

SPECTATE SAFELY

FINKE NEEDS YOU!

WE NEED ALL SPECTATORS ALONG THE TRACK TO ALWAYS FOLLOW ALL SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS. THESE INSTRUCTIONS ARE IN PLACE TO KEEP YOU AND OTHERS SAFE

- ✓ ALWAYS stand minimum 30 METRES back from the track.
- ✓ Obey Spectator 'NO GO' Zones
- ✓ Stay behind and obey all bunting and signage
- ✓ NEVER stand on the outside of a corner
- ✓ In the absence of signage - STAND minimum 30 METRES BACK
- ✓ Obey ALL directions of Tatts Finke Desert Race SPECTATOR MARSHALLS and EVENT ORGANISERS.
- ✓ If someone's not doing the right thing, let them know. If they don't stand back, let us know by telling a Spectator Marshal.

HELP US KEEP FINKE SAFE FOR EVERYONE - DON'T BE THE REASON IT ENDS FOR GOOD.

THE RACE MAY BE STOPPED INSTANTLY IF SPECTATORS DON'T COMPLY. IF YOU'RE ASKED TO MOVE - JUST DO IT

UNSAFE AREAS FOR SPECTATORS

RACING VEHICLES CAN OVERSHOOT.

NEVER STAND/CAMP IN THE MARKED AREAS



TIGHT CORNERS

No standing & camping zone



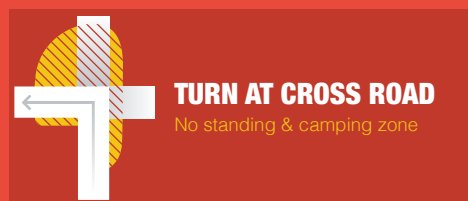
KEEP LEFT OR RIGHT

No standing & camping zone



TIGHT CORNERS

No standing & camping zone



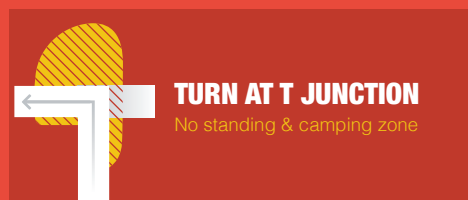
TURN AT CROSS ROAD

No standing & camping zone



HAIRPINS

No standing & camping zone



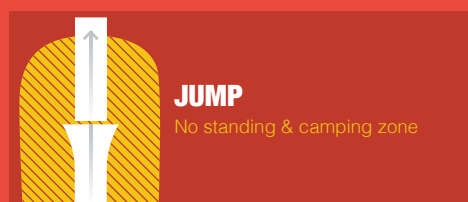
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No standing & camping zone



CHICANE

No standing & camping zone



JUMP

No standing & camping zone

ADMISSION PRICES



ONLINE PRICES

SCRUTINEERING Friday 6th June
\$20* Adults | Children 15 Years & Under **FREE** | Start / Finish Line Entry

PROLOGUE Saturday 7th June
\$20* Adults | Children 15 Years & Under **FREE** | Start / Finish Line Entry

RACE DAY 1 Sunday 8th June
\$15* Adults | Children 15 Years & Under **FREE** | Start / Finish Line Entry

RACE DAY 2 Monday 9th June
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PRESENTATION NIGHT Monday 9th June
\$20* Tickets | Children 15 Years & Under **FREE** | Alice Springs convention centre

*Online Booking Fee applies

GATE PRICES

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ALL WEEKEND PASS

Entry to All Venues During Race Weekend

\$75* Save \$15 Online Tickets

\$90 Gate Tickets

*Online Booking Fee applies

STREET PARTY & NIGHT MARKETS
Thursday 5th June

Free Entry



BUILD A SAFE FIRE

HOW TO BUILD A CAMP FIRE

- ✓ Make sure there is a 4 x 4 metre clearing
- ✓ Dig a hole about 90 cm in diameter and 30 cm deep
- ✓ Use the soil that you have removed to make a boundary for the fire
- ✓ Build your fire in the hole
- ✓ Have some water nearby

HOW TO EXTINGUISH A CAMP FIRE

- ✓ Remove slow burning logs and completely extinguish with water
- ✓ Shovel the boundary soil over the fire to completely cover it
- ✓ Never leave a burning fire unattended
- ✓ Ensure all campfires are extinguished before leaving the campsite



Under Section 74 of the Bushfires Management Act 2016 (NT) it is an offence if a person leaves a fire unattended.

