



NRC NATIONAL RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP



RALLY GUIDE



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GR *YARIS*



Welcome TO THE GR LEGENDS RALLY

It is our pleasure, as TOYOTA GAZOO Racing South Africa to welcome every competitor, official, volunteer and spectator to this year's GR Legends Rally.

Rallying has always occupied a special place within the TOYOTA GAZOO Racing family; from the heroic exploits of Jan Hetteema in the 70s, to the all conquering Conquest 4x4 of Serge Damseaux, the iconic Celica GT-Four's of Sainz and Kankkunen, and in modern times the mighty GR Yaris in the hands of Rovannperä and Ogier. It is a discipline that demands commitment, precision, and teamwork, while continually pushing both people and machines to perform at their very best. Those same values underpin everything we do, whether competing at the highest levels of international motorsport or supporting the continued growth of the sport here at home.

The GR Legends Rally is a fitting celebration of South Africa's rich rally heritage, bringing together experienced competitors, passionate enthusiasts and a new generation of fans. It provides an opportunity to honour the achievements of the past while inspiring the future of rallying in our country.

We are proud to support an event that reflects the spirit of competition, camaraderie, and innovation that defines TOYOTA GAZOO Racing. Every kilometre covered, every challenge overcome, and every finish line crossed contributes to the ongoing story of this remarkable sport.

To all the crews, we wish you a safe, competitive, and rewarding rally. To the officials, marshals and organisers, thank you for your dedication and countless hours of work behind the scenes. And to the spectators, thank you for your continued enthusiasm and support. Your passion is what keeps rallying alive.

We hope you enjoy an unforgettable weekend of motorsport and look forward to sharing the excitement of the GR Legends Rally with you.

See you on the stages.

Stay Safe

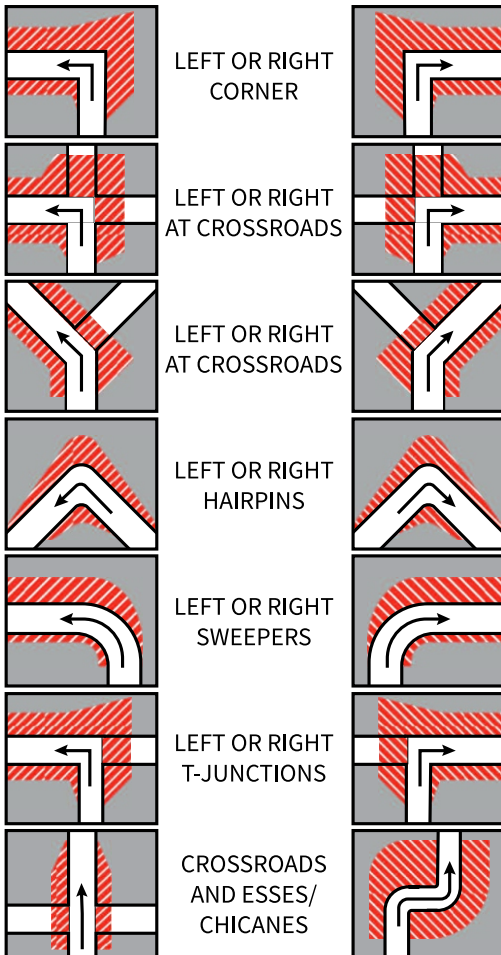
Spectating a rally is more than just watching race cars fly past you, it is active and adventurous. What other activity has elements of a car show, hiking, adventure, and watching high octane machines throw dust, dirt, and debris at breakneck speeds.

It's a thrilling experience and one of the best ways to get close to the action, experiencing the sport's sights, sounds and smells first-hand, but Rallying is also potentially very dangerous.

Many spectators do not understand the potential dangers and do not comprehend the speed of the cars. We appeal to everyone to stay alert and make use of our safety guidelines to make sure you enjoy this spectacle of speed and dust safely.

THE FOLLOWING DIAGRAMS SHOW AREAS THAT ARE CONSIDERED TO BE **UNSAFE**

NO STANDING AREAS ARE
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Use this guide to ensure safe viewing in areas outside designated spectator points

NEVER...

- ✗ Stand on the road
- ✗ Stand below the level of the road
- ✗ Sit close to the road
- ✗ Stand in front of fences or objects preventing you from moving quickly
- ✗ Stand in front of signs or arrows
- ✗ Remove rally signs or arrows
- ✗ Be distracted

PROTECT...

- ✓ Yourself
- ✓ Others around you
- ✓ Other people's property
- ✓ Wildlife and flora

KNOW THAT...

- ❗ The unexpected can happen

ALWAYS...

- ✓ Stay ALERT and expect the unexpected
- ✓ Stand in a safe location
- ✓ Listen for approaching cars
- ✓ Remain alert
- ✓ Leave yourself room to move quickly
- ✓ Keep children under supervision
- ✓ Obey rally officials
- ✓ Help the officials to run a safe stage

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////////// Rally Preview

GR Legends Rally A New Challenge Awaits

The 2026 South African National Rally Championship takes an unexpected but exciting turn as the newly announced Toyota Gazoo Racing South Africa Legends Rally joins the calendar as Round 4 of the championship.

