

AUSTRALIA'S ULTIMATE DESERT RACE



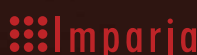
# FINKE

## DESERT RACE



# COVID-19 MANAGEMENT PLAN

JUNE 11TH - 14TH 2021, ALICE SPRINGS NT



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# 1. INTRODUCTION

This COVID-19 management plan will detail procedures in place for the Committee of Finke Desert Race Inc to manage the event in Alice Springs commencing event proceedings on Tuesday 8th June with Competitor Registration, continuing to our Street Party on Thursday 10th June; Scrutineering Friday 11th June, Prologue Saturday 12th June, Race Day 1 – Sunday 13th June leaving from the Finke Start Finish Line in Alice Springs to Aputula (Finke) community and returning to Alice Springs on Race Day 2 - Monday 14th June.

The event welcomes competitors and spectators from across the country, although anyone travelling from a declared COVID-19 Hot Spot will be required to quarantine for 14 days upon arrival in the Territory, as per NT Chief Health Officer Directions.

This plan has been produced by The Finke Desert Race Inc. and relevant venues.

## 1.1 EVENT OVERVIEW

EVENT DETAILS	
<b>Event Name:</b>	Finke Desert Race
<b>Event Description:</b>	The Tatts Finke Desert Race is an off road, multi terrain four-day race event for bikes, cars, buggies and quads through desert country from Alice Springs to the small Aputula (Finke) community. The race is held each year on the Queen's Birthday long weekend in June. "Finke" as it is commonly known, is one of the biggest annual sporting events in the Northern Territory and has the reputation of being one of the most difficult off-road courses in one of the most remote places in the world.
<b>Venue:</b>	Finke Street Party Todd Street, Alice Springs
<b>Venue:</b>	Finke Desert Race Start Finish Line Complex NT Portion 6333 South Stuart Hwy
<b>Venue:</b>	Aputula Aboriginal Community 159 km east of the Stuart Highway near the South Australia and Northern Territory borders
<b>Venue:</b>	Lasseters Convention Centre 93 Barrett Dr, Alice Springs
<b>Event Date:</b>	5th – 15th June 2021 (inc Bump In / Out)
<b>Estimated Attendance:</b>	Finke Street Party Thursday 10th June – 5,000  Finke Desert Race Start Finish Line Complex Tues 8th – Thur 10th June – 500 per day Friday 11th June – 8,000 Saturday 12th June – 6,000 Sunday 13th June - 3,000 Monday 14th June – 4,000  Aputula Aboriginal Community Sun 13th – Mon 14th June – 2,000  Lasseters Convention Centre Mon 14th June – 2,000

EVENT ORGANISERS	
<b>Organiser:</b>	Finke Desert Race Inc
<b>Address:</b>	NT Portion 6333, South Stuart Hwy NT, 0870
<b>Main Contact Point</b>	
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SUB EVENTS	
<b>Competitor Registration And Volunteer Registration</b>	Date: Tues 8th – Thur 10th June Venue: Finke Desert Race Start Finish Line Complex Alice Springs Time: 11am – 6pm Indoor
<b>Street Party</b>	Date: Thur 10th June Venue: Todd St, Alice Springs Time: 5pm – 9pm Outdoor
<b>Scrutineering</b>	Date: Fri 11th June Venue: Finke Desert Race Start Finish Line Complex Time: 4pm – 9pm Outdoor
<b>Prologue</b>	Date: Sat 12th June Venue: Finke Desert Race Start Finish Line Complex Time: 6am – 6pm Outdoor
<b>Race Days</b>	Date: Sun 13th June – Mon 14th June Venue: Finke Desert Race Start Finish Line Complex To Aputula Aboriginal Community Time: Finke SF Line Sun: 5am – 3pm Mon: 7am – 6pm Aputula Sun: 7am – midnight Mon: 5am – 3pm Outdoor
<b>Presentation</b>	Date: Mon 14th June Venue: Alice Springs Convention Centre Time: 6pm – 12pm Indoor



## **1.2 FINKE DESERT RACE START FINISH LINE COMPLEX**

The Finke Desert Race Start Finish Line is located 15 km from Alice Springs on the South Stuart Highway. It is a fully fenced purpose-built motor sport facility. The fenced property is approx. 4km<sup>2</sup> and is divided in to three zones for the purpose of our event.

