

## July Update - Alpine Rally 2009

As mentioned at the June meeting night, the Alpine organising committee, in agreement with the club committee, have decided we will comply with the CAMS proposed apparel standards for Special Stage Events due for implementation in 2010. For the 2009 event we have made an application to CAMS for some dispensations regarding costs, and in an atmosphere of co-operation have proposed to comply with those requirements.

The event will run under Level B Conditions consisting of the following:

Helmet	Yes
Hans device	Strongly recommended
Driving suit	SFI 3.2A/1 Single layer or superior
Underwear	FIA strongly recommended
Balaclava	FIA unless wearing a helmet including flame resistant lining
Footwear	FIA or leather upper
Socks	FIA or non-flammable material
Gloves	FIA or non-flammable material
Gloves	Co-driver exempt

If in any doubt about any of the above please give someone on the committee or myself a ring and we'll help you sort it through. We thought long and hard about this and yes, we are trying to keep our historic roots but we have FIVs and radios and CFA and SES around the course and on standby, something we never had in the old days, so we must be looking at safety-related matters at all times, and if changes have to be implemented, then so be it. I swore I would never wear a suit either, but I did for Targa Tasmania because them's the rules. So if they can fit me they can fit anybody.

If you want to run and haven't got a suit get moving now, don't leave it til later. Who knows, they might have an end-of-financial-year sale and you might pick up your requirements on the cheap like I did.

At the June meeting Margaret Daniel said that Ray had a Size 6 suit at home that could be available to a suitable person. Their contact details are phone 9543 2092, mobile 0427 596 855 or email [rdaniels51@bigpond.com](mailto:rdaniels51@bigpond.com).

This got me thinking that perhaps there were other people out there not using, or not intending to use, their suits they may like to help out fellow club members and make their redundant apparel available for use. If so, please drop the club a line and we'll see what we can organise.

As I write this information in mid-June we have already received over 100 Expressions of Interest, most of whom, based on previous events, will be entering. So if you haven't put your EOI in yet, or fail to do so before Supp Regs are released, don't come bleating to me if your name is not on the list on the web site. Find out why, don't leave it till later, as later may be too late.

Jodi Mann is our Officials Co-ordinator for 2009 and she would love to hear from you and get your details to keep you informed as to what's happening. Phone home 9729 2573, mobile 0409 235 550, email [sjmann@aapt.net.au](mailto:sjmann@aapt.net.au).

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