The event, taking place on 10–11 July at Soetdoring Restaurant at Bronkhorstpruit on the outskirts of Tshwane, replaces two unfortunate casualties of the South African winter. The Algoa Rally was postponed after severe flooding caused widespread damage across parts of the Eastern Cape, while persistent heavy rains left the Tzaneen roads beyond repair, forcing the cancellation of the popular Limpopo based Rally.

Despite the disappointment, the championship has responded quickly, ensuring the season maintains its momentum with a brand-new venue that promises an exciting mix of stages in and around LegendsAdventure Park.

"We were devastated by the news that the Algoa Rally had to be postponed due to the recent floods. We know how much competitors, teams and fans were looking forward to the event, and we immediately started looking at ways to get everyone back out on the stages," explained Race Director Evan Hutchison.

With championship battles beginning to take shape after the King Price Swartland Rally, the Legends Rally could prove to be a pivotal turning point in the 2026 title race.

Flying high.

Paul Van Niekerk will be hoping to turn his commitment into points at the GR Legends Rally

PHOTO - STEFAN
VAN NIEKERK

NRC1 //////////

Habig Extends Early Advantage

Benjamin Habig and Barry White arrive at GR Legends Rally firmly in control of the championship after another commanding performance at the King Price Swartland Rally. The Volkswagen Polo GTI crew claimed victory in both Rounds 2 and 3, banking maximum points and extending their advantage at the top of the standings.

"We're thrilled to have clinched these events and add valuable points to bank. With rallying being so unpredictable, maximum points from events early in the year is a huge positive," said Habig following the event.

While Habig and White continue to set the benchmark, the chasing pack showed encouraging pace throughout the Swartland weekend.

Chris Coertse and Matt Kohler continued their consistent start to the season, taking second place on Day 1 and following it up with third on Day 2 in the Rally Technic Mazda 2. Their strong points haul keeps them firmly in the championship conversation heading into Round 4.

Team-mates Jono van Wyk and Nico Swartz endured a frustrating opening day as their newly built Rallytechnic Volkswagen Polo suffered a handful of minor teething problems.



Encouragingly, the pace was evident once those issues were overcome, with the pair recovering to fourth place on Day 2. As development of the new Polo continues, few doubt that outright victories are only a matter of time.

Another crew showing impressive resilience were brothers Nico and Juandr  Nienaber. A broken lower control arm bolt ended their challenge on the opening stage of Day 1, but the Hyundai i20 crew bounced back spectacularly on Saturday. Setting highly competitive stage times throughout the day, they secured an impressive runner-up finish and reminded everyone that they possess both the pace and determination to challenge at the front.

For Paul van Niekerk and Willemjan Human, however, the Swartland Rally became a harsh reminder of how unforgiving rallying can be.

The Volkswagen Polo GTI crew retired early on Day 1 and were unable to repair the car in time for Saturday's action, leaving the Cape event without scoring a single championship point.

After dominating NRC2 in 2025, the pair have already shown flashes of genuine pace in their step up to the premier category. Their first full season in NRC1, though, has also highlighted the challenge of competing at the sharp end of South African rallying, with reliability proving just as important as outright speed.

With three rounds completed and several crews beginning to find their rhythm, the championship battle is becoming increasingly defined. Habig and White may hold the advantage, but Coertse, Van Wyk and the rapidly improving Nienaber brothers will all arrive at the Legends Rally determined to close the gap before the title race gathers even more momentum.

Launching their title challenge. Davids and Ganief made an immediate impact with a double NRC2 win

PHOTO - STEFAN VAN NIEKERK

NRC2 //////////////////////////////////

Consistency Meets Competition

NRC2 continues to deliver one of the closest championship battles in the National Rally Championship, where outright speed is only part of the equation and reliability remains just as important.

Heading into the TGRSA Legends Rally, Mark Jones and Kes Naidoo lead the championship standings in their Toyota Gazoo Racing South Africa GR Yaris. While they may not have topped the timesheets at every event, the pairing has perfected the art of scoring points by finishing every rally they have started.

The King Price Swartland Rally was a perfect example of their resilience. A string of mechanical issues threatened to derail their weekend, but clever roadside repairs and a few unconventional solutions kept the Toyota in the rally, eventually rewarding the crew with a third-place class finish on Day 2.

"Rally is all about repair decisions, I have come to realise. Things seldomly run smooth. You are taking a very fast car and asking it to cover some seriously hostile off-road territory at pace. What can go wrong? Seemingly anything and everything is the right answer,"
Mark Jones



Hot on their heels are Ismaeel Davids and Yusuf Ganief, who announced themselves in spectacular fashion at the King Price Swartland Rally. After missing the opening round, the Team ID Toyota GR Yaris crew lit up the timing screens with a dominant double victory, immediately hauling themselves back into championship contention. Sitting just two points behind the leaders, another strong performance at the Legends Rally could see them take over the top spot.

The lone Impreza of Johan Strauss and Caro Storm continues to fly the flag for Subaru in NRC2. Although the older Subaru has struggled to match the outright pace of the newer-generation machinery, the pair remain capable of producing solid results. Consistent pace earned valuable points on Day 1 in Swartland before a retirement on Day 2 halted their charge. Returning to terrain they know well could see the Subaru much closer to the front.

