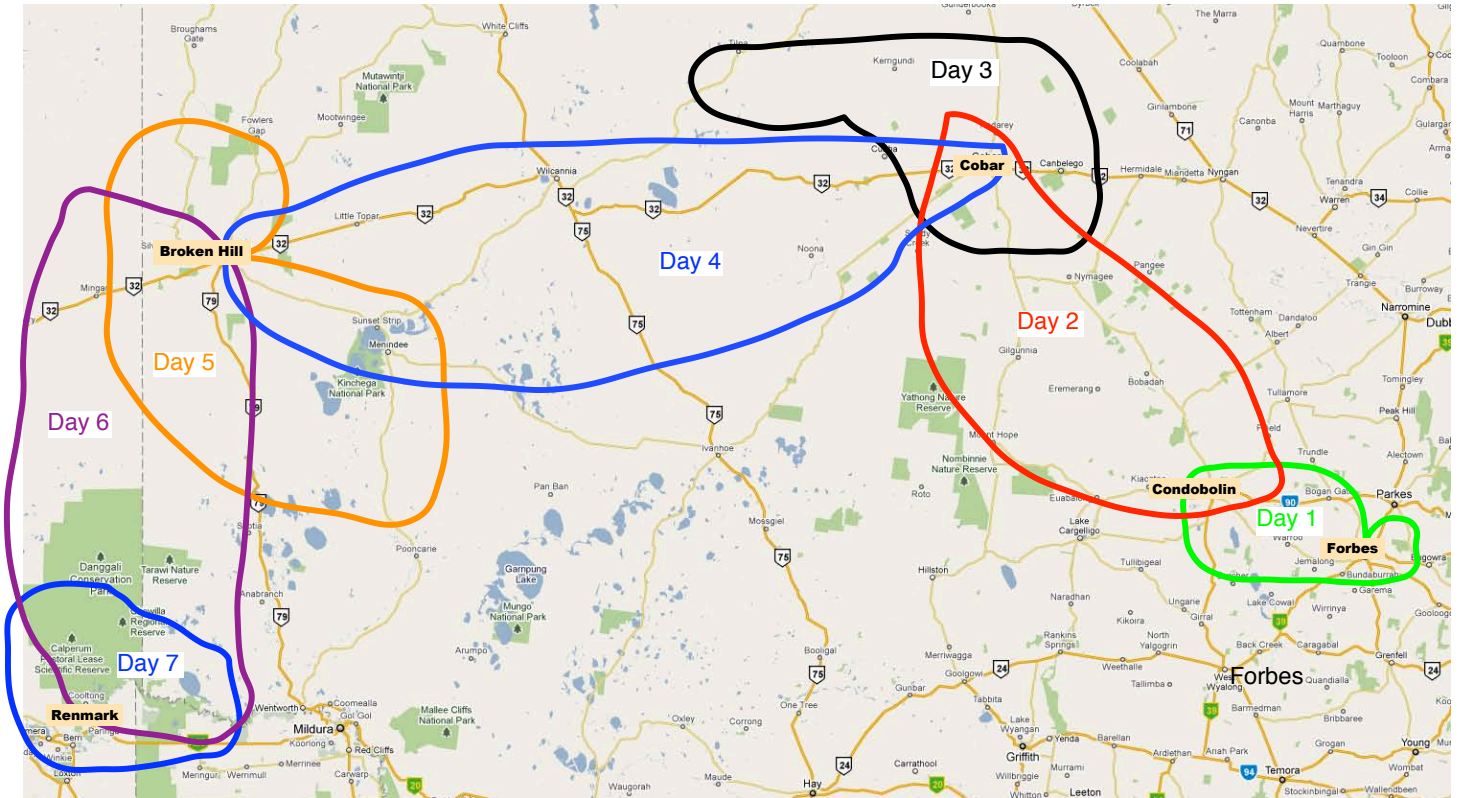
With accommodation restrictions at some locations, we can only accept a maximum of 50 entries. In order to guarantee your position, we will accept a holding deposit of \$250.00. The entry fee will be \$3,900 (includes GST) and can be paid off in instalments over the following 12 months. The event will be conducted with the continued high standard as provided in the previous COT events, again planned and conducted by the same organising committee. The entry deposit invoice is attached and can be downloaded from our website:

2012 CLASSIC OUTBACK TRIAL

NEWSLETTER #1

CLASSIC OUTBACK TRIAL

JULY 2011



Past gridders



1st outright 2010 Andrew & David Travis



2nd outright 2010 Trevor Stilling & John Paine



3rd outright 2010 Andy Crane & John Fraser



ACN No: 134 696 398

TAX INVOICE

Part payment of Entry deposit for the **CLASSIC OUTBACK TRIAL 2012**

Entrant's Name: _____

Mailing address: _____

Suburb: _____ **State:** _____ **Postcode:** _____

Ph. Priv: _____ **Ph. Bus:** _____ **Mobile:** _____

Email address: _____

Proposed Vehicle Make: _____ **Model:** _____

This deposit will guarantee your entry in the 2012 event.

I understand that this deposit is fully refundable if for any reason the event does not go ahead.

I also understand that this deposit will be forfeited if I withdraw from the event. The Event organisers may waive this forfeiture if the circumstances of withdrawal are considered exceptional. The deposit may be transferred to another entry, provided it is a new entry and not one currently held by the organisers.

Total amount payable: \$250 (includes \$22.73 GST)

Entrant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Monies may be paid by cheque made payable to '**Classic Outback Trial Pty Ltd**'
and mailed to: Classic Outback Trial Pty Ltd
1/533 Whitehorse Road **SURREY HILLS Vic** 3127,

or

directly credited to:

NAB

Account name: Classic Outback Trial Pty Ltd

BSB: 083 121

Account No: 831438345