

10TH ANNIVERSARY

Targa
HighCountry

8th-10th

November 2019

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Guide to the Event



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A message from the Event Director

Welcome to Targa High Country 2019!

The aim of this guide is to provide all participants, with information that will help them to better understand the event and to ensure they gain maximum enjoyment from their involvement.

Section **A** includes the schedule of main activities associated with the event.

Section **B** provides detailed information on various functions associated with Targa High Country.

Section **C** outlines the competition, with information on Competitor Relations Officer's (CRO), vehicle requirements (fuel and odometer), reconnaissance, safety/pace notes, recovery and communications.

I trust that this guide will help everyone, regardless of their role, to have a better understanding of the event and ensure that the 10th Anniversary event of Targa High Country will see the largest field ever assembled at the event since its inception in 2010.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Perry', with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

Mark Perry
Event Director
TARGA AUSTRALIA

SECTION A – Event Schedule

A WORD ABOUT THE EVENT GUIDE

The following information is intended to assist all competitors, sponsors, service crews, senior officials, licensees and local authorities involved with Targa High Country 2019, by providing useful information which would not be appropriate to include in the Supplementary Regulations. The information in this guide does not in any way supersede the **Supplementary Regulations** governing the event and therefore is not able to be used as the basis for a protest.

EVENT HEADQUARTERS

All pre-event enquiries regarding Targa High Country 2019 should be directed to the Targa Australia Office.

Suite 3 / 31 Davey Street
Hobart
TASMANIA, 7000

General enquiries: (03) 6144 9500 info@targa.com.au
Competitor enquiries: (03) 6144 9504 megan@targa.com.au

From Friday 8th November and during the event, general enquiries should be directed to Event Headquarters on the 4th floor in the Mt. Buller Alpine Central Building and competition associated enquiries to a Competitor Relations Officer (CRO) located on the 6th Floor of this building.

Event Headquarters

Mt Buller
4th Floor, Mt Buller Alpine Central Building

Telephone: (03) 6144 9500

Hours: FRIDAY 8th November 7:00am-6:00pm
SATURDAY 9th November 8:00am-1:00pm
SUNDAY 10th November 8:00am-4:00pm

OFFICIAL / SCORING NOTICEBOARD

An Official Noticeboard and Results Noticeboards will be located in **the foyer of Mt. Buller Alpine Central**. It is the competitor's responsibility to check this noticeboard for any information that may be issued, including the posting of bulletins and any altered restart order for the following day's competition. Provisional Final Classifications will be posted here at approximately 5.00pm on Sunday 10th November.

Final results will also be available on the Targa website www.targa.com.au under Results.

EVENT SCHEDULE

The schedule of the main activities of Targa High Country 2019 is as follows (*subject to change*)

| DATE | TIME | ACTIVITY | LOCATION |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| Wednesday 6th November | 12:00pm – 4:00pm | Documentation and Scrutineering | Mansfield Council Chambers |
| Thursday 7th November | 8:30am – 1:30pm | Documentation and Scrutineering | Mansfield Council Chambers |
| | 3:00pm | Compulsory Tour Briefing | Mt Buller Cinema |
| | 3:45pm | Compulsory Competitor Briefing – TSD Trophy, GT Sports Trophy, Thoroughbred Trophy, Classic & Classic GT | Mt Buller Cinema |
| | 4:30pm | Compulsory Competitor Briefing – Early Modern, GT4 & GT2 | Mt Buller Cinema |
| | 5:15pm | First Timer's Briefing – All competitions, no tour. | Mt Buller Cinema |
| | 6:00pm – 7:30pm | Targa High Country Welcome Party | Spurs, Mt Buller |
| | 9:00pm | Final entry list posted | Mt Buller |
| Friday 8th November | 7:00am | Event Headquarters opens – closes 6pm | 4 th Floor – Mt Buller Alpine Central Building |
| | 8:00am | Ceremonial start | Mt Buller Tower |
| | 10:00pm | Start order posted on the noticeboard for day 2 (SMS sent to competitors) | 6 th Floor – Mt Buller Alpine Central Building |
| Saturday 9th November | 8:00am | Event Headquarters opens – closes 1pm | 4 th Floor – Mt Buller Alpine Central Building |
| | 10:30am | Second day of competition begins | Mt Buller Tower |
| | 3:00pm | Mansfield Street Stage & TargaFest until 8:00pm | Mansfield |
| | 10:00pm | Start order posted for day 3 (SMS to competitors) | 6 th Floor – Mt Buller Alpine Central Building |
| Sunday 10th November | 8:00am | Event Headquarters open – closes 4pm | 4 th Floor – Mt Buller Alpine Central Building |
| | 8:00am | Third day of competition begins | Mt Buller Tower |
| | 2:00pm | Official finish – Podium Presentations from 3pm | Village Square |
| | 4:00pm | Post Event Scrutiny | Village Square |
| | 5:00pm | Mt Buller road re-opens | Mt Buller |
| | 5:00pm | Provisional Final Classifications Posted on Noticeboard | 6 th Floor – Mt Buller Alpine Central Building |
| | 6:30pm | CAMS Australia Targa Championship Dinner | The Whitt, Mt Buller |

