

WALKY TORQUE JUNE 2022



NEXT MEETING

~~WEDNESDAY 15 JUNE 7.30~~

THEN

WEDNESDAY 20 JULY

SEE YOU THERE!

OBSERVATION TRIAL 3

Observation Trial 3 was run and won. Thanks to everyone who came out and made it a fun event. A sausage sizzle and good company saw two very happy organisers drive home smiling. Keep an eye out for the next one.

Welcome to your June newsletter, with apologies for the delayed arrival. There are plans in the works for more development of the club and of Walky Park. There will be working bees in the near future. Can you spare even half a day to help out? It will not condemn you to a lifetime commitment to hard labour. Just a few hours (joke – it's not **all** hard labour).

Club Contacts

President Bob Nason
Vice President Jake Alker
Treasurer Peter Tann
Secretary Steven Rowe
Membership Secretary
Steve Barker
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MEET THE COMMITTEE



Name: Lyn Wilson
 Office held: Committee
 Any previous office held: Treasurer
 Date joined WACC: 1971
 Member of other club/s: Historic Rally Association, Central Hills 4WD Club
 Currently competing: Yes (maybe a couple more)
 Driver/co-driver: Co-Driver
 Your car: Various
 Awards: First Place Awards – many other Podiums

- Southern 500 Rally 1976
- Brian Foster Trial 1979
- Rallye Renault 1979
- Southern 500 Rally 1983
- Southern Rally 1984
- River flats Rally 1984
- Southern Rally 1985
- Robertstown Rally 1986
- SARC 1986**
- WRC Group N Rally Australia 1989**
- Classic Adelaide Classic 2001
- Classic Adelaide Heritage 2002
- Rally Tasmania Heritage 2003
- Rally SA Classic 2008

Peter Tann

Treasurer/Observation Trial planner

Joined Walky 2008

Member/Treasurer for Tarmac JDP Association SA

Co-driver with Geoff Hobby

No longer competing

2009 & 2012 SARC Co-driver first place class P2



Observation Trial 3 – Monday 13 June (Queens Birthday public holiday)

Results

Most correct answers **Stephen and Fiona Mee**

Most creative answers **Beth and Bill Baillie**

Best presented car **Steven and Faye Barker**

Most pitiful answers **Bob and Greta Nason who win the 'Should have gone to Specsavers' trophy.**

Hello Everyone! It's newsletter time again, and your CompSec Monthly update!

Recent Events:

Since our last newsletter the first round of our Club Khanacross Series has been run and won! **Bridge Powdercoating Khant Get Better than this! - Khanacross Round 1** was a great day. It had a mix of tracks that used some older sections of track that haven't been used in some time.

Unfortunately, due to a spike in Covid, our entries were a little less than expected with several people pulling out just before the event. Even with a few last minute withdrawals we still had a solid field of 21 entries and an incredibly close race for 2nd through to 4th. After a slightly bumpy start and some confusion around how the runs would work (which was mostly my fault because I apparently don't know left from right) things settled down and we managed to complete 12 runs over 8 different layouts.

The outright winner on the day was **Osscar Farnden**. He is one of the up and coming Juniors and is definitely one to keep an eye on. He took home a comfortable win with a time of 19:29.93 which was over a minute ahead of second place Sam Humphries.

The competition for the other two podium places, however, was a completely different story, with second, third and fourth all within 2 seconds. **Sam Humphries, Ethan Pickstock and Gary Raymond** had an incredibly close day trading times back and forth, but Sam managed to come through just ahead with a time of 20:32.07. Ethan clocked in at 20:32.62 and Gary close behind on 20:33.13. Not only was this incredibly close, with just 55 hundredths between Sam and Ethan, but this level of timing accuracy would not have been possible without the new beam timing system.

Gary put in a great showing being faster than Sam and Ethan in the morning, but the afternoon's tighter tracks must have favored the 2WDs and Sam and Ethan were able to make up the time they lost in the morning against Gary and the Green Machine.



(Photos courtesy of Pete Tann)

Up-Coming Events:

Now moving onto the upcoming events.

This month there is something for everyone, with 2 very different events on offer.

