## **CONVOY PROCEDURE**

This is particularly important on this event when we are travelling on private property, sometimes with no defined tracks.

In essence, it means you are responsible for the vehicle behind. It is important that your vehicle number is visible on the windscreen, (top passenger side) and the rear window, (top drivers side). Please ensure these are on before the event.

For the newies ...

When you line up at the start or at the lunch check out, check the Car Numbers of the vehicle in front and behind you and make a note of these. This can change a few times over a morning/afternoon as vehicles pull over for one reason or another. Once you have left the start radio the vehicle in front confirming your number for them. If you are pulling over, advise the vehicle in front that you are doing so and let them know the number of the vehicle that was behind you.

Example: Your Car No is 16: Car behind you is Car 99.

If you lose sight of the vehicle behind you, slow down a little and if they are still not within sight, use your UHF to call them: *Car 99 this is Car 16, do you copy?* 

If no response pull over and wait a minute or two. The vehicle in front of you should also be slowing and should have heard your radio call (as you are their responsibility). You would generally get a response, if not from the car that was behind you, then from the next vehicle who would advise: this is Car No 22, "Car 99 pulled over at the 24.2km mark". You would then have the number of the new vehicle behind you and would proceed.

As our Official vehicles travel throughout the field they would have heard the message and if Car 99 pulled over for some mechanical issue they would be aware.

If you become lost or disorientated, under no circumstances should you leave your vehicle, stay by your radio and we will find you. (See Misplaced Vehicle Procedure on the bottom of your daily route instruction sheet).