



# 2019 CHEAP CAR CHALLENGE 4 HOUR ENDURANCE CHAMPIONSHIP 8 ROUND SERIES

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

### 1. Event Details

This is a 4 hour trial of endurance for cars and drivers.

### 2. Event Format

The course will be conducted in a clock wise direction.

Practice / Qualifying: Commencing at 9am until 10.00am. Each driver may participate in this session time permitting.

Part 1 will comprise of a 2 hour session commencing at 10.30am. Starting positions will be allocated according to the fastest time recorded for each vehicle following the practice/qualifying session. Part 1 will conclude when the chequer flag is displayed to the lead vehicle the next time past the start/finish control line following the time of 12.30pm (time definite).

This will be followed by a lunch break where refueling and vehicle maintenance is permitted.

Part 2 of the event will commence at 1.30pm. The starting positions will be finishing order according to laps completed at the completion of Part 1. Part 2 will conclude when the chequer flag is displayed to the vehicle which has completed the most number of laps the next time past the start/finish control line following the time of 3.30pm (time definite).

The event start for both Part 1 and Part 2 will be all vehicles, present in the marshalling area will be released in single file according to the release order listed above. Those late to the marshalling area will start rear of grid. At the completion of the sighting lap the green flag will be displayed to indicate the commencement of the session. Once the green flag is displayed, all vehicles are to maintain double file and no passing until crossing the start/finish line.

Only vehicles which receive the chequer flag on track will be classed as having finished the event. Did not finish competitors will be listed on the race results according to laps completed.

### 3. Licence Requirements

The minimum licence requirement is a Pheasant Wood Competition Licence (\$70 valid for 12 months). A valid National competition licence from CAMS and AASA are also accepted. L2s and AASA club licenses are not accepted.

Any driver with **no previous race event experience** **MUST** attend a Pheasant Wood Circuit track day (observed licence test day) prior to the event (booking essential). OLT Fee \$75.00 plus Licence Fee \$70.00. There are **NO exceptions** for the above Licence Requirements. Bookings essential.

**LICENCE APPLICATIONS ON THE DAY OF THE EVENT WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE.**

### 4. Driving Requirements and Driver Changes

For the start of both Part 1 and Part 2 of the event the first driver change must be completed during the 10 minutes and 20 minutes from the commencement of the session, this is to stagger the pit stops. (If your first driver change is 10 minutes, your final stint will have to be 20



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minutes. If your first driver change is 20 minutes, then your final stint will have to be 10 minutes). Following the first driver change each driver must complete a driving stint of a maximum of 15 minutes per session. No driver is permitted to complete more than 1 stint in succession. Each driver must complete a minimum of 1 driving session in either Part 1 or Part 2 of the event.

A minimum pit stop time will be imposed. The minimum time of 90 seconds will start at the pit entry control line and end at entry to the circuit. A 4 lap penalty will apply for each breach of this rule.

When on the main straight, indicate with your left blinker when you are to enter pit lane.

All driver changes must only take place in a designated driver change area in pit lane as instructed at the drivers briefing.

Drivers will be required to show your wrist band to the Pheasant Wood official before departing the pit lane. When advised by the pit lane marshal to leave do not hesitate, go.

Under no circumstances can a driver change take place during a black flag drive thru penalty.

Driver changes can take place during full course yellow flag conditions.

### **5. Helmets and Safety Gear**

**Drivers must wear a "Fire Retardant" driving suit.** Driving suits without the display of the SFI or FIA fire retardant certification label will not be accepted or permitted.

Helmets. **An approved full or open face helmet AS/NZS1698:2006 minimum**, must be worn and properly fastened prior to entering the circuit and must be left on until after you have entered pit lane. A fire-retardant balaclava must be worn with an open face helmet. If you have a mechanical or other issue on circuit, except in the case of fire you must remain in your vehicle with seat belt and helmet still correctly fastened. We will send a recovery crew to assist you. A limited number of helmets are available for hire at Pheasant Wood Circuit.

