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DATES...DATES...DATES

The AURA calendar shows quite a few Australian ultra events that may suit serious ultra walkers – check it out at <http://www.aura.asn.au/events.html>. Most of the key European and Centurion dates are now also in place for 2015 so the calendar is starting to look quite comprehensive. Some key races follow.

Sun Feb 1, 2015	Hong Kong 12 Hour and 6 Hour Walks See http://www.ultramarathon.hk/page/events/2015.php	Hong Kong
Feb 28 - Mar 1, 2015	Bourges 24 Hour Walk (Paris-Alsace qualifier)	Bourges, France
Sun Mar 8, 2015	Coburg 6 Hour Championships See http://www.coburg24hr.org	Coburg, VIC
Mar 28-19, 2015	Chateau Thierry 24H (Paris-Alsace qualifier)	Chateau-Thierry, France
Apr 6-12, 2015	2015 ANZAC Ultra See http://www.anzacultra2015.com	Canberra, ACT
Apr 18-19, 2015	Coburg 24 Hour Carnival and AURA Championship Incorporating 2015 Australian Centurions 24H qualifying walk See http://www.coburg24hr.org	Coburg, VIC
Apr 25-26, 2015	Rond des Ducs 24 Hour Walk (Paris-Alsace qualifier)	Dijon, France
May 23-24, 2015	Continental Centurions 100 miles qualifying walk	Weert, Holland
June 3-6, 2015	Paris-Alsace Classic 430M (M), 320km (W)	Neuilly sur Marne to Ribeaucville
June 6, 2015	Parish Walk (80 Miles)	Douglas, Isle of Man
June 6-7, 2015	American Centurions 100 miles qualifying walk See http://www.fans24hour.org/registration.html	St Paul, MN
June 15, 2015	Fotrally (see www.fotrally.se)	Stockholm, Sweden
June 17-21, 2015	Paris to Strasbourg Stages Race	Paris to Strasbourg, FRA
Aug 15-16, 2015	104th Centurions 100 Miles aualifying walk	Castletown, Isle of Man
Sept 19-20, 2015	28 Heures de Roubaix 28 Hour Individual, 24 Hour Relay	Roubaix, France
Aug 27-28, 2016	105 th English Centurions 100 mile qualifier	
Oct 22-23, 2016	USA Centurions qualifying walk, Owega, NY (TBC)	

And now some notes on some of these events

- The **2015 Australian Centurions 100 miles qualifer** will be back at the Coburg track in Melbourne on the weekend of 18-19 April 2015. Entries can be done online via their website at <http://www.coburg24hr.org>.
- The **2015 English Centurions 100 miles qualifier** will be held in Castletown, Isle of Man, on the weekend of 15-16 August. Castletown is located in the south of the Isle Of Man. And looking further ahead, the Redcar Race Walking Club will be organizing the **2016 English Centurions qualifier** on 27-28 August.
- Well known American husband and wife walking team Dave Talcott and Erin Talcott-Taylor have announced that they have put a bit in for the USATF National 100km/100 mile Race Walk Championships for 2016. If successful, they also intend to have a 'centurion' division for any and all who wish to enter it. There will be judges – judging for Race Walking rules – and judging for Centurion rules – depending on which race they are in. The race will take place in October of 2016 in Owego, NY. The exact date is yet to be decided, however it will most likely be October 22-23. It will be on a very flat, paved, 1km loop in a park with the support of the village public works. They are hoping to attract international competitors who haven't really had a chance to go for US Centurion status as the FANS race has a more difficult course and is quite weather dependent. This sounds excellent and I am sure that a few Australians will make the trip.