Leading the Volkswagen challenge are Nick Davidson and Ashley Bezuidenhout, who impressed on their NRC debut with two well-earned runner-up finishes in the Cape. Their consistency immediately established them as genuine contenders, while fellow Polo crew Bruce Swatton and Craig Rynecke showed encouraging pace to finish third on Day 1 before mechanical issues ended their Day 2 challenge.

Meanwhile, Lynton Swatton and Tommie Coetzee will be hoping the fourth time proves the charm.

Their frustrating start to the season has seen three starts result in three retirements, despite showing flashes of promising pace. The team has introduced further upgrades to their Polo ahead of the Legends Rally and will be eager to finally convert speed into championship points.

With the championship battle tightening after every round, the return to Gauteng promises another fascinating contest. In NRC2, the difference between victory and defeat often comes down to surviving the rally as much as mastering it.

NRC 3 & 4 ////////////////////////////////// Shield Racing Sets the Pace

The two-wheel-drive championship is quickly developing into one of the standout battles of the 2026 season, with the Shield Racing Volkswagen Polos emerging as the benchmark in both pace and consistency.

Heading into the TGRSA Legends Rally, the fight for NRC3 honours has become an intriguing in-house battle between teammates Kent Rutherford / Justin Rutherford and George Smalberger / Etienne Lourens.

The challengers assemble while Habig and White continue to lead from the front



PHOTOS STEFAN VAN NIEKERK



The Rutherford brothers have been nothing short of remarkable in their debut season. Despite competing in their very first year of rallying, they lead the NRC3 championship and currently sit an impressive third overall in the National Rally Championship standings.

Victory on debut at the All Tar Rally, followed by two runner-up finishes during the King Price Swartland Rally, has firmly established the pair as genuine championship contenders. What makes their achievements even more impressive is that every event has presented an entirely new challenge.

From tarmac to fast-flowing gravel, the brothers have adapted with remarkable maturity, and another strong result would further strengthen their championship campaign.

Standing in their way are experienced teammates George Smalberger and Etienne Lourens. Years of rallying experience proved invaluable in the Western Cape, where the duo delivered a flawless performance to claim victories on both days of the Swartland Rally. With momentum firmly on their side, they will be determined to continue closing the gap in the championship and make full use of their experience on the demanding Legends stages.

The battle between the two Shield Racing crews is rapidly becoming one of the highlights of the season and promises to be one of the stories to follow throughout the weekend.

Not to be overlooked are Anton and Isabel Raaths, who continue to carry the Toyota banner in the two-wheel-drive championship.

While their dependable Toyota Auris may lack the outright pace of the newer Shield Racing Polos, the husband-and-wife pairing has once again demonstrated the value of consistency. Two third-place finishes in the Western Cape have strengthened their championship position, and on the more familiar Gauteng stages they will be ready to capitalise should either of the leading crews encounter trouble. The Auris may be showing its age, but its reliability remains one of the team's greatest strengths.

Meanwhile, defending two-wheel-drive champions Russell Stone and Jonty Brown face an uphill battle to retain their title. Engine failure on their newly acquired Volkswagen Polo forced their retirement from the opening round, and despite every effort, the team was unable to have the car ready in time for the Swartland double-header. The reigning champions therefore arrive at Round 4 still without a single championship point. While their title defence has suffered a major setback, rallying has a habit of producing the unexpected.

The GR Legends Rally will also enjoy a significant boost thanks to a large regional entry, with the event counting towards both the Northern Regions Rally Championship and the RallySport Club Championship.

Fans can look forward to a spectacular variety of machinery, from thundering Subarus and sideways Ford Escorts to iconic Ford Capris and classic Datsuns. The combination of national championship contenders and passionate regional competitors promises a rally packed with action and a celebration of South African rallying across multiple generations.

Fast learners.

The Rutherford brothers continue to impress as one of the breakout stories of the 2026 season

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VAN NIEKERK





Farewell



William Louw
1975 - 2026

In rallying, we get route notes.
We know where the corners are,
how rough the road will be,
and exactly how long the stage is.

Unfortunately, life doesn't
work that way.

None of us know how long our road
will be, or what waits behind
the next blind rise.

Some people travel the entire
stage beside us, while others leave
far sooner than we could ever
imagine.

Rest easy, legend. Your stage may
be over, but your impact on
rallying will carry on!





