

WALKY TORQUE APR 2023

Welcome to your April newsletter. So, the season is under way. We have a number of Walky Park events to look forward to, as well as the Heartlands Rally later this month. The Walky 100 will be here before we know it too!

Keep in mind that competing is not the only way you can take part in club activities. We are always in need to officials and there are number of working bees coming up.

DIARY DATE

Your social committee has set a date for this year's Biggest Morning Tea (Supper) event. This has been well supported in previous years and we're planning to do it all again.



The event will take place prior to the **June General Meeting, 21 June at Walkerville RSL Hall, at 6.30**. Members are encouraged to bring a plate of food to share and to enjoy the talk from a Cancer Council Ambassador. We are hoping to include the light box as in the past. A tool which highlights any skin marks which may be cancer and should be checked.

NEXT MEETING

WEDNESDAY 17 MAY 2023

7.30pm

SEE YOU THERE!

Back in the Day'.

We're STILL looking for your personal experiences, your memories (good and not so good) and anything else you might like to contribute . You don't need to be William Shakespeare – all the editor needs is your words and information. She'll do the rest.

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RECENT EVENTS

Committee member Mark Lacey recently attended the Silver City Rally and has submitted the following photos.



UPCOMING EVENTS 2023

Walky Park

Sunday 23rd of April 2023

Khanacross Round 1 Motorsport Australia

Friday 12- Sunday 14 May

Backbone Hill Climb

Supp regs available

NEEDED – Officials to assist in running the event.

Wednesday 21 June – Australia's Biggest Morning Tea event

Please bring a plate, your money and/or your credit card

Sunday 25th of June 2023

Walky Park Khanacross Round 2 Motorsport Australia

Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd of July 2022

Walky Park Khanacross Series Round 3 Motorsport Australia

Sunday 27th August of 2023

Khanacross Round 4 Motorsport Australia

Sunday 24th of September

Walky Park Khanacross Series Round 5 Motorsport Australia

Sunday 22nd of October

Khanacross Round 6 Motorsport Australia

Other events

Saturday May 6th and Saturday June 3rd

Mallala Motorsport Park open track days 9.00-5.00

Friday June 23rd

Mallala Motorsport Park

Skidpan and track training 8.00-4.30

Sunday June 25th

The Bend Motorsport Park MSCA Supersprint Round 2 (6.00-4.00)

TEAM SNOOPY PACENOTES

2023

Welcome to the new year. Well it's not so new anymore being 25% done as I write (type) this. Walky has a new committee with some new faces on it which is good but lots more are needed as the ideas department has grown and come with new ideas or different old ones in some cases. I am no longer secretary with Fran Tann taking over and new state council reps also. (I'm practising for my work retirement in 3 years!) With new people come new ideas which is good but also needs the rest of the club to front up to working bees (later), club meetings and events in general. But it is exciting on a lot of fronts and something to look forward to.

HOPE TO SEE LOTS OF NEW PEOPLE OUT AND ABOUT THIS YEAR!

The Park has new toilets now, extended verandah, electronic timing and red and green lights instead of waving flags and getting covered in dust! Ah technology what would we do without it! Thanks to Tamara and Ellie for getting all that electric stuff organized and to the usual few who have worked on all the rest. Was a bit puzzled to watch Tamara walk for kilometres around in circles the other weekend at our working bee, although it turned out she was trying to find where the Wi-Fi signal reached and didn't reach. Electric stuff I presumed. Meanwhile we have done tyre bundles to tighten up the track and as we have signed on with MA for this year, we have to change the way we run as we now venue and track licenses which won't be in place till 2024 we are told. So only Khana crosses this year, 2ks in length or less but since our tracks are 1.3 and 1.5 this shouldn't matter too much. Speaking of working bees the rest of us usual few spread dolomite around new toilets and the pipes, moved some dirt, trees (dead ones of course) and Bob nearly tipped the tractor over when it got lopsided and dug a hole with the bucket too high and a bit wobbly for a while. Then it got overheated and had a dummy spit and so after a while when it cooled down we got finished.

After lunch (Thanks Pete!) we did more stuff on and off the track and left about 3 or so. 2 more working bees at least planned for this year so come one, come all but just COME! OK?

