



January 2025 Newsletter

Greetings to all Rallyitives and those who are interested in joining our trusty group.

Season's greetings to you all and I hope everyone enjoyed the best of the festive season. I suspect by now, many of you would be returning to the normalities of life and settling into the new year of 2025.

A lot has happened since the last Newsletter and It's time to fill you all in with the details.

I set out in mid-November to map the track and confirm the towns for our overnight stays. The track notes are logged and waiting to become your 2025 Track Book. Many thanks to Rolly, CQ, Nick DeStefani and my cousin Daniel for your valued input and great tracks you found for us.

I would also like to thank Teresa and Sharyn for once again volunteering to take on the mammoth task of coordinating the catering and researching accommodation around the course. It's a huge task, and one that has kept them busy already.

And more generally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has offered me help and support. It's only with this ongoing commitment to The Great Escape Oz that we can continue to make a difference in the lives of people living with Cystic Fibrosis.

2024 PHOTO BOOKS:

Meredith tells me the photo books are prepped and ready for the printers. She has asked if any team requires a second book to let her know as soon as possible so the order can be placed. DM Meredith at [\(7\) Facebook](#) or give here a call on 0409 101 801.

2025 REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN.

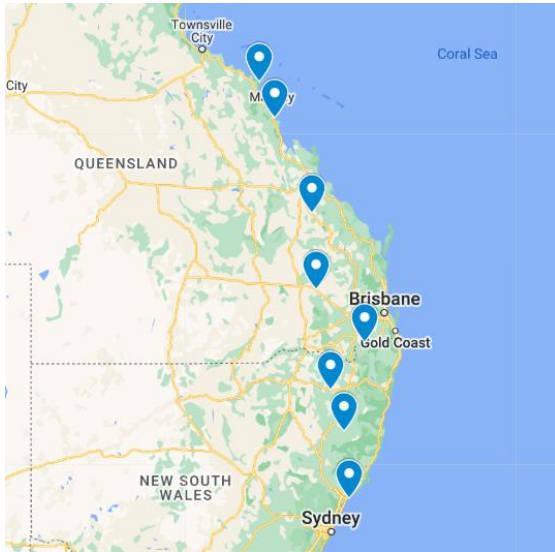
Our website has been updated with the all the info for this year's rally and Cure4CF have once again provided a link to their fundraising page for our registered teams. This is an easy we for you to collect donations that add to your team's total tally. The entry form is also attached with this Newsletter.

2025 Great Escape Oz Car Rally NEWCASTLE TO AIRLIE BEACH

TWO BEACHES TOUR!

Saturday 13th September – Saturday 20th September

THE 2025 GREAT ESCAPE OZ CAR RALLY OVERNIGHT STOPS ARE:



- Newcastle
- Walcha
- Inverell
- Killarney
- Chinchilla
- Biloela
- Sarina
- Airlie Beach

Some accommodation options are as follows below but please feel free to research elsewhere to meet your budget. Rooms are very limited in Chinchilla and Biloela (due to worker camps) so get in early.

Day	Date	Town	Accommodation
Rego	Saturday 13th September 2025	Newcastle NSW	
	The Grand Hotel	0240493686	32 Church St, Newcastle NSW 2300
	Novotel Newcastle Beach	0240323700	5 King St, Newcastle NSW 2300
	Tudor Inn Newcastle	02 49692533	27 Steel St, HAMILTON
	<i>Camping / Cabins</i>		
	Across harbour ferry –		
	NRMA Stockton Beach Holiday Park	1800778562	3 Pitt St, Stockton NSW 2295
One	Sunday 14th September 2025	Walcha NSW	
	Walcha Royal Cafe & Accommodation	0267771117	26 Fitzroy St, Walcha NSW 2354
	Commercial Hotel	0267772667	100 Commercial Ln, Walcha NSW
	The New England Hotel-Motel	0267772532	51E Fitzroy St, Walcha NSW 2354
	<i>Camping / Cabins</i>		
	Walcha Caravan Park	0267772501	Middle St, Walcha NSW 2354

Two Monday 15th September 2025

Sapphire City Motor Inn
 Cousins Motor Inn
 Inverell RSM Club Motel
Camping / Cabins
 Inverell Caravan Park
 Sapphire City Caravan Park

Inverell NSW

0267222500 30/34 Glen Innes Rd, Inverell NSW
 0267223566 9/11 Glen Innes Rd, Inverell NSW
 0267210072 58/62 Evans St, Inverell NSW 2360

