



**AUSTRALIA'S ULTIMATE DESERT RACE  
QUEENS BIRTHDAY WEEKEND 10 - 13 JUNE 2022**

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**2022 TATTS FINKE DESERT RACE  
A GUIDE FOR VOLUNTEERS**

The Finke Desert Race has been run annually in Central Australia for more than 40 years. Throughout this time, this now internationally renowned event has been community run organized and operated by volunteers with support from only a handful part-time paid staff (specifically in the administration and information technology departments). 2022 saw 300+ registered volunteers. Many of these are Alice Springs residents, however, many come from other parts of Australia ... sometimes on an annual basis. Our volunteers bring a vast range of knowledge, skills, and experience to the event... and we couldn't do it without them!!

Anyone can volunteer and there are no prerequisites required for many of the roles. While some require training and accreditation (e.g. scrutineering) there are many that don't (e.g. car park attendants, catering etc.). Team Leaders will ensure that volunteers are competent and comfortable in their roles and where necessary, training will be provided, and briefings arranged.

Most of the roles relate to tasks over race weekend however, some cover the week prior to the race, with others like track maintenance and marking which extend over the months and weeks prior to the race.

The following list is intended to give potential volunteers a feel for the help that is required. There is usually a lot of flexibility – e.g. the Flag Marshall is not required for all three race days - providing the Volunteer Co-ordinator or Team Leader is aware of who is expected where and when. Some volunteers may have two or more roles – e.g. one in registration week and another on the race days. The Finke Desert Race welcomes everyone – motorsport enthusiasts or not – to come and immerse themselves in the “behind the scenes” aspects of our event and join the “Finke Family”.

**Race Week 2022**

- **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (11.00am to 6.00pm)**  
Competitor & Volunteer Sign-on
- **Thursday – 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022**  
Finke Street Party and Night Markets
- **Friday – 10<sup>th</sup> June 2022**  
Scrutineering
- **Saturday – 11<sup>th</sup> June 2022**  
Prologue
- **Sunday – 12<sup>th</sup> June 2022**  
Race Day 1 (Alice Springs to Finke)
- **Monday – 13<sup>th</sup> June 2022**  
Race Day 2 (Finke to Alice Springs) & Presentation Night

## STREET PARTY

<b>Thursday – 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022</b>
<b>Finke Street Party and Night Markets (Alice Springs Town Council lawns and Todd Mall)</b>
Assist with signage, sponsor fencing & drivers/riders signing table
Assist with light tower/scissor lift movements
Assist Site Manager/Event Organisers with any other duties as required
Required for Bump In from 1.00pm – Bump Out at 9.00pm (shifts available).

## START/FINISH LINE

<b>Catering (4 volunteers required)</b> Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (3.00pm – 8.00pm) Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (10.00am – 4.00pm) Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (10.00am – 4.00pm) Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (10.00am – 4.00pm)
Assist in preparation and cooking of food for the volunteers at the Start / Finish line
Required for Friday evening BBQ, Saturday, Sunday and Monday breakfast, lunch and evening meal (shifts available)

<b>Event Information (CRO) (4 volunteers required)</b> Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (3.00pm – 8.00pm) Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (10.00am – 4.00pm) Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (10.00am – 4.00pm) Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (10.00am – 4.00pm)
Assist with enquiries regarding competitor information during the event
Lost property
Sign off competitors with return of transponders
Required: Saturday, Sunday and Monday all day

<b>Flag Marshalls (8 volunteers required)</b> Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (all day – shifts available) Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (7.30am – 2.30pm) Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (9.30am – 4.30pm)
Wave different coloured flags to communicate and direct competitors

**Line Up Marshalls (12 volunteers required)**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (all day – shifts available)

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (7.30am – 2.30pm)

Direct car and bike competitors to start line in correct starting order

**Finish Line Marshalls (12 volunteers required)**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (9.30am – 4.30pm)

Hand out water bottles to finishing competitors

Remove transponders from vehicles and bikes

**Scorers (4 volunteers required)**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (all day – shifts available)

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (7.30am – 2.30pm)

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (9.30am – 4.30pm)

Carry out manual scoring for cars and bikes

**Bar (6 volunteers required)**

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (3.00pm – 8.00pm)

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (10.00am – 4.00pm)

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (10.00am – 4.00pm)

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (10.00am – 4.00pm)

RSA essential (proof to be provided)

Set up and pack down bar

Selling of drinks and money handling

**Car Parking Attendants (4 volunteers required)**

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (3.00pm – 6.00pm)

