

AUSTRALIAN CENTURION WALKERS Inc

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2011 ANNUAL REPORT ON ACTIVITIES

As our Australian Centurion Financial Year finished on 31 December 2011, it is our pleasant duty to report on the year that was and to reflect on the current state of the club and its continuing growth.

Our year started with a change of Executive, Terry O'Neill (C 18) stepping up to take over the Presidency and Geoff Peters (C 20) taking on the Vice Presidency. We welcome them to their new roles. At this time, I must also acknowledge the support given to me by outgoing President Ian Jack (C 17) who stepped down after completing his two year term.

The Australian Centurions were formed in 1971 so we celebrated our 40th birthday in 2011, albeit quietly. We had hoped to organise a dinner to mark the occasion but time got away from us and it did not eventuate.

This year saw a total of 14 new Australian Age Group records, due mainly to the magnificent efforts of Michelle Thompson (C 58) and Peter Bennett (C 24).

Michelle Thompson	W40	12 Hours	96.415km	Launceston, TAS	16 January 2011
Peter Bennett	M55	6 Hours	53.620km	Caboolture, QLD	12 February 2011
Peter Bennett	M55	50 Miles	9:21:53	Caboolture, QLD	12 February 2011
Peter Bennett	M55	100 km	11:43:46	Caboolture, QLD	12 February 2011
Peter Bennett	M55	12 Hours	102.575km	Caboolture, QLD	12 February 2011
Michelle Thompson	W40	6 Hours	53.784km	Coburg, VIC	5 March 2011
Clarrie Jack	M65	6 Hours	52.290km	Coburg, VIC	5 March 2011
Michelle Thompson	W40	50 Miles	9:58:23	Coburg, VIC	16-17 April 2011
Michelle Thompson	W40	12 Hours	94.727km	Coburg, VIC	16-17 April 2011
Michelle Thompson	W40	100 km	12:43:23	Coburg, VIC	16-17 April 2011
Michelle Thompson	W40	100 Miles	22:03:37	Coburg, VIC	16-17 April 2011
Michelle Thompson	W40	24 Hours	172.593km	Coburg, VIC	16-17 April 2011
Karyn O'Neill	W50	24 Hours	162.092 km	Coburg, VIC	16-17 April 2011
Michelle Thompson	W40	50km	5:13:14	Middle Park, VIC	11 September 2011

Michelle also added 2 new Australian records to her ever growing list of achievements.

Michelle Thompson	Residential	6 Hours	53.784km	Coburg, VIC	5 March 2011
Michelle Thompson	Open/Res	50km	5:13:14	Middle Park, VIC	11 September 2011

Overall our members continue to be active in the ultra distance walking scene both in Australia and overseas, reflecting the fact that our sport is a life long activity. Sandra Brown (C 36) and Peter Bennett (C 24) lead the pack in this regard with performances that mark them as amongst the world's best. Peter's win (his 3rd from 5 starts) in the Rouen 24 Hour Classic in France in June (213km) and his wonderful walk in the Coast to Kosci classic in December (240km over tough and unrelenting terrain in 38:06:38) mark him as our top male walker while Sandra was the first lady to finish the Chateau-Thierry 24 Hour classic in March with 169.289km (3rd overall) and was the first lady to finish in the British Centurions annual 100 mile qualifier in July with 20:18:23 (2nd overall). It was a quiet year by her heady standards but still an eventful one.

Our 6 Hour Championship in March and our 24 Hour qualifying event in April were both successful and we were excited to welcome two new club members in Michelle Thompson (C 58) and Mark Wall (C 59). We also acknowledge the centurion walk of Karyn O'Neill (C 45) who bettered 100 miles at Coburg, her second successful centurion outing.

Our perpetual trophies were awarded as follows

Gordon Smith Memorial Award (Best centurion performance of the year)
Michelle Thompson (C 58)

Jack Webber Trophy (Most meritorious performance in our annual qualifying event)
Michelle Thompson (C 58)

The Farmer Trophy (Australian 100km walk championship winners)
Mark Wall (C 59) and Michelle Thompson (C 58)

Other Centurion clubs held their own qualifying events during the year with the British Centurions welcoming 15 new members (C1083-C1097) and the Continental Centurions welcoming 1 new member (C388).