The Controlled Spectator Zone is approx. 50,000 m<sup>2</sup>. There are 2 entry /exit points to this area; a Service Entry; and an additional 2 exit points. Spectator zone contains public toilet facilities; food stalls; vendors; merchandise shed; competitor relations; media centre and bar.

The Spectator Zone is a ticketed area. Tickets are pre-purchased online or at the gate over race weekend. Contact information for attendees to this zone will be by use of QR Codes to provide a secure, contactless and hygienic way of collecting details. Signage to be erected before the gate entry in addition to at the gate to reduce queuing and bottlenecks at venue entry point.

Manual recording of contact information to be utilised for those unable to utilise QR code service. Information to be recorded to include name; contact number, email address, or any other means to contact, date and time of entry.

The Spectator Zone contains approx. 50 food and beverage outlets and vendor stalls over the event weekend. Stalls will be stationed a minimum 2m apart with signage for queuing patrons to maintain physical distancing of 1.5 metres from a person who is not known to them.

The Spectator Zone contains grandstand seating for spectators to get the best views. The Grandstands are located adjacent to the Racetrack.

The Bike and Car Pit area is approx. 60,000 m<sup>2</sup> and is set aside for individuals who are Competitors, Crew, Officials and Volunteers.

All our Competitors, Crew, Officials and Volunteers are registered with the Finke Desert Race and as part of their registration we hold their individual contact information including name, contact number, residential address and email address.

The Race Control Area is approx. 7000 m<sup>2</sup> and holds the Race Control building and Start / Finish line of the Racetrack. This area is only accessible to individuals who are competitors, crew, officials or volunteers and have the relevant pass to access this area. This area is the most restricted access area for the venue due to the access to the Racetrack.

## **1.3 FINKE STREET PARTY TODD ST, ALICE SPRINGS**

The Finke Street Party has become a regular part of the Finke Race Desert Race Event and is held on Thursday 10th June in conjunction with the Alice Springs Town Council (ASTC) Night Markets. It is a great opportunity for local business and market stall holders to broaden their exposure and take advantage of the locals and visitors attending the Finke event.

This free, family friendly event is held on Todd Street the ASTC Lawns where we provide a Motocross Stunt Show, the opportunity to meet the high-profile competitors, get a glimpse of the cars and bikes on display and enjoy the Finke atmosphere.

This is an outdoor event managed in conjunction with the ASTC.

The event sees 5,000 people attend the Street Party to enjoy the festivities and Council Markets.

The event utilises a Big Screen and has an MC to officiate the evening. We will use the Big Screen together with PA

announcements to convey physical distancing and hygiene messages throughout the evening. Additionally, we will have signage and ability for attendees to record their attendance using the Territory Check-in app.

There will be Finke merchandise stall and a competitor signing table where approximately 10 high profile competitors will greet fans and sign autographs on provided posters. The merchandise stall, competitor signing table and competition bikes and cars will be on the ASTC lawns. The ASTC will manage the stalls in Todd Mall as part of the Night Markets. Signage, Big Screen and PA announcements will be used to encourage queuing patrons to maintain physical distancing of 1.5 metres from a person who is not known to them.

ASTC provide some grandstand seating for spectators to get the best views of the entertainment. The Grandstands will be placed where best determined to reduce any bottle necks or congestion.

Please refer to the attached Covid-19 plan prepared by ASTC for their Night Markets to support the Finke Street Party.

## **1.4 ABORIGINAL LAND TRUSTS (ALT)**

### **APUTULA ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY**

Aputula is a remote Indigenous Community located 217km south of Alice Springs and 159 km east of Kulgera Roadhouse on the Stuart Highway with a population of approximately 200 people.

The Aputula Aboriginal Land Trust (AALT), an area of 7500 Ha contains The Aputula Aboriginal Community. The Race Pits are approx. 700m from the community and Finke Race Control is located on the edge of the community in a fenced compound.

Majority of Officials and Volunteers arrive Saturday 12th June to prepare the site, with some campers and crew arriving on site on Saturday however the majority arriving on Sunday to meet competitors who have completed Race Day 1. Historically there have been an estimated 2000 people involved in the event on the AALT on Sunday evening with the majority departing by lunchtime on Monday 14th to travel back to Alice Springs.