**Driver Safety Gear Check:** All race suits and helmets are to be presented at sign-on for inspection.

### **6. Flags and Boards**

- Red-Slow to walking pace and return to pit area
- Black-(Penalty) Return to pit area at pit entry this lap
- Green-Commencement or re-commencement of competition
- Yellow-Proceed with caution, possible obstruction ahead and no passing
- Double Yellow (Full Course Yellow)-slow down immediately as obstruction ahead and recovery vehicles possibly on circuit, no overtaking permitted
- Blue-Faster car approaching to pass
- Chequer-Session is now finished, slow down and return to pit area



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- Black Flag with White Diagonal Stripe (Bad Sportsmanship Flag) e.g. cutting corners or blocking drivers, if continues black flag will follow
- Break Out Lap Time Board and car number

### **7. Driving Standards**

Driving standards will be strictly monitored during this event. Under no circumstances will contact between vehicles be accepted. Spinning of wheels on take-off will not be permitted at any time. Any driver running off the track may incur a drive thru penalty (black flag). If anyone continues to run off the track or touch other cars, the driver and/or team may be excluded from continuing in the event. Any driver who receives a maximum of 3 black flags during Session 1 and Session 2 combined may be excluded from any further driving duties for the remainder of the event.

### **8. Participant Sign On**

All participants are required to attend the designated area in the café for document and licence checking. Completed Pheasant Wood Circuit Facility Disclaimer and competition licence are required for this process. Wrist bands will be distributed during this procedure.

The Team Entrant will be emailed a copy of the Driver Disclaimer for their Team with confirmation of entry for each round of the Event. **It is up to the Team Entrant to distribute the disclaimer forms for their drivers to complete prior to the Event.**

Driver sign in **MUST** be completed prior to 8.20am. Minimum driver age is 17 with parent/guardian permission.

Any driver who does **NOT** sign on prior to 8.20am, does **NOT** attend the Drivers Briefing or does **NOT** sign the Drivers Briefing attendance form will be subject to a penalty (monetary and/or points at the discretion of the promoter).

### **9. Timing**

Each driver will be supplied with a personal timing transponder that must be located in pocket provided by the time keeper and attached to the car by lock ties. The transponder must be changed at each driver change. Any competitor found to have the incorrect transponder during any session will incur a penalty decided at the discretion of the steward of the event.

Live times recorded will be displayed at the Cafe. Results will also be posted on the Natsoft website at [www.natsoft.com.au](http://www.natsoft.com.au)

### **10. Refueling**

Refueling may only occur in a designated area as instructed at the drivers briefing.

### **11. Penalties**

Penalties for this event may include but are not limited to

- Drive thru penalty
- Pass under yellow flag – drive thru penalty



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- Pass under double yellow flag – drive thru penalty plus 1 lap penalty
- Lap penalty – allocated at the completion of the event
- Driver exclusion from the event
- Team exclusion from the event
- Any team not completing the full 90 second stop time for the driver changes will receive a 4-lap penalty for each breach of the rule

### 12. Classes

There will be two (2) classes. Classes will be grouped by break out time with Class 1 having the faster breakout time and a 2 second slower breakout time for Class 2. Breakout times to be announced after qualifying.

### 13. Break Out Lap Time

The fastest lap time permitted for this event for Class 1 and Class 2 will be announced after qualifying. Any time faster than this time will be classed as a break out time. Penalties are as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> team break out will receive a break out board warning
- 2<sup>nd</sup> team break out will receive a break out board warning
- 3<sup>rd</sup> team break out will receive a break out board warning and will incur a 1 lap penalty for each offence (Total of 3 laps penalty)
- Each additional break out will incur a 1 lap penalty per break out
- Break out laps are incurred by the team collectively, regardless of which driver is in the vehicle and do not have to be on consecutive laps

All penalties will be applied post-race at the completion of the event prior to the trophy presentation. No penalty will be imposed for laps slower than the nominated time.

### 14. Medical

Any driver with an acute medical requirement **MUST** discuss your requirement with the medical staff prior to your first session on circuit. Random drug and alcohol testing will be conducted.

### 15. Track Density

The maximum entries permitted will be the first 30 paid entries.

