WALKY TORQUE December 2023

Welcome to your December newsletter.

Reminder:

All sales/transactions at Walky Park and RSL Hall are card only. We do not accept cash payments at all now.

WACC wins Club of the Year 2023

On Saturday 2nd December, the SA Rally Panel Awards were held at the Sporting Car Club. Walkerville All Cars Club received the award for Club of the Year. The award was accepted by Jake Alker, and is a testament to all the hard work and dedication of our committee and members who have assisted at Walky events, working bees, meetings and attended events.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & TROPHY PRESENTATION

WACC Inc Annual General Meeting and Trophy Presentation is on Wednesday 13 December 2023. Dinner will be provided at 6.30pm followed by the **Trophy Presentation and** then the AGM at the Walkerville RSL, Walkerville Tce, Walkerville For catering purposes, please notify Fay if you will be attending: barkerfay@gmail.com

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IN MEMORIAM

Frances (Fran) Tann

The committee would like to acknowledge the passing of our Editor and committee member, Fran Tann. Fran passed away peacefully on the 15th of November. Initially, Fran contributed to the club by assisting her husband Pete in the background, with tasks such as observation trials and helping out with catering at events. In more recent years, she assumed the roles of secretary and newsletter editor. Her smile and happy personality will be missed around the club.



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Save the date



We are pleased to announce **Jeremy Browne** will be our guest speaker at the February General Meeting on **February 21, 2024 starting at 7.30pm**.

Jeremy will be discussing pace notes, drawing from a successful motorsport career that spans over 50 years, not only in South Australia but also overseas. This event is a must-attend.

Put it in your diary!



The Walkerville All Cars Club will be turning 70 in 2024. To celebrate we will be holding a dinner on Saturday 2nd March. Further details to come.

2023 Round 4 ADELAIDE HILLS RALLY

After the MSS Barossa event I duly did all the sums again and gloomily decided that trying to get to Tailem Bend would be rough little owe doing anything event wise. This turned out all right for Stephen Barker though as he had a chance to win the State title for regularity driver for the year. Only 1 problem. Mandy had a conflicting event planned 6-7 months beforehand and could not back out without a minor war erupting. Solution. Dave would navigate and at least he could give a real shot anyway. Everyone happy. Except me. And Mandy as she could have won Co-driver for the year. We commiserated miserably. And then some. Lots of wine, tea and tears. We and Stephen's lovely wife Faye ended up servicing for the weekend. I loaded up servicing gear in my Patrol (actually all my GT4 stuff and generally speaking regularity crews don't do much servicing wise except fuel and check stuff. Easy weekend I decided and got to Tailem Bend Saturday as I missed Friday night due to a send off for Brenton as he was going to hospital on the Saturday for a replacement knee (The RHS this time). They had done 2 laps of the GT track 7.7ks of it anyway and were currently in 3rd place. Only problem only 3 of them in event as 3 others had withdrawn. Only by a couple of seconds so it was possible to play catchup. Deciding to show my prowess at servicing I checked Stephen's trusty Toyota Ute over. Or tried to. Opened bonnet eventually and stared at all the space in it. Room for 2 engines in there. Could not find dipstick till Stephen pointed out that it is on the other side. Upon checking it I pointed out that it was halfway down the expected level. Haven't looked at it in a while he said. We found his spare oil (1L of it - I carry 5-10 for an event like this) and was glad I brought some with me. Being the only service crew at the back end of the field I checked over the other 2 entries Emma & Ross Smith and Graham Wallis from Victoria. All was well and eventually they left at the tail end of a field of 39 entries.

The first service point was the community library car park at Mount Barker. Whoever thought Mount Barker on a Saturday morning was a good idea clearly does not know country areas even Mount Barker which gets bigger every time I drive past, through or over it. It must be nearly as big as Mount Gambier or close. I got to drive Mandy & Dave's Landcruiser 200 series for the day. What a nice vehicle. Pity Mandy was with us, or I may not have made it back to Tailem Bend Saturday night or Sunday either! First round of servicing was mostly check overs and clean windscreens and food for crews. All 3 of them. All good. We nearly missed them the second time as we went spectating just to the south and only realized our error when we saw all the top end crews go past and realized we had gone to the wrong spot.

