



PEDESTRIAN COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA

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The Walking Class

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Top Ten “Pedestrian” Road Safety Issues

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- 1 Independent Road Safety Commissioners in all states and territories – answerable to the Parliament – not the Government
- 2 Legislation requiring all Local Councils to reduce road trauma (annually) as per UK (and as per NSW STAYSAFE recommendation)
- 3 30 km/h speed zones in areas of High Pedestrian Activity (The 2020 Stockholm Convention)
- 4 e-Rideables and 10 km/h national default speed limit on Shared Paths – not permitted on footpaths
- 5 Get the word “Accident” out of the Road Safety lexicon
- 6 Driver Distractions – Roadside Advertising (especially VMSs – Variable Message Signs)
- 7 Put Pedestrians at the top of the road safety hierarchy – not the bottom – stop bundling us with other Vulnerable Road Users (VRUs)
- 8 Scramble (or diagonal crossings) in areas of high pedestrian activity – especially CBDs
- 9 Pedestrian Crossings at Roundabouts
- 10 Frontal Protection Systems and a new ADR for Event Data Recorders

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