On Monday the 13th (thanks to a lot of work from the clubs treasurer; Pete Tann) we will be running the Walkerville All Cars Club Observation Trial 3. These are great events that focuses on navigation and observation. This year's event will be finishing at Walky Park, with a BBQ to celebrate the official opening of the new toilet block! These are great social events that are perfect to do with a few friends in your Pride and Joy, as speed is not the focus. If you missed out on the event on the 13th, make sure to get to the next one as they are a great day out.

The other event this month is the Willaston Auto Body Repairs Rally Sprint - Round 2 at Walky Park. This event has been generously supported by Willaston Auto Body Repairs who are a third generation family business that has been servicing the Gawler, Barossa, Smithfield, Roseworthy & Kapunda area for over 50 years in crash repair, mechanical, detailing & towing.

This event is shaping up to be a big event for the club, with it hopefully being the first event to use the new Traffic light system. The traffic lights are another project from the Walky Park Track Improvement Subcommittee, so glad to see these improvements continuing, and thank you to all involved.

Other News:

We have launched a new [WalkyPark Website](#) which will host the event entries, passenger ride expressions of interest, and also results for the rest of this year. So head over to the club website at wacc.asn.au and follow the links to the new [WalkyPark Website](#).

In other exciting news, the new **Passenger Ride Program** has gone paperless, and the new process will be available for the next event. Potential passengers will complete an expression of interest through the new website, and depending on availability, we will contact successful passengers and invite them to come to one of our upcoming events. Passengers will be able to request a driver they wish to be paired with, and CoC will confirm driver pairings on the day.

If you are interested or know someone who would like to be involved in the Passenger Ride Program as a passenger, please check out the information page and register your interest via the passenger ride form on the new website.

We are still looking for additional drivers who have a suitable car with Race Seats, Harnesses, and Cages who would be willing to host passengers at one of our events. If you fall into this category and are willing to spend a day giving untimed passenger rides please contact WalkyPark@wacc.asn.au

Well, you made it to the end! Thank you for taking the time to read my update for this month. For everyone who has made it to the end, hopefully I will see you at one of the events coming up soon!!

Regards Mara!

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



Team Snoopy Pacenotes

Mmmm. Remember that plan I spoke/wrote of?
I should have known it was going way too well.

- Service. Tick.
- Shane & Brenton check. Tick.
- Wash & Clean car. Tick.
- Finish stickering car. Tick.
- Scrutiny. Tick.
- Swap street tyres for rally tyres. Tick.
- Wheel alignment. Tick.
- Put car on trailer. Oops. Too far. **NO TICK.**

The Tuesday before the event I get a phone call from a certain mate of mine at Nisscare.

"Howdy"

"Howdy. What's up?" (I'm busy driving truck down narrow street)

"Whacha you doing this weekend? (He knows what I'm doing. He's doing official stuff at same event.)

"I'm going rally driving but you already know this."

"Nah. Got better idea. Come to Jasama and we'll do stuff."

"Since you'll be busy Saturday and me busy most of the weekend that's sounds odd."

"No got better use of your time. Especially since the event has been postponed as its way too wet."

(Short silence followed by loud screeching noise that wasn't the truck brakes.)

"How the F@#+ did that happen?"

"It rained a lot."

"How much did rain a lot?" (Very softly and gently said)

"About 60 odd mm a lot"

(More odd screeching noises followed by odd snarling noise and loud bang then silence)

"Hello?"

"Hang on a bit while finish yelling in frustration." (More snarling and general carry on)

"GREAT! I finally after 5 years get to run event after no money, no navigator and more no money etc etc etc and this time they canned it? You have to be F*****G kidding!!!!!"

(Some muted laughter)

"No dead serious. And with more rain forecast they decided not to risk it."

"What a joke! What happened to the so-called bulletproof roads we supposedly were going to rally on? Bit of moisture and we all going running for cover? (This was a bit unfair as some roads were cut up and others unpassable but in fairness to me I was really pissed off. If you hadn't already guessed)

"It can't be helped. Doing the right thing by the local councils."

(He must be joking. The local councils put up more hoops and jumps to negotiate than the Olympics decathlon event only harder. We all should move to Victoria as they run 55-60 cars fields with up to a dozen entries waiting for some one to fall over before the event start so they can run and their shires love them to death and say please come back.)

"Great!" (Said with more than a little sarcasm.)

"See you tonight"

"Maybe if I haven't killed anyone beforehand!"