Event wise not much going on but with events at Broken Hill, Burra, Eudunda, Tanunda and Taillem Bend?(not sure on that yet.) there is plenty to be going on with.

Personally I haven't touched the GT4 since I dumped it off the trailer at JASAMA last October, washed all the mud off and stuck it under cover. When I checked last weekend it was still there and all the tyres still had air in them. It's a wonder what new tyres will do for you! Dave and Mandy have gone on a longer break than Kimba and will be back in time for Burra or so they have planned.

COVID-19 CAN GET STUFFED! BUT SADLY IS NOT YET.
ALONG WITH CERTAIN FOREIGNERS AS WELL! DITTO!

(My Opinion)

Don't forget our sponsors. We encourage you to support them, as below.



Skills Development Program

At the recent Committee Meeting the following motion was passed: "That the WACC develop a Skills Development Program to be implemented in 2024; and that the resources be sought in advance, upon presentation of a budget to the Club Committee."

- We are in the early stages of planning and have a sub-committee steering the project comprised of Bob Nason, Peter Tann, Andrew Farnden, Mark Lacey, Jason Thiele, Craig Boulderstone and Damien Rolland.
- We have a preliminary budget for presentation to the Club Committee.
- We are starting to plan the acquisition of cars and storage facilities.
- We will need help:
 - to prep the cars.
 - to publicise the program to potential students.
 - to deliver the program on the days with driver trainers and other helpers/presenters.

Do you have the skills to address these needs? Without input from the right people, the program cannot go ahead.

Subject to final planning, the program will be formatted as follows:

- 12 Students per course
- 1 course to be run per year initially, with the possibility of running more in subsequent years.
- No upper age limit so that we can attract people into the sport at a later age, but it is anticipated the majority will be juniors.
- 6 cars will be acquired and provided by the club plus a spare.
- Students will be split into 2 groups, one having 1 on 1 tuition in a car with an experienced driver, the other group will have theory and practical car/workshop sessions. At the end of a session the groups will swap.

It is anticipated that the program will generate junior and family memberships and help to grow the sport.

Where possible, Students will be mentored to help them graduate from Khana X to Rallysprints and Rallies.

This is an exciting program for the club and if you would like to help in any way, please contact any of the sub-committee listed above.

If you have a junior, grandchild or older person who would be interested in being a student, please register your interest with any of the sub-committee listed above.

Opportunity

Scrutineering as a volunteer. We have received the following from the South Australian Motorsport Scrutineer Association (SAMSSA).

“We are writing to introduce the South Australian Motor Sport Scrutineer Association (SAMSSA). We are an incorporated organisation of some 40 like-minded volunteers fully trained and accredited by Motor Sport Australia actively involved in the scrutineering process associated with Motor Sport. Our entire focus is on improving the standard of scrutineering carried out on competitor’s vehicles utilising non-intrusive approach whilst ensuring all the requirements of the regulations are adhered to.

Currently you will find members of SAMSSA officiating at over 150 events annually including Adelaide 500, Mallala, Bathurst and Tailem Bend for circuit racing, and at all levels of Motorkhana, off road events, rallies, and hill climbs to mention some.

We would like to take this opportunity on behalf of SAMSSA to welcome any of your members as a potential volunteer and Motor Sport Australia official.

Scrutineers both Male and Female are needed for all disciplines of motor sport, at all levels. (Club events to international)

No experience or prerequisites. We will train you. You do not have to be a mechanic or engineer ; our scrutineers come from all walks of life. Travel fuel expenses are paid for certain events.

Any of your members who are interested in Motor Sport, may wish to become a volunteer as a scrutineer which is the main function of our organisation.

We would greatly appreciate it if you could make your members aware of our requirements. They can contact the following for more information:”

Secretary Tom Riley email sec_samssa@yahoo.com or:

Alan Pickstock (co-ordinator) email alan.pickstock@bigpond.com

The Last Word again...

Vale Craig Breen

Sad to note the death of Irish rally driver, Craig Breen. He will be missed by the fans and other crews as well. Always a smile. RIP Craig.