We beat them back by 10 minutes serviced all over again and ambled down to Strathalbyn for 3rd remote service. We got there only to find a large line up as the top end crews had only just arrived and all the SARC crews were still waiting for their correct time in to come up on the clocks. Turned out that someone had rolled their vehicle and the delay it caused was the reason for the lineup. After about an hour our crews arrived. Did check over again, all was well and we ambled back to Tailem Bend for the annual romp around the go kart track. It was better this year as they set the track up Friday, pace noted and it was left set up all day Saturday unlike last year where the crossover was moved and half the crews including me missed it. Also, they deleted the water splash even if was 12 months too late. As usual 2 cars side by side and racing each other as well as the clock was mostly entertaining although some cars were by themselves and at odd intervals. Best 2 parts of the night were the cheers the Ute got as it came on track and then went almost everywhere side on rather than straight on and Glee. Andrew Gleeson (Glee for the uninformed) was doing course car duties following the regularity crews as car 99 or fast sweep. Regularity crews are mostly restricted to 70 kph so Glee had a quiet day up until then. He went out 5 times on the go kart track just as a match up for the spectators having not even pace noted it and promptly beat 5 turbocharged 4wd full spec rally cars out of 5 runs. He had a great night. Unfortunately, Stephen & Dave had been beaten by Emma & Ross which put them even for the championship on the drivers side of things anyway So it was all down to Sunday for the decider.

Sunday dawned. I actually saw it as I drove up the freeway back to Tailem Bend that morning. Checking the cars over after Parc Ferme (still a stupid idea if you ask me but no one did) suddenly had work to do. Stephen had a RHS rear puncture which turned out to be a big screw which let all the air out when we unscrewed it. Changed that for his only spare and Graham Wallis lent us a can of sealant which you put inside the tyre via the valve then drive at 80kph for 10 k's and hey presto no more leaks. Or at least that's what the can said. We luckily never got to try it. Emma & Ross had developed an oil leak overnight, so I lent them some oil and said we keep an eye on it at service points. Graham had a slightly deflated tyre so I lent him my electric pump and said we would watch that too. Mandy had left for her thing but promised to stay in touch with us during the course of the day. We had a great time Faye and I as we did chase car duty nearly all day except when they went to MMM and did 3 stages then came back then followed them at stage ends and all the way back to The Bend. The first couple of stages were a bit rough but Stephen & Dave got to MMM with no probs and a quick check over and they were fine to go.

Emma & Ross seemed to take a long time to get to MMM and when they did Ross said they had hit a rock and punctured the sump. Luckily it was top RHS of sump. We jacked it up and that drained all oil down to the bottom LHS. Ross put some sort of magic putty on it left for 15 minutes said it had gone off so let it down, put more oil in and it survived. I gave them another 5 litres just to get them back in case they had more trouble but by then they had lost too much time, and the aim was just get back to The Bend. We followed them back through 3 more stages and finally for back to The Bend, packed up and decided to have snacks and drinks to celebrate the end of the event and Stephen & Dave's win. We were told trophy presentations in 30 minutes. 25 minutes went by, and we went down only to find they were trying to find us so they could present the winners etc. It was a great result and a good weekend even though I wasn't actually competing and frankly could not see myself doing so in 2024 or 2025.

At this point in time, I'm saying MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR to everyone. A Big thankyou to everyone who supported me during the year. Rina, Brenton Shane (NISSCARE) Port Adelaide Auto Parts and my brother Ian without whom we don't function too well as we found out at Barossa.

See you somewhere in 2024.

