# JUST CRUISING

# FPV & XR Car Club of South Australia



# A Message from the President

2015 is proving to be another busy year and I cannot believe it is already more than half over. Our club continues to be one of the most active clubs in South Australia with our Events Committee putting in 100% to keep all members happy. I encourage all the club members to support the club by joining us on cruises and events, or by coming along to the club meetings which also gives members the opportunity to have a say in the running of the club, we want your input. I would also like to welcome all new and prospective members to the club, please feel free to come along to our club meetings, but don't be surprised when we get you up to give an introduction of who you are and what

## JULY 2015

#### **General Meetings:**

**FPIM** 

7:30 pm Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the Month

#### THE OAKDEN CENTRAL Corner of Fosters Road & Hilltop Drive Oakden, SA.

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you drive. We are seeing huge changes within the motoring scene, which has and will continue to have an impact on our club. The Committee is striving to work collaboratively with members to discuss priority issues to ensure the clubs ongoing success. All club members are a crucial part of this, "Coming together is the beginning, Keeping together is progress, Working together is success." — <u>Henry Ford</u>.

I would like to send out a big thank you to our Vice President Peter Wadham for all his hard work, dedication & support. He never stops, even when he is sick, I think we would all have to agree that without Peter our club wouldn't function as well as it does. Well that's enough from me, I hope you enjoy the new look Newsletter, members please stay safe & keep on Cruising!

Daniel Shevlin, President



## President's Cruise - 18th January

The President invited the club out on a leisurely cruise to Port Broughton on the York Peninsula. The cruise took the club up to Port Wakefield, stopping for a quick pit stop, and then cutting across the peninsula to Port Broughton via Bute. We stopped for lunch at the President's favourite spot on the waterfront. Members were then able to enjoy the great weather, relaxing and catching up with each other. Some of the club enjoyed their pre-packed picnics, while others enjoyed some of the local fish n chip cuisine. After lunch the club then retraced their steps back towards Adelaide before splitting off to head home in their respective directions.





# Pt Elliot Cruise – 1st February

Now venturing towards the Southside of Adelaide, the club was able to enjoy a cruise along the highways and byways all the way to Port Elliot for a picnic lunch. The wet weather did not dampen the member's spirits, with the cruise continuing as planned and a very enjoyable day had by all.

# V8 Supercars Driver's Meet and Greet – 26th February



The club was invited to join our Major Sponsor Maughan Thiem at the V8 Supercars Drivers visit. Club members were able to meet and get signatures from Ford drivers Mark Winterbottom and Chaz Mostert from the Pepsi Max PRA team, Dave Raynolds from The Bottle-O Racing team and Andre Heimgartner from Super Black Racing.

This was a great chance for members to hear from their favourite V8 Supercar drivers and get lots of goodies signed, along with some photos. Some members were even lucky enough to get their vehicles signed by Chaz and Frosty.





# Geelong All Ford Day – 15th February

With great anticipation from the previous year of planning and waiting, the club members met bright and early for the road trip across to Victoria for the Geelong All Ford Day. The 10 strong convoy had a relatively easy cruise across, except for some unexpected wet weather just before Geelong. After arriving in Geelong the club enjoyed a group dinner at the Freestones Roadhaven diner at Aireys Inlet on the Great Ocean Road, with a special treat in the form of a tour of their collection of great classic cars and memorabilia.

The Club then settled into the comfortable cabin accommodation, with a free day for exploring and car cleaning on Saturday, ready for the big event on Sunday.

The Sunday was a great day, with the club putting together an excellent display to represent the club. Two of our clubs members also won the runner-up trophy for their category with their 2013 Ford Focus ST.

Overall, a great long weekend trip away, with excitement and planning already starting for the 2016 event!