Maximum penalty 500 penalty units or 5 years imprisonment (1 penalty unit = \$155)

FINKE FIRE SAFETY

One of the biggest concerns for the Finke Desert Committee and Pastoralists are that campers will build fires that are too large to manage and leave campsites after race weekend without extinguishing fires properly.

If you are planning to go camping and have an open fire, please follow our simple instructions to assist you on how to build and, more importantly, extinguish a fire.

TO REPORT A BUSHFIRE PHONE 000

If you are camping out bush and don't have phone service, you can contact race control via UHF radio or report to your nearest checkpoint.

All checkpoints have phone internet and satellite communications.

THINGS TO REMEMBER WHEN USING A CAMPFIRE



SMALL FIRE

To be used for camping, cooking and boiling water. Contact Bushfires NT for a permit to light a fire for any other purpose.

The maximum penalty for lighting a fire with out a permit is a \$77,000 fine or 5 years imprisonment.



CLEARED AREA

No less than 4m wide around the campfire. This area must be cleared of all bush or flammable material.

The maximum penalty for using a small fire without clearing a 4m perimeter is a \$15,400 fine.



SUPERVISED

All campfires should be supervised by an adult. Fires can be unpredictable, so take care.



PUT IT OUT

Extinguish all campfires no longer in use. During a fireban period, fire is only allowed for cooking or boiling water.

The maximum penalty for leaving a small fire without extinguishing it is a \$77,000 fine or 5 years imprisonment.

Darwin 8922 0844 | Katherine 8973 8871 | Alice Springs and Tenant Creek 8952 3066 **IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY DIAL 000**

ROAD CONDITIONS

FOR CARS, TRAILERS & CARAVANS

The Maryvale Road and Ghan Heritage Road adjacent to the race track are generally unsealed, dry and dusty, rough and corrugated from high numbers of traffic leading up to and during Race Weekend.

During Finke Time, vehicle numbers reach over 2,000 per day on these roads, causing extreme dust and rough conditions. All drivers are urged to slow down, drive with your lights on, be courteous and mindful of others, take your time and drive to the conditions. Don't be the reason for an accident and injuries. Police will be patrolling the road and random breath tests will be conducted.

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

EMERGENCY

Call 000

INJURED COMPETITORS

UHF 1 or 8 Duplex

COMPETITOR ENQUIRIES

Call 8952 8886

The country we race on is very remote. ALWAYS travel with someone, or let someone know where you are going and your expected return.

If you breakdown, stay with your vehicle, and always carry water.

AMBULANCE LOCATIONS

📍 FDR Start/Finish Line
Alice Springs

📍 Deep Well Checkpoint
63km

📍 Rodinga Checkpoint
94km

📍 Bundooma Checkpoint
136km

📍 Mt Squires Checkpoint
169km

📍 FDR Start/Finish Line & Finke Camp Ground
223km



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WHAT, WHERE & WHEN OF FINKE

Welcome to Finke Party - 6:00pm
Wednesday 4th June - Lasseters Casino
Finke Street Party & Night Markets - 5:00pm
Thursday 5th June - Todd Mall
Scrutineering - 4:00pm
Friday 6th June - Start/Finish Line Precinct
Method Race Wheels Prologue - 6:00am
Saturday 7th June - Start/Finish Line Precinct
Race Day 1 - 6:00am
Sunday 8th June - Start/Finish Line Precinct
Race Day 2 - 7:00am
Monday 9th June - Start/Finish Line Precinct
Presentation Night - 6:00pm
Monday 9th June - A/S Convention Centre

