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## STATEMENT OF PURPOSES – AUSTRALIAN CENTURION WALKERS Inc.

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1. Australian Centurion membership is restricted to those Walkers who have completed 100 miles of walking within 24 hours on a certified track under sanctioned competition. Road Walks will be recognised provided the distance has been measured and certified.
2. The objects of the Australian Centurions are:
  - a) to maintain membership of the Australian Federation of Race Walking Clubs,
  - b) to foster and encourage long distance walking in Australia under the auspices of the Australian Federation of Race Walking Clubs,
  - c) to elect to membership those who have walked under Australian Centurion Competition Rules <sup>1</sup> and satisfied the conditions of membership by completing the distance of 100 Miles within 24 hours. Those duly elected shall be presented with the distinctive Badge and Certificate of Membership both of which shall bear the number allocated,
  - d) to seek fraternal relationships with Overseas Centurions,
  - e) To operate as a non-profit association.
3. The reason for our being is firstly and lastly a brotherhood to honour the achievement of walking 100 or more miles within the time limit of 24 hours and the arduousness of the long preparation needed to reach this standard. We would hope to influence State Walking Clubs to promote and organise events of 100 miles and 24 hours for which they may charge their own entry fees and make their own awards and in which we would award our Badge, Certificate and Numerical, as subscribed for by existing Centurions, to each and every competitor achieving the task for the first time. We do this because we believe "the Spirit of Centurionism" is strong and, being based upon a sure foundation, will endure. We believe also that long distance walking is not only the most natural and beneficial of exercises but also tends to the health and happiness of Mankind.
4. The formation of the Australian Centurions was the direct result of a discussion by the British Centurions, Frederick John REDMAN No. 163 and Len Mathews No. 316 with Tom Daintry of Victoria.
5. The Australian Centurions was founded by:

L. Mathews	Adelaide, South Australia	Centurion No. 316. U.K.
F. J. Redman	Melbourne, Victoria	Centurion No. 163. U.K.
T. H. M. Daintry	Melbourne, Victoria	
B. K. Parkinson	Melbourne, Victoria.	

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<sup>1</sup> Australian Centurion walks are judged by the Centurions present at the competition.