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CO DRIVER

Barry White

CAR

Polo Gti

TEAM

HABIG RACING

**NRC 1****DRIVER**

Chris Coertse

CO DRIVER

TBA

CAR

MAZDA 2

TEAM

Rally Technic

**NRC 1****DRIVER**

Nico Nienaber

CO DRIVER

Juandre Nienaber

CAR

i20

TEAM

Born 2 Fly

**NRC 1****DRIVER**

Jono van Wyk

CO DRIVER

Nico Swartz

CAR

Polo Gti

TEAM

Rally Technic

**NRC 1****DRIVER**

Mark Jones

CO DRIVER

Kes Naidoo

CAR

GR Yaris

TEAM

TGRSA

**NRC 2****DRIVER**

Lynton Swatton

CO DRIVER

Tommy Coetzee

CAR

Polo Gti

TEAM

Pc's Racing

**NRC 1****DRIVER**

Ismaeel Davids

CO DRIVER

Yusuf Ganief

CAR

GR Yaris

TEAM

Team ID

**NRC 2****DRIVER**

Lynton Swatton

CO DRIVER

Tommy Coetzee

CAR

Polo Gti

TEAM

Swatton Bro's

**NRC 2**

The Teams

DRIVER

Johan Strauss

CO DRIVER

Caro Storm

CAR

Subaru Sti

TEAM

SX RACING



NRC 2



DRIVER

Bruce Swatton

CO DRIVER

Craig Reyneke

CAR

Polo Gti

TEAM

Watton Bro's



NRC 2



DRIVER

Mayur Patel

CO DRIVER

TBA

CAR

Subaru

TEAM

Mamba Racing



NRC 2



DRIVER

Gustav Potgieter

CO DRIVER

C. Le Maitre

CAR

Ford Fiesta

TEAM

Potgieter Racing



NRC 3



DRIVER

George Smalberger

CO DRIVER

Etienne Lourens

CAR

Polo 1.0

TEAM

Shield Racing



NRC 3



DRIVER

Kent Rutherford

CO DRIVER

Justin Rutherford

CAR

Polo

TEAM

Shield Racing



NRC 3



DRIVER

Anton Raaths

CO DRIVER

Isabel Raaths

CAR

Auris

TEAM

PTA Noord Toyota



NRC 3



DRIVER

Rudolf Pretorius

CO DRIVER

Jack Radford

CAR

Polo

TEAM

FRLSS RACING



NRC 3



WHEN THERE'S
TOUGH
TO BE DONE



THE NEW-GENERATION
HILUX



The Teams

DRIVER

Hennie Mostert

CO DRIVER

Willem Morgan

CAR

Nissan Sentra



REGIONAL

DRIVER

Juan De Wet

CO DRIVER

Gert Nienaber

CAR

Subaru Impreza



REGIONAL

DRIVER

J. Strauss Jnr

CO DRIVER

Kemaine Venter

CAR

Subaru Impreza



REGIONAL

DRIVER

Rinus Plomp

CO DRIVER

Hannes Pienaar

CAR

Subaru Forester



REGIONAL

DRIVER

Michael Mullany

CO DRIVER

L. Letuka

CAR

Subaru Forester



REGIONAL

DRIVER

Hennie Austin

CO DRIVER

Stefan De Bruin

CAR

Subaru Impreza



REGIONAL

DRIVER

Jan Smit

CO DRIVER

Martin Barnard

CAR

Toyota Tazz



REGIONAL

DRIVER

Johan de Bruin

CO DRIVER

Wallie du Bruyn

CAR

Nissan 350Z



REGIONAL

DRIVER

C Swanepoel

CO DRIVER

Jacobus Van Zyl

CAR

VW Polo



REGIONAL

DRIVER

Johann Fourie

CO DRIVER

Natasha Fourie

CAR

Toyota Conquest



REGIONAL

The Teams

DRIVER

Ashley Mackenzie

CO DRIVER

Leslie Mackenzie

CAR

Ford Escort Mk1



REGIONAL

DRIVER

S van Heerden

CO DRIVER

S van Heerden

CAR

Datsun P510



REGIONAL

DRIVER

Sarel Coetzer

CO DRIVER

A. van de Venter

CAR

Datsun 160u



REGIONAL

DRIVER

S. Van Niekerk

