

2021 TCT TOWN & COUNTRY TYRES *The Gap* **440**



ARB TCT The Gap 440

Round 2 – 2021 ARB Australian Off Road Racing Championship
Round 2 – 2021 AORRA Method Race Wheels NSW Off Road Racing Championship
Friday 13th to Sunday 15th August 2021

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. TITLE AND NATURE OF THE EVENT

The event is entitled the **ARB TCT The Gap 440** (herein after called the Event), being Round 2 of 2021 ARB Australian Off Road Racing Championship and Round 2 of AORRA Method Race Wheels NSW Off Road Racing Championships.

The event will be conducted at the private property Mactocton, off Parker's Road, 31km East of Hillston on the 13th to 15th August 2021.

This event is an enduro course off road racing event run over a variety of surfaces and is designed to test driver's skill and preparation during daylight hours.

The ARB TCT The Gap 440 event prologue is approximately 15kms in length and the full course is approximately 415kms, comprising of 5 laps of 83km.

2. AUTHORITY AND PERMIT

The Event will be held under the:

- AASA National Competition Rules
- AASA Standing Regulations
- AASA Standing Regulations for Off Road Racing Events
- AASA Off Road Racing Vehicle Requirements
- ARB Australian Off Road Racing Championship Regulations
- AORRA Method Race Wheels NSW Championships Regulations (aorra.com.au/administration)
- these Supplementary Regulations
- any Bulletins issued.

The Event is authorized by **AASA Permit No: AASA020721-GO2972**

3. EVENT PROMOTERS

Griffith Offroad Club Inc.

COVID-19 PROCESS CHANGES

Competitors are advised that there will be changes to the processes and procedures used prior to and during the event. Following are some areas that vary significantly to the pre Covid-19 era.

ENTRY FORM

TCT THE GAP 440, will be using the offroadracing.com.au online event entry system.

[Event entry is now a three-step process.](#)

Step 1 of the entry process is payment and registration with minimal information.

Step 2 is the completion of the entire entry form for nominated competition crew. This form will be active after the registration form has been submitted.

There is additional information that is required for the entry form to reduce contact at the event. You will need to have .jpg (photo) or pdf file of the following to be uploaded with your entry. File size of **200kb or smaller is preferred.**

- Competition licence (front) or screen shot from aasa.com.au portal
- Affiliated club card (front)
- AASA Passport (3 pages - passport number, owner and address, last participation entry)
- Temporary Passport Documentation (if required)
- Single Event Licence confirmation (if required)

PIT CREW NOMINATION

Step 3 is pit crew nomination. Pit crew are nominated on a separate online form, which can only be accessed after an event registration has been submitted.

You have until 7pm Tuesday 10th August 2021, to submit your crew. Once that form has been submitted, there will be no additions to your crew. **No crew will be added at the event.** If you do not require any crew, you are required to submit the form with 'none' selected for the amount of crew.

You are required to supply the following details for your crew.

- First name and Last name for all crew
- Phone Number for all crew
- Address for all crew
- Age bracket of crew member (16-17, 18 plus)

The nominated names CANNOT be changed after the form has been submitted. After this time, no changes can be made to your pit crew. There will be NO extra pit passes available Saturday or Sunday. All passes are to be signed for and picked up at Friday Competitor Check In. If your crew won't be arriving until Saturday, they are expected to pay at the main gate and will be refunded their money upon presentation of their entry ticket at Event Headquarters.

EVENT DOCUMENTATION / COMPETING AND SERVICE CREW CHECK IN

All competing crew and service crew will need to sign the event entry disclaimer and be given their wristband event identification. When entering the event you will select a scrutiny and check in time. Please abide by social distancing regulations. The need for licences and club memberships to be sighted at documentation has been negated by the electronic lodgement and pre event checks.

Passports are still required to be kept by the Chief Scrutineer until the end of competition.

VENUE ENTRY

Entering the main gate to the venue, all persons will be required to provide their name and phone number for contact tracing purposes. You need to download the QR Code app (<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/check-covid-safe-business-service-nsw-app>) Please be patient.

4. ORGANISING COMMITTEE

The Organising Committee will comprise of members of the Griffith Offroad Club Inc 1407 Rankin's Springs Road. Myall Park NSW 2681.

5. PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS

Clerk Of Course	Murray Rogers	0412 259 246
Assistant Clerk Of Course	Darren Gibbs	0427 803 983
Event Secretary	Ashlee Meginley	0429 162 846
Chief Scrutineer	Gavin Mickle	0412 061 789
Safety Officer	Mathew Ryan	0458 550 021
Covid-19 Marshall	Kristy Richards	0412 582 172
Competitor Relations Officer (CRO)	Mathew Ryan	0458 550 021
Chief Time Keeper	Julie Rogers	0419 830 414
Medical Officers	First Aid Services	0466 843 811
Chief Of Recovery	Ben Grinly	0499 975 111

6. ENTRY DETAILS

Entry OPEN	Friday 2nd July 2021 @ 9am (ACST)
Entry CLOSE	Friday 30 th July 2021 @ Midnight
Premium Entry CLOSE	Friday 6 th August 2021 @ Midnight

The entry fee for entries received up to midnight 30th July will be:

Event Entry	\$555
Rallysafe Hire	\$195
Track Reinstatement	\$100
Covid-19 Management	\$ 20
Total EVENT ENTRY	\$870

The Premium Entry Fee for entries received after midnight 30th July to 6th August will be **\$1,170**. These entries may not be included in printed event documents.

Entries are limited to 150 and acceptance will be determined in order of receipt. All entries must be made on the official ONLINE entry form and must be accompanied with the requisite entry fee. A link to the online entry form can be found on the event page at offroadracing.com.au.

Each vehicle will be allocated the following competition passes.

- two seat vehicle – two competitor passes
- single seat vehicle - one competitor pass

Additional Navigators may compete, providing they are properly nominated on the entry form, have signed the disclaimer and the additional navigator's fee of **\$15.00** each is paid.

Payments can be made via EFT or credit card. Entries will not be accepted unless accompanied by the relevant payment at time of entry.

Direct Deposit Information:

BSB: 085 232

Account: 587 536 700

Please quote your **RACE VEHICLE NUMBER and DRIVERS SURNAME** as reference number when paying by Direct Debit, so that payments can be accounted for.

Payment for ALL entries must be received by the close of entries.

Complete refunds will be given if entrant withdraws by 5pm Thursday 12th August. Please note the \$195 Rallysafe fee is non refundable for withdrawals after 5pm Thursday 12th August.

The organisers reserve the right to abandon, cancel or postpone the event if less than 55 entries are received by Friday 30th July or affected by adverse weather.

7. RALLYSAFE

The RallySafe status awareness, tracking and alert system will be used at this event.

Competitors must have the RallySafe Mounting Kit installed in their competition vehicle prior to arriving at event scrutiny.

This kit is available for purchase online from RallySafe at <https://shop.statusas.com/shop/category/rallysafe/fitting-kits/>

Installation instructions can be found at <http://rallysafe.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/RallySafe-Car-Fitting-Kit-Instructions-2017.pdf>

How to use RallySafe tutorial <https://rallysafe.com.au/competitors-tm/>

8. SCRUTINY AND COMPETITOR CHECK IN

Hillston Showgrounds: Friday 13th August 3pm – 7:30pm

Competitor Check In (formally documentation) and Scrutiny will be conducted on Friday from 3.50pm to 8.00pm at the Hillston Showgrounds. Vehicles will need to remain for viewing until 8pm once their scrutiny is completed.

Competitors will be allocated a check in and scrutiny time which will be published after close of entries.

All vehicles must have a current **AASA** Vehicle Passport and all safety apparel which must be presented at scrutiny for inspection.

It is a requirement that ALL competition vehicles MUST have a working UHF 2-way radio to be run through the helmet; this WILL be tested at scrutiny.

Vehicles must have passed scrutiny and all entered competitors, co-drivers, navigators and pit crew must sign the relevant disclaimers at check in at the showgrounds, prior to participating in the event.

Competitors must have collected the assigned RallySafe unit at least 30 minutes prior to their allocated check in time and fitted it to their vehicle prior to scrutiny where it will be checked by RallySafe personnel. The collection location, which will be at the showgrounds, will be advised in an email to the team contact prior to the event.

Vehicle Passports will be retained at Event Headquarters until the completion of competition and return of the Timing Transponder and RallySafe unit for that vehicle.

Alcohol and or smoking is not permitted at the Scrutiny/check in venue.

