



# FOUNDATION ACADEMY



**THE PIPELINE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR  
YOUTH INTO AUSTRALIAN MOTOR SPORT**

**OPPORTUNITY FOR PHILANTHROPY**



As the world flies by at 200+km per hour the thrill of the race is electrifying. Whether you are in the driver's seat, working in Pit Lane or celebrating in Victory Lane, you can feel it in the air.

**AT WALKINSHAW ANDRETTI UNITED WE WANT EVERYONE TO EXPERIENCE THIS FEELING. ENGINEERS. MECHANICS. DRIVERS. OFFICIALS. MANAGEMENT.**

Regardless of your background.

Limited wealth, education and access will no longer be a barrier to bringing in the best to our sport.

**WE INTRODUCE  
THE WALKINSHAW ANDRETTI UNITED FOUNDATION ACADEMY  
AND INVITE YOU TO JOIN US.**

# THREE TEAMS. THREE COUNTRIES. ONE GOAL.

Walkinshaw Andretti United was born from three iconic organisations in world motor sport, Walkinshaw Racing, Andretti Autosport, and United Autosports.

The three organisations cover the globe, with Walkinshaw Racing based in Australia, Andretti Autosport in America, and United Autosports in Europe.

**THE DIVERSE PEDIGREE THEY ALL BRING IS UNRIVALLED IN AUSTRALIA. FROM SUPERCAR CHAMPIONSHIPS, BATHURST WINS, INDY 500 WINS, GLOBAL RALLYCROSS TITLES AND LMP2 ENDURANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS, THEIR RESPECTIVE MOTOR SPORT RESUMES ARE MORE THAN IMPRESSIVE.**

The announcement of Walkinshaw Andretti United took place at the most iconic circuit in Australia, Bathurst, on the eve of the biggest race of the 2017 season, the Bathurst 1000. It sent chins wagging, as fans around the globe pondered what these three teams can achieve together.

It didn't take long for the first win to be achieved through Scott Pye's famous victory at the 2018 Australian Grand Prix event, with five further podiums coming in the first season. The Team has also stood on the Bathurst podium every year since its formation.

2021 saw the Team have its most successful season to date, claiming three wins, including Chaz Mostert and Lee Holdsworth's stunning victory in the 2021 Bathurst 1000. Mostert also finished third in the Drivers' Championship, with the Team finishing fourth in the Teams.

**“WALKINSHAW ANDRETTI UNITED IS READY TO CONTINUE THE MOMENTUM BUILT SINCE OUR ESTABLISHMENT AND TO DO SO, WE NEED TO ATTRACT AND DEVELOP THE BEST TALENT THE WORLD HAS TO OFFER”.**

Ryan Walkinshaw - Co Owner Walkinshaw Andretti United



***“ULTIMATE SUCCESS IS WHAT I STRIVE FOR. TO WIN RACES AND CHAMPIONSHIPS WITH WALKINSHAW ANDRETTI UNITED.***

***I REALISE THAT THERE’S A FEW VERY SPECIAL PEOPLE WHO SACRIFICED SO MUCH TO GET ME HERE ... AND IT IS THEM I ALWAYS THINK OF, WHEN CELEBRATING THE BIG MOMENTS!”***

**Chaz Mostert  
Driver #25 Walkinshaw Andretti United Supercar**



# LIMITED ACCESS LIMITS OPPORTUNITY

Motor sport is a team sport built on the passion, attitude and energy of motivated people.

**WE BELIEVE THAT OUR CORE FOUNDATIONS ARE REINFORCED BY CULTIVATING AND DEVELOPING WORLD CLASS MOTOR SPORT TALENT IN OUR REGION.**

When evaluating the motor sport resource pool in Australasia we find that the means for entering a Supercars team is often disparate and unclear. This is true across all core functions encompassing drivers, engineers, mechanics, PR and commercial.

Access to entering motor sports as a career is often limited by a person's connections, wealth and education. This means we are limited in attracting the best and the brightest the world has to offer.