# All Ford Day Adelaide – 8th March

After an exciting trip to the Geelong All Ford Day there was great excitement and anticipation surrounding the 2015 All Ford Day in Adelaide. As members of the club had been involved in the organisation of this event we knew that we were set for a great day and it did not disappoint. After starting the day with an early morning of setup and cleaning of the cars the club had one of the largest displays of all of the clubs at the event, and our biggest turnout of 23 cars that we have had for any of our club events so far this year!

The day continued to the impress with cars from all over South Australia, and even a few from interstate, making the trip out for this show. There was a good range of both old and new, showcasing some of the wide variety of Fords that have been made over the years.

The day was topped off as one our most successful, with the club and our members taking out the "Best Club Display" award and a total of 9 trophies all up, including a few 1 – 2's in several categories and the Blue Ribbon for the Best Car in Show!





# Old Skool N New Age Auto Show - 21st March



After a fantastic time at the 2014 Old Skool N New Age Show n Shine the club returned again this year for the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary show. This show continues to not disappoint with over 400 cars, bikes and boats all displayed on the day.

The club was also lucky enough to win 3 trophies on the day including the Top Club Display and Runner-up for Top Club.



# Roseworthy Show n Shine - 19th April



We had eight members attended a Show N Shine at the Roseworthy Hotel. This was only a small show held in the carpark, but was another enjoyable day out to show off our club and see some nice looking cars, as well as some 'shed finds'.

The weather was cool and overcast, but the rain held off. We warmed up with a counter meal in the pub for lunch, before returning to the cold to watch a few engine start-ups. This was another great chance for the club to be seen out and about.





# Annual Easter Cruise – 6th April

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. The kids were lucky enough to meet the Easter Bunny, followed by an exciting Easter egg hunt.

While there was wet weather on the day this year, this did not damper the spirits, with smiles all round and a lot of excited kids running around. Everyone enjoyed the great BBQ breakfast, followed by some tasty Easter treats.





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# Winery Cruise – 2<sup>nd</sup> May

12 Cars joined host Brett for this cruise. Starting of at Munno Para we headed up through One Tree Hill, Kersbrook and Williamstown seeing firsthand the effects of the Christmas bushfires that ripped through the area. Lots of the trees were starting to bud bringing life back to the blackened area. Making our way through Lyndoch and Tanunda (some stopping for petrol on the way) we arrived at Gibson Winery where we unpacked and had a picnic lunch along with yummy biscuits (thanks Angie) and some very nice wine. The picnic grounds were very scenic and some even enjoyed a game of quoits.

After lunch we packed up and headed to our next stop; Chateau Dorrian. Tastings of sweet red, chocolate mead, spicy mead and buccaneer port (just to name a few) hit the spot! Off again, this time to Grant Burge where many purchased nice wines and port to enjoy later. Last stop was at Lyndoch German Bakery for Coffee (and cake) to finish off the day nicely.



# Drive In Night – 16<sup>th</sup> May

With great anticipation for the newly released Mad Max movie the club met at Gepps Cross for our quickest cruise yet. As the sun began to set we made our way around the corner and into the Drive-In to settle in before the movies started. True to the build up and hype Mad Max did not disappoint, with many great car chases throughout. While some members left after one movie others stayed to enjoy Pitch Perfect 2, making for a well-rounded evening for all club members to enjoy.





# Riverland Luncheon – 24<sup>th</sup> May



A few members met for an early morning departure on what has so far been the longest cruise of the year. Set to cover over 500km that day, four club members set off from Munno Para and headed through the back roads towards Renmark and Berri.

After a short stop at Truro, the group enjoyed morning smoko at Waikerie before continuing through to Renmark and their final destination at the Berri riverfront. Here the group enjoyed the beautiful autumn weather and a relaxing picnic lunch before heading back to Adelaide.



# Trade Night - Pedders - 19th May

The club received a special invite to visit Paul, Jodie and the team at Pedders Suspension Modbury. This was a great opportunity for the club to visit the store to meet the team and experience what Pedders has to offer, specifically for the vehicles that many of the club members drive. The Pedders team ran through the key features of the Pedders Tech Check and Report.

