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FPV & XR Car Club of South Australia



A Message from the President

Hi Everyone,

2017 is now underway and we have already had a number of great events. We welcomed the club back after a festive Christmas season with the Annual President's Cruise and a big trip to Port Lincoln for the Tunarama Festival.

We have continued to enjoy a variety of events with our 2016 Events Committee doing a fantastic job mixing up the cruises and car shows, as well as introducing a number of different events like slot cars.

As we lead into our AGM I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our outgoing Committee Members for the hard work and dedication that they have given the club. 2016 has been a strong year for the club, through the efforts of our dedicated members we have been able to build a great financial position for the club to take into the future. We have also continued to grow our membership base, with a number of new and prospective members joining us in late 2016/early 2017.

In order to ensure that we continue with great events in 2017 all members are encouraged to share any new ideas for events to the new Events team through the Events Suggestion Form, which can be found on our members section of the website. Additionally, the club will again be fundraising with the 2017/2018 Entertainment Books, early bird deals are on sale now, see our website for further details.

Until the next newsletter, Keep on Cruising!

MARCH 2017

General Meetings:

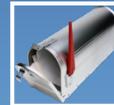


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Daniel Shevlin, President

Annual Go Kart Grand Prix – 8th October

On Saturday October 8th, we had perfect weather for this meet up at Ultra Fast Karts Pooraka. Ten drivers took to the track for the annual FPV & XR Car Club Go Kart Grand Prix with the format being 10 laps practice and 3 x 10 lap races.

There was high intensity racing with quite a few battles at different stages, resulting in some spin-outs. Overall everyone had a great time, it was especially exciting for those members who have not been go karting before.



After all the races had finished the lap times were calculated to find our overall winners. First place went to Declan, Second was Connor and Third place was Brett, making the Moseley's the family to beat next year!

Further results are as follows: 4th Corey, 5th Patrick, 6th Matt, 7th Naomi, 8th Ben, 9th Nick and Brenton in 10th place.

Prancing Pony Brewery Cruise – 16th October

It was a wet, cold and early start to the morning. We all met at the Mile End Homemaker Centre ready for our cruise up Devil's Elbow and then to our first stop The Prancing Pony Brewing Co for lunch.

The drive up the freeway and then onto Devil's Elbow had a very "Silent Hill" feel to it with a thick fog-blanketing the road. Once we reached our first stop we all piled into the brewery for lunch. The dining room is right in the center of the brewery so you could see the machinery they use to make the beer.

After lunch, we continued our drive heading towards Birdwood for our next stop. Shortly after leaving the Prancing Pony we had our first U-Turn, but it was smooth sailing to Birdwood after that. Arriving at a local bakery for coffee and sweets in Birdwood, where we ended our cruise. Thanks to all who attended.



SMASA Show and Shine – 6th November

18 Cars entered the SMASA Show N Shine this year. Our club was allocated a huge area to use for our display and although we were very spread out we looked amazing. It was a nice sunny day for a show and shine; the club had a great time and kept cool under the club marquee. There were a number of trophies on offer, with many Holden's voted as the winners by entrants.

We did have one winner with Sue winning the Iron Maiden category, making her very happy indeed. There did not seem to be as many entrants this year compared to previous years, but despite this it was a great day out and enjoyed by all who attended.



Barossa Picnic Lunch Cruise – 19th November



A mid-morning meet at Bunnings saw 11 cars turn out for this cruise. We had perfect weather as we headed through Gawler, into Lyndoch finishing at our first stop in Angaston at the farmer's market. We had an hour here to peruse and purchase what we wanted for lunch and to take home.

We departed the market and travelled a short distance into Angaston, where we stopped at the memorial park to set up for our picnic lunch. It was a great spot with plenty of shade and a playground for the kids.

After lunch, we drove through Angaston and continued towards Menglars Hill courtesy of some back roads. Once at the lookout we had an opportunity for some photos and a quick chat before we set off to our final destination.

After another short drive, we arrived at Maggie Beers for ice-cream and coffee. We had some turtles turn up in the lake to say hello, which was a great distraction for the kids and Robyn! From here we said our goodbyes and headed home.



Club Christmas Lunch – 3rd December

This year for something different Don and Kate Redman hosted a wonderful 'Big Fat Greek Xmas' dinner for the club. On our arrival at Redman Manor Father Christmas, who was sitting out the front in the back of a Ford Ute, greeted us.

As everyone parked their beasts they followed the most amazing smells into a Christmas wonderland of food and festivities. The setting was amazing with Greek themed table centrepieces of olive branches and traditional Christmas decorations all the way along the huge dining table.