As a PS sort of thing we (meaning Barkers, Rudhams & Yours truly) went to the 2023 Rally SA awards at the Sporting Car Club at Unley on the 2nd of December. It was almost like everyone gets a prize night. Stephen Barker got 1st Driver in Regularity, Mandy got 2nd Navigator due to her non involvement at the last event, Emma Smith got 2nd driver & Ross Smith got 1st Navigator. Dave & I got 1st place in Classic (read old) after finishing 10th, 15th & 18th and a no show in the last event. 6 trophies winners at one table was a record for the night. Darren Herring did a great job as MC and Cameron Wearing was a good guest speaker who gave slightly different viewpoint on motorsport from a circuit/rallying/London to Sydney marathons (3 of them). Them were the good old days but I don't know that too many who wouldn't give up something to go try them again!

An enormous THANK YOU to all the event CoC's, officials from Course Cars, Stage Commanders, start & finish people and to the hundreds of road closure officials who throughout the year and some trying conditions never failed to attend their given point on the map to let us enjoy our Sport. And the competitors who kept on coming back even though Motorsport Australia seem to keep trying to eradicate us from the scene. We have 4 events next year April 26-28th at Burra and surrounds for Shannons Rally SA Rally of the Heartlands, Copyworld Walky 100 at Eudunda on 10th August, UME Adelaide Hills Rally probably based at Mount Barker (hopefully not at the library) on 13th-15th September and finally the MSS Sfety Rally Barossa at Lyndoch on the 19-20th October.

UNTIL THEN STAY ON THE WHITE OR BLACK OR BROWN STUFF WITHOUT TOO MUCH GREEN STUFF BEING INVOLVED. ALL THE BEST TO EVERYONE TILL NEXT TIME.











NEWS

Grants

Our grant team has been working in the background applying for different grants for projects and events at the club, and we are happy to announce we have been successful in our grant application for Round 2 of the 2023 Supercheap Auto Club Development Fund. We applied under the funding category of Safety and Operational Equipment to purchase helmets for our Rally Skills Program.

Memberships are due by 31/12/2023

You may have seen an email regarding membership being due. Please note the system will continue to send you a reminder until your membership is paid/or expires. It will look something like this:

Dear Member,

Reminder, your WACC Membership will expire in 30 days. Continual club membership is required for conditional (Historic) Registration.

If you would like to continue your membership, please click the 'Renew Membership' button and follow the prompts.

WACC thank you for your continued support.

If you have any questions, please email us.

Thanks Committee Walkerville All Cars Club

HISTORICS

The 2024 New Years Historic, Classic & Sports Car Cruise is getting closer.

This year we are running it on **Saturday the 13th of January.**

The meeting point and route details will be emailed on Wednesday January 10th, to all registered email addresses.

Travelling from Tea Tree Gully via the Adelaide Hills, this cruise is suitable for all vehicles, including classics, historics, and sports cars. It culminates at the Wellington Hotel for lunch, providing the perfect opportunity to explore the best of what the Adelaide Hills have to offer, relax with friends, and admire each other's cars.

Cruise Date: Saturday, January 13th

Meeting Point: Tea Tree Gully

Meeting Time: 9:00 AM

Departure Time: 9:45 AM

Estimated Arrival at Wellington: 12:00 PM

Approximate Distance: 135km

Hoon driving will not be tolerated, this is a cruise through the Adelaide Hills to a nice lunch on the River Murray. There are no prizes for coming first, this is not a race.

Registrations are via the link below:

https://forms.gle/FCKQ43QzsYpzZdyu6

THE WALKERVILLE ALL CARS CLUB PROMOTIONAL VEHICLE IS NOW FINISHED



We would like to thank SA Motorsport Tyres, ROH Wheels, Color on Demand and Nisscare for their kind support and sponsorship. We received a brand new set of MRF tyres to put on the ROH rims for the Pulsar which will be our club promotional vehicle. Nisscare have given the car a tune up and the car has been stickered at Color on Demand. It will be used to promote the club and our Rally Skills Program. The car is now ready to go!!