This was followed by live demonstrations using club members' cars to identify key problem areas on the FG Falcons that the members can keep an eye out for on their own vehicles. Club members were also able to browse some specific suspension and brake components with one-on-one discussions with the Pedders team. To finish the night Pedders kindly gave away some great door prizes for some lucky club members.



## Winter Warmer Cruise - 13th June



A mid morning start saw 9 cars cruise through Chain of Ponds, Mt Barker and ending up at Macclesfield. A lovely lunch was had at the Three Brothers Arms Hotel, with a welcoming open fire to warm us all up. On our way home, some windy roads saw some members enjoy the ride a bit more than others. A stop at Lobethal for coffee and cakes was welcomed by all. All had an enjoyable day.

# Sponsor Evening – Maughan Thiem Ford – 23<sup>rd</sup> June



With the upcoming release of the new Ford Mustang in Australia Maughan Thiem Ford in conjunction with KPM Motorsport invited associated clubs to a special preview of the current 2015 USA model Mustang.

The evening allowed members to get their first look at a new Mustang that is very similar to the one that is soon to be released to Australia in 2016.



# Trade Night - KPM - 24<sup>th</sup> June

KPM Motorsport Adelaide invited the club to a special trade evening. The event included a tour of the local factory were KPM parts are manufactured here in Adelaide. The evening also included a private viewing of the latest 2015 Ford Mustang that had just arrived from America.

With many of our club members frequent customers of KPM it was an interesting and educational night for all to see how KPM makes the parts that have been installed in our cars.



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# Golden North Cruise – 27th June





An early start for this cruise saw 17 cars take part with a drive of two and a half hours to our final destination. A cold morning of 3 degrees saw a scenic drive to Clare and beyond with frost filled fields everywhere. We enjoyed a brief stop at the Clare Rise Bakery, just before Clare, for coffee (pies for some) and yummy cakes, the heaters were on for us and everyone enjoyed this wonderful bakery.

We then proceeded through Clare on towards Laura with beautiful scenery greeting us again and some kangaroos making an appearance too. We arrived at the Golden North Factory and were met by the Operations Manager Rick who then lead us on a tour of the factory, including the freezer which at minus 20 degrees was cold enough to leave icicles on your face. At the end of the tour we were all treated to a Giant Twin or two for those hungry enough.

A quick five-minute drive saw us at the Laura Hotel for lunch welcomed by hosts Luke and Georgina, here everyone had an awesome meal, even the hungriest left full. After lunch we started the drive home, including a brief stop at Auburn for some yummy cookies, before continuing on and making our way home.







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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS



#### Congratulations!

Two of our club members, Andrew Geier and Amanda Park welcomed the arrival of their third child – Maddison.

Born Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2015 at 9:45am – 61b 7oz

Maddison is also the fourth grandchild for club members George and Judy Geier.





#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

President:	Daniel Shevlin
Vice President:	Peter Wadham
Secretary:	Andrea Shevlin
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# From the Editor

Thank you for reading the July Edition of the FPV & XR Car Club of SA's Newsletter, Just Cruising. It has been an exciting start to the year with plenty more cruises still to come. 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.

Kim Malone, Editor



# OUR REASON FOR BEING

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 and specific Ford Heritage Vehicles, making new friends and having fun. The club welcomes all friendly like-minded people with similar interests.



## UPCOMING EVENTS



**18<sup>th</sup> July** Christmas in July



**28<sup>th</sup> July** Trade Night



1<sup>th</sup> August Annual Bowl off

**15<sup>th</sup> August** Scavenger Hunt



**22<sup>nd</sup> August** Riverland Auto Lifestyle Expo



**12<sup>th</sup> September** Mystery Cruise



**26<sup>th</sup> September** Adelaide Raceway - Drags