CLICK.

In essence that was the weekend shot 3 days beforehand. Just put icing on cake (Ha Ha) It promptly rained for the next 3 days even before the weekend.

All rallying thoughts put aside despite much swearing and cursing both loudly and under one's breath I spoke to Dave but he had already heard and was already trying to ring me, spoke to brother who said "Oh well better luck for Eudunda". (Which maybe a whole other story from whispers I've heard). "Try not to let it get to you too much."

"Way too late for that."

"Go to Jasama and play on quad and relax."

(Silence followed by heavy sigh) "OK. Talk later"

"CIAO!"

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Over the next couple days and much mutterings and black looks I was eventually resigned that the car could go back to it's usual resting place and at least was ready for the Copyworld Walky 100 @ Eudunda. Not much consolation but better than nothing. If only a really small bit of consolation.

On the slighter brighter note (Dark grey rather than black) Jeremy Browne and Peter Tahn organized a couple of dinner outings at the local Burra pubs and motels to as they put it "Wave the flag". (Really wet ones someone said.)

Missed Friday night but 21 of us gathered at the Burra Motor Inn Saturday night at Jumbucks restaurant and ran the staff ragged as they ran out of food. Or so they said. Probably just trying watch our waistlines. Great food. Great service and they never even had to kick us out like normal. I had the pleasure of the company of Mandy, Dave, Denise & Des who as usual told tales all night mostly true I assume. Great company and great entertainment.

On Sunday Brenton and I went shopping. At Cowell. 491 kms from Jasama. & 491 back again. Really shitty weather. Strong winds mostly head on despite which direction we were facing. Heavy at times rain which caused me to use wipers flat out. Never had to that before at 60kph. He bought a car. Wow! How unusual. Another Nissan. Surprisingly it actually drove rather than trailering which the usual method of picking up cars he buys. It made it back. Surprising him & me. After Mandy rang us and said to call into the (nearly) next door neighbours who saw us driving the vehicle and have a cuppa. (Longtime friends of theirs who saw the Patrol moving and said the neighbour must have sold it and Mandy said Oh yeah and we know to who. Go introduce yourselves! They did just as Mandy rang me and said the same thing only in reverse. We did very briefly as it would be and indeed was dark long before made it back safely and added to long list of vehicles we have picked up from all over Australia.

It was a better weekend than I had anticipated but not as good as I would have liked. Oh well bring on the COPYWORLD WALKY 100 at Eudunda. Hopefully better luck that time!

Hopefully we see each other in the dust clouds or mud with, somewhere if not everywhere this year. Till then stay safe, stay well and look after each other even it's just to say hello and check up on loved ones.

COVID-19 CAN GET STUFFED!

ALONG WITH CERTAIN FOREIGNERS AS WELL!

(My Opinion)

They're here and now officially launched

As a fitting conclusion to Observation Trial Bob Nason and Steve Barker officially opened the new toilet block for use. (There had been testing and trials ahead of time).



And this is only the beginning...

Where to from here?

Where is Walkerville All Cars Club going in 2022 and beyond? We are still looking for ideas. Anything you believe would improve the club's functioning, the events, the track... just about anything (within reason).

- Guest speakers – from Rally, from governing bodies, health and safety etc
- Social functions (before meetings), at Walky Park, family friendly.
- Facilities for Walky Park.

Anything you think of will be welcomed. Email me your suggestions or any other committee member.

Thank you Mykra!



Tim and Michael from Mykra delivered about 200 tyres to Walky Park.
Big thankyou to Alex Sutherland of Mykra for organising the tyres.
A win win situation as they wanted to dispose of them and we want some for the track remediation.
Cheers Pete

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Last word...

It's been a busy few weeks. Some disappointment with the postponed rally, some celebration with the launch of the new facilities and lots of behind the scenes work on timing, lights etc. Then gratefully received donation of 200+ tires to aid in our track remediation. Watch this space – there's more to come!

Til next time

Fran

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Upcoming events

- 26 June 2022 – Walky Park Rallysprint Series 2022 Round 2
- 24 July 2022 – Khanacross Round 2
- 13 August 2022 – Copyworld Walky 100
- 25 September 2022 – Walky Park Rallysprint Series Round 3
- 16 October 2022 – Khanacross Round 3