

## The Gosford Rally - part 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2011

Andrew and I were the first WRCS members to arrive. We drove through the large puddle at the gate, through the smaller puddles by the pits and then walked through the shallower water to meet Shane, the President. "Not many people here" I said, "No" he replied, "it's been cancelled!". It was about then that my phone managed to pick up the crappy Vodafone signal and I found the text message sent the previous evening! We paddled round with some local members looking for a dry bit ..... well, at least one without surface water. It wasn't long before Stan Begg turned up followed quickly by George Kaley - is this a quorum?



As you can see it was a lovely sunny day and it's a good field, it's just that their field has only about 8" of soil on top of rock and the rain rolls off a small hill and then sits there until it evaporates away.

Stan was prepared to fly his Hots while George and I were happy to



hand-launch our old timers over the puddles and look for a dryish bit to land on. Here is Stan giving the heave-ho to George's electric Southerner.

I tried my Dreamer and after a splash in a puddle the first time,

managed to get airborne but covered in mud on landing! Stan flew his Hots a few times and then we called it a day.

Just to cap the day off a "calling-my-girlfriend-on-my-mobile" idiot stepped straight out into the road in front of me, bounced on my bonnet and headbutted my windscreen. Yep, another fun weekend of flying.



The Gosford mob say it is on this coming w/e but I can't go to that one so someone else will have to report!

Mike M.