Noticeboard

A new feature for members' use. Do you have something you need? Do you have something to sell? Is there an event you're keen for others to know about? If it's of interest to you, then it could be of interest to others. Please email the editor with your contributions.

Please email editor@wacc.asn.au



WALKY PARK MAINTENANCE

Walky Park Maintenance Adventures

The Walky Park track maintenance subcommittee has been busy making improvements to, and maintaining, the tracks and facilities at Walky Park. One of the main items is maintaining the fleet of vehicles at Walky Park. Towards the end of this year's season, the large grader at Walky Park was only just still operating, powered by the hopes and dreams of the track maintenance committee. If the large grader were to fail, and the small grader still unable to make it out of the shed without boiling over, the last few khanacross' would have become very rocky!

The wiring in the big grader had worn through, and the alternator was no longer recharging the batteries. Tamara and I considered this to be an easy fix and headed up to Walky Park after the last event of the season to repair the wiring.

Unfortunately, we were overly optimistic, and didn't anticipate the broken ends of the cable being too short to repair, so we were off to a very helpful electrical shop: Autopro Nuriootpa, for supplies.

Back to Walky Park, we installed a new cable from the batteries to the alternator and started up the grader. Instead of the loud rumble from the engine, we heard nothing but silence from the big yellow beast. A quick check of the newly installed cable found that the old alternator wasn't very fond of this new cable and decided to melt it in a vengeful fury.

Upon realizing that our efforts were futile, Tamara and I made the most of our trip to Walky Park by installing quick release anderson connectors to the 2 batteries, which will make removing the batteries from the grader easier and would put less wear on the battery terminals. At least this went to plan! Since the alternator was no longer charging the batteries, Tamara scavenged the tiny solar panel from the wireless traffic light and connected it to the grader batteries when we left.

The use of the big grader was now in the (metaphorical) hands of an A4 sized solar panel!

Over the next week, Steve Barker did a fantastic job of tracking down a replacement alternator, from Russell May at Napa Auto Parts.

WALKY PARK MAINTENANCE

Determined to fix the grader, Tamara and I returned to Walky Park with the new alternator to finish the job. Meanwhile Field Supervisor River (the german shepherd) would be busy inspecting both dams for their swimming capability.

We removed the old alternator, and realised the belt pulley would need to be taken off the old alternator and put on the new one. We thought, surely that can't be too difficult? We realised, while trying to convince the old alternator and pulley to separate with progressively larger hammers, that the 2 were quite determined to spend the rest of their days together, and outside assistance would be required.

Throwing all the tools and the dog back in the ute, we zoomed to Nuriootpa to find a mechanic who might assist us with a press. The very helpful staff at Ramms Automotive made quick work of the pulley and we were back on track to complete the alternator swap.

Back to Walky Park via Pipeline rd at Mt Karinya (due to the Sturt highway being closed) Tamara and I managed to heave the new alternator into position, wrangle the belts on and wire it up, doing a final test of the grader as the sun was setting over Walky Park.

A seemingly straightforward task managing to turn into a multi day saga, is just one of the joys of working with older machinery that has been maintained by countless volunteers over the years, doing what they can to keep the equipment going! It can be a frustration, but it's also an honour to be counted amongst them, adding to the history of Walky Park.

I'm sure there will be many more Walky Park Maintenance Adventures in the future!

