

SOUTHERN SAFARI RALLY '75

500 CAR CLUB OF TASMANIA
Box 119B, G.P.O., Hobart, 7001

Yes its almost "Safari" time again and this year's event looks to be the best ever with over \$800.00 in prizemoney and trophies for the offering. Hobart radio station 7HO, the Jean Scene and General Pants Co., and Performance Automobiles have joined forces as major sponsors for this event which will be Heat 4 in the Tasmanian Rally Championship. To be held on the weekend of 19th/20th July it will be the RICHEST IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP'S 'HISTORY' giving a real injection to rallying in Tasmania.

Organised by the 500 Car Club of Tasmania the Safari is expected to attract quite a large entry, particularly in the Clubman grading. Outright placings will be keenly contested by all the state's top crews as \$200 cash (min.) is available to the outright winner which is quite a large amount by any standard.

Also available to Clubmen is the Lin Gigney Clubman Award which is based on their performance during the year on a points system. At the moment this award is reaching an interesting stage as it is being keenly contested by many clubman crews.

The "Southern Safari" has built up quite a reputation since its inception way back in 1964 by the V.W.C.C.S.T. under the guidance of Lin Gigney/David Laing and today the Safari is still looked on as one of the premier events on the state's motor sport calendar. The director, Gary Choveaux, has obtained assistance from Ken Roddam/Brent Willing and these gentlemen have spent many months of field work planning an interesting route ideally suited to the lesser experienced competitors; who are expected to form a large portion of the field; while retaining plenty of interest for the top crews. The majority of the event will cover well formed roads and tracks (mostly mapped somewhere on the official maps) to alleviate the problems usually encountered when newly formed roads start to break up under heavy traffic. Navigation has been kept fairly simple with no average, maintained average speed, or shortest mapped route sections along the way. All instructions will be in the form of grid references, route charts, special maps with nominated via points and the like so interpretation should not cause any problems or variation.

The organisers have gone to great lengths to ensure that inexperienced competitors will have little difficulty in completing the route and finding all the controls. All entrants will follow the same route and all sections on the route instructions will be classified either 'C', 'B' or 'A' indicating the degree of navigation and/or road conditions encountered; with appropriate advice for Clubman crews (as well as others) on how to overcome the more difficult parts of the route where the directors feel it necessary.

The Southern Safari will consist of three (3) competitive divisions including two (2) major rest/refuel breaks as well as several mid event breaks allowing slower crews time to catch up and thereby holding the field together.

Starting from Performance Automobiles, South Hobart, at 5.10 p.m. on the Saturday evening, the event will traverse some 900 km. of varying terrain before concluding in the lower Midlands on Sunday, 20th July, at approximately 1.00 p.m. As the third division will be conducted during daylight hours a major part of this division will be held on private roads/property away from commuter traffic. As is usual practice, meal break locations and the route will remain a closely kept secret until just prior to the start.

A public ballot for competition numbers will be held at the Globe Hotel, Davey Street, Hobart, on Wednesday night, 16th July at approximately 9.00 p.m. The Tirfor raffle will also be drawn at this function.

Another "Bull Bag" raffle will be held in conjunction with this event. This proved very popular last year and the drawing will be at the presentation evening on Saturday, 9th August.

A "bull bag" competition to demonstrate the ability of this device will be held at the Eastlands Shopping Centre on Friday night, 18th July, where several vehicles will be on display. Cat & Fiddle Arcade will also have competing vehicles on display together with a map indicating the route the Safari will traverse.

Scrutineering of competing vehicles will take place at Performance Automobiles, South Hobart, on Friday night, 18th July for Southern entries and on Saturday afternoon (2.30) 19th July for Northern entries.

A brief instruction course in basic navigation will be available at the scrutineering location on the Friday night for those competitors wishing to take advantage.

Finally; the organisers have had a great time setting up the event and are sure all competitors will enjoy what is in store for them; so pop in your entry quick.

Early entries (\$14.00) close Friday, 11th July, 1975.

Late entries (\$18.00) close Tuesday, 15th July, 1975.

Regulations and Entry forms are now available from the sponsors and all other usual sources. Further information on the event can be supplied by phoning Gary Choveaux on 479367 A.H.

NOTE: CONTROL OFFICIALS ARE REQUIRED - If you are interested please ring Gary as soon as possible.

PRIZES

The organisers guarantee total cash prizes of \$800 to be distributed to Outright, 'B' grade and Clubman placings.

LIST OF PRIZES AND TROPHIES

Outright	Ist.	\$200 cash plus V.W. Australia Perpetual Trophy		
	2nd.	\$130 cash		
	3rd.	\$ 90 cash		
	4th.	\$ 60 cash		
	5th.	\$ 40 cash		
	6th.	\$ 20 cash		
	7th.	\$ 10 cash		
'B' Grade	Ist.	\$ 50	Clubman	Ist. \$ 50
	2nd.	\$ 30		2nd. \$ 30
	3rd.	\$ 20		3rd. \$ 20
	4th.	\$ 10		4th. \$ 10
<u>Teams Prize</u>		\$ 30.00 cash		

Club Team Charles Davis Perpetual Trophy

For each Competing Ford Vehicle with both Ford Body and Engine

each Ford starting- \$5.00 spare parts order
each Ford finishing- additional \$5.00 spare parts order
Highest placed Ford- extra \$10.00 spare parts order
donated by Southern Service Pty. Ltd. 31-33 Bathurst St., Hobart
and Southern Motors Pty. Ltd. 65 Argyle St., Hobart
Highest placed vehicle fitted with only Lucas Driving Lights to the front
\$20.00 cash donated by W.A. Richards & Co. Pty. Ltd.
274 Murray Street, Hobart.

Highest placed vehicle fitted with only Bridgestone Tyres

\$10.00 cash donated by Kingston Tyre Agency Pty. Ltd.
467 Main Road, Glenorchy.

Highest placed vehicle in Division Two (excluding other cash prize winners)

\$10.00 cash donated by the Windjammer Reception Centre, Moonah

Highest placed vehicle at the end of Division Two (excluding other cash - prize winners)

\$10.00 cash donated by Caltex Eastern Star Service Station,
86 Clarence Street, Bellerive.

Control Officials Award - donated by Express Plumbing
25 Smith Street, North Hobart

Directors Award - to be awarded at the discretion of the Directors.

Free Car Wash - Supplied to each entrant with the compliments of
Shell Superwash, Elizabeth Street, Hobart