



Klarion Newsletter



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Event Director's Update – from Kim & Arthur Davis

The first major survey for next year went quite well, apart from being bogged for 4 hours in a forest! Those of you who are members of the KKR Facebook page would have seen some of the photos.

The 2016 rally is shaping up to be quite a compact, competitive event. We had to abandon one of the planned river crossings as it proved a bit too deep for the 2WDs, a shame as it was a very picturesque area. However, we're sure there will be more when the time comes, especially in winter! All in all the rally will be a test for both driver and navigator, especially in some of the tight forest tracks....be careful if you miss a call, you may go round and round tracing your way back!! Slow and steady wins the race, isn't that right? This is not a speed event so no need to bust your boilers!

You will be notified of the overnight and lunch stops in the New Year once we have confirmation from all venues. A list of accommodation will then be sent to all registered entrants.

Speaking of entrants; it would serve you well if you sent your entry in to us soon, spaces are filling and there are quite a few 'regulars' who are still missing from the list. Come on guys, stop this slacko business and get on to it.

All photo albums and photo CDs have now been sent out to everyone, please let us know immediately if you haven't received yours by now. The 2016 brochures have also been posted out to everyone, if you need more for your fundraising endeavours please let us know. The same goes for raffle books, we have plenty here waiting to be sold!

Some of the current entrants have already sent their kar and personal forms back to us. We would appreciate it if the rest of you could do the same as soon as possible.

Christmas is almost upon us once more, where do the years go? We hope you have a lovely day with family and friends and all the very best for the coming year, may it be prosperous for us all....Cheers!



Some scenery from our November survey for the 2016 rally

Welcome New Participants

Grant Vickers, Alex Madge, Adrian Flanagan & Kenneth Turner –
Kar 38 – Canberra Kidney Bean Kounters – Ainslie, ACT
Luke Bouchier & Ellie Wei Ting Kao – Kar 70 – Angry Pig – Bowen/Stanthorpe, QLD
Melinda Hudson – Kar 111 – Team RDO – Chittaway Bay, NSW
Brian Mongan – Kar C3 – Control 3 – Narellan, NSW

Welcome Back

Tony Roberts & Haydn Saunders – Kar 9 – TBA – Millfield, NSW
Jim & Bev Vickers – Kar 51 – White Rocket – White Rock, NSW
Barry Stanshall & Norm Fardell – Kar 96 – Wish U Were Here – St John's Park, NSW
Tony Tannous & Jimmy Aligiannis – Kar 181 – The Safari – Milperra, NSW
Brian & Michael Cattell – Kar 1954 – Akubra Cousins – Wagga Wagga, NSW
Trevor Seaman & Mick Tuckey – Kar 24 Hour – Day Before Kar – Bathurst, NSW
Alan Smith – Kar MC – Master of Ceremonies – Spring Farm, NSW

Kidney Health Australia Update – from Katie Nicholson

Our 2015 Kidney Kids Programs conclude in December with our 2nd annual Young Adults Life-Skills Program. Aimed at young people aged 18-25 and held in Victoria, the program will see participants travelling from Queensland, New South Wales and Victoria for 3 days of workshops. A mix of life-skills sessions focussed around employment, mental health and money management, as well as fun peer and self-esteem building activities have been planned for the program.

This caps off a successful year which saw 247 'Kidney Kids' and siblings attend 10 Kidney Kids Capers Programs across Australia, 138 children attend our National Camp in April, and our South Australian young adults clinic continue into its 3rd year without a graft (transplant) loss.

We're already gearing up for an even bigger 2016 and would like to say a big thank you and Happy Festive Season to all our Rallytives for making all this possible!

Vale Beccky Johns 23/11/1992 – 25/11/2015

It is with great sadness that I let you know of the passing of former 'Kidney Kid' and Kidney Health Australia staff member, Beccky Johns. Many of you would remember Beccky when she shared her story at 2013's Kidney Kar Rally. Beccky passed away after a courageous fight against cancer for the past 8 weeks. The cancer was caused by anti-rejection medication she had to take post her kidney transplant. A devastating side effect that sometimes happens to kidney patients.