We have existing infrastructure to support the members camping on the AALT including two permanent toilet blocks, open air catering structure and a waste recycling post.

The AALT is an unfenced outdoor area as such we have no ability to manage the traffic flow into the camping area by way of QR Codes or manual records as we do at the contained Start / Finish Line. Our database of registered competitors, crew, officials and volunteers allows us to track these members and communicate as is required various safety messages throughout race weekend.

### **MPWELARRE ABORIGINAL LAND TRUST (MALT)**

The MALT is adjacent to the Maryvale Road Reserve near the Deep Well / Maryvale Grid at the 75.5 – 78.5 km marker of the racetrack. The racetrack does not enter the MALT however spectators camp on the MALT from Fri 11th – Mon 14th June to watch the race. There is no infrastructure provided for spectators on the ALT.

The MALT is an unfenced outdoor area as such we have no ability to manage traffic flow into camping area by way of QR codes or manual records as we do at the contained Start / Finish Line.

### **INARME ABORIGINAL LAND TRUST (IALT)**

The IALT is adjacent to the Road Reserve on the western side from the Bundooma Checkpoint at the 140-141km section of the racetrack. The racetrack does not enter the IALT however spectators camp on the IALT from Fri 11th – Mon 14th June to watch the race.

There is no infrastructure provided for spectators on the IALT. The MALT is an unfenced outdoor area as such we have

no ability to manage traffic flow into camping area by way of QR codes or manual records as we do at the contained Start / Finish Line.

We have agreed to the terms of our Licence from Central Land Council (CLC) for the use of prescribed area in the AALT.

All invitees (competitors, crew, officials, volunteers and spectators) are required to register their details with FDR before entering the AALT. They are also required to complete a COVID-19 declaration.

Our online registration process for competitors, crew, officials and volunteers allows us to capture the personal details of all invitees. The Motorsport Australia and Motorcycling Australia competitor and crew registration document incorporates a COVID-19 declaration. We will provide an online document for officials and volunteers travelling to the AALT, to make their COVID-19 declaration separately.

To reduce the risk to the members of the Finke Community, we will use various online and print channels to discourage Spectators from entering and camping on the AALT. For those that choose to attend we will implement the following:

- Register your details through a link on our website
- Complete an online COVID-19 declaration
- Encourage wearing of face masks if they enter the Finke Community

CLC has not had the opportunity to engage the traditional owners of the MALT and IALT to negotiate the terms of our licence for these land trusts. As such we will use online channels to advise Spectators that camping on these land trusts is prohibited unless they have sought a permit from CLC who have confirmed they will purchase and erect signage along the track on Aboriginal land. Signage will notify those who enter, that they are on Aboriginal freehold land and that penalties apply. They will direct those entering to contact the CLC permit officer.

Signage will be used on the AALT to convey physical distancing and hygiene messages throughout race weekend.

## **1.5 ALICE SPRINGS CONVENTION CENTRE**

The event concludes with Presentation Night held at the Alice Springs Convention Centre.

This is a ticketed event, with all competitors, crew, officials and volunteers able to attend the event as part of their registration. Tickets for supporters are pre-sold or available on entry to the venue.

The Alice Springs Convention Centre also have QR Code or manual recording for attendees to the event.

The Convention Centre have advised us they will be lodging a Covid Plan for our event 1 month prior as is their obligation. We will be working with the Convention Centre leading to the event to understand any other requirements that Finke Desert Race may need to implement to support their existing procedures.

Please refer to the existing Covid-19 plan prepared by Lasseters Hotel Casino and Convention Centre.

## **2 MANAGEMENT OF INTERSTATE COMPETITORS/ OFFICIALS/VOLUNTEERS/EMPLOYEES**

Based on current registrations, we expect to have approx. 2700 interstate competitors and crew, approx. 100 interstate officials, volunteers and employees. We expect to have 40 contractors and performers travelling from interstate.

Our database will be finalised prior to Race week with a record of all interstate competitors, officials, volunteers, employees, contractors and performers registered to attend our event. Our database has personal information including name, dob, residential address, phone and email contact information. This allows us to communicate directly with interstate arrivals should the need arise and be able to filter based on any advice from DoH.