CO DRIVER

Nadine Naude

CAR

Toyota Conquest



REGIONAL

DRIVER

Marchant Theron

CO DRIVER

Marnus Theron

CAR

VW Golf Mk1



REGIONAL

DRIVER

Peter Pulusa

CO DRIVER

Clarise Lourens

CAR

VW Golf Mk 1



REGIONAL

DRIVER

Hanró Ehlers

CO DRIVER

Andre Ehlers

CAR

Toyota Tazz



REGIONAL

DRIVER

Hannes De Beer

CO DRIVER

Christa De Beer

CAR

VW Polo



REGIONAL

DRIVER

Chris du Plessis

CO DRIVER

Paige Langley

CAR

Ford Capri



REGIONAL



UPCOMING GR EVENTS



SARRC

24 Jul 2026 - 26 Jul 2026

Stella, North West -
TGRSA 1000 - Marathon
Event

📍 North West ⌚ 09:00



GR Cup

14 Aug 2026 - 15 Aug 2026

East London Grand Prix

📍 East London ⌚ 09:00



NRC

21 Aug 2026 - 22 Aug 2026

Ermelo

📍 Mpumalanga ⌚ 09:00

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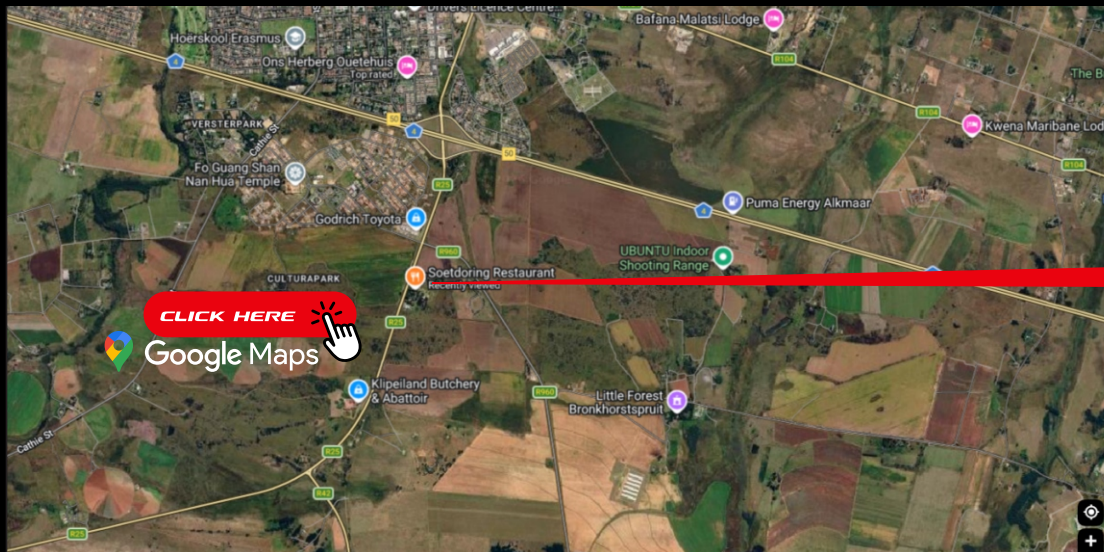
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IT JUST GOT REAL



STAGE MAP



**Soetdoring
Venue**

SERVICE PARK
& RALLY HQ
FOR DAY 1
& DAY 2

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Itinerary

FRIDAY

SS No.	Stage / Service Park Description	Stage Location	SS Distance	Liaison Distance	Total Distance	Target Time	First Car Clock-In	First Car Due
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Section 1 - Friday, 10 July

	Ceremonial Start at Soetdoring Venue	Soetdoring Venue		-	-	30		12:00
	Ceremonial Start At Soetdoring Venue To Leeufontein 1			20,84	20,84			
SS 1	LEEUFONTEIN 1	Leeufontein Farm	7,27	-	-	15	3	12:33
	Leeufontein 1 To Gustav 1			5,83	13,10			
SS 2	GUSTAV 1	Gustav Farm	11,00	-	-	30	6	12:54
	Gustav 1 To Sp In			14,37	25,37			
	SP IN			-	-			13:24
	SERVICE A (30 Mins)	Soetdoring Venue	18,27	41,04	59,31	30		

Section 2 - Friday, 10 July

	SP OUT			-	-	30		13:54
	Sp Out To Leeufontein 2			20,84	20,84			
SS 3	LEEUFONTEIN 2	Leeufontein Farm	7,27	-	-	15	6	14:30
	Leeufontein 2 To Gustav 2			5,83	13,10			
SS 4	GUSTAV 2	Gustav Farm	11,00	-	-	30	6	14:51
	Gustav 2 To Sp In			14,37	25,37			
	SP IN							15:21
	SERVICE B (30 Mins)	Soetdoring Venue	18,27	41,04	59,31	30		

Section 3 - Friday, 10 July

	SP OUT			-	-	12		15:51
	Sp Out To Jakhalsfontein 1			8,99	8,99			
SS 5	JAKHALSFONTEIN 1	Jakhalsfontein Farm	11,91	-	-	25	6	16:09
	Jakhalsfontein 1 To Pf In			9,94	21,85			
	PF in			-	-			16:34
	Parc Fèrme IN (max 30 mins Technical Check)	Soetdoring Venue	11,91	18,93	30,84	30		
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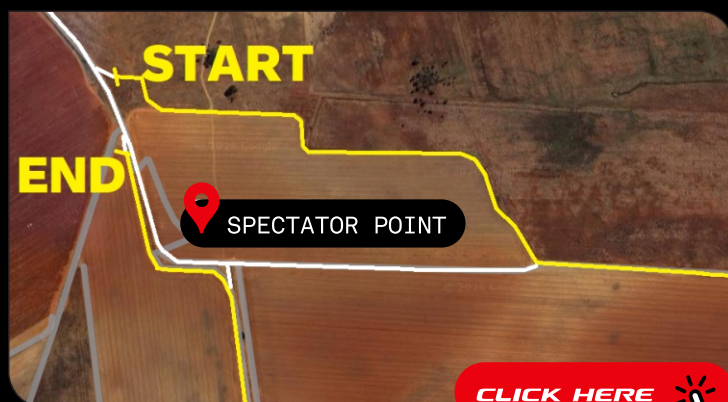


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LEEUFONTEIN

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STAGE 3 START TIME 14:30



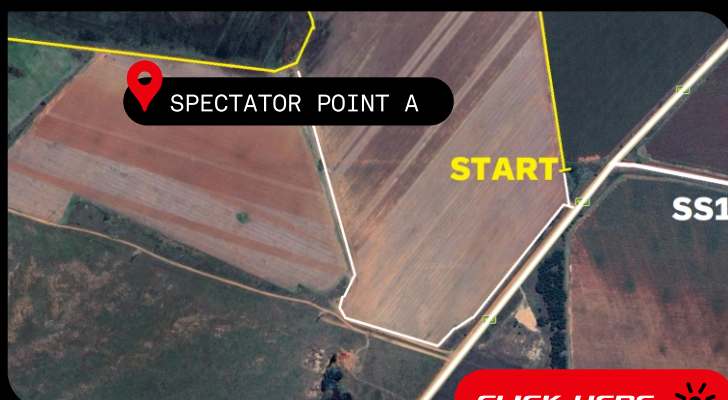
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GUSTAV