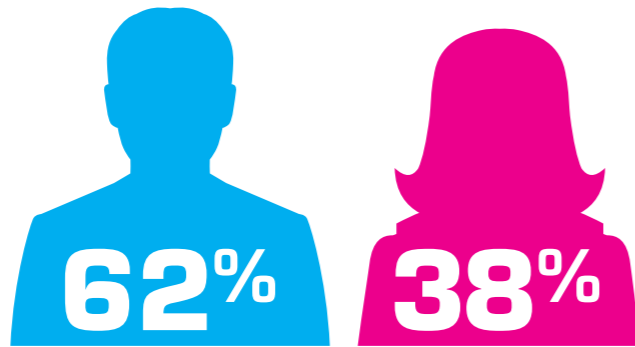
***“OUR CHALLENGE IS SIMPLY TO OPEN THE DOORS OF OPPORTUNITY BEYOND THOSE ALREADY WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY”.***

**Bruce Stewart - Team Principal Walkinshaw Andretti United**



## OUR SPORT - KEY STATS

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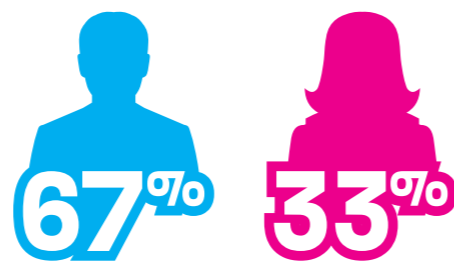
# OUR TEAM

Walkinshaw Andretti United is one of the iconic teams in the sport, leading the way with a rich history of success in Australian touring cars racing spanning 32 years. We have won the iconic Bathurst 1000 endurance race 10 times and along the journey our drivers have claimed 8 ATCC / Supercars Championship titles.

Our team is the team of the sports most famous names including Peter Brock, Mark Skaife, Craig Lowndes and Garth Tander - with superstars Chaz Mostert and Nick Percat making up our current driver line up.

We held the mantle as the Factory Racing Team for Holden for 26 years, and amassed a fan base like no other team in the country. As we move into a new era from 2023 with manufacture support from Ford we are proud to represent a legion of fans who are loyal, passionate and who have an understanding and appreciation for the history of our team.

**WE DELIVER VALUE BEYOND ANY OTHER SPORTING ORGANISATION, CONNECTING BRANDS TO THE PASSION OF OUR FANS AND THE RICH HISTORY OF OUR ICONIC TEAM.**



# OPENING DOORS & INTENSIFYING TALENT

Our focus is to fulfil our vision of attracting the best and brightest to our sport by developing a credible and clear 'talent pipeline' to help grow people and accordingly our team's performance in synergy.

**WE WILL CALL THIS THE WALKINSHAW ANDRETTI UNITED FOUNDATION ACADEMY.**

The Walkinshaw Andretti United Foundation Academy will have a proactive role in building people the WAU way.

Our people - staff and students - will have a clear vision of the potential this opportunity can take them both within and outside of our team.

***"OUR PEOPLE WILL FEEL ENRICHED, IMPROVED, AND APPRECIATE THAT THEY HAVE CREATED CAREER MOMENTUM BECAUSE OF THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN THE WAU FOUNDATION ACADEMY".***