There are currently no border restrictions in place however anyone travelling from a declared COVID-19 Hot Spot will be required to quarantine for 14 days upon arrival in the Territory, as per NT Chief health Officer Directions.

## **3 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS/OFFICIALS/ VOLUNTEERS/EMPLOYEES**

A document will be produced for each of Competitors, Crew, Officials, Volunteers and Employees outlining protocols to ensure they understand their responsibilities. This will be emailed to all registered members prior to the event and a physical copy provided in competitor and crew sign on packs together with volunteer and officials packs at their induction. The document will outline physical distancing requirements and hygiene principles for the event.

Protocols will include but not be limited to:

- How to identify symptoms
- Competitors to notify event staff if they are unwell
- Officials / Volunteers and Employees to notify their Team Leader if they are unwell
- Stay at home if feeling unwell
- Practice Hand Hygiene by washing your hands or using hand sanitiser
  - Frequently wash hands with soap and water eg after going to the bathroom, after handling money, before and after eating and touching face or hair
  - Avoid touching eyes, mouth and nose
  - Wash hands with soap and water or use a hand sanitiser at the beginning of their shift and before commencing a new activity
- Practice physical distancing by keeping 1.5m from those not known to you
- Download the Covid Safe App to assist with contact tracing
- Download the Territory Check in App

Our database records all personal details of registered competitors, crew, officials, volunteers and employees including name, date of birth, residential address, phone and email address. Our database also allows us to filter by suburb or postcode should this be required to assist NT Health with messaging and contact tracing.

Should a location be declared a hotspot, our database allows us to filter registered members based on their location, to send a message directly to these affected parties. These principles will be further supported throughout race weekend with social media and website messaging, signage at the event, messages on the Big Screen and announcements over our PA System over race weekend.



## 4 COMMUNICATION WITH SPECTATORS

Social media, website and program messaging will be the primary source of communication to Spectators prior to Race Weekend.

Over Race Weekend we will continue to utilise these channels together with signage at the event, messages on the Big Screen and announcements over our PA System.

Messages will include but not be limited to:

- How to identify symptoms
- Stay at home if feeling unwell
- Practice Hand Hygiene by washing your hands or using hand sanitiser
  - Wash hands with soap and water or use hand sanitiser on entering the event.
  - Frequently wash hands with soap and water or use hand sanitiser during the event.
- Practice physical distancing by keeping 1.5m from those not known to you
- Download the Covid Safe App to assist with contact tracing.
- Download the Territory Check-in App

Our Finke Desert Race Ambassadors will support communication with Spectators at the event to encourage physical distancing. The Ambassadors will be briefed to engage with crowds and provide a friendly reminder to Spectators of their social responsibilities.

Ambassadors will be supported by Finke Desert Race Officials and Security as needed.

## 5 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS	
<b>Person responsible for coordinating response:</b>	Josh Clarke Antony Yoffa
<b>Protocol for notifying health authorities of a suspected case:</b>	Josh Clarke: Street Party; FDR Start / Finish Line; Alice Springs Convention Centre Judi Hoare: Finke Checkpoint (Aputula)
<b>Area to isolate suspected case:</b>	Street Party: Adelaide House break out room FDR Start / Finish Line: Race Control outside meeting room Finke Checkpoint (Aputula): Adjacent to the checkpoint officials' compound Alice Springs Convention Centre: As advised
<b>First Aid services and PPE to manage suspected case:</b>	St Johns Ambulance will be onsite to assist in managing a suspect case. Masks, gloves and distance will be used to reduce risk.

Should a suspected COVID-19 case present at our event the individual will be isolated in the locations identified above. They will be attended to by St Johns Ambulance staff if necessary and instructed to contact the COVID-19 hotline on 1800 008 002 to report and arrange testing.

The individual will be advised to then leave the venue immediately and self-isolate pending advice. Our COVID Supervisor will contact the COVID-19 hotline to report the incident and take instruction on any further actions required.

Attendees to be notified of potential exposure to a confirmed case of COVID-19 by event organisers through SMS to registered members together with website and Facebook post.

