Please be aware, there is no mobile service or public phones in the community or for the majority of the course.

Since the event started in 1976, the Aputula community at Finke has welcomed competitors and supporters to camp in the valley just north of the community. When the camp was formed in the late 70’s there were 56 competitors.

This year, we anticipate over 900 competitors and along with support crew, family and race spectators, in excess of 2000 people, camped in the race camp. There are flushing toilets and camp kitchen toward the southern end (Finke end) of the camp. Rotary members from Alice Springs are providing an essential service to those competitors that purchased the meal package and are also selling food and drinks to other campers. Please treat these people with the utmost respect, we would be lost without them and they will happily take any donations as part of their annual fundraising, where funds are spent in Alice Springs. In previous years the Finke Desert Race Club has split the surplus from this exercise; this year will be making a sizeable donation instead.

Once again more than half the bike field are first timers and organizers ask that you are mindful of sacred sites in the area. Please take note of signage restricting camping in certain areas and follow the direction of Police if they ask you to move your camp.

The map above indicates where people can camp and the only area where people are permitted to consume alcohol. Our liquor permit is quite specific; alcohol is not to be consumed anywhere outside of the race camp area. Breach this and we may no longer be able to have this permit.

Rubbish
Finke is an NT Tidy Town and takes great pride in keeping the community tidy; something that is difficult on Finke weekend with the corresponding community sports carnival. Please follow the directions in terms of placing recyclables where indicated and dispose of your rubbish responsibly. Alternatively, take all your rubbish back out with you.

Please ensure all alcohol containers are empty when disposing.

There have been instances in the past where people have had things stolen whilst camping at Finke. Keep valuable items locked in vehicles or in the case of wallets etc in your swag. Be mindful of your possessions like you would when visiting an area you aren’t familiar with. Alcohol is also a target for theft.

The NT Police support this event and will be in Finke on Race Weekend should there be any need to call on them. There is a police station in the community. Police will issue infringements should people not obey the road rules. Only those race vehicles that are road registered and road worthy are permitted to be driven in the Finke community.

Event Organisers have spent many years maintaining relationships with community members, the School, Police and MacDonnell Regional Council. Please help us to maintain these relationships by following these instructions.

Finke Clinic is located near the recreation hall should anyone need medical assistance including spectators. The checkpoint staff at the Start/Finish Line can also provide limited assistance.
**ROAD CLOSURE NOTICE**

Road closure has been approved by the Northern Territory Government for the running of the 2019 Tatts Finke Desert Race.

**Maryvale Road**
south of Deep Well Intersection to Rodinga Ruins and

**Ghan Heritage Road**
south of Rodinga Ruins to Aputula Community (Finke) will be closed from 6:00am to 6:00pm on Sunday 9th June and Monday 10th June 2019

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