Beccky passed away peacefully with her family next to her and in the knowledge she was surrounded by love and the prayers and best wishes of all who had the privilege of knowing her, including all at Kidney Health Australia. Having Beccky in my team, we often spoke about the amazing people who participate in the Kidney Kar Rally and the difference being made to children affected by kidney disease. Beccky participated and volunteered at many Kidney Kids Programs and I know she would like me to pass on one more thank you, from her, for your incredible support.

Beccky had just turned 23. A beautiful life cut short but in her 23 years she lived more than many do in a long lifetime. We are all privileged to have known Beccky and worked with her. She was and will continue to be an inspiration to us all.



Becky Johns pictured with Team Robot when they were raising awareness in her home town of Bendigo this year

2016 KIDNEY KAR RALLY PARTICIPANTS

1	Alex Mueller	10½	Bathurst Renal Failures	Paddington, NSW
2	Peter Lanyon	Kar 54	Grimace Too	Mt Annan, NSW
3	Peter Ward	Kar 8	Bathurst Surf Life Saving Club	Bathurst, NSW
4	Ken Downie	Kar 888	K & K	Nunawading, VIC
5	Peter Peters	Kar 852	The Escapees	Buronga, NSW
6	Robert Cameron	Kar 508	Amy's Team	Boosey, VIC
7	Carmel Mifsud	Kar 1308	Sister Act	Crookwell, NSW
8	Brian Wallace	Kar 500	Cabernet Merlot II	Nowra, NSW
9	Gerard Warrin	Kar 26	Team O'Halloran	Numurkah, VIC
10	Kile Nicholas	Kar 405	Where's Waldo?	Cessnock, NSW
11	Ray Cumming	Kar 111	Team RDO	Chittaway Bay, NSW
12	Maree Warren	Kar 24	Cody's Country	Tamworth, NSW
13	Michael Van Den Acker	Kar 73	Rusty Racing	Officer, VIC
14	John Clout	Kar 2009	Xplant	Wagga Wagga, NSW
15	Dion Manning	Kar 0517	Tumut Transplant Team	Tumut, NSW
16	Julian Smith	Kar 1995	Diamond Protection	Mt Waverley, VIC
17	Graeme Wallace	Kar 13	Where's Wally?	Woodrising, NSW
18	Ted Johnson	Kar 333	Kwikdraw	Illawong, NSW
19	Brian Cattell	Kar 1954	Akubra Cousins	Wagga Wagga, NSW
20	Grahame McKay	Kar 072	The Pensioners	Forster, NSW
21	Dave Hogbin	Kar 148	Datto Boys	The Ponds, NSW
22	Richard Edgley	Kar .05	Doing it for the Kiddies	Dubbo, NSW

23	Tony Favero	Kar K78	SO Racing	Bathurst, NSW
24	Mick Kliver	Kar 68	Artline Team	The Oaks, NSW
25	Peter Carr	Kar 11	The Blues Brothers	Luddenham, NSW
26	Barry Stanshall	Kar 96	Wish U Were Here	St John's Park, NSW
27	Luke Bouchier	Kar 70	Angry Pig	Bowen, QLD
28	Lou Marevich	Kar K20	Billy Kart	Prospect, NSW
29	Grant Vickers	Kar 38	Kanberra Kidney Bean Kounters	Ainslie, ACT
30	Daniel Swain	Kar 81	P.O.W.	Werrington County, NSW
31	Jim Vickers	Kar 51	White Rocket	White Rock, NSW
32	Tony Tannous	Kar 181	The Safari	Milperra, NSW
33	Chris Ball	Kar 69	Dirty 1's	Campbelltown, NSW
34	Howie Nourse	Kar K31	Old Green II	Saddleworth, SA
35	Tony Roberts	Kar 9	TBA	Millfield, NSW

Entry List will be updated regularly on the website

Merry Christmas



Happy New Year

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