We produced 8 newsletters during the year to report on our activities and to keep everyone in the loop. We also revamped our website to a more professional standard.

Happily the club continues to maintain a healthy bank account (more of that in the Treasurer's report) due to the ongoing generosity of our members and supporters.

Personally, we, the Executive, thank you all for your support and friendship during the last 12 months. Let's hope that the next 12 months will be just as productive and exciting for the club.

Yours in Centurion walking

Terry O'Neill	(C18)	President
Geoff Peters	(C20)	Vice President
Tim Erickson	(C13)	Secretary
Lois Erickson		Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2011

I am pleased to report that the Australian Centurions have enjoyed a financially viable year with expenditure balanced by a number of generous donations by our members and supporters, ensuring that we finished the year with our overall equity undiminished.

Expenses incurred in co-hosting the 2011 Coburg Carnival totalled \$789.50. Note that entry fees for all walkers go to the Coburg Harriers to help defray their costs. Hence we receive no direct income from this event but in return our costs are considerably lower than if we were to try to run our own event – a balance that continues to work in our favour. A Centurion tee-shirt is given to each 24 Hour walker entrant and certificates and Centurion badges or silver or bronze medallions are awarded to all walkers who qualify for the various standards.

Walk entries thus far for the 2012 Coburg Carnival indicate that our 2012 Carnival costs will be similar to 2011.

In 2010 and 2011, our stocks were such that we did not have to order new tee shirts, medals or medallions but both tee shirts and medallion orders will be required in preparation for our 2012 24 Hour event in April. As this will involve an expenditure in the order of \$800, our small bank account credit will soon be seriously depleted. Hence the annual call for donations takes on a greater urgency this year.

The club newsletter continues to pay its way. 10 members each paid a photocopying/postage fee of \$12 (Australian based), \$15 (NZ) or \$18 (other overseas destinations) to receive the newsletter in hardcopy form (as a number had prepaid in previous years, this does not fully show in our 2011 accounts). Other members and supporters opted to receive the newsletter by email, at zero cost to the club. In total, 8 separate newsletters were posted or emailed this year to a distribution list of just under 80 recipients – at zero cost to the club.

Our biggest single income item was Donations with 15 members / supporters contributing a total of \$800 towards general ongoing costs. All donations are listed separately at the end of the report. Since we have no formal membership fee, donations continue to be our main and only ongoing source of revenue.

Thank you to everyone for your ongoing financial and moral support.

Lois Erickson
Treasurer, Australian Centurion Walkers Inc.
2 February 2012

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CASH FLOW REPORT FOR PERIOD 01/01/2011 – 31/12/2011

INFLOWS	
Bank Interest	3.25
Donations	800.00
Newsletter Postage Subscriptions	102.00
TOTAL INFLOWS	905.25
OUTFLOWS	
RWA Annual Affiliation Payment	68.00
Annual Incorporation Payment	41.80
Awards and Trophies	96.00
Engraving	78.00
Honour Board Update	88.00
Postage and Photocopying	169.45
Purchase of RWA medals	56.00
Website Costs	70.00
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	667.25
OVERALL TOTAL	238.00

AUSTRALIAN CENTURION 24 HOUR CARNIVAL COSTS

Centurion Badges (3)	24.00
Centurion Silver (12) and Bronze (13) Medallions	250.00
RWA 100 km Championship Medals purchase (42) and engraving (36)	78.00
Centurion Tee Shirts (15)	247.50
Perpetual Trophies engraving	54.00
Replica trophy for Jack Webber Trophy	48.00
Honour Board Update	88.00
NET TOTAL	789.50