EVENT ACCOMMODATION

We recommend the most appropriate location to stay during the event is on Mt Buller as competition vehicles must stay in the security park on top of the mountain at the end of competition each day.

ON MOUNTAIN ASSISTANCE



BullerHolidays can assist you with on mountain accommodation options and bookings.

Contact: 1800 810 200

Email: reservations@bullerholidays.com.au

Buller Holidays can provide a range of Hotel/Motel Style accommodation options, as well as private apartments with all the comforts of home, just let the Buller Holidays staff know your requirements.

OFF MOUNTAIN ASSISTANCE

MANSFIELD – MT BULLER can assist you with off mountain accommodation you may require pre-event and or during reconnaissance.

Contact: (03) 5775 7000

Email: info@mansfield-mtbuller.com.au

MERCHANDISE

A merchandise range will be available at the following locations during the event:

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|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| WEDNESDAY 6 th November | Documentation (Mansfield Shire Council) |
| THURSDAY 7 th November | Documentation (Mansfield Shire Council) |
| SATURDAY 9 th November | TargaFest (Mansfield) |
| SUNDAY 10 th November | Targa High Country Official Finish (Mt Buller) |

FUNCTIONS AND CATERING

As a part of the entry fee, lunch will be provided to drivers and navigators on all days of the competition.

As a part of the entry fee, both driver and navigator receive a ticket each to the Welcome Party along with all registered Service Crew. Entry will be granted by showing your event wristband at the entry door. Additional tickets can be purchased separately at Documentation on Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th November 2019.

A summary of the functions program for Targa High Country 2019 follows:

WELCOME PARTY Spurs, Mt Buller THURSDAY 7th November 2019

This function marks the official welcome to Mt. Buller and the 2019 event.

A chance to catch up with old friends, and perhaps make some new ones in a relaxed environment, warming you into the weekend and 10th anniversary celebrations ahead.

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| Time: | 6:00pm to 7:30pm |
| Dress Code: | Neat casual |
| Additional Ticket Price: | \$55 |
| Price Includes: | Beverages and nibbles |

CAMS AUSTRALIAN TARGA CHAMPIONSHIP DINNER The Whitt, Mt Buller SUNDAY 10th November 2019

Come and join us for dinner and celebrate the winners of the CAMS Australian Targa Championship. Tickets are *strictly* limited for this event, so please don't hesitate to book to avoid disappointment.

| | |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Time: | 6:30pm for 7:00pm start |
| Dress Code: | Smart casual |
| Ticket Price: | \$95 |
| Price Includes: | Two course dinner and beverages |

TARGA BAR
The Whitt, Mt Buller
THURSDAY 7th November – SUNDAY 10th November 2019

Come in, warm up and catch up with your fellow Targa competitors. Upon conclusion of the event, enjoy an evening of well-earned celebrations

Time: 10th November: 2:00pm onwards

TARGAFEST
Mansfield Town Centre
SATURDAY 9th November 2019

TargaFest will once again be held on Saturday afternoon and evening in the centre of Mansfield, which will come to life with the fantastic adrenalin pumped street stage. After completing your run and service, your vehicle will be parked in the main street of Mansfield for the locals to admire, while you too, can enjoy watching your fellow competitors complete the stage while dining on a meal from the many restaurants and cafés.