 0267223036 21 Glen Innes Rd, Inverell NSW 2360
 0267221830 93-103 Moore St, Inverell NSW 2360

Three Tuesday 16th September 2025

Killarney Hotel - Motel
 Killarney Sundown Motel and Caravan Park
 More in Warwick, 34 kms away.
Camping / Cabins
 Killarney Sundown Motel and Caravan Park
 Killarney View Cabins and Caravan Park

Killarney QLD

0746641313 17 Willow St, Killarney QLD 4373
 0427086709 2/4 Pine St, Killarney QLD 4373

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 0493076198 55 O'Maras Rd, Killarney QLD 4373

Four Wednesday 17th September 2025

Chinchilla Downtown Motor Inn
 The Palms Motel, Chinchilla
 The Commercial Hotel Chinchilla
 Chinchilla White Gums Motor Inn
Camping / Cabins
 Chinchilla Tourist Park
Cabins only
 Chinchilla Motor Inn

Chinchilla QLD

0746691080 60 Heeney St, Chinchilla QLD 4413
 0746729888 64-70 Warrego Hwy, Chinchilla QLD
 0746627524 17 Chinchilla St, Chinchilla QLD 4413
 0746691560 Warrego Hwy &, Chinchilla QLD

 0746691465 264 Zeller St, Chinchilla QLD 4413
 0746627314 45-51 Park St, Chinchilla QLD 4413

Five Thursday 18th September 2025

Hotel Settlers
 Sun Valley Motel
 Biloela Palms Motor Inn
 Callide Motor Inn
Camping / Cabins
 Biloela Caravan Park

Biloela QLD

0749922933 58 Dawson Hwy, Biloela QLD 4715
 0749921281 57-59 Dawson Hwy, Biloela QLD
 0749921552 69-71 Dawson Hwy, Biloela QLD
 0749925080 88-92 Callide St, Biloela QLD 4715

 0749921211 98-100 Dawson Hwy, Biloela QLD

Six Friday 19th September 2025

Tandara Hotel
 Sarina Motor Inn
 Tramway Motel
 Sarina Hotel
Camping / Cabins
 Sarina Palms Caravan Village
 Tropicana Caravan Park

Sarina QLD

0749561323 17-25 Broad St, Sarina QLD 4737
 0749431431 22 Broad St, Sarina QLD 4737
 0749562244 110 Broad St, Sarina QLD 4737
 0749561686 45/41 Broad St, Sarina QLD 4737

 0749561892 31 Anzac St, Sarina QLD 4737
 0749561480 4 Greetham St, Sarina QLD 4737

Seven Saturday 20th September 2025

Whitsunday On The Beach
 Heart Hotel and Gallery Whitsundays
 Airlie Beach Apartments
 Mantra Club Croc Airlie Beach

Airlie Beach QLD

0749466359 269 Shute Harbour Rd, Airlie Beach
 1300847244 277 Shute Harbour Rd, Airlie Beach
 0749467744 94 Waterson Way, Airlie Beach QLD
 0749402300 240 Shute Harbour Rd, Cannonvale

Camping / Cabins

NRMA Airlie Beach Holiday Park
Bush Village Holiday Cabins

0749466379
0749466177

234 Shute Harbour Rd, Cannonvale
2 St Martins Ln, Cannonvale QLD

Please note most of the Airlie beach accommodation has two or more night minimum stays.

There will also be an **optional extra day trip and lunch to Hamilton Islands in the Whitsundays**. This will be on Sunday 21st after the rally has finished. This is just a heads up for your travel plans, the details will come a bit further down the track.

Theme Nights will be announced in the next issue of the Great Escape Oz Escapades.

RALLY CARS AVAILABLE.

If you are looking for a tried-and-true rally car this is a great opportunity. Koala Jones' rally car was given another run this year by Brownie and Jamie (ThrillBillies). They are ready to move it on now fully set up, and for a very special deal if it's staying in our rally, so give Rob a call to get the details - 0414 540 286.



OR if a PEUGEOT 504 is more your style John has one set up for the rally.

Search Peugeot 504 on GUMTREE for the details.

Or call John on 0411 474 344.

HAVE A GREAT AUSTRALIA DAY LONG WEEKEND:

I hope you all have a fantastic long weekend. Enjoy the freedoms we celebrate at this time in our amazing country and stay safe.



See you down the roads less travelled.

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