ASSETS

Cash in hand or in the bank	1193.45
Centurion Tee Shirts (25 @ \$16.50)	412.00
Centurion Polo Shirts (19 @ \$15)	285.00
Centurion Badges (71 @ \$8.00)	568.00
Centurion Silver and Bronze Medallions (31 @ \$10.00)	310.00
Centurion Cloth Badges (17 @ \$4)	68.00
Centurion Honour Boards (2)	1000.00
Perpetual Trophies (3)	600.00
TOTAL ASSETS	4436.45
LIABILITIES	0.00
ASSOCIATION'S EQUITY	4436.45

DONATIONS

2011-01-08	Dudley Pilkington	20.00
2011-01-26	Carol Baird	26.00
2011-01-27	Jim Gleeson	30.00
2011-02-09	Stan Miskin	25.00
2011-02-14	Ruth Webber	50.00
2011-03-03	Geoff Peters	38.00
2011-03-11	Merv Lockyer	26.00

2011-04-08	Terry / Karyn O'Neill	50.00
2011-04-21	Sandra Brown	45.00
2011-04-21	Jill Green	32.00
2011-05-06	Stan Jones	38.00
2011-05-16	Ken Walters	50.00
2011-08-21	Ian Valentine	40.00
2011-11-08	Deryck Skinner	250.00
2011-11-15	Tim Erickson	<u>80.00</u>
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TRANSACTION REPORT FOR PERIOD 01/01/2011 – 31/12/2011

OPENING BALANCE 01/01/2011			955.45
2011-01-08	Dudley Pilkington	Newsletter Postage Subscription	12.00
2011-01-08	Dudley Pilkington	Donations	20.00
2011-01-20	133	Postage and Photocopying	49.40
2011-01-26	134 Consumer Affairs	Annual Incorporation Payment	41.80
2011-01-26	Carol Baird	Newsletter Postage Subscription	24.00
2011-01-26	Carol Baird	Donations	26.00
2011-01-27	Jim Gleeson	Donations	30.00
2011-02-09	Stan Miskin	Donations	25.00
2011-02-14	Ruth Webber	Donations	50.00
2011-03-03	Geoff Peters	Newsletter Postage Subscription	12.00
2011-03-03	Geoff Peters	Donations	38.00
2011-03-03	135 RWA	Purchase of RWA medals	56.00
2011-03-11	Merv Lockyer	Newsletter Postage Subscription	24.00
2011-03-11	Merv Lockyer	Donations	26.00
2011-03-11	136 Keyhole Engraving	Engraving	24.00
2011-03-11	136	Postage and Photocopying	6.00
2011-03-13	Westpac Bank	Bank Interest	0.62
2011-03-31	Westpac Bank	Bank Interest	0.87
2011-04-08	137 Keyhole Engraving	Engraving	24.00
2011-04-08	138 V. F. Trainor	Awards and Trophies	96.00
2011-04-08	Terry/Karyn O'Neill	Donations	50.00
2011-04-21	Sandra Brown	Donations	45.00
2011-04-21	Jill Green	Newsletter Postage Subscription	18.00
2011-04-21	Jill Green	Donations	32.00
2011-05-06	Stan Jones	Newsletter Postage Subscription	12.00
2011-05-06	Stan Jones	Donations	38.00
2011-05-06	139	Postage and Photocopying	23.05
2011-05-11	141 RWA	Annual Affiliation Payment	68.00
2011-05-16	Ken Walters	Donations	50.00
2011-05-31	142 Hanson Signwriting	Honour Board Update	88.00
2011-06-17	143 V. F. Trainor	Engraving	30.00
2011-06-30	144	Postage and Photocopying	21.25
2011-08-04	145	Postage and Photocopying	24.70
2011-08-21	Ian Valentine	Donations	40.00
2011-09-10	146 Crazy Domains	Website Costs	70.00
2011-09-10	Westpac Bank	Bank Interest	0.92
2011-11-08	Deryck Skinner	Donations	250.00
2011-12-15	Tim Erickson	Donations	80.00
2011-12-15	Westpac Bank	Bank Interest	0.84
2011-12-28	147	Postage and Photocopying	45.05
CLOSING BALANCE 31/12/2011			1193.45
TOTAL INFLOWS			905.25
TOTAL OUTFLOWS		667.25	
NET TOTAL			238.00