The head cook was a flutter, greeting everyone, making sure everyone had a drink and nibbles to keep the grumbling stomachs happy. Once everyone had arrived it was time to enjoy the great food as dinner was served. Everyone was very spoilt with a variety of meat, vegetables, and some very Greek specialties.

There was not a plate left with food on it, in fact I think there were a few plates licked clean. A traditional Greek dessert of Baklava followed and the cook did not disappoint. Spirits were high and everyone relaxed, had very full bellies and enjoyed the Greek Christmas spirit. One of our members made little Christmas bonbonnières, which we all got to take home.

Thank you again to Don and Kate for hosting; it was definitely one of our best Christmas celebrations yet!

Christmas Lights Cruise – 16th December



The Xmas Lights Cruise is an adventure every year and 2016 was no different. We met at Bunnings Parafield with several new people in attendance before heading out towards Modbury. We saw some awesome light displays and had a couple of pit stops waiting for people to catch up. Once we were all together again we headed out to Angle Vale to see more lights, we even stopped and did a walk through some of the gardens that people open up to the public. Once we finished in Angle Vale, Peter and Kelly led the way up through Craigmore for more awesome lights, which were fantastic.

To finish a fun night we went off to Villies for coffee and cake before everyone said their farewells and left from there for their drives home.

President's Cruise – 15th January



We had a great turn out for the first cruise of 2017, 18 cars in total. We met at Bunnings Munno Para before heading off and out along Port Wakefield Road towards Port Broughton. We detoured through Kadina due to road works but had a problem free run. We parked along the waterfront and found a shady spot where we all set up for a picnic lunch.

Several members had a game of cricket and a few ventured over to the adult playground where they attempted to do some exercises. Everyone seemed relaxed and enjoying themselves. It was a great day even though the President was confused and told everyone we were going to one place and then took everyone somewhere else.



Tunarama Festival – 25th January

Our 5 day cruise away to Port Lincoln was so much fun, we met at the Whitehorse Inn before heading out through Port Wakefield towards Port Augusta. We stopped at Whyalla for lunch and a bit of shopping before heading off again. Our final stop was the Coffin Bay Caravan Park where we were all booked in to the lovely cabins.

On day 2 (Australia Day) we held a club breakfast at the caravan park picnic area in the gazebo, we enjoyed bacon, eggs, tomatoes, mushrooms, snags, toast and coffee. After breakfast we went for a drive through the National Park before heading back to the cabins to freshen up before dinner at the Marina Hotel Port Lincoln. Unfortunately, one of our members became unwell and ended up in hospital, which was not good, but we all kept tabs on her and she recovered enough to make the trip home to rest and recoup and is doing ok.



On day 3 we changed our itinerary and everyone did their own thing, some fishing, some sleeping, some eating ice-cream, some doing nothing at all! We all gathered at the foreshore for a BBQ tea that night, where we enjoyed the beautiful scenery watching the boats come in and the sun go down.

On day 4 it was time to head into Port Lincoln to watch the Tunarama Parade. Here we spent the day walking around, checking out all the market stalls and watching the Tuna tossing. We met up for a late lunch at the Port Lincoln Hotel where we enjoyed our meals in the amazing front room, which opened up to fantastic sea views. Several of the guys finished off the day with a spot of fishing before retiring to bed.

Day 5 was a busy and hot day, we packed up all our goods and chattels before heading out on our way back to Adelaide. We made lots of stops along the way, Streaky Bay and Tumby Bay, before having a longer than anticipated stop at Port Augusta due to a few mechanical problems.

Overall, this trip was one of the most enjoyable trips the club has done, with most members already asking for the next one to be planned!

Special Acknowledgement

Earlier this year one of most dedicated members received special recognition for their great work and involvement in the local community. As part of the Australia Day celebrations of the Campbelltown City Council, Helen won Citizen of the Year.

Each year a number of people are nominated for their outstanding contributions to the community. After being nominated as a finalist in 2016, Helen has been selected as the winner of this very special award for 2017.

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 efforts including patients, residents of the aged care service, medical and nursing staff, and her own family.

Helen is an Honorary Life Member of our club and works timelessly to assist with all aspects of running our club. She is always there to help support other members and is a key member that makes this club what it is. Helen is a very deserving recipient of this award and it is fantastic recognition for all of her efforts.

Congratulations Helen!



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From the Editor

Thank you for reading the 2017 March Edition of the FPV & XR Car Club of SA's Newsletter, Just Cruising. 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

UPCOMING EVENTS



18th March
Old Skool n New Age
Auto Show



25th March
Mintaro Maze Cruise



16th April
Annual Easter Cruise



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