



9th October 2010 Newsletter

Hi Everyone,

Well another week closer to the 16th Dunlop Targa and things are really starting to heat up. This weekend we will be sorting out the seeding order which will be posted on the website early next week so keep your eyes open for that. This is going to be rather difficult given the number of new cars entered by both seasoned and new Targa Competitors. There is also a well known race on Sunday across the Tasman that will be attracting a bit of attention at Bathurst and around the world. Go the Kiwi's and lets hope it rains as all of our boys are good in the wet.

The Rally of the North is on today and a few of our timing officials are getting their hands in before the Dunlop Targa, so results should be just as quick and accurate as the last few Targa events.

New Targa Sponsor

Speaking of timing teams we are proud to announce another new sponsor to Targa NZ, **Britz NZ** have just been confirmed as our Media Center Sponsor. They will be providing us with nine, 6 berth campervans for the week of the Dunlop Targa. One of these will be used as our Mobile Media Center and the other eight will be used by the timing teams at the start and finish controls of each special stage. The Media Center vehicle will be at the start of day, lunch stops and end of day. This will be where competitors can drop off their SD cards from the in-car cameras and tell us any interesting gossip that has happened. It will be maned by our new Digital Media Guru, Steven, who will be doing the video streaming to the website. This will also be the place where Alan Henderson, Jamie McCarthy, Ashley from Classic Car Mag, Paul from Black Magic Media, Shaun Summerfeild and all the GroundSky Crew can get together to swap stories and images. Keep your eyes open for the **Britz NZ Targa Media Center** as it makes it's way down the country.

Promotional Vehicles

Targa introduced the 003, 002 & 001 promotional cars last year and not only did they prove to be very successful, they also help to keep the special stages secure prior to the competition vehicles. We are proud to announce that 003 is a Porsche Cayman S that has been supplied by Porsche New Zealand and will be driven by Racing Ray Williams. Thanks must go to Richard Giltrap and his team for helping out with this car. His role is to pick up the various dignatories from the local regions and give them a taste of what the Dunlop Targa event is all about. In the 002 role is two times Dunlop Targa Winners Anton & Anne Tallott driving their Honda Interga Type R. And the 001 role will again be Shane (aka Giz) & Robert (aka Cheese) van Gisbergen driving the wheels and tyres off the Ford FPV F6 supplied by Ford NZ. Thanks also to Suzanne Van Pels for helping out with this car again. After such a wonderful display of driving last year, I am sure the crowds will be out in force to watch Shane show us his skills. Let's hope he can do the business tomorrow on Mt Panorama.

Well enough from me, I must get ready for tomorrow.

Regards

Peter and the Targa Team.

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