All staff, contractors, volunteers and relevant stakeholders will be required to sign a declaration when they complete their induction, outlining venue COVID-19 requirements and protocols for dealing with a suspected case.

Any decisions regarding modifying, postponing or cancelling the event due to a COVID-19 outbreak will be made in consultation with Motorsport Australia, Motorcycling Australia, Finke Desert Race Inc and DoH.

Our database contains personal information, that can be filtered by suburb and postcode, for our registered competitors, crew, officials, volunteers and employees to assist with contact tracing.

The use of QR Codes and manual records will be used to register Spectators attending the event and can be used for contact tracing as required.

## 6 HYGEINE AND CLEANING PRACTICES

Finke Desert Race will employ the services of a professional cleaning company to deliver cleaning services for the event at the Start / Finish Line. We will engage a service organisation to deliver cleaning services at the Finke campground toilets and race control. We will work with the cleaning company and service organisation to create a detailed cleaning and disinfecting schedule for our facilities and equipment.

High touch surfaces such as door handles, handrails and counters and shared facilities, including bathrooms to be cleaned and disinfected on a frequency determined in conjunction with the cleaners and by using suitable disinfectant cleaning products.

When possible, cleaners will rotate through locations. The cleaners will complete a checklist for each location noting time of cleaning.

Hand Sanitiser will be in each workspace. Volunteers, officials and competitors will be issued with personal hand sanitiser and anti-bacterial wipes.

Hand Sanitiser stations will be located around the venue with cleaners restocking as required.

Food Vendors, bar and merchandise outlets will have hand sanitiser available.

The following operational spaces will be used during the event, with cleaners on rotation during event operating hours:

OPERATIONAL SPACES	
<b>Race Control</b>	FDR Start / Finish Line
<b>Competitor Relations</b>	FDR Start / Finish Line
<b>Media Room</b>	FDR Start / Finish Line
<b>Security Centre</b>	FDR Start / Finish Line
<b>Volunteer Registration</b>	FDR Start / Finish Line
<b>Office</b>	FDR Start / Finish Line
<b>Race Control</b>	Finke Checkpoint (Aputula)

## 6.1 Hand Hygiene Stations

Public portable hand hygiene stations will be set up in easily accessible spaces throughout the venue at the following locations at a minimum:

LOCATIONS	
<b>Finke Desert Race Start / Finish Line</b>	Spectator entry point Volunteer – Official entry point Bar and Catering Area Merchandise Outlet
<b>Finke Checkpoint (Aputula)</b>	Race Control Finke Campground Toilet Block

## 6.2 Bathroom Amenities

Bathrooms at the Finke SF Line and Finke Checkpoint at Aputula will have signage on entry and inside the facilities to encourage physical distancing when queuing and to support hand hygiene messaging. Professional cleaners will be engaged to clean the bathroom facilities at the Finke SF Line and a service organisation at the Finke Checkpoint and be responsible for replenishing soap, hand sanitiser and paper towel.

Alice Springs Town Council will be responsible for cleaning of bathroom amenities at the Street Party. Lasseters Hotel Casino will be responsible for cleaning of bathroom amenities at Presentation Night held at the Alice Springs Convention Centre. Where possible, portaloos will be avoided. However, should they be required in operational zones these will be cleaned on rotation basis as per the ablution blocks.

BATHROOM FACILITIES	FEMALE	MALE
<b>Finke SF Line Ablution Block</b>	14 Pans 12 Basins	5 Pans 4m x Urinal 12 Basins
<b>Finke Race Control Building</b>	2 Pans 2 Basins	1 Pan 1 Basin
<b>Finke SF Multipurpose Building</b>	1 Pan 2 Basins	
<b>Finke Checkpoint Aputula Ablution Block</b>	4 Pans 4 Basins	4 Pans 4 Basins
<b>Street Party – ASTC</b>	15 Pans 8 Basins 2 Showers	6 Pans 13 Urinals 8 Basins 2 Showers

## 6.3 Waste Management

The risk of transmission of COVID-19 when handling waste is low. Finke Desert Race Inc has for many years engaged JJ Richards for waste management service at the Start / Finish Line and utilised the services of MacDonnell Regional Council to deliver waste management services at Aputula. JJ Richards and MacDonnell Regional Council staff are expected to have Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as per their COVID-19 Management Plan, including gloves, alcohol-based hand sanitisers and liquid anti-bacterial soap.