9. WRIST BANDS

Wristbands will be issued to Drivers, Co-Driver, Navigators and Service Crew with names and competition numbers on them. Wristbands **MUST** be worn at all times. They will permit access to the Paddock Area whilst racing is in progress.

10. RUNNING DETAILS

10.1 Competing Crew Briefing

A single crew briefing will be held on Saturday 14th August at 7:00am, with sign on from 6:45am at event headquarters. It is compulsory for all competing crew to attend and to have signed on prior to the start of briefing; penalties will be applied for non attendance.

All competing crew will be required to sign-on on Sunday 15th between 8:00am and 8:15am and, if required, will be issued with event bulletins.

10.2 Reconnaissance

- 10.2.1 Reconnaissance of the Enduro course - 12.00 noon Friday 13th August in road registered 4WD vehicles only.
- 10.2.2 Reconnaissance of the Prologue track - 8.30am Saturday 14th August in competition vehicle or road registered 4WD vehicles.
- 10.2.3 One vehicle per entry and will be allowed to reconnoitre the course at a **NON – COMPETITIVE SPEED.**
- 10.2.4 Competitors undertaking reconnaissance in a road registered competition vehicle must be in full racing apparel.
- 10.2.5 1 lap of the enduro course and 1 lap of the prologue course is permitted
- 10.2.6 Any Competitor deemed to be driving in a manner not complying with the instructions may be excluded from the event.
- 10.2.7 All occupants must be wearing a seat belt.

10.3 Prologue

- 10.3.1 A Prologue to determine the start order for Section 1 will be one lap of the Prologue course commencing at 10.00am Saturday 14th August 2021.
- 10.3.2 Vehicles will be started at a minimum of 1 minute intervals. The prologue start order will be published on the event page at offoradracing.com.au and be available at event documentation.

10.4 Seeding

The closing time for seeding applications is 12:00pm on Saturday to be seeded into Section 1 start order and 6:00pm on Saturday to be seeded into Section 2 start order. Seeding will be carried out at the Clerk of Course's discretion.

10.5 Event (Enduro Course)

The event will consist of 5 laps of the 83km course. The surface of which is gravel, dirt and natural surfaces.

The event will be conducted over two days and in 2 sections with cars starting each race a minimum of 30 seconds apart. The start configuration and intervals will be advised at the competitor briefing.

Section 1 Saturday 1.00pm – 1 lap

Section 2 Sunday 8.30am – 4 laps (2 laps, 45 minute service, 2 laps)

10.6 Time Allowed

To be classified as a finisher, a crew shall complete a section within the allowed time as follows:

Section 1: 1 hour 30 minutes

Section 2: 6 hours 45 minutes including 45 minute service break.

11. TIMING AND START LIGHTS/FLAG

- 11.1 Timing officials will be deemed Judge of Fact.
- 11.2 Timing begins when the signal to start is given.
- 11.3 Times to one thousandths of a second will be recorded on every lap and completed laps within the time allowed will be counted.
- 11.4 A competitor's score shall be the total elapsed time for all laps, passing through all controls.
- 11.5 Electronic timing will be used at this event. All competition vehicles will be fitted by the event with a supplied transponder. The transponder must be returned at the completion of competition for the vehicle when the Vehicle's Passport/Log book will be returned to the competitor.

If the timing transponder is not returned at the event it is the responsibility of the competitor to express post return it to Race Time immediately.

If the timing transponder is lost, destroyed or not returned within three days, a charge of \$450 will be applied. Transponders remain the property of Race Time, but all responsibility is held with the competitor during the event.

12. COMPETITION RULES

- 12.1 A vehicle that arrives to the start after its schedule starting time will be allowed to start at the next safe time or at the discretion of the Clerk of Course, provided it does not impede the start of any other competitor. The elapsed time begins on the original schedule starting time.
- 12.2 **Smoking is not permitted** in the paddock or in race vehicles at any time during competition.
- 12.3 You are required to supply your own INCIDENT STATUS (OK/SOS) sign for enduro course races.

13. PROTEST

Protests may be made via the Competitor Relations Officer who will refer to the Clerk of Course. Upon judgement if the competitor is unhappy a further protest may be lodged with the AASA Stewards with the appropriate fee.

14. ELIGIBILITY

14.1 Vehicle Eligibility

Refer to AASA and AORRA Vehicle eligibility criteria and classes.