Time: 2:00pm: Road Closes
3:00pm: Street Stage Commences
5:00pm: TargaFest Commences
8:00pm: TargaFest Finishes

MT BULLER OFFICIAL FINISH
Village Square, Mt Buller
SUNDAY 10th November 2019

Upon crossing the finish line, competitors will receive their hard-earned Finisher's Medallion, while Provisional winners of all eight competitions will achieve recognition with an on stage trophy presentation followed by a "Champagne Shower".

Time: First car arrives approximately 1:30pm
Podium presentations from 3:00pm

DINING AND HOSPITALITY

Make sure you get the most out of your stay on Mt Buller by planning ahead and booking in for your evening meals. There are a limited number of venues open during the event who are looking forward to hosting you.

ABOM Hotel

Located at the top of Athletes Walk the ABOM is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner daily and will be offering coffee and toasties in the village square from their food van on Friday, Saturday & Sunday morning.

Open: Wednesday 6th November - Sunday 10th November
9am - approx. 8pm

The Whitt (Ski Club of Victoria)

Located at the top of Athletes Walk the Whitt's bar will be offering delicious pub-style meals throughout the weekend.

Open: Wednesday 6th November till Saturday 9th November 6pm – late
Sunday 10th November: CAMS Australian Targa Championship Dinner (tickets only)

Coffee Garage (Ski Club of Victoria)

Located at the top of Athletes Walk the Coffee Garage will be offering fresh coffee throughout the weekend.

Buller Grocer

Mt Buller Village has a licenced supermarket complete with bottle shop, small fruit and veg section and a range of grocery items including a small selection of hot pies etc.

Open: Wednesday 6th November till Sunday 10th November 9.00am till 6.00pm

LUNCHBREAK TIMES

| LEG | DAY | DATE | LOCATION | FIRST TOUR CAR DUE | FIRST COMPETITOR DUE |
|-----|-----|----------------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | Fri | 8 th Nov | Eildon | 10:52am | 11:22am |
| 2 | Sat | 9 th Nov | Pizzini Wines | 12:03pm | 12:33pm |
| 3 | Sun | 10 th Nov | Eildon | 9:34am | 10:04am |

SECTION C – Operations / Competitions

COMPETITORS RELATIONS OFFICERS

Competitor Relations Officers (CRO) have been appointed to support competitors. CRO's are the channel for all communications between the competitors and the Clerk of Course. Queries from competitors (whether on timing, being held up on a Targa stage, alleged incorrect recording by officials affecting scores) are handled by the CRO's.

To enhance the service to competitors provided by this team there is a telephone number and email address for competitors to easily contact the CRO's. CRO's will also be present in the Entry Foyer of the Mt Buller Alpine Central Building at the end of Legs 1 & 3 until 6.00pm and at TargaFest at the end of Leg 2 until 6.30pm.

Contact: 0450 386 111 between the hours of 8.00am and 7.00pm each day from 7th to the 10th November

Email: cro@targa.com.au

FUEL

Refer to the Supplementary Regulations – There is no fuel available on Mt Buller.
Fuel stations listed below all carry 98RON

Mansfield

Address: Caltex Mansfield
2 Chenery Street, Mansfield
Phone: (03) 5775 2284

BP Mansfield
142 Mt Buller Road, Mansfield
(03) 5775 2928

24/7 Petrol Pump (via Credit Card payment only)

Address: Mirimbah Store
Mount Buller Tourists Road,
Mirimbah VIC 3722

Bonnie Doon
Metro Petroleum
1481 Maroondah Hwy, Bonnie Doon

Merton

Address: Caltex Merton
8283 Maroondah Hwy, Merton

Eildon

Address: Eildon Service Station
2 Centre Ave, Eildon

Please note: Those travelling with diesel powered vehicles, there may be issues with frozen fuel, if overnight temperatures get below zero degrees. The addition of a fuel additive can help in these cases.