STAGE 2 START TIME 12:50

STAGE 4 START TIME 14:50



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JAKHALSFONTEIN

STAGE 5 START TIME 16:05



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Itinerary

SATURDAY

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Section 4 - Saturday, 11 July

	START LEG 2 - Soetdoring Venue	Soetdoring Venue		-	-	32		7:30
	Start Leg 2 - Soetdoring Venue To S2N Mine 1			30,75	30,75			
SS 6	S2N Mine 1	S2N Mine	7,30	-	-	20	3	8:05
	S2N Mine 1 To Willem Prinsloo 1			9,53	16,83			
SS 7	WILLEM PRINSLOO 1	Willem Prinsloo Agricultural Farm	6,62	-	-	30	6	8:31
	Willem Prinsloo 1 To Sp In			24,07	30,69			
	SP IN							9:01
	SERVICE E (30 Mins)	Soetdoring Venue	13,92	64,35	78,27	30		

SECTION 4

Section 5 - Saturday, 11 July

	SP OUT	Soetdoring Venue		-	-	32		9:31
	Sp Out To S2N Mine 2			30,75	30,75			
SS 8	S2N Mine 2	S2N Mine	7,30	-	-	20	6	10:09
	S2N Mine 2 To Willem Prinsloo 2			9,53	16,83			
SS9	WILLEM PRINSLOO 2	Willem Prinsloo Agricultural Farm	6,62	-	-	30	6	10:35
	Willem Prinsloo 2 To Sp In			24,07	30,69			
	SP IN							11:05
	SERVICE F (30 Mins)	Soetdoring Venue	13,92	64,35	78,27	30		

SECTION 5

Section 6 - Saturday, 11 July

	SP OUT	Soetdoring Venue		-	-	13		11:35
	Sp Out To Charles Le Maitre 1			8,60	8,60			
SS10	CHARLES LE MAITRE 1	Christopher Farm	15,85	-	-	22	6	11:54
	Charles Le Maitre 1 To Christopher 1			2,27	18,12			
SS11	CHRISTOPHER 1	Christopher Farm	14,63	-	-	28	6	12:22
	Christopher 1 To Sp In			8,66	23,29			
	SP IN							12:50
	SERVICE G (30 Mins)	Soetdoring Venue	30,48	19,53	50,01	30		

SECTION 6

Section 7 - Saturday, 11 July

	SP OUT	Soetdoring Venue		-	-	13		13:20
	Sp Out To Charles Le Maitre 2			8,60	8,60			
SS 12	CHARLES LE MAITRE 2	Christopher Farm	15,85	-	-	22	6	13:39
	Charles Le Maitre 2 To Christopher 2			2,27	18,12			
SS 13	CHRISTOPHER 2	Christopher Farm	14,63	-	-	28	6	14:07
	Christopher 2 To Sp In			8,66	23,29			
	SP IN							14:35
	SERVICE G (20 Mins)	Soetdoring Venue	30,48	19,53	50,01	20		

SECTION 7

Section 8 - Saturday, 11 July

	SP OUT			-	-	12		14:55
	Sp Out To Jakhalsfontein 2			8,99	8,99			
SS 14	JAKHALSFONTEIN 2	Jakhalsfontein Farm	11,91	-	-	25	6	15:13
	Jakhalsfontein 2 To Pf In			9,94	21,85			
	PF in			-	-			15:38
	Parc Fèrme IN (est 30 mins Technical Check)	Soetdoring Venue	11,91	18,93	30,84	30		

SECTION 8

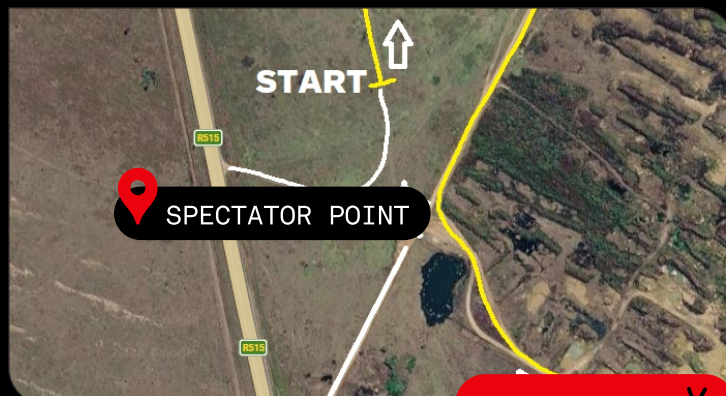
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////////// SATURDAY

