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In response to the 1973 oil crisis, Nissan had begun to turn their attention towards making smaller, lighter, and more fuel efficient cars. The result was the capable Violet 160J 2-door coupe. Its 4-cylinder 1991cc LZ18 engine was less powerful than the 6-cylinder 240z, but it was also lighter by 140kg. The combination proved successful, and allowed the 160J to be a formidable competitor. Wins at the Acropolis and Sothern Cross rally, as well as a 2nd place finish at the Safari, helped keep Nissan near the top of the results table until it's dominating replacement, the Violet PA10, was unleashed onto the rally scene in 1978.

YEAR	POS.	EVENT	NO.	DRIVERS
1976	1st	Acropolis	14	Kallstrom / Andersson
1976	3rd	Acropolis	5	Mehta / Liddon
1977	2nd	Safari	17	Aaltonen / Drews
1977	1st	Southern Cross	3	Aaltonen / Beaumont