- The annual Paris-Colmar classic is the showpiece of the European ultra walking year and involves over 400km of almost continuous walking over 3 days each June. It has been held annually since 1926 but is now embroiled in controversy with the organizers changing the format in 2015 to make it a stages race like the Tour De France cycling race. It will be contested over 5 days from **17-21 June** and will extend from **Paris to Strasbourg**. Former event organizer Jean Cécillon has now banded together with his own support team and has announced an alternate event, to be held on **3-6 June**, and going from **Neuilly-sur-Marne to Ribeauvillé**. This second event will be similar to the old Paris-Colmar. See <http://www.dna.fr/sports/2014/11/06/bataille-de-formules> and <http://www.vosgesmatin.fr/vosges/2014/12/04/paris-colmar-est-mort-vive-paris-alsace> for further information.

OUT AND ABOUT

Michelle Thompson (C 58) was in great form at the recent **Ned Kelly Chase** (see <http://www.nedkellychase.com.au>) which will be held on October 26th in Wangaratta in country Victoria. She powered through the 100km distance in 12:19:35 in very hot conditions to finish 30th. Alas, I had a walk also but had to pull the plug at 77km. The only other serious walker in action was Ballarat's John Kilmartin who contested the 50km, finishing 16th with 6:16:35. Full results at <http://tomatotiming.racetecresults.com/Results.aspx?Cid=16&RId=28249>. And a great big 'well done' to events organisers Justin and Sharon Scholz who put on a fantastic event once again.

John Kilmartin, who walked so well in our Australian Centurions 6 Hour event in mid October and who walked only a couple of weeks later at Wangaratta, was back in action in another few weeks time in a Racewalking New Zealand 50km invitational 50km event, winning in a PB time of 5:51.25. John continues to build his stamina and technique in long distance walking and will be an interesting one to watch over the 24 Hour distance when he decides to give it a go.

Conbratulations to **Barry Loveday (C 62)** who has been named in the Australian team which will contest the 2015 World 24 Hour Run championships in Torino Italy, on 11-12 April. Barry will spearhead the team as the fastest runner with his outstanding 2014 distance of 265km, achieved at Coburg in April. He will warm up with a run in the Hong Kong 24 Hour run on 31st January but, before then, he and his family will be shifting from Melbourne to the new home in Redcliffs in Queensland. We wish Barry all the best for what will be very busy 2015!

Justin Scholz (C 61) was in action earlier this month in the iconic Coast to Kosci ultra run which challenges entrants to run from the NSW south Coast to the top of Australia's highest mountain (see <http://www.coast2kosci.com/>). He finished 11th in the excellent time of 31:12:12 for the 240km run. What a huge performance. And some late news – Justin and Sharon have both entered the FANS 24 Hour event in USA next June and will be hoping for yet another centurion walk and their second centurion badge. Good luck guys!

A brief followup to my note in the last newsletter on the efforts of **Sue Clements (C 35)** and **Sandra Brown (C 36)** who joined their Dutch friends to walk the 49th Nijmegen to Rotterdam 100 miles on the weekend of 20-21 September. I had emailed Sandra to confirm that this was her 161st 100 mile+ event. She replied as follows:

Yes, this was number 161 - and a more delightful, convivial way to walk 100 miles would be hard to imagine. This has become a favourite with Sue Clements and myself, and we both participated this year - Sue's 4th time and my third, which pales into insignificance compared with the Dutchman whose 39th this was! This year 75 walkers of all ages took part, and once again nearly all completed - that's how well-organised and supported, sociable and supportive, this event is. It's also a fantastic gathering of Centurions, both Centurions1911 and Continental Centurions, which is something to celebrate, and a great way to meet people who may like to think about qualifying in future.

All finishers get the same certificate, and the walk always takes about 29 hours, as the stops and regroupings are carefully scheduled, and everyone starts and more or less finishes together. What an amazing event!

This year marked the 70th anniversary of Operation Market Garden in 1944, when allied forces attempted - unsuccessfully - to re-capture and relieve the communities around Arnhem and Nijmegen. The story was told in the film "A bridge too far." We walked across the heath-land where parachutists and WW2 planes were re-enacting the mass "drop" of personnel at the start of the operation. And, as usual, we passed the Pegasus memorial during the moving ceremony there. There were many serving and ex-servicemen in the area and staying in Nijmegen for the anniversary.