S2N Mine

STAGE 6 START TIME **08:00**

STAGE 8 START TIME **10:05**



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WILLEM PRINSLOO

STAGE 7 START TIME **08:30**

STAGE 9 START TIME **10:30**



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CHARLES LE MAITRE

STAGE 10 START TIME **11:50**

STAGE 12 START TIME **13:35**



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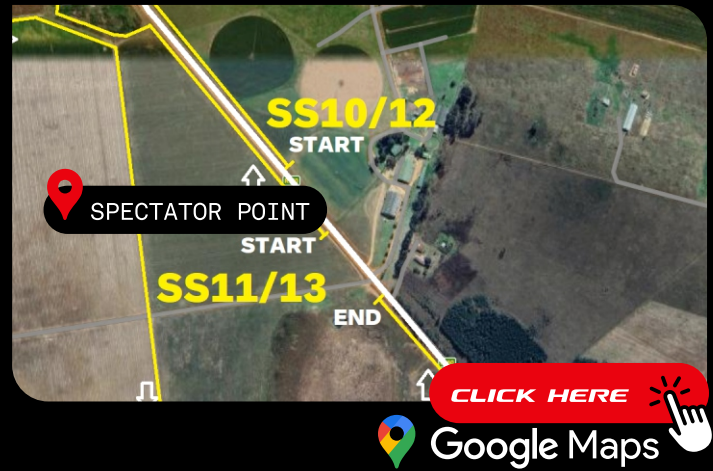
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CHRISTOPHER

STAGE 11 START TIME **12:20**

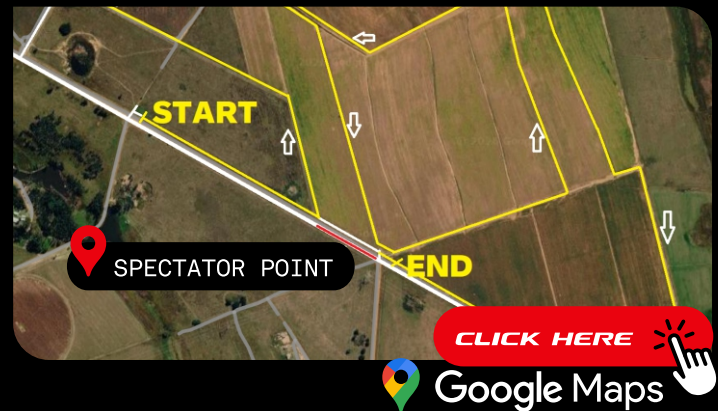
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STAGE 14 START TIME **15:30**



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NRC NATIONAL RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP

SAFETY PLAN

1. ORGANISATION

1.1 For the **2026 GR LEGENDS RALLY**, the Promoters have drawn up a safety plan for the event. The Clerk of the Course is charged with the application of this Safety Plan and has nominated assistants who are responsible to him for its proper implementation. The names of the officials in charge are:

CLERK OF THE COURSE: Danie Terblanche

MEDICAL CO-ORDINATOR: Mike Russel



2. SAFETY ON SPECIAL STAGES

2.1 Radio marshals will be at the start and end of each special stage.

2.2 The following Officials will be in radio / cell phone contact

Clerk of the Course Chief Radio Marshal Chief Control Marshal Car 0 / Sweep car

2.3 The start and end control marshals will have fire extinguishers.

2.4 The sweep car will traverse the stages as close as possible to the last running competitor as possible. This vehicle is fitted with radio communication.

3. EMERGENCY PROCEDURES IN CASE OF AN ACCIDENT ON SPECIAL STAGES

The following procedures are to be adopted in case of a serious accident sustained by competitors whilst traversing a special stage.

3.1 END STAGE MARSHAL

3.1.1 To complete accident report form immediately, with approx distance road book page & diagram no – injuries if serious and competitor no, hand form to Radio Marshal who will transmit the information to a senior official (C o C or Safety Officer) and Rally Headquarters and Start of Stage Marshal to stop the stage.

3.1.2 Record actual time of arrival at the flying finish line of those competitors who stopped to render assistance.

3.1.3 Do NOT allow anybody into the stage.

3.1.4 Advise Start Marshal when Clerk of the Course declares the Stage open and cleared and ready to run again.

3.2 START OF STAGE MARSHAL

3.2.1 Upon recommendation of the Clerk of the Course, authorises the stage to be stopped and the doctor/ medical services proceed to the place of the accident. Record all arriving competitors times in time card but DO NOT ISSUE RESTART TIME. No competitor may have outside assistance whilst in the control zone – record work done on sequence sheet and notify him or her.

3.2.2 If it is known that the damaged vehicle is blocking the route, arrange for track to be cleared.

3.2.3 Upon receipt of clearance from the Clerk of the Course, re-start the procedure for the remaining competitors.

3.2.4 Whilst the stage is closed, NOBODY is allowed into the stage except those instructed to clear the track.

3.2.5 The service crews assisting the car in question are allowed into the stage ONLY after the last vehicle and Sweep car has traversed the stage and all penalty lateness for the stage has expired.

3.3 BOTH MARSHALS In the case of uncertainty, the Post Chief at the start of the Stage must close the stage and send a responsible person to investigate the incident, request the radio Official to contact one of the above listed mobile officials – one of these officials will endeavour to arrive at your marshalling point as soon as possible.

4. GENERAL SAFETY

4.1 Ambulances will be on route during the course of the event. Local services will be called in to assist when necessary.