ROAD CLOSURES

[Click here for Targa High Country Road Closure times](#)

TRAILER PARKING

Trailers MUST be parked in a safe location off the road within Mt. Buller Village area. Any trailers blocking access to accommodation or the road in anyway will be removed at the owner's expense. Alternatively, they can be parked at the Horse Hill Bus Stop located 800 metres below the Mt Buller Village

RECONNAISSANCE

Reconnaissance notes are available on the Targa website under the Targa High Country tab. These notes will assist competitors in locating Targa stage start and finish control locations (painted on the road surface as a TS and TF), whilst also familiarising themselves with the competition course.

ODOMETER CHECK

It is strongly advised that competitors calibrate their distance measuring devices against 'the official odometer check'.

The check will be implemented on Mansfield/Mt. Buller Road on Tuesday 5th November 2019 until Thursday 7th November 2019.

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10km Odometer Check

All distances for the road books have been based on this 10km check

This 10km check is on the touring stage from Mirrimbah to Mansfield.

For pre event checking:

Locate the Start (**S37 6.148, E146 14.259**) at the junction of Chapel Hill Rd and Mount Buller Tourist Rd just prior to the bridge.

(Two Yellow triangles painted on road shoulder)

Locate the Finish (**S37 3.937, E146 8.753**) on Mount Buller Tourist Rd between Tinhat Rd and Graves Rd.

(Two Yellow triangles painted on road shoulder)

TOW TRUCK

A Recovery Team, including tow trucks, will accompany the competitors. The purpose of this team is to recover and secure any damaged or un-roadworthy vehicles and ensure the crew is not left stranded at the roadside. The cost of transport back to the overnight stop at Mt. Buller is covered by a one-off levy. Towing to any other location is the responsibility and cost of the competitor, as is towing by any other contractor other than Mt Buller Towing.

It is **NOT** the responsibility of the Recovery Team to tow or transport damaged vehicles. They will co-ordinate with the towing contractor, Mt Buller Towing to provide accident and breakdown services. Competitors who call for the Recovery Team must **NOT** leave their vehicle until the Recovery Team has arrived, nor should they arrange alternative recovery procedures. Only Mt Buller Towing trucks are to be used. Every year some competitors manage to disrupt the recovery process by intercepting tow trucks which have been despatched to pick up other vehicles. Before you are guilty of this, spare a thought for your fellow competitor.

Published towing service rates for Mt Buller Towing are as follows:

- Levy insurance for flat towing to end of section **\$150** inc GST
- Crane Recovery is an extra cost as listed;
- Towing anywhere outside of the Course will be an extra charge and need to be arranged directly with the towing contractors.
- Please note **ONLY** Cash or Credit Card (Visa or Mastercard) will be accepted.

For additional towing service or a free quote on any post-event towing required, competitors are invited to contact **Mt Buller Towing: Paul Keedle on 0458 077 572**

COMMUNICATIONS

The widespread availability of mobile phones and other devices means that many crew have their own method of communication from the competition vehicle.

Whilst Targa High Country does not intend to limit these devices, be aware of the following:

- Targa High Country has a comprehensive communication network, linked to Targa-stage tracking technology, which is designed to respond rapidly to any emergency. It is also designed to allow the competition to continue with the minimum possible interruption. Above all it is designed to protect the security of the stage.
- When competitors use their own in-car communication device to directly call 000 or others outside of event Command for assistance on a Targa stage, they may inadvertently place the stage security at risk. Ambulances, police response vehicles, media, service or support vehicles might potentially enter a stage entirely unknown to event officials and with possible tragic consequences.

In the event of an incident on a Targa stage, either to you or another competitor, or even as a spectator, competitors are required to use the Organiser's standard procedures.

Competitors will be issued with a telephone 'Hotline' sticker featuring the number 03 6144 9509

This sticker needs to be placed on the inside of your windscreen or where clearly visible i.e. near terra trip or on the dashboard.

If you need to report an incident on a Targa stage, use only this emergency number to access the **Command Centre Emergency Hotline**.

Mobile Phone coverage is generally strongest with Telstra in the High Country region.