As always, congratulations and warmest thanks are due to Gijs den Ouden and all the N-R team for organising another brilliant walk and great experience.

I also mentioned in the last newsletter that **Eddy Goeman (C 60)** had also walked in the above walk and had followed it up with a walk in the 110km Zeewolde to Zeewolde ultra walk. What I did not realise what that he was the first to finish the overnight trek which started at 7PM on the Saturday evening. He arrived back at the finish on the Sunday morning around 10:45AM for a total time around 15hrs 45 mins. And here is a photo from the local press interviewing him upon his arrival.



Alas, I have to finish this section on a sad note. **Steve Jordan (C 64)** is back in hospital at the moment and things do not look good. Earlier this year, he was diagnosed with a serious brain tumour which required immediate surgery and subsequent treatments of chemo and radio therapy. This does not seem to have put an end to the tumour and it is now progressing. I have been to see Steve regularly and I am sure that all our thoughts are with him during this dreadful time.

FRENCH 100KM CHAMPIONSHIP, LIGNY-EN-BARROIS, FRANCE, SUNDAY 26 OCTOBER

The French 100km championship was held over a 2km loop in Ligny-en-Barrois in north eastern France on Sunday 26th October, with a start time of 5AM and a cutoff time of 12 hours. A 50km criterium for women was also contested, with a later start time of 9AM. Fabien Lombard went to an early lead in the 100km but was never far ahead of the next group which included eventual winner Fabrice Henry. By the 40km mark, Henry had bridged the gap but it took a long time before he could eventually break clear, going on to win in the impressive time of 9:58:14. Lombard held on well to take second with 10:04:23 ahead of Remi Bonnotte 10:26:25.

The women's 50km saw a good win to Belgian walker Myriam Nicolas in 5:36:59, ahead of the first French women Virginie Barthelemy 5:45:16 and Emilie Courgoureux-Auge 5:48:16.

100km Men

1.	HENRY Fabrice	As Saint-junien	VEM/66	9:58:14
2.	LOMBARD Fabien	Asm Bar-le-duc	VEM/72	10:04:23
3.	BONNOTTE Remi	Dijon Uc*	VEM/65	10:26:25
4.	LETOURNEAU Florian	Ac Chateau Thierry	SEM/88	10:50:51
5.	TOURNOIS Pascal	Asm Bar-le-duc	VEM/54	11:04:38
6.	BUNEL Pascal	Neuilly Sur Marne Athletisme	VEM/64	11:30:49
7.	MAUREL Eric	Athle 55 *	VEM/62	11:43:14
8.	GUENEAU Jean-claude	Dijon Uc*	VEM/69	12:04:30
9.	ARNAULT Jacques	Neuilly Sur Marne Athletisme	VEM/62	12:15:17
10.	FAUQUEUR Raymond	Entente Littoral Athletisme No	VEM/57	98km in 12:04:03
11.	TOUTAIN Eric	As Culturelle Francophone	VEM/63	98km in 12:08:34
12.	BANO Jean-michel	Ajs La Garde	VEM/55	94km in 12:10:39
13.	SIMON Yannick	Ga Meusien	VEM/69	94km in 12:15:27

14. LE GARGASSON Patrick	Ua Des Cotes D'armor*	VEM/64	92km in 12:10:32
15. HARTMANN Emmanuel	Ga Meusien	VEM/68	90km in 12:00:46
ERARD Christophe	Asm Bar-le-duc	VEM/70	AB (70km)
THIRIOT Louis	Asm Bar-le-duc	VEM/50	AB (70km)
PENKALLA Patrick	Athle 55 *	VEM/65	AB (40km)
BUNEL Dominique	Neuilly Sur Marne Athletisme	VEM/68	DQ at 22km