Direct spectator vehicles into car park

**Car Scrutineering (30 – 40 volunteers required)**

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (5.00pm – 9.00pm)

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (3.00pm – 9.00pm)

Check vehicles and competitor clothing to meet CAMS specifications and record details

Check all competitor paperwork is correct

**Bike Scrutineering (40 volunteers required)**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (3.00pm – 9.00pm)

Check bikes and rider clothing

Check rider paperwork is correct

**Competitor Registration (8 – 10 volunteers required)**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (9.00am – 5.30pm)Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (9.00am – 5.30pm)Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (9.00am – 5.30pm)

Register all entrants (Bike and Car competitors) using computer program

Hand out their competitor packs with all necessary information

Sell additional items as required

Training in the software will be conducted immediately before registration opening

**Volunteer Registration (2 – 3 volunteers required)**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (9.00am – 5.30pm)Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (9.00am – 5.30pm)Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (9.00am – 5.30pm)

Register volunteers

Hand out volunteer packs

Supply and register volunteer vests to all

**Set up at Start / Finish line (4 volunteers required)**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (9.00am – 5.30pm)

Assist with signage and sponsor fencing

Set up Media centre

Assist with competitor and volunteer registration set up

Assist Site Manager with any other duties as required

**Race Control**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (7.00am – 6.00pm)Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (7.00am – 6.00pm)Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (7.00am – 6.00pm)

Assist with various duties in Race Control, CAMS or MA licences may be required

<b>Administration Assistant (2 volunteers required)</b> 2 – 3 weeks prior to the event
Prior to event assist with photocopying
Distribution of programs
Distribution of Sponsors packs
Assist with any other duties as required

<b>Finke Checkpoint (20 – 30 volunteers required)</b> Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 to Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022
Travel to Finke Friday
Must be available to camp out over weekend
Attend Checkpoint briefing/training prior to event
Empty container and set up checkpoint, phones, computer, printers etc
Set up sponsors signage and area for officials
Open showers and ensure catering arrangements are organised
Meet planes on arrival from Alice Springs with Officials and Media
Mark Start/Finish line with appropriate temporary fencing supplied, ensure flag marshals are in position
Organise water distribution for competitors
Record all competitors through the checkpoint
Work with St John personnel and Sweep vehicles in your location
Line competitors up for start on Monday morning
Pack down checkpoint prior to departure
Fuel vouchers will be supplied

<b>Deep Well, Rodinga and Bundooma, Mt Squires Checkpoints (6 volunteers required)</b> Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 to Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022
Must be available to camp
Attend Checkpoint briefing/ training prior to event
On arrival set up checkpoint with necessary equipment and signage supplied
During race record all competitor numbers through checkpoint
Communicate by phone, UHF radio or computer any race related incidents
Work with St John personnel and Sweep vehicles in your location
Fuel vouchers will be supplied

<b>Road Closures - Deep Well and Rodinga (4-6 volunteers required)</b> Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 to Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022
Manage road closure as directed
Set up signage in correct position
Traffic Management qualification essential

<b>Fuel Stops (6 – 8 volunteers required per location)</b> Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 to Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022
The three Fuel stops are located at 68kms, 116kms and 172kms
Must be available to camp
Fuel is transported to all fuel stops by organisers as per entry requirements
Open container and set up as instructed
All necessary paperwork is supplied
Refuel cars and bikes as instructed
Pack up site after event as instructed
Fuel vouchers will be supplied

<b>Sweep Vehicles (20 volunteers required)</b> Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 to Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022
Must be available to camp
Must be available to camp out from Saturday to the Monday for most locations
Length of each section is approx 40kms
Two people per vehicle over 16 years
Traverse racetrack following last vehicle or bike
Ensure racetrack is clear and report any areas of interest to Race control
May need to clear track of debris and transport competitor to next checkpoint
Ensure all incidents are logged and communicated with Recovery Team if a bike requires pick up
Attend briefing/training prior to event
Fuel vouchers will be supplied

<b>Recovery Vehicles (6 volunteers required)</b> Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 to Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022
Must be available to camp
Recovery vehicles traverse approx. 120 kms of access road and collect bikes and or competitors as required
Two people per vehicle over 16 years
Communicate with sweep team to ensure no bike is left on the track
Attend briefing/training prior to event
Fuel vouchers will be supplied

<b>Track Marking (6 volunteers required)</b> Approximately two months prior to the event
Repair and mark sections as required instructions from Track Manager
All necessary equipment is supplied
Fuel vouchers supplied

***Please note that information is correct at time of publication***