Things are hotting up as we begin a season of events, and continue with the development plans for the future of Walkerville All Cars Club. At the risk of sounding like a broken record, (if you are too young to know what that means – lucky you), many hands make light work and also speed up the exciting changes planned for this year and next.

As I will be away from home base for the greater part of May, there will be no newsletter next month. Let's make up for that with a bumper May/June edition. All contributions welcome.

Catch you next time

Fran

Editor

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Minutes of the General Meeting

Walkerville RSL Hall, Walkerville Tce., Walkerville

15 March, 2023

Meeting Opened: 7:30pm by Bob Nason.

Members were welcomed by the President.

Present: Members and visitors were present as per the attendance book.

The President welcomed the Club's new members.

Apologies: • Carmel Miels

- Daren Herring
- Andrew Farnden
- Sandi Stuat

Approval of

Previous Minutes:

Moved: Fran Tann

2nd: Steve Rowe

Carried unanimously.

Business Arising from

Previous Minutes:

Secretary's Report: - No incoming correspondence has been received.

- No outgoing correspondence has been dispatched.

Treasurer's Report: - The Club's audit report has been received, and will be reviewed by the Treasurer imminently, for presentation to the Club & Committee.

- The Treasurer has collected the Club's belongings from the Safety Deposit Box with Bank SA. This box has since been closed.

- The Treasurer is further investigating the initiation of debit cards on the Club's accounts.

- No accounts were tabled for payment.

Membership Officer: - The Club currently has 325 financial members.

Editor: - The March newsletter has been published.

Rally Panel: - Feedback received from the Season Launch. SARP encouraged to promote such events earlier in future years.

- Discussion held surrounding WACC hosting next year's season launch at Walky Park. More investigation to be undertaken.

State Council: - No report tabled.

Competition Secretary: - Multiple changes to AASA licencing and permit requirements have become apparent, which has led WACC to move towards running all future Club events under Motorsport Australia. Specifically, AASA is no longer recognising Motorsport Australia licence-holders.

- Minor changes are required to track configurations at Walky Park to align with the requirements of Motorsport Australia. This is being carefully considered by the Competition Secretary and her team.

- Further technical differences and requirements for event structures can be sought from Motorsport Australia or the Competition Secretary.

- Rally Panel has appointed Aaron Bowering and Andrew Challen as Course Checkers, who will act to endorse the recognised track layouts at Walky Park, in conjunction with the Competition Secretary. The timeline for this approval process will see approvals sought by the end of the 2023 calendar year.

- All Walky Park event entries will be facilitated through the Motorsport Australia Event Entry system from now on.

Track Maintenance: - A sub-committee meeting is scheduled for 28th March. Further developments

will be presented to the Club following this meeting.

Walky 100: - The Walky 100 team is now meeting regularly, to a scheduled timeline.

- A course has been selected with new and returning stages.

Driver Development Program:

- A meeting has been scheduled for 4th April. Further developments will be presented to the Club following this meeting.

Social Committee - The Social Committee is having a luncheon at the Royal Hotel in Balaklava at 12:30 on the 7th of May. Members are encouraged to attend, and bring ideas for any future functions or social events.

Website: - The new website is ready to launch, and will be progressively launched beginning soon.

- The Club's mailing lists are currently being revised based on capacity & cost limitations within the MailChimp platform.

General Business: - The Minute Secretary will develop a reporting template for committee members to use when submitting reports to the Club or Committee.

- The Club is undertaking several grant applications to expand the Club's funding opportunities.

- The Club is sourcing a vehicle to be used for promotional activities.

- The Backbone Hillclimb (previously the 'Mt. Alma Hillclimb') has been reinstated by supporters of the Club. The event is to be held on 12th May. Camping is available for \$5 a night. The event is currently seeking the support of event officials. Entries close on the 3rd of April. More information can be sought from Bob & Greta Nason.

- The 2023 Silver City Rally will be held on 1st April in Broken Hill. The Event is promoted by the Barrier Sporting Car Club. Members are encouraged to support the event.

- The President thanked members for their help at the Walky Park working bee.

Meeting Closed: 8:22pm

Next Meeting: WACC General Business Meeting

7:30PM

19 April, 2023

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