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FPV & XR Car Club of South Australia



A Message from the President

Welcome again to our club quarterly newsletter. Since our last newsletter we have continued to enjoy a variety of great cruises as well as holding our AGM. I would like to take this opportunity to recognise and thank the outgoing Committee members for their support over the past twelve months and welcome our new Committee members. We have made some big changes to the operations of the club and these changes will continue to take time to bed in but I'm confident we have made the right decisions. A more recent and significant change is the decision to update our club logo, many of you will have already seen the new logo which now appears on the club website and will appear on all new club shirts and merchandise. This change was made promptly and smoothly and all feedback has been positive considering it's only been in place for such a short time, well done to those that made this happen. Further to this, the introduction of new club hoodies was well received and members have keenly placed their

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7:30 pm Every 2nd Thursday of the Month

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orders. As most of you know the club's Events Team work hard to come up with interesting and fun ideas for events. All members are encouraged to share their ideas through the Events Suggestions form which can be found in the members section of the website. In regards to fundraising, I have made the decision that all fundraising will now be managed by the Committee, with a variety of activities already in the pipeline, including the new 2016/2017 Entertainment Books which are on sale now through a link on our website. That being said we are keen to get everyone's input so please let us know if you have any ideas. Another exciting milestone was the official date being set for the 2016 All Ford Day SA. The AFD Team have confirmed that the event will be held on Sunday 18th September at Bonython Park, entry details and forms will be available soon. Finally, one last acknowledgement to all of our members, your help and support at events never goes unnoticed and makes everyone's day so much easier and enjoyable, a great team effort!

Daniel Shevlin, President



President's Hills Cruise - 16th January

This cruise really turned into a cruise with a difference. The cruise was well attended, with a potential new member joining us, we had perfect weather and the later meeting time was a nice change. We departed Munno Para and headed up through Craigmore and in to the hills. It wasn't long before Daniel lived up to his reputation of being the U-turn king, missing a turn off. Some of us went left and some of us went right, making things very interesting for a little while. Being the skilled drivers that we are it didn't take long for everyone to re-group and head off in the right direction. We continued on through the hills until we finally arrived at a private property in Piccadilly where our host was waiting to greet us.

Once we all parked we were shown around, then everyone settled in and prepared their picnic lunches in the shade of the small pine tree forest. Our host had archery set up for people to try and was happy to show anyone interested how to use a compound bow, several of the guys couldn't wait to have a go. We actually had a really skilled archer amongst us, and we didn't even know, Brenton showed everyone how it should be done. It was a very relaxing and enjoyable afternoon in a great location with many keen to visit again.





Southern Winery Cruise – 31st January

10 Cars met at Castle Plaza for a mid morning cruise through the picturesque hills to McLaren Vale for an afternoon of wine tasting and lunch on the lawns. The first winery we visited was Parri Estate, tastings took place and everyone had a chance to stretch their legs. Then it was off to Rosemount Estate where a picnic lunch was enjoyed by everyone, and even a game or two of bocce took place. The last stop for the afternoon was Fox Creek Wines. Sitting outside on the lovely veranda having tastings was a great way to finish the day.











Geelong All Ford Day – 21st February

17 cars met at Frewville at 5.30am for a 6.00am departure. We travelled straight through to Keith where we stopped at the bakery for breakfast and to top up some tanks. After leaving Keith we drove on to Penola where it began to rain. We had a short stop at Penola then ventured on to Hamilton where we all stopped for lunch. Unfortunately the rain didn't leave us and we must say that the state of the roads left a lot to be desired. From Hamilton we drove to Geelong where we had planned to have pizzas for dinner, but due to the rainy weather we decided to eat out and we enjoyed a nice meal at the Fyansford Hotel. Saturday was a "free" day for car cleaning and polishing; luckily the rain had passed so everyone was happy. That night we all gathered at the shelter in the caravan park and enjoyed a great get together with a barbecue supplied by the Club.

Sunday morning we met at the front gate at 7am and it was off to the Kiwanis All Ford Day at Waurn Ponds. When we arrived it was "all hands on deck" to set up the marquees and display, then onto cleaning and polishing - again! Many thanks to everyone for their help in setting up! The day was a HUGE success with over 900 cars attending and the trophy presentation was even better with Sean Malone and Judy Geier taking out 1st and 2nd trophies respectively in their category and Brett Moseley won 2nd place in his category. A great achievement indeed considering the number of cars judged! Well done to the three of you!

Sunday night we enjoyed ourselves with a dinner at the Belmont Hotel before leaving the park on Monday morning. Monday saw the group leave in their respective ways and head for Adelaide. Some chose to stay longer in Geelong, while others went to Ballarat for breakfast at the Pancake Kitchen before continuing their journeys.

All in all a wonderful weekend was had by all. We would like to thank each and every one of you for making the weekend a great success!

Cheers, Peter & Helen Wadham.