50km Women

	NICOLAS Myriam	BEL - Additional Competitor	VEF/63	5:36:59
1.	BARTHELEMY Virginie	Dijon Uc*	VEF/72	5:45:16
2.	COUGOUREUX-AUGE Emilie	Stade Rodez Athletisme*	SEF/80	5:48:51
3.	PIERRE Florence	Athle 55 *	VEF/66	6:00:22
4.	LEMOINE Annie	Neuilly Sur Marne Athletisme	VEF/64	6:15:45
5.	SALOMEZ Benedicte	Neuilly Sur Marne Athletisme	VEF/62	6:18:48
6.	QUINQUETON Bernadette	A Marcheurs St Thibault Des Vi	VEF/61	6:43:13
7.	LAGABE Corinne	Athle 55 *	VEF/67	6:53:48
8.	ARNAULT Francoise	Neuilly Sur Marne Athletisme	VEF/48	6:56:17
9.	SALOMEZ Emeline	Neuilly Sur Marne Athletisme	SEF/90	7:11:30
	HALLOY Nathalie	BEL - Additional Competitor	VEF/67	AB



Fabrice Henry, Fabine Lombard and the final podium of Lombard, Henry and Remi Bonnotte

17TH ST PETERSBURG 6 HOUR WALK, RUSSIA, SATURDAY 12 OCTOBER

I missed this one completely so thanks to omarchador blogspot for their report on this year's St Petersburg 6 Hour walk (see <http://omarchador.blogspot.pt/2014/10/6-horas-de-marcha-em-sao-petersburgo.html>). The event, which was held on the island of Krestovski in St. Petersburg, is a traditional event which is now in its seventeenth year and honors the figure of Yuri Shulgin, a 50km walker in the 60s and 70s and the first Soviet athlete to participate in the Lugano 100km classic which he won. This year's event was organized by St Petersburg walks coach Mikhail Sokolovskiy.

Sergey Lukiyianov won the men's event with an impressive 63 km, covered in 6:01:21, while Olga Borisova won the women's event with an equally impressive 62 km, completed in 6:05:40. Note that Borisova was the women's winner in this year's Paris-Colmar classic.

The program included endurance tests for younger walkers, with the 2 Hour U18 women's event won by 15 year old Kseniya Ivanova, (20 km, 2:04:18) and the U16 10km going to 11 year old Denis Macafeev (1:11:43) and 13 year old Viktoria Banit (57.20).

6 Hour Men (11 walkers)

1.	Sergey Lukiyianov	1956	63 km	6.01.21
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2.	Andrey Ponomariov	1989	62 km	6.04.20
3.	Semion Snigur	1997	61 km	6.06.56
4.	Dmitriy Michailov	1983	56 km	6.00.48
5.	Aleksandr Semionov	1987	52 km	6.05.40
6.	Viktor Izotov	1977	50 km	6.01.10

6 Hours Women (12 walkers)

1.	Olga Borisova	1986	62 km	6.05.40
2.	Viktorija Galliamova	1994	59 km	6.04.10
3.	Kristina Elishevskaja	1996	58 km	6.06.40
4.	Zanna Putinceva	1981	53 km	6.01.34
5.	Anna Tropariova	1988	51 km	6.00.30
6.	Elena Slinkina	1985	51 km	6.00.31
7.	Daria Guseva	1995	50 km	6.02.10
8.	Yana Boiko	1976	49 km	6.02.40
9.	Aliona Moshkina	1991	49 km	6.02.11

2 Hours U18 Women (10 participants)

1.	Kseniya Ivanova	1999	20 km	2.04.18
2.	Maria Malhanova	1999	20 km	2.04.18
3.	Liza Malysheva	1998	19 km	2.02.56

6 JOURS DE FRANCE, PRIVAS, FRANCE, 19-25 OCTOBER

The 9th French 6 Day Ultra Carnival (see <http://www.6jours-de-france.fr/index.php?lang=en>) was held in the French town of Privas from 19-25 October. The event, which had both run and walk divisions, was put on as usual by the 452195etplus organization (see <http://www.42195etplus.fr>) and was held over a 1km circuit around the municipal lake. It also included the lesser 72 Hour (3 Days) option.