Michael Andretti - Co Owner Walkinshaw Andretti United





# THE WALKINSHAW ANDRETTI UNITED FOUNDATION ACADEMY

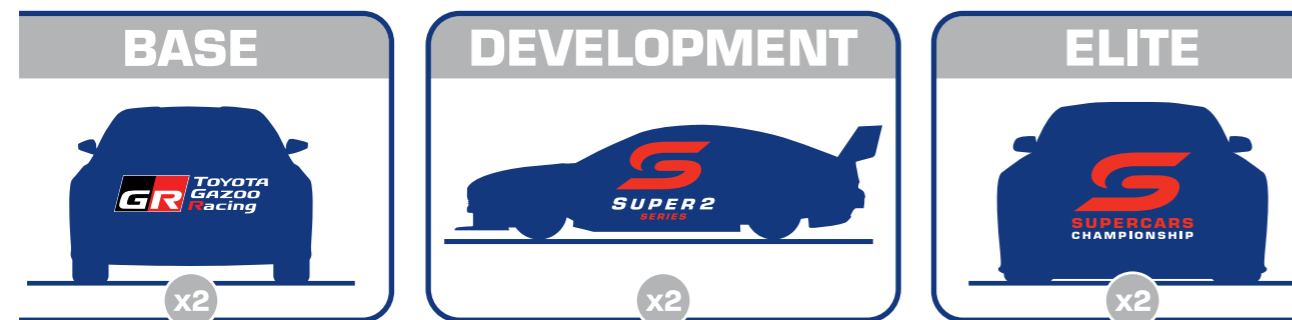
The Walkinshaw Andretti United Foundation Academy (WAU Foundation Academy) aims to build a long-term, credible and sustainable pathway program to motor sports excellence.

This program will use the positive effect of our new premises alongside specific training tools, particularly in simulation learning and physical preparation, to create a program of High Performance - specific to our professional motor sport.

The structure of the WAU Foundation Academy is focused to provide a pipeline of opportunity for elite talent into the 'main game' of Supercars.

**AT ITS CORE, THE PREMISE IS TO ALLOW THE BEST TALENT TO RISE - IRRESPECTIVE OF FUNDING, BACKGROUND, OR WEALTH. WE WANT TO OPEN DOORS AND INTENSIFY TALENT.**

The developmental approach is spread across three tiers of Australian motor sport:



The development is coordinated in alliance with major educational partners across Australia, including UNSW and Kangan Institute.

Each stage of the development encompasses integration across the WAU businesses entrance into these categories.

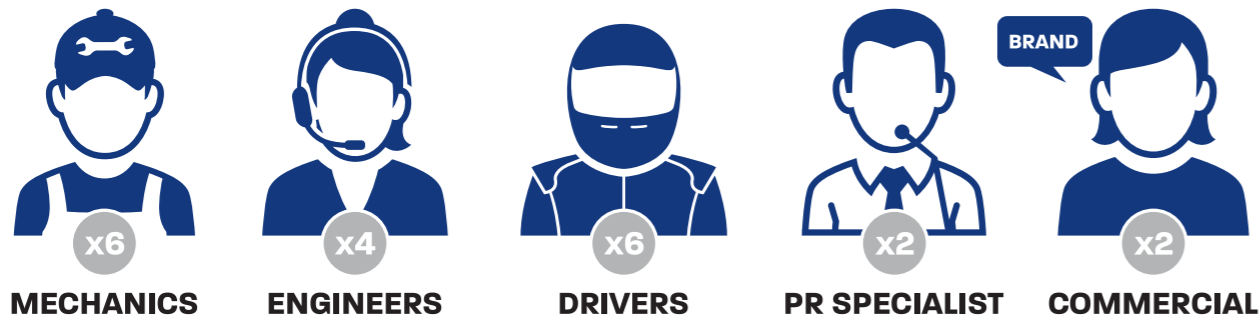
As such the WAU Foundation Academy can have a focus on developing burgeoning talent across these categories via workshop training, direct at track experience as well as planned and frequent integration with the race team operations at Clayton, Victoria.

Noting regionally, we also have the opportunity to commence a New Zealand partnership in T86, as well as potentially cultivating a New Zealand aspiring driver into Super2.



# CREATING A PIPELINE FOR TALENT

It is anticipated that at least twenty 12-month positions will be available annually to students through the WAU Foundation Academy including:



Students will have access to a tailored program stream.