All inductions for staff, volunteers and officials will include the below protocols

- Disposable gloves, masks and other items should be placed in separate rubbish bag before disposing of them with other domestic waste
- Hands should be washed with soap and water or use hand sanitiser immediately after handling these items.

## **7 PHYSICAL DISTANCING**

Arrival and departure from event will be managed in line with physical distancing principles.

Due to the size of our venue and distance between entry/exit points attendees will enter and exit through 2 x 6 metres wide gates and which will be physically separated to create a 3m wide entry and 3m wide exit.

Signage will be posted before gate entry to encourage physical distancing if experiencing a queue. Handwashing stations will be placed before and after the entry booths. Tickets can be pre purchased however remain available at the gate. Further marketing will be done to increase the pre purchase of tickets to further streamline entry.

Signage will be placed around the venue to discourage attendees crowding together. This will be further supported by messages on our Big Screen and announcements by our commentators as part of their coverage through the PA system.

Signage will also be placed where the food vendors operate and outside of the toilet facilities to encourage social distancing if queuing should occur.

## **8 PAYMENTS**

Payments are only received at Start Finish Line facility of our event. We have cashless payment systems operating throughout our venue including the Gate, Merchandise Store and Bar. All food and beverage stalls together with vendors will be encouraged to utilise a cashless payment system where possible.

If cash is exchanged all staff will be encouraged to wash their hands with soap and water or use hand sanitiser after handling money. Cash is counted by volunteer bank staff who are well educated in hand hygiene when handling cash.

## **9 CATERING**

Food and drink stalls at the event will be required to produce their Covid-19 Safety Plan and demonstrate how they can meet physical distancing and hygiene obligations. A copy must be provided to FDR as part of their registration for a Trade Stall at our event. Copies must also be on display during the event.

## **10 ALCOHOL**

FDR hold a Liquor Licence (FLL1417) and operate a Bar at the Start Finish Line only with one point of sale being in our multi-purpose building. FDR employ an experienced bar supervisor for the event who oversee patrons and staff. All staff who volunteer hold an RSA to work in the bar.

FDR will employ the following measures, as described in our licence:

- A security officer to be on duty at the Bar
- Light and mid-strength options made available with restrictions on heavy beer sales
- Spirits not sold in containers with more than 5% alcohol by volume
- Water and soft drink outlets will be available at various locations around the venue, which are separate from public bars
- Licensed food vendors will operate at various locations around the venue, offering a range of food options at different price points. Food vendors will also be permitted to sell non-alcoholic beverages
- Only Govt issued ID to be accepted as proof of age.

## 11 SUBCONTRACTORS

Subcontractors participating in our event will complete an induction on or prior to arrival to ensure they comply with our COVID-19 safe practices as described in our Safety Plan.

For businesses and organisations participating in our event we will require them to produce their COVID-19 safety checklists to meet compliance.

## 12 MOTORSPORT AUSTRALIA RETURN TO RACE

The Finke Desert Race is required to submit an 'Event and Venue Plan – Return to Race' to Motorsport Australia as part of our event permit. This plan covers technical and sporting procedures. Several event elements detailed in this document meet the requirements of our Return to Race plan. The Motorsport Australia specific elements are detailed below.

### 1. Documentation and Licence checks

FDR will continue to offer in person documentation and licence checks for competitors at this year's event. This will occur at the SF Line Complex between Tues 8th and Thurs 10th June.

The registration for competitors will be relocated and separated from bike registration. We will utilise our Competitor Relations room to manage documentation and licence checking. FDR are confident we can deliver any in person registration for competitors and crew and adhere to social distancing and personal hygiene measures.

This will be delivered through communication prior to registration with competitors, signage on arrival, and supported by our Ambassadors, Officials and Volunteers.

### 2. Driver and Officials Briefing

In accordance with our Supplementary Regulations, we will hold 1 driver briefing for the event. This will occur prior to racing on Race Day 1. The Briefing will be held outdoors at the SF Line and only one crew member invited to attend from each team. We will utilise our PA system with attendees to adhere to social distancing requirements.

All other driver briefing documents will be communicated electronically.