A forward facing racing number, at least 70mm high, must be fitted to top right front of the vehicle to assist Marshals during line up.

All vehicles are required to run the Rally Safe Status Awareness System. The mounting kit is available at rallysafe.com.au and must be installed prior to the Event.

All competition vehicles must have working in helmet Car to Car UHF; this WILL be tested at scrutiny.

14.2 Crew Eligibility

- 14.2.1 Driver and Co-Driver Minimum 14 years of age and Navigator minimum 14 years of age.
- 14.2.2 One competing crew in the vehicle at all times must be at least 18 years of age and/or hold a valid civil drivers licence.
- 14.2.3 Points will only be awarded once per vehicle entered, (to the nominated number 1 driver) but there may be more than one driver.
- 14.2.4 Unauthorised person/s in a race vehicle is prohibited.
- 14.2.5 Crew changes will be permitted, but only with Event Secretary's/Clerk of Course's permission and all paperwork addressed before entering vehicle.

14.3 Licences

- 14.3.1 A current AASA National Off Road Racing Competition Licence is required.
- 14.3.2 A AASA Off Road Racing **Navigator Single Event Licence** can be used for Navigators ONLY; they are not valid for Drivers or CoDrivers. They MUST BE purchased online at aasa.com.au before entry.

15. GENERAL

15.1 Safety

All Competitors MUST comply with the current AASA Regulations
All Drivers and Navigators must wear helmets and apparel as per the AASA Off Road Apparel requirements

15.2 Refuelling and Hot Work Area

- 15.2.1 ALL REFUELLING at the venue **MUST BE DONE IN THE PADDOCK** or in the designated refuel lane.
- 15.2.2 If refuelling is required between the continuous on Sunday – Lap 2 and 3 – Lap 4 and 5 - it must be done in the designated refuel lane. Two service crew for each car will be allowed into the refuel lane and any vehicle entering the refuel lane must come to a complete stop with both occupants exiting the vehicle before fuel caps can be removed occupants can re-enter the vehicle once the fuel cap has been replaced.
- 15.2.3 All persons involved in refuelling operations, or within three metres of refuelling or venting points whilst the vehicle is being refuelled, are to wear the correct attire of a

minimum of at least shoes with non-flammable socks and clothing from neck to wrist to ankle, and have the minimum fire extinguisher on standby. Refer to Standing Regulations

15.2.4 ALL WELDING, OPEN FLAMES and GRINDING must occur in the HOT WORK AREA. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES is any welding, grinding etc permitted outside of the HOT AREA. Any competitor who does so will be excluded from the competition and asked to leave the venue.

15.2.5 All fuel used in competition vehicles must be commercially available diesel or unleaded fuel.

15.3 Course Markers

The course is marked as per the Off Road Racing Standards.

15.4 Judges of Fact

Control Officials, Starter, Timekeepers, RallySafe officials, outriders and recovery officials will be deemed Judges of Fact with regard to whether or not a vehicle follows the prescribed course, relative order, time of arrival, direction of travel, direction of entry into controls, start procedure and jumping the start. Time keepers, radar operators and RallySafe officials will be deemed Judges of fact as to whether a vehicle exceeds speed limit on reconnaissance.

16. POINTS AND AWARDS

16.1 DETERMINATION OF THE WINNER

The competitor that completes the most distance in the least time (including Penalty time) is the winner.

16.2 ARB AUSTRALIAN OFF ROAD RACING CHAMPIONSHIP

Points and Championship regulations will be as per ARB Australian Off Road Racing Championship Regulations. Competitors must be registered prior the close of entry for this event to be eligible for Championship points.

16.3 AWARDS

The following trophies will be awarded at the completion of the event.

Trophies will be awarded to Drivers and Navigators 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each class plus

- Outrights winners 1st, 2nd and 3rd
- NSW State Champions Outright
- NSW State Class Winners, Drivers and Navigators 1st, 2nd and 3rd
- Fastest Prologue
- Best Presented Car
- Fastest Lap
- First Local Home

17. PADDOCK AREA

17.1 A Paddock will be in use for the duration of the event

17.2 Service crew must have signed the service crew disclaimer and have been issued a wristband. They must be wearing the minimum attire as follows - T Shirt, cargo shorts, closed in shoes.