The 6 Day Walk was won by 39 year old French ultra specialist Christian Mauduit. Better known as a runner with a 6 Day Run best of 812km, he was the winner of the 2010 Deca Ironman (see <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SR6qK7sza1I>). But he was not a complete newcomer to ultra walking, having a 24 Hour walk best of 167km. On this occasion, he walked to a total distance of 710.060km to finish just over 70km ahead of Christophe Biet. The first woman to finish was French champion Claudine Anzionnat with a very impressive 620.276km. The 72 Hour walk was won by Josiene Pannier with 331.606km. Full results can be seen at <http://bases.athle.com/asp.net/liste.aspx?frmbase=resultats&frmcode=1&frmspace=0&frmcompetition=168707>

6 Day Walk

1.	MAUDUIT Christian		SEM/75	710.060km
2.	BIET Christophe	J3 Sports Amilly	V1M/66	639.940km
3.	ANXIONNAT Claudine (F)	Athletic Vosges Entente	V3F/51	620.276km
4.	WALLAEYS Jean	Earp Romans	SEM/80	581.411km
5.	BETAILE Roger	Stade Francais	V3M/53	580.550km
6.	EMONIERE Philippe	Cosm Arcueil	V2M/61	571.916km
7.	BIZARD Claudie (F)	Thiais Ac	V2F/59	571.148km
8.	HAUSMANN Martina (F)	Lg Wurzburg (GER)	VEF/60	522.213km
9.	PRUCKNER Jaroslav	Sk Bradlec (CZE)	VEM/54	521.008km
10.	MASSON Pascal	Essonne Athletic*	V2M/64	518.481km
11.	ODOUARD Dominique		VEM/57	480.004km
12.	LE MANER Serge		VEM/51	477.957km
13.	ECHÉ Dominique	Nice Cote D'azur Athletisme	V2M/55	456.429km
14.	PIERRE Patrick	Montauban Handisport	VEM/48	454.575km
15.	LESCURE Frederic		VEM/61	406.217km
16.	JOASSARD Patrick		VEM/72	372.250km
17.	GRASSI Alain		VEM/59	371.450km
18.	CORNICHON Laurent		VEM/63	365.679km
19.	DUBOIS DENGHIEN Catherine (F)	Essonne Athletic*	V1F/65	363.706km
20.	RABREAU Yves		VEM/42	353.930km
21.	JOSE MORA Bernardo (Esp)	Cab Siurell	VEM/63	347.994km
22.	SEGUI Santiago (Esp)	Geieg	VEM/53	315.194km
23.	BURGER Alain		VEM/55	166.572km

24. PAILLE Stephane	Ca Villenave D'ornon	V2M/64	76.250km
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72 Hour Walk

1. PANNIER Josiane (F)	Havre Ac	V3F/50	331.606km
2. BLONDE Daniel		VEM/57	314.750km
3. DUPLAN Thierry		VEM/64	278.242km
4. VARETTE Graziella (F)		VEF/64	260.750km

MALAYSIAN 12 HOUR WALK, SEREMBAN, MALAYSIA, 6-7 DECEMBER 2014

The MKH Seremban International 12 Hour Walk, held in Malaysia in mid December, is a regular event on the world ultra walking scene and normally sees large numbers of local Malaysian walkers, along with a number of walkers from Hong Kong, Singapore and more widespread countries. In 2014, Australian ultra walkers Saul Richardson, **Michelle Thompson (C 58)** and **Tim Erickson (C 13)** were participants. The 8PM start time on the Saturday evening ensured that conditions are less severe than during the day but it was still hot and humid and hence a challenging experience for those not used to racing on the equator.