4.2 Car 0 on both front doors and in radio / cell phone contact will precede the competitors throughout the stages, leaving with enough time to have completed the stage before the first competitor starts to ensure that all is still clear and operational – If any uncertainty exists, they must radio the Start Marshal Radio official and have the stage held. (in writing and signed for) until the problem has been sorted out. The Clerk of the course MUST be notified as soon as possible, who is the ONLY person who may permit the stage to run.

4.3 Roads and access roads leading to stages will be closed and bunted off where necessary.

4.4 Crowd Control Marshals will be positioned at the main spectator points.

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IN VIEW OF THE HIGH SPEEDS ATTAINED BY THE COMPETITORS. ACCIDENTS CAN HAPPEN.
THE PROMOTERS AND ORGANIZERS OF THIS RALLY CANNOT GUARANTEE YOUR SAFETY. YOU ARE PRESENT AT YOUR OWN RISK.

MOTORSPORT IS GEVAARLIK

WEENS DIE HOË SNELHEID WAT DEUR DEELNEMERS BEREIK WORD, KAN ONGELUKKE
GEBEUR. DIE PROMOTERS EN ORGANISEERDERS VAN HIERDIE BYEENKOMS KAN DERHALWE NIE DIE VEILIGHEID VAN
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APHAKAMILEYO NENGOZI ZINGENZKA. ABAXHASI NABAGQUQUZELI BOLU KHUPHISWANO ABANASO ISIQINISEKISO
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2026 SARRC

VICTORY AND MANUFACTURERS' AWARD

TOYOTA GAZOO Racing South Africa (TGRSA) opened its 2026 South African Rally-Raid Championship (SARRC) campaign in the best possible fashion this weekend, with Saood Variawa and Charan Moore securing victory at the INGCO Parys 400 and the team claiming the Manufacturers' Award, after a fiercely contested opening round near the Free State town of Parys.

The first race of the SARRC season proved to be a stern examination of crews and machinery alike, with competitors facing fast open sections, rocky tracks, mud, dust and extensive off-piste sections hidden amongst the high grasslands surrounding Parys. The result was one of the closest finishes in recent SARRC history, with only 31 seconds covering the top four crews after nearly six hours of racing.

For defending champion Saood Variawa and new co-driver Charan Moore, victory was anything but straightforward. The pair suffered from an unfavourable starting position during Friday's action, losing time while running near the front of the field through the high grass and off-piste sections. They ended the first day of racing just three seconds adrift of the overall lead.

Saturday's two long stages, however, provided an opportunity to fight back. Variawa and Moore immediately went on the attack, with the leading crews of Variawa, Guy Botterill and Gareth Woolridge (Ford) often separated by less than 15 seconds as they traded time throughout the opening loop.

Teammates Guy Botterill and Oriol Mena endured a weekend of mixed fortunes. The crew produced impressive pace throughout the event and strategically backed off slightly during Friday's second loop in an effort to secure a favourable road position for Saturday's action.

Unfortunately, that plan was undone by the presence of several closed farm gates during Saturday's stages. Having caught the cars ahead while they were opening gates, Botterill soon found himself effectively opening the road despite sacrificing time the previous day to avoid exactly that situation. The leading crews were compensated for the time lost while dealing with the gates, but for Botterill/Mena, there was no such relief.

Even so, the crew remained firmly in contention for victory until two navigational errors late in the event cost them around 45 seconds.

"We had a good weekend really," explained Botterill. "The first loop went really well and then we backed off a little bit to try and get a good road position for day two because that was the main part of the race. Unfortunately there were five closed gates and I ended up opening the road anyway. Then in the second loop we went down the wrong side of the fence twice and lost 45 seconds. We finished fourth by one second, so it's one of those could've, would've, should've situations, but all in all I'm happy."



Botterill and Mena eventually finished fourth overall, just one second shy of the final podium position and only 31 seconds behind the winners.

The third TGRSA entry, crewed by Sa'ad Variawa and Wade Harris, showed encouraging pace throughout the weekend, despite a series of setbacks. The pair ran competitively during Friday's stages and were matching the pace of the leading crews before visibility issues caused by mud on the windscreen hampered their progress.

Saturday brought further frustration in the form of an early puncture, navigational delays and eventually becoming stuck in mud during the second loop. Despite the setbacks, the crew persevered to finish 11th overall.

"It wasn't our weekend," admitted Sa'ad Variawa. "We had the pace to run with the top guys, but things just didn't go our way. We had a puncture, got stuck

in the mud and struggled to get into a rhythm. But I'm definitely enjoying it a lot and we learned a huge amount this weekend."

The strong performances from all three crews, coupled with the victory for Saood Variawa and Charan Moore, ensured that TGRSA also claimed the Manufacturers' Award at the opening round of the season.

The result sees Variawa and Moore leave Parys at the top of the championship standings as the South African Rally-Raid Championship now turns its attention to the second round of the season, the TGRSA-sponsored Marathon event in Stella from 24 to 26 July.

After opening the season with victory and maximum points, TGRSA will head to its home event carrying plenty of momentum and confidence as the fight for the 2026 championship gathers pace.

Guy Botterill and Oriol Mena





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