Officials briefings to occur outside at the SF Line with attendees to adhere to social distancing requirements.

### 3. Scrutineering

FDR will adopt Motorsport Australia Self-Scrutiny for competitors at this year's event.

For those competitors seeking in person scrutiny or for spot checks completed by the Scrutiny team this will occur at the SF Line Complex on Fri 11th June.

The Scrutiny team will be provided with guidance to ensure that good hygiene, social distancing and all other necessary measures are implemented at our event. Measures to include officials and competitors to observe strict social distancing and personal hygiene measures before during and after inspection. Officials to complete vehicle and apparel inspections visually and where possible without physical contact. Where physical contact with vehicle is required, competitor to wipe vehicle with disinfectant wipe prior to official making contact. Both official and competitor to use hand sanitiser prior to and at conclusion of inspection.



Apparel inspections to occur at the vehicle location and where possible ensuring social distancing is maintained. Officials will not be required to handle apparel. Competitors will be required show each item of their apparel and any necessary labelling.

#### **4. Equipment Deployment**

Equipment to be thoroughly cleaned prior to deployment. Where possible equipment will be assigned for use and handling by 1 person.

Where equipment is required to be shared amongst users, equipment is to be thoroughly cleaned using appropriate hygiene measures before being transferred to the next operator.

#### **5. Paddock, Marshalling areas**

Officials to maintain social distancing at all times.

NT protocols do not stipulate gathering limits as such the FDR off-road event is not impacted in this regard. Drivers to remain in vehicles in marshalling areas at all times.

#### **6. Race Control**

Officials to observe social distancing and personal hygiene requirements while in Race Control.

NT doesn't have a restriction on the number of persons in a shared space by area (m<sup>2</sup>) to adhere to.

#### **7. Medical Centre**

FDR employs the services of St Johns NT to deliver the medical and retrieval services for our event for both competitors and spectators.

FDR operate a command centre for St John with medical response for the event coordinated in conjunction with Race Control.

St Johns NT to provide their Covid-19 Safety Plan for our event. Emergency Preparedness section of our plan addresses our Isolation plan for a suspected case at our event.

#### **8. Apparel**

All participants are to provide and wear their own event specific protective apparel.

#### **9. Fire, Medical and Recovery Teams**

NT does not have restrictions on the number of people in a shared space (m<sup>2</sup>).

NTFRS, Bushfires NT and St John's NT will operate under their independent Covid Safety plans in support of our event.

#### **10. Competition Team Personnel**

NT restrictions do not impact number of competition team personnel.

All crew are registered with FDR.

#### **11. Track Marshals**

Maximum of 2 persons at each location with social distancing measures to be observed

#### **12. Results**

Results to be communicated electronically through website and displayed on our screens at the event.

#### **13. Podium Ceremonies**

Podium ceremonies will take place with competitors observing social distancing protocols.

**14. Media and Communications**

FDR holds a media briefing on Friday 11th June with approximately 50 in attendance. This will occur outdoors at the SF Line utilising a PA system and with attendees observing social distancing measures. All other communications with media will be conducted electronically.

We have one photographer that takes head shots of all competitors. Photographers do not come i to physical contact with the competitor and will adopt social distancing measures. All other photographers and media crew are located outdoors and will operate under their independent Covid plan, ensuring social distancing and hygiene measures are observed.

**15. Judicial, protests and Stewards hearings**

Protests and appeals to be lodged electronically to our Race Secretary.

Should any hearings be required this will be conducted in person with social distancing measures observed.

**16. Post event documentation**

The register for all competitors, crew and officials to be submitted to Motorsport Australia on completion of the event.

FDR, through its database, will also record volunteers, trade stalls, employees and contractors. Spectator attendees will be managed through the NT Govt Territory Check-in app and manually where attendee is unable to register electronically.

**17. Medical Declaration and Monitoring for Crew – Driver / Co-driver / Navigator**

All Crew will complete a Risk Warning, Disclaimer and Indemnity prior to the event which includes a Covid-19 Declaration. They are obligated, through this declaration, that they will immediately withdraw from the Event, notify Motorsport Australia in conjunction with FDR if they have come in to contact with someone with Covid-19 or if they start to exhibit any of the prescribed symptoms at any stage through the event.