MERCHANDISE

POP UP STALL

Location: Alice Plaza Shopping Centre

Monday 2nd June
to Wednesday 4th June 10am to 5pm

STREET PARTY & NIGHT MARKETS

Location: Alice Plaza Shopping Centre

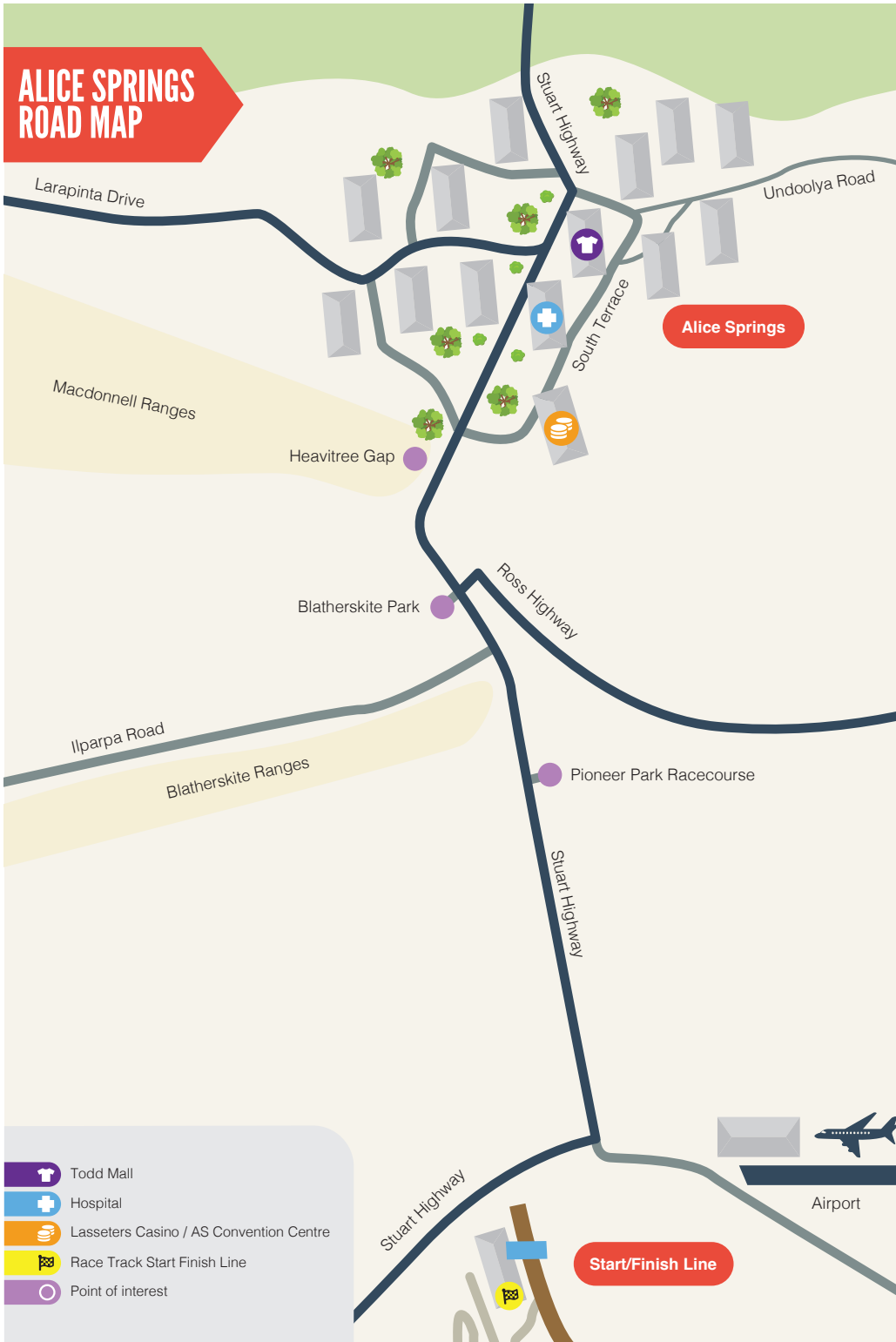
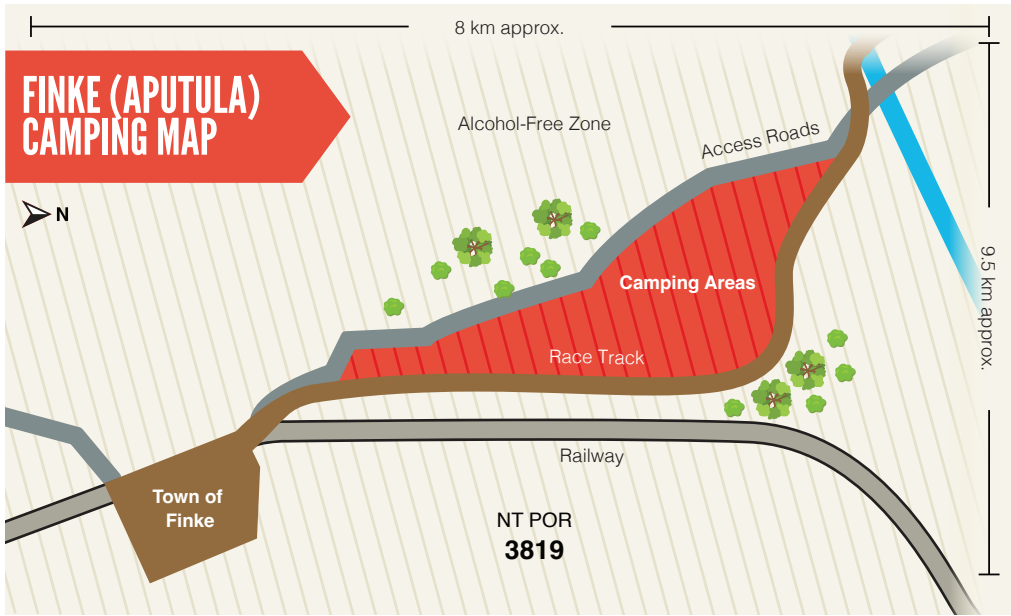
Thursday 5th June 2pm to 9pm