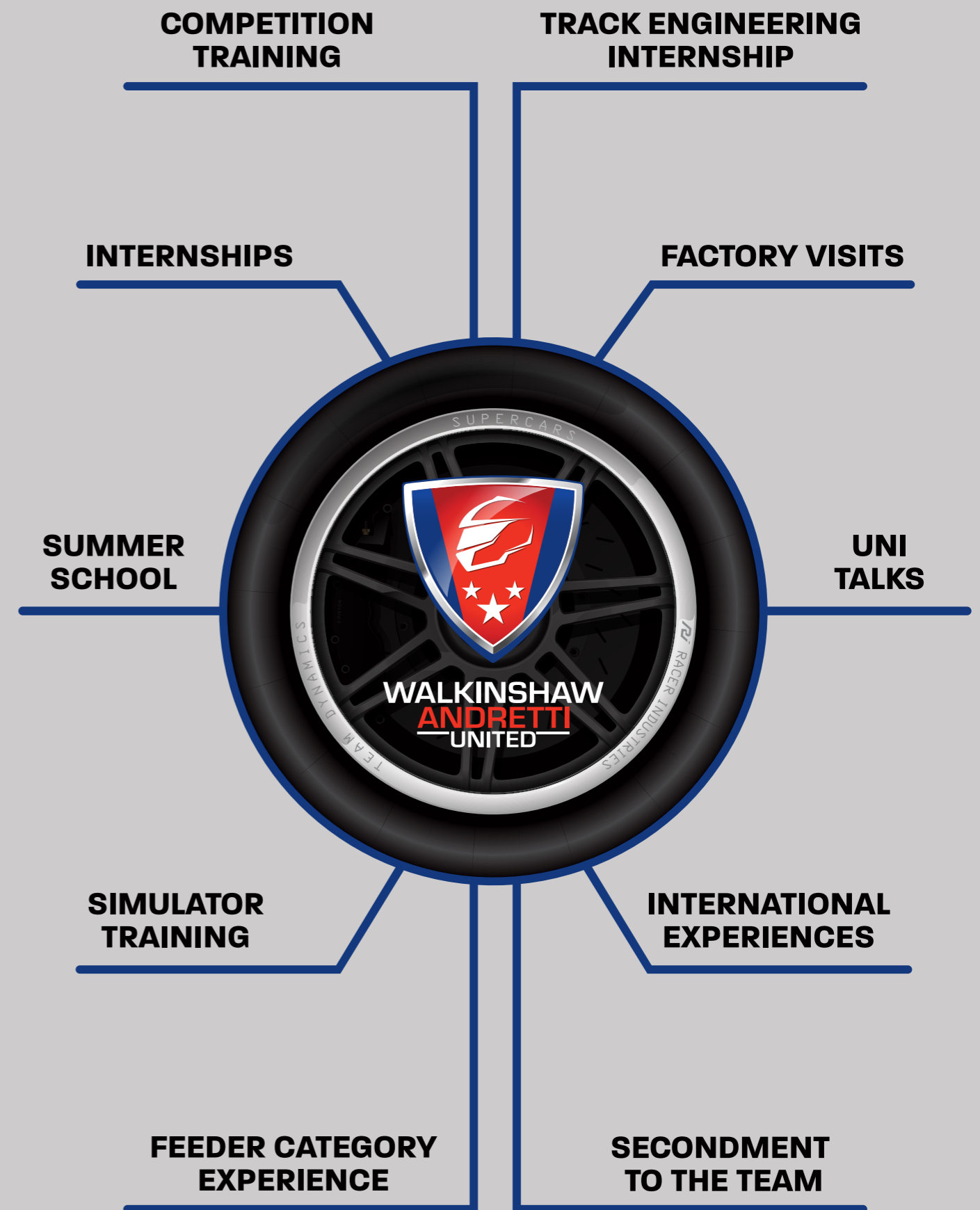
Each program within the WAU Foundation Academy - supported by our partners Kangan Institute and UNSW - is necessarily bespoke, with the educational partner and program manager assisting the tailoring to each driver, student and/or mechanical intern.

Students will have a minimum 50 contact days over the year, integrated across all core competencies.