17.3 Smoking or the consumption of alcohol is not permitted in the paddock or hot work area

17.4 The paddock area will be clearly signed and fenced.

17.5 Entry in and out of Paddock must be via the designated entry and exit point/s.

17.6 The maximum permitted speed is 20km/hour.

17.7 All competing vehicles must be located in the designated paddock area during the competition and must be serviced from this area ONLY

17.8 Only tow vehicles, trailers and transport vehicles and competition vehicles will be allowed in the paddock.

17.9 During competition, any vehicle which leaves the paddock, other than to re-join the event, or go to Hot Work area will be deemed to have withdrawn from the event unless permission is granted from the Clerk of Course.

Breaches of any of these regulations may be referred to the Clerk of Course, which may result in a penalty.

18. GENERAL

- 18.1 Officials may be supplied with a wrist band or an Official Pass that is to be worn on the outer of clothing at all times.
- 18.2 **At the completion of the day's competition**, NO vehicles other than officials involved in recovery and final sweep are to be on the course.
- 18.3 **No persons** are allowed on the course without permission of the Clerk of Course
- 18.4 **Medical Facilities** will be provided by First Aid Services Pty Ltd.
- 18.5 **Recovery Vehicles** shall recover competition vehicles after each competitive section or at the Clerk of Course direction. Any competitor that needs to be towed by another vehicle (other than an Official Vehicle provided by the Organiser) will need permission from the Clerk of Course.
- 18.6 A condition of entry is that the track can be watered at the discretion of the Promoters and no Protest will be accepted on this action, or Timing, Regrouping and Heat Order.

19. INSURANCE

AASA Public Liability and Personal Accident Insurance will be provided for Competitors, competing Crew, nominated service crew and officials.

20. POSTPONED, ABANDONMENT or CANCELLATION

The Organisers reserve the right to postpone, abandon or cancel the Event.

21. CATERING

Catering will be provided at the track throughout the weekend.

22. CAMPING

THERE WILL BE NO CAMPING AT THE TRACK OTHER THAN OFFICIALS.

Camping will be available at the Hillston Showgrounds, numbers to be indicated on entry forms.

Camping Fee \$10 per person, children under 12 Free.

No pets permitted at the showgrounds.

Fires must be contained in a fire bucket.

Bring your own wood

Camping grounds will be open Thursday 12th August.

23. EVENT TIME SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

Mactocton – Start/Finish Venue

12:00noon Reconnaissance Enduro Course - OPEN (Road Registered Vehicles Only)
12:30pm Reconnaissance Enduro Course - CLOSE

Hillston Showgrounds

3:00pm Head Quarters - OPEN
3:00pm RallySafe unit collection – OPEN
3:50pm Competitor Check In – OPEN
4:00pm Scrutiny – OPEN
5:45pm Recovery Briefing
7:00pm Media Briefing
7:30pm Competitor Check In - CLOSE
8:00pm Scrutiny - CLOSE

SATURDAY

6:00am Head Quarters - OPEN
6:45am Competing Crew Sign On - OPEN - ALL CREW TO SIGN ON (Bring a chair)
7:00am Competing Crew Briefing - ALL CREW TO ATTEND (Bring a chair)
8:00am Media Briefing
8:30am Reconnaissance Prologue (competition vehicles)
8:50am Reconnaissance Prologue (non - competition vehicles)
9:00am Reconnaissance Prologue - CLOSED
9:45am Prologue Vehicle Line Up
10:00am **ARB TCT The Gap 440 Prologue**
12:00pm Seeding Applications for Section 1 –CLOSE
12:30pm Section 1 - Vehicle Line Up
1:00pm **ARB TCT The Gap 440** - Section 1 (1 lap - allowed time 1h30m)
6:00pm Seeding Applications for Section 2 –CLOSE

SUNDAY

7:00am Head Quarters - OPEN
7:45am Section 2 - Vehicle Line Up - OPEN
8:00am Section 2 - Vehicle Line Up - CLOSE
8:00am Competing Crew Sign On - OPEN - ALL CREW TO SIGN ON
8:15am Competing Crew Sign On - CLOSE
8:30am **ARB TCT The Gap 440** – Section 2 - 2 Lap – 45 minute service – 2 Laps
3:30pm Presentations at Mactocton (approx)

PLEASE NOTE: Time/s may change at the Clerk of Course's discretion.

PRESENTATION of AWARDS will be made on provisional results at the venue. Any incomplete judicial issues may alter the results post event.