



RULES FOR SPRITE & MIDGET NATIONALS 2024

1.0 EVENT

The "Sprite & Midget Nationals" is a currently biennial (i.e. once every two years) gathering of Australian Sprite and Midget clubs. Also known as "The National Challenge", it includes competitive events and social activities.

For the purpose of this document the term "Sprite" includes MG Midgets.

2.0 SUB-EVENTS

Competitive sub-events include the following:

Sprint: A speed event. Conducted as a Supersprint on the Wodonga Tafe circuit.

Regularity: To maximise the use of the available track time this will be calculated based on times recorded in the sprint. Results are based on the least variation between times recorded for each nominated lap. The nominated laps for the regularity are the second, third and fourth lap of the second (completed) timed run in the sprint.

Show and Shine: Incorporating a public display of vehicles. Members are encouraged to display Sprites and Midgets of all standards. Cars will not be judged for points but a trophy will be awarded for the Peoples' Choice.

Observation Run: This will be conducted on public roads, and will be scored by assessment of observational skills. Route instructions will be in the form of a simple route chart. Total distance is approximately 185km. All roads used on the correct route are sealed.

Motorkhana: This will be conducted on an unsealed surface and consist of a minimum of four courses and a maximum of eight.

3.0 AWARDS

Individual Awards

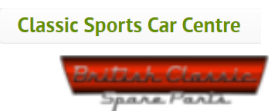
The **Champion Sprite Driver** award will be made to the driver who has amassed the lowest aggregate score in the Sprint, Regularity and Motorkhana events, in a Sprite. (i.e. Class S as defined below)

Other awards at the discretion of the organisers. These may include

Outright winner of each sub-event.

Winner of each class in each sub-event.

Champion Driver in each class (scored as for Champion Sprite Driver).



State Team Award

State Teams will comprise up to 3 individual Sprite drivers from a State, the sum of whose outright positions for the Sprint, Regularity, Motorkhana and Observation Run.

The team may include one (1) Modified Sprite

Club Award

The Club Award will be presented to the Club which has the greatest participation of attendees.

This will include points earned from participation in competition sub-events and non-competitive activities. (If it is listed in the agenda/programme, participants score points.)

4.0 SCORING

Competition scoring method

For Champion Sprite Driver and State Team awards, , points will be awarded in each sub-event based on outright position. Any non-starters receive a score equal to the number of competitors in this sub-event. For events where more than one crew member competes in the car at the same time, all crew members will be awarded the same points.

5 points will be added to the score of any competitor who scores points using more than one vehicle.

For the State Team award, 5 points will be added to the score of competitors who do not participate in the Show and Shine. (i.e present a vehicle for display or make a significant contribution to presenting a vehicle)

Club Award scoring method

For the Club Award points are awarded for all organised activities. All attendees receive the same number of points. Full participation for 1 day is equivalent to 10 points. Additional bonus points are available as listed below and some may be awarded during activities at the organisers discretion. (Volunteers from the host club do not receive bonus points).

Purchased Tickets

Competition 22 points (Saturday plus full participation Sun-Mon)

Social 22 points

Saturday 23rd March

Show and Shine 4

Observation Run 4 (all attendees)

Observation Run 1 (bonus points for funny answers)

Volunteers 1 (bonus point for control officials)

Rocker Cover Racers 1 (bonus point per entrant)

Rocker Cover Racers 1 (additional bonus point for winner)

Volunteers 1 (bonus point for timekeepers, marshals etc)

Sunday 24th March

Volunteers 1 (bonus point for timekeepers, marshals etc)



Monday 25th March

Volunteers 1 (bonus point for timekeepers, marshals etc)

Total points for each club will be adjusted to compensate for club size and distance driven.

NSW and VIC, no adjustment

QLD Plus 25% (rounded to whole point)

SA Plus 40% (rounded to whole point)

For the Club Award each club is requested to submit daily to the scorers a summary of the number of volunteers from their club who are eligible for bonus points.

5.0 VEHICLE CLASSES:

These classes attempt to classify vehicles such that performance potential and perceived level of modification are both relevant. The organisers reserve the right to re-allocate vehicles to different class regardless of specific features or modifications. Where practical the entrant will be consulted first.

Class M

Modified Sprite: A Sprite or MG Midget prepared for race or rally. Could include fabricated suspension, overhead cams, foreign engines and/or gearboxes. Probably not road registered. Should have sufficient Sprite components to identify its origins e.g. monocoque tub/floorpan or external body shape or drive train.

Includes Group S historic vehicles and vehicles with a racing logbook

Class S

Sprite: Standard cars and those with performance /comfort modifications, e.g. wider wheels, panhard rod, telescopic shocks, frontline conversion, 5 speed gearbox, weber, electronic ignition, rally seats etc. Tyres must be a road legal tyre. (Excluding "R" spec tyres)

Must have A-series engine or 1500 Midget engine. Capacity does not have to match the model, e.g. 1275 in Bugeye is accepted.

Group S historic vehicles permitted at the discretion of the organisers.

Class N

Non Sprites: Any car which does not fit into any Sprite class.

