

2011 MARSUE TRANSPORT MOGUMBER 240

The lush green pastures of the Jindabyne Property at Mogumber welcomed competitors last weekend as they arrived for the 2011 Marsue Transport Mogumber 240. With the track marked out the competitors presented their vehicles for scrutineering on Friday afternoon and on Saturday morning before the action got underway at midday Saturday with Prologue to determine the starting order. Phil Sepley in his Jetco Prolite Buggy completed prologue in three minutes and sixteen seconds to lead out Ken Styles and Darren Agrela in their Pro Buggies.



Section 1 started at 2.15pm and involved three laps of the thirty kilometers track. The track as usual proved to be demanding with some tight technical sections along with several areas that were wetter than most West Australian competitors are used to. At the end of the section it was the Pro Buggies that dominated, with them



holding the first seven places of the forty three car field. They were lead in by Eric Phillips in his Aceco Buggy closely followed by Ken Styles and Brad Cooper. The 4WD vehicles also went well with only one DNF amongst their numbers.

Saturday night saw more rain at the venue presenting the field with some slippery conditions during Section 2. With five laps to contend with and an early 8.30am start racing got underway with both Darren Agrela and Daniel Allen keen to prove a point after disappointing

runs on Saturday. Darren Agrela in his Rimco Pro Buggy posted the second fastest section time and Daniel Allen in his Super 1650 finished the section seventh fastest outright.

At the end of Sundays racing seventeen of the forty three competitors managed to cross the finish line. Last car across and the only 2WD to finish the event was the Commodore Ute of Jon Beer and Jordan Russell in a titanic battle against the muddy conditions and by now notorious mud holes. At one stage they were so bogged the navigator had to climb out the window because he couldn't open the door to help free them from the sticky mud. Barry Cochrane in his hugely impressive Pajero battled all race with Gary Povah in his Jackaroo to finish first in Extreme 4WD and fifth outright. Zeb Casey pushed his Production 4WD Nissan Patrol hard all weekend to win the class and come in eighth outright.



The Prolite Buggies had a hard weekend with Nigel Simkin being the only finisher and winning the class in his single seat buggy. Jeremy Lia once again drove hard all weekend in his Hunter Rivmasta Super 1650 to finish fourth outright and win the class from a consistent John and Jenni Flynn. A special mention to Brad Krepp, who impressed onlookers by continuing to drive his car at full noise despite it sitting on its side. He barely missed a beat as the car rolled damaging every panel on the navigators side, he planted his right foot turned the steering wheel to get the car back onto its wheels to continue racing.



Third outright was Stephen Phillips and Joel Gibbs in their Ballistic Racing Pro Buggy. They were narrowly beaten by Ken Styles and Joshua Ellis who finished second outright in their Holeshoot Buggy. Eric Phillips and Neil Phillips rounded out a great weekend for the Ballistic Racing team by crossing the finishing line in style to win the 2011 Marsue Transport Mogumber 240.

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