### 16. Spectator Area

No persons under 18 years of age are permitted in the pit lane area. Supervised children are permitted at the undercover viewing area at the front of the café and the grass area to the side of the café.

No kids or patrons allowed outside of main paddock area or walking through bush. Penalties including monetary and exclusion will apply to associated team.

### 17. Presentation & Awards

Approximately 30 minutes following the completion of the event a presentation will take place in the café. 4 x Awards will be presented to Teams for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each class (Class 1 and Class 2) for each round of the series.



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### 18. Series Point Score

Points will be allocated to each team which participated at a round of the series, with 30 points allocated for 1<sup>st</sup> place thru to 1 point for 30<sup>th</sup> place. Points will be allocated in the event finishing order, including DNF results, following the publication of the final event results.

### 19. Series Awards

The 2019 MDTC Cheap Car Challenge – 4 Hour Endurance Championship will be contested over 8 rounds. Series placing will be decided following the allocation of points for the team's best 8 results. The awards are as follows:

- 4 x Awards will be awarded to each Team for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> place outright.

Further prizes or trophies may be awarded at discretion of the Event Organiser.

**NOTE:** Please be advised that Pheasant Wood Circuit reserves the right to exclude any driver or team during this event for unsportsmanlike or unsafe driving and no refund or credit will be available.

***PHEASANT WOOD CIRCUIT HAS THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY ENTRY WITHOUT A REASON.***

### 20. Entry Details

Entry fee of \$650.00 per car (minimum 4 drivers per car). Entries received on the day after closing date, onwards, will be charged at \$700.00 per car. Please ensure entries are received PRIOR to or BY the closing date to avoid late entry fee.

<b>SERIES ROUND</b>	<b>EVENT DATE</b>	<b>ENTRIES CLOSE</b>
Round 1	Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	08/02/2019 4pm
Round 2	Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	08/03/2019 4pm
Round 3	Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> April	05/04/2019 4pm
Round 4	Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	10/05/2019 4pm
Round 5	Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	07/06/2019 4pm
Round 6	Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> August	09/08/2019 4pm
Round 7	Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	13/09/2019 4pm
Round 8	Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	08/11/2019 4pm

Event entry closing dates may change without notice subject to maximum entries reached.

Driver disclaimer forms must be submitted by email to info@mdtc.com.au by the Wednesday 4pm prior to the event date. For any driver changes or TBA's that have not confirmed details by the Wednesday prior to the event will be required to notify administration and timing on the morning of the event.



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Entries will not be accepted without the full entry fee being paid at the time of entry receipt. Transfer of entry is not available within 14 days of the event.

Entry confirmation will be emailed to the entrant when entry fee has been processed. Entries are accepted on a receipt date/time. **Please contact the office should you have not received an entry confirmation within 5 days of submission of an entry to ensure your entry has been received.**

### **21. Race/Vehicle Number Registration**

If a number registration application form has not been submitted, three (3) vehicle numbers of preference must be provided with the entry form. The first available number of preference will be allocated.

***Numbers 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 (01; 02; 03; 04; 05; 001; 002; 003; 004; 005) are NOT available. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 are reserved for Series Winners from the previous year should they choose to enter/and or use the number.***

***Numbers are to be limited to three digits.***

A preferred vehicle number (if available at the time) can be secured for the year for the cost of \$50.00 per number registration. Preferred vehicle numbers will not be held without the registration fee and number registration application form being submitted. This fee will guarantee your number will not be allocated to another vehicle should you not be able to attend a round/s or should another entrant request your number prior to your entry being received to a round of the event.

### **22. MDTC Carports**

Carports are available for hire/reservation. Carport Hire Fee for the day is \$50.00. Carport areas will not be available for use or accessible UNLESS reserved and the hire fee has been paid.

Carports will be allocated to entrants on a first received/paid basis and MUST be reserved three days prior to the event date. Carports can be reserved for all Rounds with applicable hire fee of \$50.00 hire fee per Round being paid prior to Round 1 event date.

It is up to the competitor to ensure they have the current/latest copy of the "2019 Rules & Regulations Cheap Car Challenge 4 hour Endurance Series Championship. A current copy of these can be found on the website.