Ellie Brice





Rally Skills Program

Registrations are now open for the Rally Skills Program for 2024. Further information and registration forms for participants, as well as officials and instructors can be found on our website. https://www.wacc.asn.au/rallyskills/

2024 Rally Skills Program Dates 20/04/2024 > Rally Skills Program - Day 1 22/06/2024 > Rally Skills Program - Day 2 24/08/2024 > Rally Skills Program - Day 3 26/10/2024 > Rally Skills Program - Graduation Event



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14/4 26/5 23/6 **28/7** 25/8 22/9 26-**27/10**

KHANACROSS ROUND 1

RALLYSPRINT ROUND 1

KHANACROSS ROUND 2

RALLYSPRINT ROUND 2

KHANACROSS ROUND 3
Xerxas Motorsport-Khanacross Round 3

RALLYSPRINT ROUND 3

SA KX CHAMPIONSHIP & WALKY KHANACROSS ROUND 4

DH Rallysprint-SA KK Championship/Walky Khanacross Round 4

2023

10/12 WILLUNGA HILL CLIMB

https://ume.cool/2023-ampl-willunga-hillclimb/

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







The Last Word.....

On behalf of the committee, we would like to wish our members a wonderful, relaxing festive season, and look forward to another fun year in 2024.

Gill

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OCTOBER GENERAL MINUTES - 2023

ERV ERV RECARS COMMENTS	Minutes of the General Meeting Walkerville RSL Hall, Walkerville Tce., Walkerville 18 October, 2023
Meeting Opened:	7:42pm by Bob Nason. Members and visitors were welcomed by the President.
Present:	Members and visitors were present as per the attendance book.
Apologies:	Apologies were received from the following members: - Peter Tann - Fran Tann - Carmel Miels - Denise Collins - Andrew Farnden - Scott Atkinson - Peter Raedel - Mandy Rudham - Dave Rudham
Approval of Previous Minutes:	Moved: Graham Olds 2 nd : Steve Barker Carried unanimously.
Business Arising from Previous Minutes:	- Nil
Secretary's Report:	Correspondence In: - Trailer Rego - 2x Bank SA Statements Correspondence Out: - 1x Get Well Soon Card
Treasurer's Report:	 No further updates from the last Committee Meeting. Draft budgets for the 2024 year have been created and are being reviewed by the Committee.
Membership Officer:	The Club currently has 430 financial members. Membership cards for Life Members have been ordered.
Editor:	 No report tabled. The October Walky Torque has been released. The President thanked Gill Farnden for her efforts in supporting the Club's magazine.
Rally Panel:	- No report tabled. No meeting has been held.

OCTOBER GENERAL MINUTES - 2023

 Elections held for State Council Office Bearers, as follows: Director: Kristen Bailey Chair: Adrian Flynn Deputy Chair: Vince Ciccarello Executive: Andrew Admiraal Chris Frith Rob Thiry Matthew Woods Discussion held surrounding the spread of officials where events overlap or conflict each other. Discussion held surrounding calendar arrangements for 2024. A calendar meeting is scheduled for 2nd November, 2023.
 Report as tabled. The Competition Secretary thanks Club Members for supporting the Adelaide Hills Rally on the weekend gone. Planning for the final round of the Walky Park series is underway, with entries currently being received. 2024 Walky Park Series regulations have been distributed to the Club Committee for review. Several club members are heading to Port Lincoln for the State Championship Khanacross.
 Walky Park is ready for the upcoming Walky Park round. Electrical maintenance is required on the Club's grader. The Club is currently looking for any mobile mechanic able to assist in servicing and maintaining the Club's fleet of equipment.
 The RSP has recently met and are working through several action items. Lesson plans are currently being created for each of the program's sessions. The Club's promotional car is undergoing final repairs ready for stickering and promotional duties.
 The Social Committee has recently met to discuss upcoming events for the Club's social calendar. The Club's navigation run has been postponed until 2024. 2023 AGM and presentation dinner planning has begun. A proposal will be submitted to the general committee. Planning has begun for the celebration of the Club's 70th birthday celebrations; proposals will be submitted to the Club Committee.