For all, the program encompasses the following distinct high-performance training and touch points:

- Direct at track racing experience
- Integration into WAU workshop program including:
  - Toolbox training
  - Direct supervised instruction
  - WAU summer training (school)
- Access into WAU simulator sessions, training, and integration
- Assimilation into WAU physical personal training sessions and gym resource
- Integration into pre-brief and debrief sessions
- Other opportunities within the WAU network – locally and internationally
- Secondment to other teams
- Commercial motor sport education, attitudinal approach, and opportunity development

**IMPORTANTLY, STUDENTS WILL HAVE DIRECT ACCESS WITHIN WAU'S SUPERCARS BUSINESS INCLUDING DRIVERS, ENGINEERS, AND WORKSHOP RESOURCES.**



# THE PATHWAY

We all came to racing through different paths, some straight, some windy. Some knew this is where they would end, others found racing mid-way.

At the Walkinshaw Andretti United Foundation Academy we acknowledge this and have created several pathways to racing.

## HIGH SCHOOL CADET

WAU Foundation Academy will use the F1 in School STEM Challenge to identify talented business and engineering students for entry into the program.

## APPRENTICESHIPS

With one of the strongest apprenticeship programs in Victoria, Kangan Institute has a diverse range of automotive courses to prepare students for real world racing who would be considered for entry to the WAU Academy.

## UNIVERSITY UNDERGRAD STUDENTS

In partnership with UNSW, we will consider entry for WAU's High School Cadets into their Sunswift Racing Program, as well as including Sunswift students into the WAU Foundation Academy.

## GRADUATE STUDENTS

In the years to come, graduates of UNSW, and those that apply directly to the Academy, will have entry to a Graduate program.

## JUNIOR DRIVER PROGRAM

Awareness of young talent comes through an organic process that has existed for decades in scouting and keeping an eye on all motor sports categories.

# WAUFA TALENT PROGRAM

## CADETSHIP - HIGH SCHOOL - 1 WEEK DURATION

	OUTCOME 1	OUTCOME 2	OUTCOME 3	OUTCOME 4	OUTCOME 5
ENGINEER	Simulator	Race engineers	Design	Briefing / debrief	Race weekend experience
MECHANIC	Stripping race cars	Sub-Assembly	Building race cars	Loading the truck	Race weekend experience
COMMERCIAL /PR	Partner management	Event planning	Sponsor activations	Driver engagement	Race weekend experience

## INTERNSHIP - UNI UNDER GRADUATE - 60 DAY DURATION

	OUTCOME 1	OUTCOME 2	OUTCOME 3	OUTCOME 4	OUTCOME 5
ENGINEER	Race engineering + simulator	Race setups + data analysis	Support of 'off-car' design projects	Pre and post race briefings	TGRA 86 race experience
COMMERCIAL /PR	Partner management	Event planning	Sponsor activations	Driver management	TGRA 86 race experience

## GRADUATE - UNI POST GRADUATE - 12 MONTH DURATION

	OUTCOME 1	OUTCOME 2	OUTCOME 3	OUTCOME 4	OUTCOME 5
ENGINEER	Operating simulator	Race setups + data analysis	Support of 'on-car' design projects	Pre and post race briefings	Super2 race experience
COMMERCIAL /PR	Partner + client relationships	Event planning	Sponsor activations	Driver management	Super2 race experience

## APPRENTICESHIP - UNI POST GRADUATE - 2-3 YEARS

	OUTCOME 1	OUTCOME 2	OUTCOME 3	OUTCOME 4	OUTCOME 5
MECHANIC	2-3 year KANGAN education theory and practical	On the job training at WAU	WAU wide practical experience	No 1 mechanic at Super2 race	Race weekend experience

# AMBITIOUS GOALS FOR A BRIGHT FUTURE

We are driven to be the best and our students will be encouraged by our ambitious goals for the next 3 years:



- 2023 Top 3 average finishing result
- 2024 Fighting for the Super2 Championship
- 2025 At least one WAU Academy into Supercars Main Game



- 2023 Commencement and program integration
- 2024 At least one person per tier stepping up into next tier
- 2025 Engineer into either Supercars, Formula 1 or IndyCar



