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## COMPETITOR CAMPING GUIDE

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## INTRODUCTION:

Thank you for entering the Accent Benchtops Rally Queensland 2026 event.

Below is some information to help you decide where it would be best for you to locate yourself for the event.

As you may be aware, ABRQ does NOT have access to the Gympie Showgrounds this year as there is a Horse Racing Carnival being held there on the same weekend. Additionally, the rally is taking place at the end of the Queensland school holidays AND accommodation options may be limited, so it's best to book your accommodation early. This also applies if you are wanting to camp close to the Stages.

No access to the Gympie Showgrounds means the Organisers have had to locate the Service Park to a new location in the Nelson Reserve Precinct right in the heart of the Gympie CBD (see map below):



This change of venue brings with it some terrific opportunities and positives, one being its proximity and access to shops, fuel, restaurants and other services, as well as being right beside the planned Super Special Stage (Street Stage). The extended Wheels on Mary festival is just a block away with many stores in Mary St open and ready for business.

Whilst camping isn't allowed in the Telstra Service Park due to Council by-laws we have fantastic facilities at the Cooloola BMX Precinct.

**Please NOTE:** There are a variety of fuel outlets and eateries within the Gympie region with two major Shopping complexes just minutes away from the 2026 Service Park.

## TELSTRA SERVICE PARK:

Gympie Regional Council By-Laws & guidelines do not permit camping in Nelson Reserve.

## COOLOOLA BMX CLUB CAMPING:

This area has good access to the local shops & eateries.

The Cooloola BMX facility will be shared by Volunteer Officials & Competitors and is conveniently located less than 4 kilometres from the entry to the Service Park.



Most of the available area is relatively level and offers a good location that is semi-rural and away from major road traffic noise.



The Cooloola BMX precinct has a brand-new amenity block and canteen.

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The Event Organisers are also planning additional portable toilets and garbage bins to be installed in the area.

For campers using this area, access to the Old Bruce Highway is “just down the road” and therefore convenient for those early morning trips out to the service park, stages and spectator points.

The Cooloola BMX Club will be managing camp space allocations and there will be a fee of \$30.00 per site for the duration of your stay.

The Cooloola BMX club will be offering limited catering. More on this to come.

**A site may consist of a single car & caravan OR a motorhome OR a tent of reasonable size.  
A combination of these will constitute multiple sites.**

There are two camping area's being opened for use with the Main Camping Area being opened first and then when space is exhausted, the second area will be opened.





**All proceeds for camping will be paid directly to the Cooloola BMX Club.**

Bookings for camping **MUST** be processed through the Cooloola BMX Club bookings page when it becomes available. The Event Organisers will advise when bookings are open.

Contact details for the Cooloola BMX Club are available on request to the Officials Coordinator [rq.officials@rallyqueensland.com.au](mailto:rq.officials@rallyqueensland.com.au)

While the camp site is being managed by the Cooloola BMX Club, camp sites will not be marked out so we do ask that campers be considerate of other campers of this area giving reasonable thought to the space you use and the positioning of your camp site.

**NOTE:**

1. This space has NO power or water - campers will need to be as self-sufficient as possible.
2. Security is not guaranteed.
3. You are welcome to utilise the BMX track however use of the track guidelines advise, **Push Bikes only** and no skateboards, scooters, E-scooters, E-bikes or remote-controlled cars are permitted, as they can damage the track.

## PRIVATE CAMPING OPTIONS:

We have received offers of private camping options being made available to us within close proximity of Gympie CBD. Access to these options will be made available by contact the

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events Officials Coordinator: [rq.officials@rallyqueensland.com.au](mailto:rq.officials@rallyqueensland.com.au). These camping opportunities are a private arrangement between volunteer officials and provider.

## THANK YOU

*To our valued Competitors & Crews, on behalf of the Brisbane Sporting Car Club and the Organising Committee, we extend our thanks and gratitude to you for entering the Accent Benchtop Rally Queensland event and contributing to the spectacle that has become a competitor favourite for the past few years..*

*Hope to see you soon.*

### ***OTHER ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS***

If you're not into camping, there are a variety of accommodation options in the Gympie Region.

A reminder that booking accommodation early is recommended as Rally Queensland will be occurring at the end of the Queensland School Holidays AND there is another event being held in the area on the same weekend so accommodation options will be limited.



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