Should the Rules and Regulations be updated, an updated copy will be available from the MDTC Website Event Entries/Rules & Regulations page. Only current/updated rules will be displayed on the website. Please check the release version on the header of your copy to the website copy to ensure it is the latest and is current.



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**23. CCC Saturday Pre-Race Practice Test Day Discount for Competitors**

*Pheasant Wood will offer a reduced rate discount for each driver on the Saturday Practice (day before the Event). **The reduced rate of \$75.00 per driver CCC Practice Test Day will only apply to drivers who are a registered driver in the following days event.** The reduced rate is not applicable to any other person or any other open practice day and is not applicable to those who are carrying out the pre-licence OLT the day before the event. To ensure the reduced rate, the driver **MUST** have the relevant licence for the Event. The practice test day must be carried out in the Cheap Car Challenge Car entered in the following day's Event and not applicable to any other vehicles.*

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### VEHICLE SPECIFICATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

There are no exceptions for alterations to the below vehicle specifications. Should your vehicle not comply with any of the below specifications – please do not enter the event.

- A. **ALL CARS ARE TO BE FITTED WITH A FULL/SAFETY ROLL CAGE.** A minimum hoop diameter is 38mm with minimum 2.5mm wall thickness. Bracing minimum is 25mm diameter. All hoops and bracing are to be tubular and constructed from appropriate roll cage material.
- B. **A 4 POINT HARNESS IS COMPULSORY**
- C. ANY CAR PRESENTING TO SCRUTINEERING THAT IS DEEMED INELIGIBLE WILL BE SENT HOME AND **WILL NOT** BE ENTITLED TO A REFUND OR CREDIT
- D. COMPETING VEHICLES MUST HAVE A BUILD DATE BETWEEN 1986 AND 2006 INCLUSIVE
- E. NO OPEN TOP OR CONVERTIBLE VEHICLES WILL BE PERMITTED
- F. ALL VEHICLES MUST HAVE A MANUFACTURER MODEL SPECIFICATION OF A MINIMUM OF 4 SEATS
- G. VEHICLES MUST BE A MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF 2 LITRES
- H. VEHICLE TRANSMISSION PERMITTED – AUTOMATIC OR MANUAL
- I. ONLY PRODUCTION BASED VEHICLES WITH MORE THAN 500 UNITS SOLD IN AUSTRALIA ARE PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE
- J. VEHICLES MUST BE IN STANDARD MANUFACTURER CONDITION. NO PERFORMANCE ENGINE MODIFICATIONS WILL BE PERMITTED. LOCKED DIFFS ARE NOT PERMITTED, LIMITED SLIP DIFFS ARE PERMITTED IF FACTORY OPTION. NON-STANDARD SPOILERS, BODY KITS, OR AERODYNAMIC AIDS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED
- K. BRAKE CALIPERS AND ROTORS ARE TO BE AS PER MANUFACTURER MODEL SPECIFICATIONS, SLOTTED STANDARD REPLACEMENT ROTORS ARE ALLOWED
- L. HIGH PERFORMANCE BRAKE PADS MAY BE FITTED (RECOMMENDED)
- M. NO AFTER MARKET COIL OVER ADJUSTABLE SHOCKS AND SPRING PACKAGES





