

THANK YOU

Directors, Bob Schrader and Ross Tapper would like to thank each and every volunteer who gave their time to make QUIT Targa West the successful event it was. Over the four day period, there are over 650 volunteers who are out on the course or in Head Quarters doing their part.

QUIT Targa West simply could not happen without the support and assistance of the volunteers who help not only over the four day period, but leading up to the event as well.

Recognition and thank you is also extended to the many residents who allow us to compete on their streets and come out and enjoy the weekend. The Event Organisers are extremely appreciative of the overwhelming support from the communities in Chittering, Toodyay and Kalamunda.

CONGRATULATIONS!

2008 was another great year for QUIT Targa West. For those who are interested, here are some stats from the event:

- Four days of great weather
- Largest field to date - 85 vehicles
- 171 Competitors (Drivers and Co-drivers)
- 56 Competitors (Drivers and Co-drivers) competing for the first time in QTW
- First diesel vehicle entered
- Over 650 volunteers assisted in bringing it all together

And just in case you had forgotten the winners....

Competition Modern - Steve Jones and Rauri Soutar-Dawson
Competition Classic - Alister McRae and Bill Hayes
Challenge Modern - Kym Illman and Antonia Spiers
Challenge Classic - Andy Van Kann, Brook Martisen and James Marquett



DVD's

Hopefully you would have caught a glimpse of QUIT Targa West 2008 on TV.

If you didn't - don't fret, The QUIT Targa West 2008 DVD will be available soon from The Pitstop Bookshop.

We are hoping they will be available by late October or early November. Shortly we will notify all competitors and officials of availability and pricing.

To reserve your copy of the DVD, contact the friendly staff at The Pitstop Bookshop on 1800 622422.

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QUIT TARGA WEST 2009

Plans for QUIT Targa West 2009 are already on the way. Although not 100% locked away, the date for next year is most likely to be 20-23 August, 2009.

As soon as a date has been locked into the busy Australian Motorsport calendar, planning will begin in earnest.

A IMSS ACHIEVES A MAJOR BENEFIT FOR CAMS COMPETITORS

The Confederation of Australian Motor Sport (CAMS) has founded the Australian Institute for Motor Sport Safety (AIMSS) to promote improvements in the safety of motor sport and the relationship between motor sport and road safety in Australia.

The Institute, which is a non-regulatory body, aims to encourage excellence across all aspects of motor sport safety through research, education, and the co-ordination of safety-related programs.

AIMSS has succeeded in achieving a major cost-cutting benefit while maintaining optimum safety levels in the area of safety harness life in Australian motor sport. Following a recommendation by AIMSS, the Confederation of Australian Motor Sport Ltd (CAMS) Board has approved an extension of the validity of FIA racing harnesses in non-international events from five to ten years.

The amendment to CAMS regulations is effective immediately, and will ease a substantial cost burden for most CAMS competitors. Competitors in FIA international

competition will still be required to comply with the five-year restriction.

AIMSS contracted Autoliv, a major FIA-approved crash and equipment test laboratory, to examine and test a wide variety of competition harnesses that could no longer be used as their validity had expired. The ages of harnesses tested ranged from six to approximately thirty years.

The results demonstrated that there was no measurable deterioration in webbing or harness component strength for many years after the end of the five-year validity period, and none within a ten-year period.

AIMSS will now arrange for the testing of harnesses complying with the American SFI specification, which are very popular among off-road competitors. Currently, the webbing for these harnesses must be renewed every two years and it is possible, although as yet unproven, that this period might also be safely extended.

For full details visit the CAMS website.

PHOTOS

Throughout the four day QUIT Targa West experience, photographers from Circlework Media were out on course happily snapping photos of the cars, competitors, crews, spectators and volunteers.

Competitors, if you would like a CD's containing photos of your time from QTW 2008. Circlework will individually create a cd for you. Each CD will feature high and low resolution photos (suitable for printing, emailing and websites) of your car, along with a selection of other photos taken through the weekend.

To order your CD, please email Brian White at brian@bwmedia.com.au. Make sure you include your name, postal address, contact number, car entry number and car description in you email. Disks are posted out within 7-10 working days along with an invoice and cost \$120 plus GST (including postage and packaging).

SEARLE RACE EQUIPMENT ARE ON THE MOVE

Searle Race Equipment are expanding and on the move. Their current location at Radium Street will close on 31 October and the SRE team will relocate to new premises at the Welshpool Trade Centre and will re-open for business on Monday 3rd November.

Their new address is:
Welshpool Trade Centre
12 / 108 Welshpool Road, Welshpool
Cnr Welshpool Road & Leach Highway

