

Terms and Conditions for 2010 Rally New Zealand Rising Stars Scholarship

Application Process

- Entries close and must be received by 10am Monday 2 November 2009.
- Applicants must be under 26 years old as at 1 January 2010.
- Applicants must be New Zealand residents.
- Applicants must be a member of a MotorSport New Zealand affiliated Car Club.
- Applicants are required to supply a complete CV of their motorsport, professional and personal achievements with their application. This should include two references that Rally New Zealand may contact if they wish.
- Applicants must not have been registered for the New Zealand Rally Championship as the Driver of a Group N car.
- Previous finalists may reapply.
- Applicants give their approval for their competition licence details (if they hold one) to be checked with MotorSport New Zealand and give permission for MotorSport New Zealand to provide information to Rally New Zealand.
- Applicants must include the entry fee of \$600 including GST with their application. Non-payment or late payment of this fee will immediately exclude an applicant.
- The entry fee is payable to Rally New Zealand
- This fee covers the partial cost of the Rally Drive New Zealand section of the selection process and is subsidised by Rally New Zealand. The entry fee will be refunded in full to applicants who are not selected for the shootout.
- The final selection shootout is limited to 12 applicants. Rally New Zealand will appoint a panel to select the finalists who will progress to the shootout. The panel's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into. Rally New Zealand may select less than 12 applicants at their sole discretion.
- The successful finalists for the shootout will be advised by phone and email on Monday 9 November 2009. This advice will also include further details of the shootout process.
- All unsuccessful applicants will be advised via email on Monday 9 November 2009.

Shootout Process

- All finalists must comply with the instructions given during the shootout programme. Any failure to follow instructions given by scholarship management may result in participation being ended at that point.
- The shootout will be a three day process.
 - Friday 20 November 6:30pm till 8:30pm – Documentation and Introduction in Auckland
 - Saturday 21 November 8:00am till 8pm in Auckland and Maramarua Forest
 - Sunday 22 November 8:00am till 6pm in Auckland and Maramarua Forest
- Finalists must fund their own costs to attend the shootout including travel and accommodation. All finalists must stay in the designated motel where rooms will be allocated by Rally New Zealand.
- Transport will be provided from the motel to and from each day's activities.
- Finalists are required to supply their own overalls, boots and gloves for the shootout.
- All finalists are responsible for any damage and repair costs caused during the shootout and will be required to provide a credit card to be imprinted prior to the start of the shootout.
- All finalists will be required to sign and accept the Rally Drive New Zealand indemnity form which will also be deemed to cover the use of the Ford Fiesta cars.
- Spectators and support people associated with finalists are **not** permitted to attend any aspect of the scholarship shootout process or stay with the finalists in the designated motel.
- At the start of each day of the shootout all finalists will be required to surrender their cellphones which will be returned to them when they arrive at the motel each evening.
- The shootout will consist of:
 - Physical testing
 - Mental testing
 - Media Interview
 - Sponsorship Presentation
 - Shootout competitors are required to submit a brief sponsorship presentation in written form by 10am on 16 November to paul@rallynz.org.nz which will be given to the sponsorship judges to review. This presentation must be submitted as a PDF file of no more than 2MB in size. Competitors will be interviewed by a panel during the shootout.

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The sponsorship presentation should be based upon the assumption that the finalist is the scholarship winner and that they are asking the panel for sponsorship for their costs during the season.

- General Panel Interview
- Tuition and driving in Rally Drive New Zealand supplied 2WD cars.
- Background training on rally related subjects.
- After this process the top 4 finalists as selected by the judges will then be judged in Fiesta Sporting Trophy cars accompanied by a judge and a final interview to select the winner.
- All candidates are required to remain at the shootout till the final winner is announced.
- The judging panel will include media representatives, physical training experts, Rally New Zealand representatives, former and current drivers and co-drivers, and sponsors representatives.
- The judging panel's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- If the award winner does not take up their award then it will be awarded to the second placed candidate.

Scholarship Package

The winner of the scholarship will receive a supported drive in the 2010 New Zealand Rally Championship as well as Rally New Zealand 2010 in a Fiesta Sporting Trophy Car. This includes running costs, entry fees, stage notes, package, partial insurance costs and provision of a mentor. The winner will be required to sign a contract with Rally New Zealand prior to receiving the scholarship.

- The winner is responsible for the following:
 - Staying in Auckland on 23 November for media interviews and briefing.
 - Attending testing as needed in Auckland or other areas as required.
 - All co-driver costs.
 - All travel to and from events and testing.
 - Transport of the rally car to and from events.
 - Provision of a reconnaissance vehicle.
 - Accommodation at events.
 - Payment of half of the insurance cost for each event plus meeting the excess for any damage on event.
 - Providing two suitable people to assist as service crew on event including their accommodation.
 - Providing a fully equipped light service vehicle for use on event.
 - Provision of safety equipment not provided as part of the scholarship.
 - Providing detailed pre and post event reports debriefing the event.
 - Providing a pre and post event blog for media use.
 - Participation in sponsor events and functions as directed by Rally New Zealand.
- Further details regarding the costs to the winner based on the inaugural scholarship are available from Rally New Zealand.
- The winner will be allocated a small sponsorship space on the car and their apparel that they may sell to sponsors. Any sponsors for this space must not be in conflict with Rally New Zealand sponsors and must be approved in advance by Rally New Zealand.

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