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- N. SPRINGS MUST BE OF MANUFACTURER MAKE & MODEL, BUT MAY BE CUT TO LOWER THE CAR. AFTERMARKET SPRING PACKAGES ARE PERMITTED BUT MUST BE OF SIMILAR DIMENSION
- O. WHEEL ALIGNMENT CAMBER CASTER KITS MAY BE FITTED
- P. ROTARY, TURBO OR SUPER CHARGED ENGINES ARE NOT PERMITTED
- Q. NOISE RESTRICTIONS APPLY. NO EXTRACTORS PERMITTED UNLESS STANDARD. CATALYTIC CONVERTERS MAY BE REMOVED. A STANDARD MUFFLER OR AFTERMARKET EQUIVALENT EXITING THE BACK OF THE CAR MUST BE FITTED AND THE EXHAUST SYSTEM SECURE
- R. DASH AND DASHBOARD MUST REMAIN IN PLACE
- S. TYRES MUST BE STANDARD OR ROAD LEGAL SEMI SLICKS (NO FULL SLICKS ALLOWED) AND MUST BE IN A SAFE CONDITION
- T. MAG WHEELS ARE PERMITTED. THE DIAMETER MUST BE NO MORE THAN 2" ABOVE STANDARD i.e. IF STANDARD IS 15" WHEELS THEN 17" MAGS ARE PERMITTED. THE RIM WIDTH WILL BE A MAXIMUM OF 7 ½" WITH A MAXIMUM TYRE WIDTH OF 215
- U. DRIVERS FRONT DOOR TRIM MUST STAY IN PLACE
- V. INTERIOR INCLUDING CARPETS, SEATS, HEADLINING AND REAR DOOR TRIMS MAY BE REMOVED
- W. DRIVERS SEAT MUST BE PROPERLY FITTED AND IN GOOD CONDITION, WITH HEAD REST IN PLACE. A RACE SEAT IS RECOMMENDED BUT NOT COMPULSORY
- X. BATTERY BRACKET MUST BE IN PLACE AND SECURILY FASTENED
- Y. AIR CLEANER MUST BE FITTED. POD FILTERS ARE PERMITTED
- Z. NO OIL, FUEL OR COOLANT LEAKS
- AA. HUB CAPS AND WHEEL TRIMS MUST BE REMOVED
- BB. ALL LOOSE ITEMS MUST BE REMOVED FROM INSIDE THE CAR, GLOVEBOX AND BOOT PRIOR TO THE VEHICLE PRESENTING TO SCRUTINEERING
- CC. CARS MUST BE PRESENTED IN A NEAT AND TIDY CONDITION. THIS IS **NOT** A JUNKYARD CHALLENGE IT IS A CHEAP CAR 4 HOUR ENDURO
- DD. HEADLIGHTS MUST IN PLACE AND TAPED



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- EE. ANY VEHICLE WITH A SUNROOF MUST BE TAPED AND MUST NOT BE OPEN AT ANYTIME DURING THE EVENT
- FF. ALL VEHICLES MUST BE SCRUTINEERED PRIOR TO THE DRIVERS BRIEFING
- GG. ANY VEHICLE THAT IS FOUND TO BE INELIGIBLE AND CANNOT BE RECTIFIED BEFORE RACE START WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO START AND THE ENTRY FEE **WILL NOT** BE REFUNDED OR TRANSFERRED
- HH. PRE-SCRUTINEERING CAN BE ARRANGED ON MOST TRACK DAYS. SCRUTINEERING WILL STILL TAKE PLACE ON THE DAY OF THE EVENT
- II. ELIGIBILITY CHECKS MAY BE CARRIED OUT DURING THE EVENT. THE TOP 3 FINISHING CARS IN EACH CLASS MAY BE SCRUTINEERED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE EVENT WITHOUT NOTICE



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### EVENT SCHEDULE

7.00am	GATES OPEN
7.00am	CAFÉ OPEN
7.00-8.20am	ADMIN DRIVER SIGN-ON, SAFETY GEAR CHECK AND SCRUTINEERING <b>(ADMIN DRIVER SIGN-ON AND SCRUTINEERING WILL CEASE AT 8.20AM)</b>
8.15am	OFFICIALS BRIEFING
8.30am	DRIVERS BRIEFING AND INTRO – ALL DRIVERS & TEAM MANAGERS MUST ATTEND ( <b>Any Driver who does not attend the briefing or does not sign the driver's attendance sheet will be penalized</b> ) - Driver 1 for the practice session to attend briefing in racing attire
8.50am	OFFICIALS TO EVENT POSITIONS
9.00-10.00am	PRACTICE / QUALIFYING
10.30am	DRIVER AND CAR ENDURANCE EVENT - PART 1
12.30pm	LUNCH BREAK
1.20pm	OFFICIALS TO EVENT POSITIONS
1.30pm	DRIVER AND CAR ENDURANCE EVENT - PART 2
4.00pm	PRESENTATION
5.00pm	GATES CLOSE