**18. Crew and Competition Vehicle Sanitisation**

FDR will provide each crew member with hand sanitiser as part of their competitor pack for the event. Further hand sanitiser will be available at all venues for use by all attendees throughout the race weekend.

FDR Emergency Preparedness provides details of protocols in place to report any change in a crew members health condition.

# 13 MOTORCYCLING AUSTRALIA RETURN TO SPORT

Motorcycling Australia (MA) provide a Return to Sport checklist to guide promoters, such as FDR, in the reactivation of motorcycle recreational and competition events. A number of event elements detailed in this document meet MA requirements.

## 1. Event Registration Attendance

FDR will continue to offer in person registration for competitors and crew. This will be at the SF Line Complex between Tues 8th and Thurs 10th June.

Registration for competitors will occur in the Race Control Shed at the Start / Finish Line complex. FDR are confident we can deliver in person registration for competitors and crew adhering to social distancing and personal hygiene measures.

Only the bike competitor will be permitted to enter the building to complete their registration. Any underage competitors are permitted to be accompanied by a parent or guardian to complete their registration.

Changes to registration attendance, together with COVID safe behaviours, will be communicated prior to registration with competitors, signage on arrival, and supported by our Ambassadors, Officials and Volunteers. FDR are also preparing an 'Information for Bike Competitors' document to support this process.

## 2. Scrutineering

Scrutineering for all competitors will be conducted under the self-scrutineering criteria approved in conjunction with MA. Competitors self-scrutineering form will be included in their competitor registration pack. The option will remain for competitors to have an event official scrutineer their machine and riding gear should they require.

The event officials undertaking scrutineering will be provided with guidance to ensure that good hygiene, social distancing and all other necessary measures are implemented at our event. Measures to include officials and competitors to observe strict social distancing and personal hygiene measures before during and after inspection.

Officials to complete motorcycle and riding gear inspections visually and where possible without physical contact.

## 3. Rider Sign-On and Briefings

In accordance with our Supplementary Regulations riders will be required to Sign On prior to Prologue, Race Day 1 and Race Day 2 of the event using the event COVID-19 Sign on Sheet which includes the following questions:

- Downloaded and using COVIDSafe app?
- In the previous 14 days have you:
  - Had any COVID-19 symptoms?
  - Been in contact with any confirmed / suspected COVID-19 case?
  - Travelled Internationally?

Pens will be provided to each competitor and they will sign on with their own pen to eliminate sharing and support hygiene measures. Riders Briefings will be held prior to Prologue, Race Day 1 and Race Day 2 outdoors at the SF line with only the rider invited to attend. We will utilise our PA system with attendees to adhere to social distancing requirements. Officials briefings to occur outside at the SF Line with attendees to adhere to social distancing requirements.

## 14 COMMUNICATION

Competitors, crew, officials, volunteers, contractors, employees and spectators are all part of keeping the FDR event safe. FDR will use the following platforms to educate and remind attendees of their requirements

- Information documents for Bike Competitors, Car Competitors, Spectators, Officials and Volunteers to be made available through various channels
- All bathroom facilities will display hand washing signage
- All buildings and workspaces will display both 'simple steps to stop the spread' and 'keeping your distance' reminders
- Venue entry points will include signage
- Signage will be displayed throughout the venue
- Social media will be used to remind patrons of requirements during event
- FDR website will be updated with requirements to support the event
- Big Screen will be utilised to convey messaging
- SMS will be used as required to communicate to registered competitors, crew, volunteers, officials, contractors and staff
- Inductions to include COVID-19 compliance for all officials, volunteers, contractors and staff
- Ambassadors, security guards and staff will act as social distancing champions, providing reminders throughout the event
- COVIDSafe and Territory Check-in app will be promoted across all platforms

## 15 APPENDICES

1. Finke Start Finish Line Complex – aerial image
2. Finke Start Finish Line Complex – detailed 1
3. Finke Start Finish Line Complex – detailed 2
4. Aputula Land Trust - map
5. Aputula Land Trust – Finke Checkpoint
6. ASTC COVID-19 Event Safety Plan
7. ASTC Street Party Map
8. Lasseters Hotel and Casino COVID-19 Safety Plan
9. Alice Springs Convention Centre COVID-19 Safety Plan