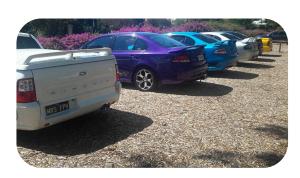
Mystery Cruise - 7th February





On a clear Sunday morning the group set off from Bunnings Munno Para for a cruise to a mystery destination. After a short cruise through the western suburbs of Adelaide, we found ourselves driving along the beach towards one of Adelaide's newer attractions, Mega Adventure's SkyMate structure. We pulled in to have a look and watch some adventurous people climb the heights of the structure exploring the different activities as they went. After checking out the park and its attractions, we proceeded back towards the beach where we stopped and enjoyed our picnic lunches. Overall, it was a good day and was well enjoyed by those who came.

Family Picnic - 13th March





We met at Bunnings Parafield before heading off to Burnside where we stopped for a family picnic lunch at Hazlewood Park. It was a lovely warm day and when we arrived it looked as though we might struggle to get a park. It didn't take us long and then we headed off to find a nice quiet shady spot. We all set up our chairs and prepared our lunches. It was nice sitting relaxing in such a nice park chatting and watching all the people come and go. We set the totem tennis up and some of us had a hit, some of us didn't actually hit the ball but had fun trying.

We had some new prospective members join us on the cruise, and we were surprised to find out that they had been members years ago. It was nice for some of our longer standing members to reminisce about the early days in the club. The day went well and everyone said their goodbyes at the park before going their separate ways and heading home.







Old Skool n New Age Show and Shine - 19th March

An early start for this one, as is the case for most show and shines, saw 12 cars depart Castle Plaza for a short drive up to Morphett Vale Football Oval for this annual event. When we arrived everyone was keen and pitched in to make the club setup quick and easy. Once set up everyone got to it, detailing engine bays, vacuuming carpets and all things involved with making the cars look their best.

There was never a dull moment at this show, with the oval being full of so many different and unique vehicles to look at, it makes the day go quickly when there is so much to look at.

Thanks to the supporters who came up during the day, it's always nice to see members make the trek to the event even if they have not entered. A big congratulations to Sue and Black Betty for making the Top 15 New Age, an awesome achievement!







Annual Easter Cruise - 27th March

The annual Easter cruise is always a favourite with the club. This family oriented cruise allows the club members to bring along all the children and grandchildren to a social picnic in the park. This year 17 cars headed to Thorndon Park where Kate, Deb, Trevor and Helen where busy setting up and cooking everyone a fantastic BBQ breakfast.

Throughout the morning the kids were lucky enough to meet the Easter Bunny, and enjoyed an exciting Easter egg hunt. Everyone enjoyed the great BBQ breakfast, followed by some tasty Easter treats. Overall, it was another great day to celebrate and enjoy with friends and family.







Special Acknowledgment



Earlier this year one of most dedicated members received special recognition for their great work and involvement in the local community. Each year as part of their Australia Day celebrations the Campbelltown City Council recognises a number of their citizens that have helped make their communities better. This year Helen Wadham was one of these special people selected as a finalist for Citizen of the Year.

Helen has been volunteering for more than 30 years, endlessly and selflessly giving herself and her time to support others. Over this time she has contributed in many areas of the community from serving as the Secretary of the Auxiliary for the North Eastern Community Hospital, to knitting individual blankets for aged care residents. There have been many recipients of Helen's volunteering including patients, resident of the aged care service, medical and nursing staff, and her own family.

Helen is a key member of our club that works timelessly to keep our club together and is always there to help support other members.

Congratulations Helen, this is fantastic recognition for all of your efforts. I know that I speak for everyone in the club when saying, you are very deserving of this nomination and we are very lucky to have you as a member of our club.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Congratulations!

Two of our club members, Aaron and Sue Hadwen have celebrated their 35th Wedding Anniversary on 28th February.





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From the Editor

Thank you for reading the March Edition of the FPV & XR Car Club of SA's Newsletter, Just Cruising. This edition is the first for 2016; we have started the year off with some great events and with many more to come this is set to be another great year for the club. If you have any articles, photos, advertisements you would like to see in the newsletter, please email them to me at info@fpvxrclub.com.au and I will get them into the newsletter as soon as possible. I would also like to welcome all new members. We hope you enjoy your time spent with our club and join in on our cruises and events throughout the year.

UPCOMING EVENTS 9th April **Rocking Horse Cruise** 16th April Adelaide Ford Cruise 23rd April Pinery Fire Relief Show and Shine 30th April Churchill Mega Meet 1st May Seppetsfield Picnic Lunch Cruise 22nd May **FPWB** Slot Car Cruise 12th June Kadina Show and Shine Weekend 26th June FPWR Devil's Elbow Cruise



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The FPV & XR Car Club SA is committed to providing a quality family orientated social club for those who enjoy driving their FPV, XR, Tickford, Ford Performance and specific Ford Heritage Vehicles, making new friends and having fun. The club welcomes all friendly like-minded people with similar interests.