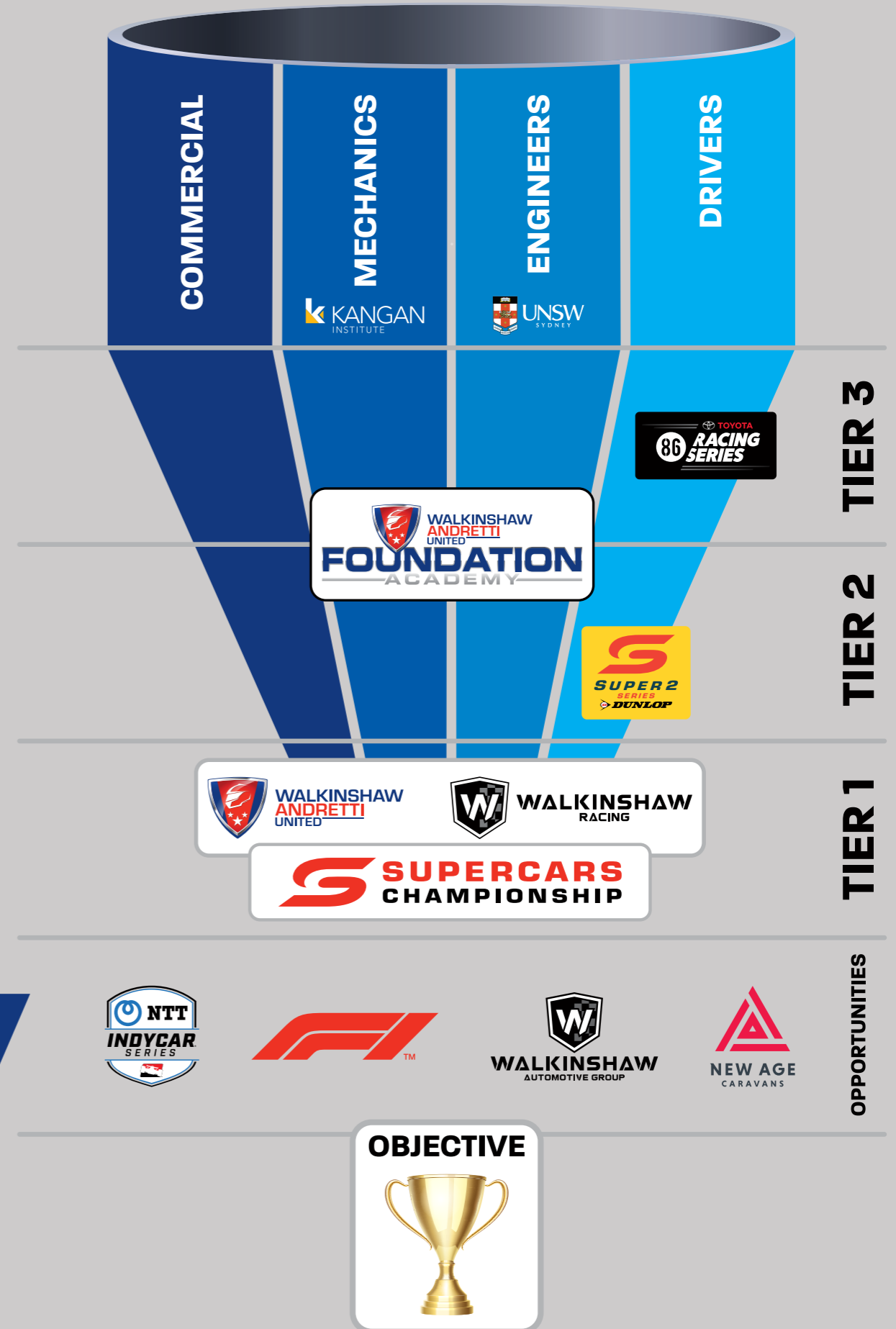
- 2023 Commencement and program integration
- 2024 At least one person per tier stepping up into next tier
- 2025 Mechanic into either Supercars, Formula 1 or IndyCar



- 2023 Commencement and program integration
- 2024 At least one person per tier stepping up into next tier
- 2025 Secondment into either Supercars, Formula 1 or IndyCar

**“TO BE THE BEST, WE MUST TRAIN AND EMPLOY THE BEST. THE WAU FOUNDATION ACADEMY WILL BE THE STEPPING STONE TO A LIFE-LONG ELITE CAREER MOTOR SPORTS”.**

