

COLUMN SHIFT

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FOR THE FE-FC HOLDEN CAR CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Hi to all

The Nationals has been run and won for the SA club, it was a huge undertaking for all of the SA club with 126 entries, 110+ cars and almost 300 people.



truly amazing, there was a real buzz in Mt Gambier leading to the day and I know that people were coming from many surrounding towns for a look. The children's entertainment on Saturday was well received and the quiz night was a scream.



The convoy to Port McDonnell was taken on an unplanned detour that turned out to be a good thing - it enabled occupants to observe cars twice during the run and many took this opportunity to take photos and enjoy the oncoming spectacle. Once we assembled on the foreshore and lunch was consumed the Inter-club Challenge stepped up with "pin the bootbadge on the boot" followed by "tunnel-ball" with watermelons as balls (unfortunately none of the melons broke), "dizzy sticks", "doughnut eating" and the star attraction "musical chairs", I cant wait to see the video footage (I was Mr music). Unfortunately Steve Brazier sustained an injury but has pulled up OK. The overall winner

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all that attended, we enjoyed remarkable weather in Mt Gambier for March and to get sunburn was certainly a surprise, all the venues were good, the food was delicious and thanks to all for the orderly manner members took lining up. The staff at the International were very complimentary and were happy that everything ran so smoothly.

Frew Park was an outstanding venue for our show "n" shine, the cars were arranged with lots of room for the public to look at and appreciate the display. Looking at the number of cars parked around the side streets and the numbers of people walking towards the park was



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CLUB INFORMATION



Holden FE (1956-1958) Holden FC (1958-1959)

CLUB OBJECTIVES

To bring together all owners of FE and FC Holdens who have a genuine interest in the preservation of these Classic models.

CLUB AIM

To promote the preservation, by restoration, legal modification and repair of 1956-1959 FE and FC model Holden Sedans, Station Sedans (Wagons), Utes and Panel Vans.

ACTIVITIES

- 1. The accumulation and sharing of technical information about original and modified FE and FC Holdens.
- 2. Organised social functions and events.
- 3. Biennial interstate "Nationals"
- 4. Spare parts information.
- 5. Access to Historic Vehicle Registration.

Welcome to all current and prospective FE-FC Holden owners, their families and friends to all our meetings and social events.

COMMITTEE

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MEETINGS

TOC Hall, Delaine Avenue Edwardstown 1st Tuesday of each Month (except January) at 7:30PM

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INTERNET DETAILS

National Website - www.fefcholden.com.au

MEMBERSHIPS

Memberships fall due on the 30th April every year

Editor's Bit

G'day

I have concentrated on the Nationals this issue, seeing as it was for the 50th Anniversary of the release of the FC Holden, the 12th Nationals and that we (the SA Club) hosted the event. Again it was a great event with a large number of entries, well run with a minimum of "glitches". The best part about the Nats is seeing the large variety of cars, meeting up with fellow enthusiasts and if you participate in the forum, putting faces to names. There is a write-up from Greg in this newsletter so I won't repeat it here.

The Stankevicius Clan took two cars again this year, although one was a Falcon Station Wagon, lucky though as the FE decided to dump a load of trans fluid on the SE Freeway just out of Mt Barker. So she's off the road for a little while until I can find time to investigate the problem. Apart from that little "hiccup" it was a great weekend.

The next Nationals will be in Orange NSW with the theme of circuit racing. The Orange area has a fair amount of racing history and the NSW Club will be basing it's theme on this. As details come to hand I will pass them on through the Newsletter.

The AGM was held the other week and all positions remain the same apart from the Nationals Delegates. Kathleen has stepped down and I have been elected as the second SA Delegate. With the Nationals being held every two years I am guessing there is not a lot of work involved.

Even though it's the end of the show season our Vice Prez/ Events Coordinator Jim Bentley has a lot of plans for some great runs, check the last page for details and give Jim a call if you need clarification at all.

Cheers Glenn



Nationals Wrap-Up

was WA who had to take the trophy back across the Nullabor!!!!

The Barn was excellent and everyone enjoyed a magnificent 3 course meal.

Congratulations to all the trophy winners. All are worthy of their awards. The door prizes were snapped up and well received and the couch winner was very happy.

Congratulations to Glenn L Adams - founder of the SA club - on receiving his Life Membership, it's the first time we have seen Glenn speechless!!!!!!!.

NSW presented their upcoming nationals in Orange celebrating 50 years of motor racing in Australia. Please support NSW for this upcoming major event in 2010.

Many thanks to the members of the "Holdens of



Age" (Mt Gambier branch) for assisting us on the show n shine day.

Many many thanks to the SA members/partners/children who helped out before and during the Nationals without whose assistance the whole weekend would not have

been possible.

Thanks once again to all attendees, I know we all had a great time and it was a pleasure to see all enjoying it

Cheers Greg Drinkwater



Nationals Photo Spread



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Nationals FC Lounge



Some of you may know already, but for those that don't Michael Slater from the WA FE/FC Car Club won the lucky numbers draw for the FC Lounge. At the time of writing Michael is still awaiting delivery as the chrome hasn't been returned from the platers yet.

The creation of the lounge was combination of effort and parts from a few club members (and some non members) and some very generous sponsors.

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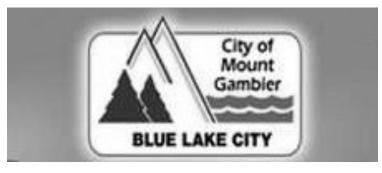
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Brian & Lyn's Car Detailing



Have your car washed & cleaned over the weekend Professional Detailing, Cut and Polishing and Pin striping also available

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Vic Club Invite

We're having a party for the FC's 50th and you're invited. We have secured 2 Holden Retirees as guest speakers both are engineers. John Lee started at Holden in 1950 and Franks Pound in 1951. They are long time Friends and both have excellent memories and a wonderful sense of humour. Please come along to listen to their stories as there are not too many Holden engineer types left who had involvement with FE and FC and early Holdens RSVP by Monday 28th April 2008.

Regards, Tony Galea President FE-FC Holden Car Club Of Vic inc 0412 360 992 or (03) 9785 1015

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 6 MGM - OUR 24th Birthday

MAY 25 SUNDAY - MEETING AT THE ADELAIDE ZOO—

NO NEED TO BRING YOUR FE/FC.

JUNE 3

JUNE15 SUNDAY - MONARTO ZOO.

JULY 1 MGM

JULY20 SUNDAY - ROSEWORTHY TRAINS

(or if raining — JIM AND ANDREA'S)

AUGUST 5 MGM

AUGUST24 Sunday- Victor Harbor/Goolwa]Pt Elliot/Hindmarsh

Island — Lunch at Pub

SEPT 2 MGM

SEPT13 SATURDAY NIGHT—DRIVE IN—TBA

OCT7

OCT25 SAT NIGHT - HALLOWEEN, Mystery location

NOV4 MGM

NOV16 SUNDAY - Thornton Park Reserve, BYO Picnic

Lunch, no shops only small kiosk

DEC 2 MGM

DEC 13/14 XMAS LUNCH/DINNER—TBA



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