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# The 2024 National Veteran Vehicle Ra 18 – 23 November 2024

The 2024 National Veteran Vehicle Rally will be held in Launceston, Tasmania between 18 – 23 November 2024. The Rally is proudly hosted by the Veteran Car Club of Australia (Tasmania) and held under the auspices of The Association of Veteran Car Clubs of Australia (TAVCCA).

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We have planned a jam-packed itinerary to ensure you get to fully experience the Launceston region of Tasmania, while enjoying plenty of time to relax, unwind and catch up with new and lasting friends.

The Rally will start on Monday 18 November where will be greeted by locals at the Spirit of Tasmania 's Devonport terminal. We will drive from there to our Rally destination in Launceston taking our time and enjoying the sights and back roads.

After 5 days of rallying around Tasmania the rally will conclude with our drive back to the Devonport terminal of the Spirit of Tasmania on Saturday 23 November 2024 for the night sailing. Once we arrive back in Victoria we will then travel back to the trailer parking location.

We will have tail end Charlie(s) for the duration of the rally to assist with keeping all the cars motoring as well as access to the Launceston club rooms and workshop.

We hope to see you all in Launceston,

Your rally directors



Places to stay in Tasmania are as diverse as the landscape. From lakeside lodges, beachside camping and eco pods in the forest, to cosy hotels, five-star resorts, or homely shacks where families can settle in for a while, there's something to suit everyone.

Our suggested locations are opposite, and we have secured discounted rates, please call the venues first to book.





#### **BIG4 Launceston Holiday Park**

86 Glen Dhu St, Launceston TAS 7250 (03) 6344 2600

Call for discounted rates (Veteran Car Rally)

#### **Quality Hotel Colonial Launceston**

31 Elizabeth St, Launceston, TAS 7250 (03) 6331 6588

Call for discounted rates (Veteran Car Rally)





# Welcome to Launceston, or 'Launnie' as the locals call it.



This vibrant cultural and gastronomic hub

is home to a tight-knit and diverse community of winemakers, artists, distillers, designers, growers and nature lovers from around the world.

Watching over the confluence of three rivers – the North Esk, South Esk and Kanamaluka/River Tamar – Launceston is a city on a very human scale and is easily explored on foot. Wild and landscaped spaces are linked by heritage streetscapes and thoughtful architectural adaptations.

The largest city in northern Tasmania (and the third oldest in Australia, dating back to 1806) is also a food bowl of top Tasmanian produce – on your plate and in your glass.— Launceston sits at the global dinner table as a UNESCO City of Gastronomy.

In Launnie, the farm gate is the corner store, nature is on tap, and the cellar never runs dry.

#### **RALLY ITINERARY:**

- Monday 18: Arrive at the Spirit of Tasmania
   Devonport terminal and travel to Launceston
   ready for our evening welcome function.
- Tuesday 19: Driving Day with happy hour at the Caravan park
- Wednesday 20: Morning drive followed by High Tea & our evening light parade
- Thursday 21: Driving day free evening
- Friday 22: Shorter driving day followed by the Final Rally Dinner
- Saturday 23: Travel from Launceston to Spirit of Tasmania Devonport Terminal



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# **Expressions of Interest**

Will open on November 1, 2023. Head to our website to fill in your online expression of interest form. If you would prefer a hard copy form, please contact us and we will ensure you get one.

**SPIRIT OF TASMANIA** bookings open 12 months in advance, please book early.

Make sure you book your trip early, it's a very long swim! At least one of the new boats should be in the water ready for us to test out. Don't forget, the boat now leaves and arrives

from its Geelong terminal in Victoria.

Parking for trailers and 'modern' cars is available in Little River, on the Victorian



side, as well as in Devonport. If you are planning on arriving early, or staying on a bit longer we can help with car storage, please advise of your requirements for parking on both sides of the ferry in the EOI form. Bookings for the boat can be made on their website:

https://www.spiritoftasmania.com.au/