Zak Brown - Co Owner Walkinshaw Andretti United



***“A DRIVER CAN BE A CRUCIAL  
INGREDIENT IN A TEAM, BUT  
A DRIVER ALONE CANNOT  
MAKE A TEAM”.***

**Nick Percat**  
**Driver #2 Walkinshaw Andretti United Supercar**



## CAMPAIGN LEADERSHIP

Walkinshaw Andretti United is a world class racing organisation established through the collaboration of three global motor sport organisations - Andretti Autosport from the United States, United Autosports from the United Kingdom and Walkinshaw Racing from Australia.

Our leaders Ryan Walkinshaw, Michael Andretti and Zak Brown are major names in World motor sport; and as 'true racers' their objective is very simple. That is, to revitalise a (once) great racing organisation back into regularly winning Supercars races and championships.

**AS AN ADDITIONAL MOTIVATION, IF WE COLLABORATE WAU RESOURCE AND OPPORTUNITY ACROSS THE THREE INTERNATIONAL TEAMS IN DRIVERS, INFORMATION, AND TALENT; WE CONSIDER THIS AS AN IMPORTANT ADDED POSITIVE EFFECT FOR AUSTRALIAN MOTOR SPORT - AND A CORE REASON WHY WE DO, WHAT WE DO.**



# AN INVESTMENT IN EXCELLENCE

Each area of competency has a budgeted plan of cost, investment, and program remuneration.

All funds committed to the WAU Foundation Academy will support:

- Drivers (Super2 and Toyota Gazoo Racing Australia 86)
- Academy Program Manager
- Vehicle operations (Super2 and Toyota Gazoo Racing Australia 86)
- High Performance Centre Trainer and Gymnasium
- Travel
- Coaching
- IT Systems
- Uniforms
- Engineering internships
- Mechanic internships

WALKINSHAW ANDRETTI UNITED HAS COMMITTED TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WAU FOUNDATION ACADEMY.

WE ARE NOW SEEKING A PHILANTHROPIC INVESTMENT OVER THE COMING YEARS.

PLEASE CONSIDER YOUR SUPPORT TODAY.

