



## 2025 Championship Newsletter #1

### 1. Championship Name and Affiliation

As of 2025 the WOMZA Rally Championship will be known as the WOMZA South African National Rally Championship or abbreviated as SARC.

To part take in this Championship it will be required to affiliate to the Championship. The Championship Affiliation fee for 2025 will be **R1250.00** per Member.

The Championship Affiliation Application is available on our website [www.womzarally.co.za](http://www.womzarally.co.za)

All Championship Affiliation fees must be paid into the SARC bank account.

Championship Affiliation opens immediately and will **close on the 31<sup>st</sup> of January**.

**Late Affiliation after closing date will be accepted at R2000 per Member.**

### 2. WOMZA Competition Licence

Each competitor will be responsible for applying for their own competition license with WOMZA.

The application is done online on the following website [www.womzasa.co.za](http://www.womzasa.co.za)

Proof of your competition license must be sent to the Championship Secretary at [arro@live.co.za](mailto:arro@live.co.za)

Cost of a National Rally Licence will be R1150.

### 3. 2025 Championship Structure

2025 will see three Championships that will be hosted in conjunction with one another namely the **2025 SARC National Rally Championship**, the **2025 Rising Star Championship** and the **2025 Pirelli Cup**.

#### National Championship

##### **Changes to the Championship in 2025**

- The 2025 SARC National Championship will consist of 7 Rounds of which a minimum of 5 must be completed in order to declare the Championship.





- In order to score points in the Group and Overall Championships the competitor/crews must start at least **4** of the 7 events hosted within the same year. Failure to start at least 4 events will deem the competitor/crew to be non-scoring towards any Championship.
- Each competitor/crew will have 1 drop event in the 2025 Championship meaning that should a competitor/crew participate in all 7 Rounds he/she/they will need to nominate 1 Round's points that will be dropped from their total score. The aim of the "drop event" is to ensure that the point gaps stay within margin of each other and furthermore that should a competitor/crew have a DNF they could nominate that Round to keep them in contention in the various Championships.
- All Rounds of the 2025 SARC entries will close 1 month prior to the start of the event.

#### 4. 2025 Championship Costs

##### Affiliated Members

- Each Round of the 2025 SARC will cost **R3500** per crew to enter.
- Should a crew enter and pay for Round 2,3&4 namely the Panbult Rally the crew will receive a travel allowance of R3500 from the Organizers to assist with costs.
- **All late entries for Affiliated Members will cost R5000 per Round.**

##### Non-Affiliated Members

Non affiliated members will be permitted to participate.

Entry fee will be **R5000** per event.

All Non-Affiliated Members will be non-scoring towards the Championship.

#### 5. Group Representative/CLO

As of 2025 each Group will have its own representative that will look after the wellbeing the specific Group. All Group Representatives will be active member of the Working Committee. The primary function of these representatives will be as follows;

- Ensure the well-being of the Group for the duration of the Championship
- Build repour with Competitors in the Group with the sole aim of establishing a good relationship with all participants that will lead to higher level of commitment and so to participation
- Attend to any requests as the Group Competitor Liaison Officer (CLO) at events





- Take up any matter/s with the Working Committee that may arise from the Group.
- Ensure that an open communication channel is maintained for all competitors in the Group

## 6. Championship Calendar



### Date Change

**Due to a conflicting Offroad event the date for Round 5 will move on with one week from the 7<sup>th</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup> of June.**

## 7. Championship Meetings

As we all remember way back when....Club Meetings were taken very seriously by both the Club itself and so too the Members who belonged to it. These Club Meetings played a crucial part in the successes that were achieved back then. Secondly there was no doubt on the level of commitment whatsoever as your participation in no matter what category you competed in depended on your good standing with your Club. Clubs used these meetings to communicate and deliberate on an array of matters that may arise through a year. These meetings were mandatory and not something any member missed likely without good reason.



Moving forward for this Championship in 2025 it too will now become a **mandatory** rule that **ALL** affiliated Members/or a Member of a crew driver or navigator will need to participate in person at these meetings. Three Quarter Meetings will be held for the first three quarters of the Championship and the final quarter meeting will then be held in conjunction with the AGM.