OFFICIAL MERCHANDISE STORE

Location: Start/Finish Line Precinct

Friday 6th June 4pm to 9pm
Saturday 7th June 9am to 4pm
Sunday 8th June 7:30am to 3pm
Monday 9th June 8:30am to 4pm





ROAD CLOSURE NOTICE

Road closure requested from Northern Territory Government for the running of the 2025 Tatts Finke Desert Race

Maryvale Road

Closed to all traffic between the Deep Well Checkpoint crossover and the intersection of the Maryvale and Ghan Heritage Roads near Rodinga Checkpoint.

Ghan Heritage Road

A formal detour off the Ghan Heritage Road to the north and south of the Bundooma checkpoint.

A bypass is in place to the east of the Ghan Heritage Road for non-competition vehicles of approx. 600m

Hugh Stock Route

Hugh Stock Route and Maryvale Rd intersection will be closed to all traffic.

Road Closure in place for all locations 6am-6pm Sunday 8th June and Monday 9th June 2025.

Traffic Controllers may allow traffic through these locations outside of race times.

For enquiries contact the Finke Desert Race Office on (08) 8952 8886

CAMPING IN THE RACE CAMP AT APUTULA (FINKE)

For the last 49 years, the residents of the Aputula community (Finke township) have welcomed competitors and supporters to camp in the valley on the edge of the community. This is a special place near the mighty Finke River where you can witness a great sunset and enjoy the company of fellow competitors and crews. It was the early 1980's that the train stopped coming through the tiny town of Finke and the train line to Alice Springs was rebuilt further to the west. The old buildings and infrastructure associated with the railway still exist and can be easily spotted.

With a large increase in competitors over the past decade, the area that was known as the race camp has grown considerably and there are now not only people camping all the way north to the Finke River, they are also camping along the southern bank of the river and into surrounding bushland. This is putting increased pressure on the land and there have been disturbances of sacred site areas. Tracks created through the bush, rubbish left at campsites and a huge pile of collectable rubbish left to dispose of. Finke is an NT Tidy Towns participant and the community have gone to great lengths to support this.

With an expected 900+ competitors this year along with crew, that will see 2000 people in the overnight camp. Additional spectators, tour groups and random visitors choosing to stay in the same camp is not sustainable. Accordingly, we will be introducing restrictions to camping at the Finke overnight stop this year.

Only competitors and their crews will be permitted to camp in the area to the south of the Finke River and only then from Saturday 7th - Monday 9th June 2025. All others will need to make alternative arrangements.

Alcohol

For many years, the Finke Desert Race club has applied for a liquor permit allowing the consumption of alcohol in the Finke race camp near the Aputula community. For many years this did not cause any issues within the local community, however more recently with the exponential growth of campers in and around the race camp, there have been alcohol related issues. The current situation, where within 400 metres of the community, people on one side of the racetrack can drink whereas those on the other side are prohibited, is difficult to reconcile. Additionally, both Motorcycling Australia and Motorsports Australia prohibit alcohol in the pit areas; it was always difficult to differentiate between the pits and the camp.

After discussions with a range of stakeholders including Police, Health, Licencing NT and St John Ambulance, the club no longer applies for a permit.

The Finke Township (Aputula community) including the surrounding Land Trust is an alcohol protected area and as such alcohol is not permitted be consumed within that area. There are considerable penalties for those who are caught consuming alcohol within an alcohol protected area. This area includes the race camp, all the area to the north of the race camp and along both banks of the Finke River. The alcohol protected area boundary to the north is 3.5kms (approx.) north of the Finke River. A map is shown in this Z card.

Northern Territory Police will be in Finke Township for the weekend and the Health Clinic is located near the recreation hall should anyone need medical assistance, including spectators. The checkpoint staff at the start finish line can also provide limited assistance and will have an emergency phone if needed as there is no mobile service or public phones in Finke. I would also ask all visitors to the area to respect the sacred sites as marked.