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Website:	 Several upgrades have been made to the website, including digital membership cards, which are now available to all members via logging into the membership portal. Upgrades have been made to the back end of the membership portal in line with approvals received at the last Club Committee meeting. The Club's email broadcast platform has been transferred over to the upgraded service. Website and membership billing options are being consolidated and transferred to withdrawals against a club debit card.
General Business:	The Club congratulated Steve Barker and Dave Rudham on winning the
deficial busiliess.	Regularity category at the Adelaide Hills Rally.
	 Nominations are open for Clubman, Clubwoman, and Official of the year. Nominations close on the 1st of November. Nomination forms are available from the Assistant Secretary.
	 An SARC season presentation dinner will be held on 2nd December at Sporting Car Club. More details to follow. The Club was encouraged to attend and support all award winners.
	 The Club is required to submit all 2024 calendar dates and events to Motorsport Australia prior to the 2nd of November.
	 Discussion was held surrounding medical requirements for National Rally Licences.
	Discussion held surrounding licence requirements for club events.
Meeting Closed:	8:33PM
Next Meeting:	WACC General Business Meeting 7:30PM
	15 November, 2023
	Walkerville RSL, Walkerville Tce., Walkerville

AGM MINUTES - 2022

ARS OF	Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Held on 14 December, 2022 Walkerville RSL Hall, Walkerville Tce., Walkerville				
Meeting Opened:	8:18pm by Lyn Wilson Members were welcomed to the Annual General Meeting of the Walkerville All Cars Club. The Club's outgoing committee for 2022 were thanked for their efforts throughout the year.				
Present:	Members were present as per the club's attendance book.				
Approval of Previous Minutes:	Scott Atkinson Des Collins Denise Collins Adrian Ward Rod Calver Ann Calver Col Pettigrew Celeste Pettigrew Adrian Shepherd Ivar Stanelis Brian Foster Cathy Foster Chris Rizonico Cynthia Rizonico Janneke Macklin Dave Rudham Mandy Rudham Moved: Fran Tann 2nd: Steve Barker				
Election of Office Bearers	Carried unanimously. The Chairperson confirmed that all committee positions had been declared vacant and ope for nomination. The following positions were appointed by election at this Annual General Meeting:				
	Patron President Vice-President Secretary Assistant Secretary Treasurer Assistant Treasurer Membership Officer Minute Secretary MA State Council Rep MA State Council Proxy	Ivar Stanelis Bob Nason Jake Alker Fran Tann Greta Nason Peter Tann Faye Barker Steve Barker Jake Alker Darran Ambrose Matthew Woods			

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	Public Relations Officer	Daren Herring			
	Assistant PRO	Damien Rollond			
	Competition Secretary	Tamara Brice	9		
	General Committee (x6)	Sandi Stuut			
		Mark Lacey			
		Andrew Farn	nden		
		Damien Rollo	ond		
		Greta Nason			
		Lyn Wilson			
	Motion: That the above nominated members form the 2023 WACC Committee. Carried unanimously.				
Fees	The outgoing committee recommended that the fees for 2023 are to be as follows: Family - \$80 Single - \$65 Junior - \$25 Motion: That the membership fees for 2023 are as above. Carried Unanimously.				
Trustees	The Club Constitution requires six (6) Trustees. They are listed as the President, Secretary, and Treasurer, plus three further members nominated to the AGM.				
	President		Bob Nason		
	Secretary		Fran Tann		
	Treasurer		Peter Tann		
	Nominated Trustees:		Greta Nason		
			lan Kidsley		
			Rod Calver		
	Motion: That the above nominees become club trustees for 2023. Carried Unanimously.				
Motorsport Australia	The committee recommended to the meeting that the club re-affiliate with Motorsport Australia for 2023.				
	Motion: That the WACC reaffiliate with Motorsport Australia for 2023. Moved: Peter Tann				
	2 nd : Tamara Brice Carried unanimously.				
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Monting Classed:	9:27am				
Meeting Closed:	8:37pm				
	The chairperson thanked the club's outgoing and incoming committees.				
	Members were also thanked for their attendance, and wished well for 2023.				
	Thanks to Lyn Wilson for chairing the Annual General Meeting.				