The 2014 race was moved from Putrajaya to Seremban and was to be held around a 1km block in the inner city. Close to the event, it had to be moved to another city block due to a festival which was scheduled for the same weekend and the course distance was changed to 800m. Come the day and the lap was further reduced in distance with only a partial lap of the block rather than the full lap to cut off a very busy corner and section. The race results announced on the day were amended to reflect a lap distance of somewhere around 720m but the lap distance was definitely less than that. The winning distances of 115km are not realistic and indicate that further recalculations are required. But this does not detract from what was a wonderful event, With around 350 walkers participating (and most of them actually finishing), it was an impressive event that was excellently run and well supported by sponsors.

Michelle and Tim walked the whole way together, starting off conservatively, catching the leaders mid race and then drawing away in the second half for comprehensive wins. The story for **Saul Richardson** was a very different one as he had badly broken a big toe the previous Sunday when he dropped a heavy instrument case on his foot. He turned up in his moon boot and hobbled around in the last few days leading up to the race, then strapped the toe up and set off with the gun, hoping for the best. Amazingly, he completed the full 12 hours with a PB distance of 88.218km. The effort was so great that he collapsed at the presentations and had to be given quite a bit of first aid treatment before he was stabilised. Then next day it was back into the moon boot. Talk about a gutsy performance!

Full results/photos at <http://www.racewalkermalaysia.com/>. The event even got a feature on the prestigious omarchador racewalk blog site – wow! See <http://omarchador.blogspot.pt/2014/12/12-horas-da-malasia-em-seremban.html>.

12 Hour Men (first 10 – 157 starters)

1. Tim Erickson	Australia	153 laps	11:56:56	115.362km
2. Umasuttan Ganesen	Malaysia	147 laps	12:00:04	108.576km
3. Anipoobarathi Barathithasen	Malaysia	142 laps	11:57:25	107.068km
4. Michael Campaniello	America	139 laps	12:00:07	104.806km
5. G. Suresh Kumar	Malaysia	138 laps	12:00:06	104.052km
6. Leung Ting Kin	Hong Kong	133 laps	12:00:12	100.282km
7. Yau Wing Lo	Hong Kong	124 laps	11:51:50	93.496km
8. Ang Ooi Lun	Malaysia	124 laps	12:00:06	93.496km
9. Azman Abdullah	Malaysia	123 laps	11:47:38	92.742km
10. Peter James Back	Singapore	122 laps	12:00:13	91.988km
14. Saul Richardson	Australia	117 laps	11:56:31	88.218km

12 Hour Women (first 10 – 133 starters)

1. Michelle Thompson	Australia	153 laps	11:57:47	115.362km
2. Norliana Binti Rusni	Malaysia	129 laps	12:00:09	97.266km
3. Irene Tai Sau King	Hong Kong	121 laps	12:00:08	90.480km
4. Chooi Fern Loh	Malaysia	120 laps	12:00:10	90.480km
5. Chong Hsiao Shiang	Malaysia	110 laps	12:01:11	82.940km
6. Cheung Mei Yi	Hong Kong	107 laps	12:00:08	80.678km
7. Lee Yau Hong	Malaysia	105 laps	11:41:42	79.170km
8. Chan Choon Mui	Malaysia	102 laps	12:00:07	76.908km
9. Lin Fong Wong	Malaysia	98 laps	12:00:14	73.892km
10. Lin Wing Yee	Malaysia	97 laps	11:55:08	73.138km



Tim, Michelle and Saul in action in Malaysia

Unfortunately, it was announced after the event that this would be the final 12 Hour event staged in Malaysia. That being the case, we are glad we made the trip this year. It was as enjoyable as is possible in such an event! And to cap it off, we were joined by my European correspondent **Emmanuel Tardi** who combined with us to make a 4 person team (Michelle, Tim, Saul and Emmanuel) which finished 3rd in the teams division. For the record, Emmanuel finished 62nd in the men's division with a distance of 61.828km. Well done to him for his longest 12 Hour distance in quite some time.

