



THE TENTH RUNNING OF BATHURST'S BIGGEST ENDURO WAS ANOTHER DRAMATIC AFFAIR, WITH FAIRYTALE WINNING STORIES IN SEVERAL CLASSES

Supercars Championship driver Thomas Randle along with brothers Ben and Michael Kavich have taken an emotional victory in the 2026 Hi-Tec Oils Bathurst 6 Hour.

The Kavichs had taken part in all ten Hi-Tec Bathurst 6 Hour races for their first outright success. They delivered BMW an unbeaten outright record as well, having now claimed all 10 events at an outright level.

The race had eleven safety cars, 13 lead changes and eight different race leaders.

The fight for second was between the A2 Extreme Performance (Naturally Aspirated) front runners. Josh Muggleton who was in the Chev Camaro he shared with Chris Lillis and Zach Bates, appeared to have the measure of Cameron McLeod (Ford Mustang) and Keith Kassulke, until

an off at The Chase on the final lap. Muggleton recovered to bring the Camaro home third behind McLeod - who took the class win - while fourth place went to the Mustang driven by Tim Slade and Tony and Kyle Alford.

Defending winners Dean Campbell and Cameron Hill were next following a post-race 15 second time penalty, and ahead of Hadrian Morrall and Tyler Mecklem whose Mustang was without fourth gear for almost half the race.

In seventh outright and the first of the A2 Extreme Performance (Forced Induction) Class were brothers Oliver and Liam Loiacono together with Alex Holzl in their Mitsubishi Evo X.

For the third year in a row, victory in the B1 High Performance (Forced Induction) Class went to the team of Karlie Buccini, Courtney Prince and Tabitha Ambrose.

In Class B2 High Performance (Naturally Aspirated), Richard Shinkfield, Andrew Milford and Chris Holdt (BMW M3 E92) finished just one lap ahead of the Holden Commodore SSV of Tony Virag, Michael Ferns and Liam Evans.

A place in history was made in Class C Performance. From the nearby city of Orange, Trevor and James Keene drove their Volkswagen Golf R to class victory. For father Trevor it capped off a trifecta of Bathurst class victories with wins previously in the 24 Hour and the 12 Hour.

Production Class D honours went to Andrew McMaster, Michael Hazelton and Richard Buttrose (BMW 125i) in a dramatic finish for the class, while it was the Mazda 3 SP25 shared by a pair of 16-year-olds in Ruben Dan and Ashton Sieders, together with 71-year-old Calvin Gardiner the winners in Class E.

EVENT ATTENDANCE

20,216

Second largest event attendance of all time, with a record number of campsites (700+) sold, showcasing a rapidly growing area of Bathurst 6 Hour attendance.

SOCIAL MEDIA VIEWS

3.04M

61% growth in the event's digital audience interactions from 2025, with interactions driven by a pre-event online campaign and extensive event coverage.

DIGITAL VIDEO VIEWS

1.98M

Digital video views on event and partner channels (Facebook, Instagram) across the event were up +61% this year, complementing the increase in TV audience.

NATIONAL BROADCAST AUDIENCE REACH

968,000

+22% INCREASE ON 2025 EVENT, 71% GROWTH IN TWO YEARS ON FREE TO AIR. 18+ HOURS ON AIR ACROSS TWO DAYS.

The event's accessibility continues to be a standout with a significant growth in TV audiences on SBS. Both Saturday and Sunday's coverage were in the top 30 most-watched shows on FTA TV on their given days. Sunday's race reach of 558k matched the NBL Grand Final audience. It makes the 2026 event the most viewed Bathurst 6 Hour ever.

Further coverage on Fox Sports and Kayo extended the domestic audience into subscription TV, while dedicated international streaming was available for international viewers, which is a growing audience for the event.

NOTE: Numbers quoted do not include audiences watching on Fox Sports 506 or Kayo Sports.

NEW AGREEMENT CONFIRMED

5 YEARS

A new five year deal between the Bathurst 6 Hour and the Bathurst Regional Council will see Australia's Easter Enduro locked in at the Mountain until beyond 2030.

This new long-term deal gives the event further confidence to invest and continue to grow into the future to ensure an excellent experience for competitors and spectators - and build on the camping, event experience and new additions introduced in 2026, including the Reckless Brewing bar.