



# TARGA NEWS

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## OFFICIALS' NEWSLETTER

### From the Event Director

Hello to everyone. Well we are now about to start planning for the 2009 event but before we do; I again just wanted to thank each and every one of you for your efforts in 2008.

Competitor satisfaction with the event is at an all time high and many of them noted that our valued officials were friendlier and more helpful then ever so thank you for making their experience an enjoyable one.

We have some exciting plans for 2009 and we will be touch shortly to let you know what we have in store. In the meantime, those of you who attended the BBQ's would remember that I was very interested to hear from those of you who may want to be more involved in the future or try something new at the event.

You will see that in this newsletter we have included a small form for you to send back in the provided postage paid envelope if you are interested in maybe taking on a new challenge next year. I urge you to fill it in and send it back to us in the weeks ahead.

Speaking of the BBQ's, I'm always quick to point out when we get it right so likewise I like to be quick and point out when we get it wrong and the single BBQ in the North of our state this year was definitely a wrong move on our part.

I totally understand the comments I have received on this change with the rising cost of fuel in particular making it hard for many to come along. Next year will see us go the other way with many smaller BBQ's held like that held out on the West Coast where they have their BBQ actually on the day at the end of the stages being completed.

Is this something we could do each day during the event at a pre-determined central location? I'd be interested to hear your thoughts on this. Simply email me at [m.perry@octagon.com](mailto:m.perry@octagon.com). Once we have reviewed this, I will advise further but rest assured there will be an increase in BBQ's next year to ensure that most don't have to travel too far.

Lastly, we have an E-News that comes out each month so again I urge you to subscribe so you can keep up with all the latest developments and changes for Targa Tasmania 2009. To subscribe simply type in the web address below and follow the prompts.

[www.targatasmania.com.au](http://www.targatasmania.com.au)

Thank you again and I look forward to hearing from many of you in the weeks ahead.

Cheers

Mark Perry  
Event Director

**OFFICIALS WANTED!!!!!!**  
**PLEASE HELP!!!! WE NEED YOU!!!**

**Overnight Officials 2009** for Launceston, Strahan and Hobart. Contact Manager **TBA**  
**Stage Crew Manager 2009 - TBA**  
**Course Managers 2009 - TBA**  
**Stage Commanders for 2009 - TBA**

Positions available – please let us know your preference's....

## Goodwood Festival of Speed

International participation has always been a special part of Targa Tasmania with the event appealing to motoring enthusiasts from all corners of the globe. Targa Tasmania's exposure within Europe during 2008 was greatly heightened by London Daily Telegraph Motoring Editor Peter Hall participating at the event and reporting daily on progress in his Triumph GT6. European interest also saw former-Scottish WRC driver Alistair McRae win the inaugural Targa Tasmania Showroom Competition in his factory backed Mazda 3 MPS.

To keep the ball rolling since the event Tourism Tasmania and Targa Tasmania attended the famous Goodwood Festival of Speed in mid-July. Event Director Mark Perry as well as 2008 competitors Adam Spence, Simone Bachman and Peter Hall were all on hand to talk about Targa Tasmania to the 200,000 strong crowd.

At the Targa Tasmania stand Peter Hall displayed his Triumph in Targa livery and elsewhere Queenslander Ray Vandersee displayed the yellow Skelta G-Force that finished fourth outright in Modern this year.

On the weekend of the 26-27 July The Silverstone Classic Historic Grand Prix was held at the Silverstone Formula 1 Grand Prix circuit where Adam Spence and classic car enthusiast and Targa Tasmania regular Rob Sherrard maned a promotional Targa Tasmania stand with further display cars.

## AASA Officials Licences

Enclosed within this newsletter you will find your new Australian Auto Sport Alliance (AASA) Officials Licence. This licence hardcard enables you to officiate at the growing number of AASA events within Australia.

One licence grade is issued by AASA, so there is no need to upgrade or sit tests to become more involved as an official!

## BBQ DATES FOR 2009

The dates and the venues are yet to be confirmed, just watch this space.



## CHANGES IN THE EVENT OFFICE

Former volunteer and part time employee **Louise Calvert** has recently been appointed to the position of Event Executive – Finance. Lou was formerly part of the Rosny College Vocational Education and Training Programme and assisted within the functions team in 2007 and was a part time employee again working within the functions team of 2008.

**Tania Lamont** started with the team on the 21 July as our Event Executive – Competition, most of you would probably know Tania through her involvement with either Rallies or as assistant Race Secretary at Baskerville Raceway and in the past at Symmons Plains. Tania has also taken on the role of looking after the Officials for Targa Tasmania. Please give her a call and she will be able to help you with any queries that you may have.

2008 Functions Manager, **Helen Coad** is now co-ordinating various tasks within the role of Event Manager – Sales and Marketing. Further to existing functions responsibilities, Helen is now liaising with sponsors as well as being the initial point of contact for competitors.

After eight years, we wish Kylie Benson well having now moved onto pursue new challenges.

## Targa Tasmania - Official Badges

To all officials, the Targa office is having a clean up, we have available in our office for collection the following:-

**1994** – 3 off only

**1995** through to **2007** – we have heaps in stock, so if you are missing any, please come and give us a visit and we will be only too happy to provide you with the missing ones.



We now have available the 2008 Targa DVD along with the 2007 Targa DVD these are available at a cost of \$29.95 + \$4.00 postage and handling, total being \$33.95.

We also have available at a sale price of \$19.95 + \$4.00 postage and handling, DVD's and Video's of the Targa Events pre 2007, total being \$23.95.

We are able to do credit card over the phone, and then post out to you if this is easier and you aren't able to get into our office.