THE YEAR IN RETROSPECT

As we come to the end of another Australian ultra distance walking year, it is timely to review any new track walking records. Of the 8 Age Group records and 5 Open records set during 2014, all but two are the property of **Michelle Thompson (C 58)**. It has indeed been her year.

Michelle Thompson	6 Hours	W45 All-Comers & Residential Records	55.731 km	Coburg	23/02/2014
Terry O'Neill	6 Hours	M55 All-Comers & Residential Records	53.786 km	Coburg	23/02/2014
Dawn Parris	6 Hours	W60 Residential Record	43.567 km	Coburg	23/02/2014
Michelle Thompson	50 Miles	Residential Record	9:23:58	Coburg	05/04/2014
Michelle Thompson	100 km	Residential Record	11:43:11	Coburg	05/04/2014
Michelle Thompson	12 Hours	Residential Record	102.164 km	Coburg	05/04/2014
Michelle Thompson	100 Miles	Residential Record	19:53:19	Coburg	05/04/2014
Michelle Thompson	24 Hours	Open and Residential Records	190.984 km	Coburg	05/04/2014
Michelle Thompson	50 Miles	Open and Residential W45 Record	9:23:58	Coburg	05/04/2014
Michelle Thompson	100 km	Open and Residential W45 Record	11:43:11	Coburg	05/04/2014
Michelle Thompson	12 Hours	Open and Residential W45 Record	102.164 km	Coburg	05/04/2014
Michelle Thompson	100 Miles	Open and Residential W45 Record	19:53:19	Coburg	05/04/2014
Michelle Thompson	24 Hours	Open and Residential W45 Record	190.984 km	Coburg	05/04/2014

GORDON SMITH MEMORIAL AWARD – MICHELLE THOMPSON (C 58)

Around this time of the year, the Australian Centurion members usually vote to determine the winner of the annual Gordon Smith Memorial Award for the top performance done on Australian soil during the current calendar year. The Executive chatted about this recently and decided that, since **Michelle Thompson's** year had been so stellar, we should simply announce her as winner, based in particular on her walk in the Coburg 24 Hour Carnival back in April.

On that occasion, she was the leading walker, setting new Australian Open Residential and W45 records for 50 Miles (9:23:58), 100 km (11:43:11), 12 Hours (102.164km) and 100 Miles (19:53.19) and a new Australian Open All-Comers record for 24 Hours (190.984km). In fact, her 24 Hour distance was second only to that of the great Jim Gleeson (C 2) which still stands as our Open Men's record.

She joins a very elite list of previous winners which now reads as follows

2005	Deryck Skinner (c 51)
2006	Stan Miskin (C 23)
2007	Terry O'Neill (C 18)
2008	Deryck Skinner (C 51)
2009	Peter Bennett (C 24)
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2011	Michelle Thompson (C 58)
2012	Barry Loveday (C 62)
2013	Tim Erickson (C 13)
2014	Michelle Thompson (C 58)

We will be arranging a Centurion luncheon in Melbourne in early February for the official presentations.



Michelle in action in the Coburg 24 Hour back in April

FINANCIAL NEWS

Thanks to a number of our centurions members for their recent donations (see below). I must especially acknowledge Deryck Skinner for his very generous donation of \$250 – this is the money he raised from his volunteer work in this year's 'City Bay' fun run in Adelaide. Thanks Deryck!

Income	Donation – Cathy Cox	100.00
	Bank Interest	2.31
	Donation – Claude Martin	50.00
	Donation – Deryck Skinner	250.00
	Donation – Karyn and Terry O'Neill	<u>100.00</u>
Balance		\$733.29

UNTIL OUR NEXT NEWSLETTER

Wow, another big edition with our eighth and final edition for the year. To our members and readers, I wish you all a Christmas season full of joy and peace.

Yours in Centurion walking ... Tim (C 13), 1 Avoca Cres, Pascoe Vale, Victoria, Australia, 3044