



To everyone who has contributed to the building of the latest S & J RallySport Gravel car, here is a short story about the final stages of the build and the first event.

Following the Friday afternoon paint job just over one week ago, Dad and I had a Superkhana to attend in his tarmac car while Mum and Brad began to assemble the rally car. During the Sunday Mum, Dad, Brad, Simon and I finished putting the body of the car back together. That night Simon towed the rally car to work where we spent the nearly every night the next week finishing the car with Simo, Shane, and Simon also helping out. Mum cooked a very nice BBQ for a few of the nights. The last few nights at work weren't nearly as late as the first two because the workload was becoming less each night. Saturday was the last day before the Autocross, Dad, Mum, Simo, Brad and I did finishing touches, such as under body protection and door trims, we made our time target of 4pm to tow the rally car to our property where we are lucky to have a short rally track to test on. By the time we arrived it was dusk, I completed about thirty laps of testing, Brad did a few laps too, we both agreed the car was sensational to drive.

Sunday morning after Dad and I washed the car we picked Mum and Brad up from home and headed for Lanac Park where the Autocross was being held, as we pulled up there we agreed it was the nicest day at the track in a long time. After scrutineering and drivers briefing all of the competitors followed the course car around one lap of the track showing us the very slippery conditions. I was overwhelmed with support from workmates and friends, such as Simo, Shane and their families, Simon, Steve and Tina, Mark, Michael, Reece and Jade and also Gavin from ACS. It was also great to see the crew lined up in their S&J RallySport gear as I pulled in after each run. I had four runs in daylight before the dinner break, which lasted for about an hour until it was dark. On average my times improved by 2 seconds per run, even at night, as I became more and more familiar with the car and the track. At the end of the event I was in 10th position out of 25 entrants.

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