The aim of these meetings will be as follows;

- Increase the level of interest and so to level of commitment towards the Sport
- Discuss/deliberate any arising issues within the said quarter
- Championship updates per quarter
- Discuss upcoming events
- Build repour between the Committee and the Members

Competitors residing more than **400kms** from the Meeting venue will be allowed to participate by means of virtual app such as TeamViewer. **No excuses whatsoever will be entertained for non-attendance as this defies everything what the Working Committee is trying to achieve in 2025.**

Competitors need to understand that this Sport does not belong to any person or entity but rather to those who are actively involved in it. If Competitors don't start to commit towards events and the Sport of Rally in general sadly this Sport will die earlier than later. Time has come for competitors to stand up and play active their role to ensure that our Sport we all so love becomes strong again.

Events need every single entry they can get to merely cover the organizational costs of hosting Rallies.

Being an active Member of the Championship in 2025 will definitely have its advantages.

These meetings will be held on a Saturdays to allow those who work in the week to be able to attend on a weekend. The meeting dates will be advertised two weeks prior to the meeting taking place.





Should a Member of a crew not attend these meetings for whatsoever reason the following will be applicable-

- First non-attendance- Crew will lose 25% of his/her Championship points
- Second non-attendance- Crew will lose 50% of his/her Championship points
- Third non-attendance- Crew will be lose 100% of his/her Championship points and be withdrawn from the Championship.
- AGM non-attendance-Crew will not be eligible to compete in following year and will not be awarded the 25 AGM points for attendance.

All Members who attend the quarterly meetings/AGM will be given 25 Championship points per meeting attended that will be added to the Member's Championship total points.

All competitors must realize that the Working Committee Members are all employed and have full day jobs. The sacrifice of being part of the Working Committee is purely for the love the Sport and nothing else as there is no remuneration on offer whatsoever.

As we the Working Committee are committed to hosting a Championship for you the Member we ask that you too show your commitment by becoming actively involved in the Championship by merely attending these meetings.

#### **8. First Quarter Meeting**

The first quarter meeting will in held in conjunction with the 2025 Championship Dinner that will take place on Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup> of February in Bronkhorstspuit at the Jacks View venue situated at the dam.



## 9. Championship Dinner

The Championship Dinner will take place on Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup> of February in Bronkhorstspuit at the Jacks View venue by the dam. Event will start at 13h00 and be finished by 18h00.

**Any person in the capacity of a Driver who wishes to participate in the 2025 SARC, it will be MADATORY for him/her to attend the dinner.**

**Non attendance will classify any person as a Non-Affiliated Member of this Championship. No exceptions will be made. Your commitment towards this event will be a reflection of your commitment towards the Sport and so to this Championship in 2025.**

**The time has come for competitors and Organizers to take hands to ensure the well-being and so to the future of the Sport.**

The Championship Dinner will compromise of three facets namely:

- Annual Rulebook AGM
- 2024 Annual Awards Ceremony
- 2025 SARC introduction

The cost to attend the Championship Dinner will be **R250 per person** that will include dinner.

**The AGM will be for all prospective competitors only and will be held away from the main function hall.**

## 10. 2025 Committees

SARC Working Committee Chairman- Gary Heine

Members- Rinus Plomp, Christo Swanepoel, Robert Sartain, Piet Van Heerden, Pierre Jordaan, Cobus and Cherise Groenewald.

ARRO Chairman- Cobus Groenewald (Founder)

Members- Piet Van Heerden (*Founder*), Keith Delport (Honorary Member), Gary Heine and Vladimir Sibirko (*Honorary Member*)





## 11. Rally Sprint Series

### Gravel

SARC will be hosting a 6 leg Sprint Series in 2025 namely the **Rally4ALL** Series. The Series will be based on the winning formula that Stuart Stirling created whereby there is no form of competition whatsoever and the events are kept social and fun. The platform will hopefully attract newcomers to the Sport of Rally.

Minor Changes will be made to the way the events are hosted.

The Series will enjoy full protection from WOMZA by means of Public Liability Insurance cover.

All potential participants will need to be licensed to enjoy the insurance protection.

An annual Rally Social Licence will cost **R400** per annum. Should any competitor wish to upgrade to a National Rally License they will need to contact the SARC Committee for assistance. The competitor will need to pay in the difference between the two licenses.

Event dates to be published soon.





## Tar

The Sports Car Enthusiasts Club will be hosting a series of Gymkhana and Tar Rally Sprint events in 2025. All events too will be covered by the WOMZA Public Liability Insurance Cover. All potential participants will need to be licensed to enjoy the insurance protection.

An annual Rally Social Licence will cost **R400** per annum. Should any competitor wish to upgrade to a National Rally License they will need to contact the SARC Committee for assistance. The competitor will need to pay in the difference between the two licenses.

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We look forward to seeing you all at the start line.

Kind Regards

ARRO and SARC Working Committees