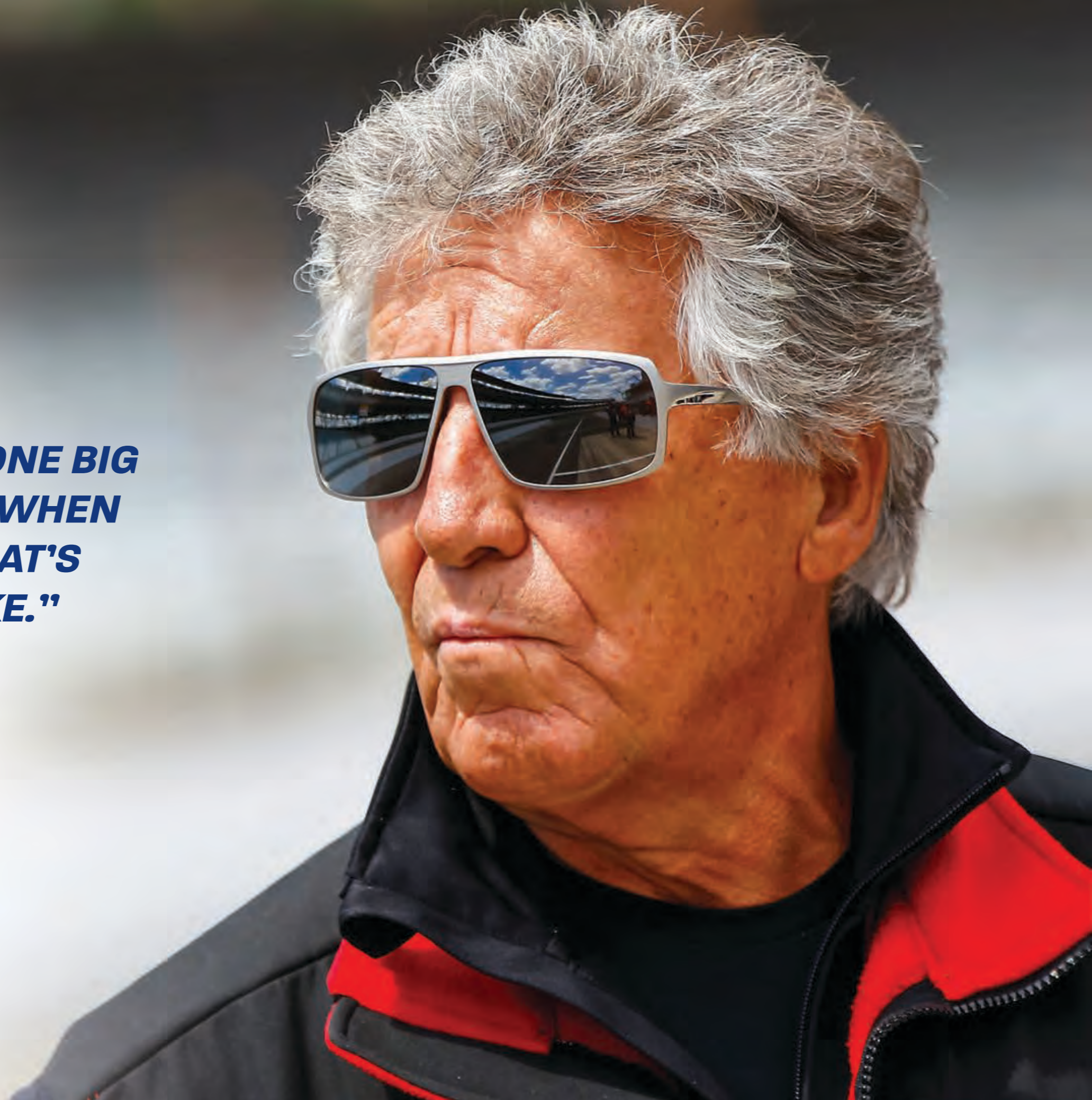
MY GIFT TO THE WAU FOUNDATION ACADEMY	MY INDICATIVE GIFT AFTER TAX AND MEDICARE LEVY (BASED ON 45% MARGINAL RATE)
\$500,000	\$265,000
\$200,000	\$106,000
\$100,000	\$53,000
\$50,000	\$26,500
\$30,000	\$15,900
\$10,000	\$5,300

All gifts to this Campaign will be made through the Australian Sports Foundation, noting the Walkinshaw Andretti United Foundation Academy as the beneficiary. All gifts are fully tax deductible and strictly confidential.



***“MOTOR RACING IS LIKE ONE BIG FAMILY, ULTIMATELY, AND WHEN YOU COME BACK TO IT, THAT’S REALLY WHAT IT FEELS LIKE.”***

**Mario Andretti**  
**1978 Formula One Champion**  
**1965, 1966, 1969, 1984 Indy Car Champion**





# AN INVITATION TO GIVE

Our team operates in a high-performance world where there is a constant focus on continuous improvement.

This applies for our equipment, our technical resources and most importantly our people.

This WAU Foundation Academy program is authentic, credible and appropriate to growing the Australasian motor sport talent pool - the WAU way. That is our purpose.

We are excited in the opportunity to grow the pipeline into this exciting new initiative.

OUR AIM IS TO RAISE PHILANTHROPIC SUPPORT OVER THE COMING YEARS TO CREATE AND DELIVER THE TALENT PIPELINE AND ACHIEVE OUR GOALS.

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN OUR JOURNEY AND PLEDGE A GIFT TO SUPPORT AND SHAPE THE FUTURE OF OUR SPORT.

There are a range of opportunities available in recognition and of your valuable support. Understanding that all of us have different capacities and life circumstances, we are deeply grateful for every gift.

All donations towards the campaign are tax deductible and can be pledged over three years. We thank you for your consideration of this important project, that will shape the future success and prosperity of our sport and the talent within it.

Thank you.





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