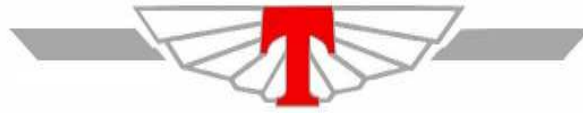


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The Committee for 2008 / 2009

G'day folks,

The club's Annual General Meeting was held on Thursday 6th of November at the Jarvis Ford premises, Trinity Gardens. There was a disappointing turn-out. Nevertheless, there were just enough members present for a legally constituted forum.

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Past Events

Since putting pen to paper, we have had a couple of events;

- 1) The Berri Show & Shine - held on Sunday 16th of November. Whilst only a few of our members presented themselves at this meet, congratulations must go to Tony Ogier who won the 'Best Modern Contemporary' category out of the 5 or 6 clubs present there.



Tony Ogier with his pride & joy

- 2) On Sunday the 23rd November, the club had a fun run BBQ picnic. Starting off from K-Mart at Keswick at 10.30 in the morning, the plan was to head for Gumeracha via Greenhill Road and Uraidla. We soon ran into problems on the climb up Greenhill road as it was closed for the Classic Adelaide Rally. Steven Brown, who led the convoy, was unfazed as we did a quick turn around and blasted up the freeway heading for Gumeracha via Hahndorf and Oakbank.

On our arrival at Gumeracha, the Barbie was soon fired up with Jason, Scott, & Tony doing most of the obligatory cooking and the girls presenting the usual salads etc. Everyone had a good time including the children who had a great time at the playground.

After everyone had their fill, Rodney gave us a pep talk about where the club should or would be heading to. There was too much discussed; and there is not enough space here to note down everything that was said, suffice to say that we all hoped that more members would show up at club meetings and outings. On that note, I hope to get this newsletter out to everyone for the next BBQ event that will be held and hosted by Jarvis Ford at Norwood at 6 pm on Thursday 4th December. If you would like to attend, please notify Rodney or Lidia ASAP for catering purposes.

Gumeracha BBQ



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Coming Events

Please check the Club Notes in the Advertiser Motoring Section each Thursday for any last minute information

December	
Thursday 4th	Meeting & BBQ 6:00 pm Jarvis Ford Premises - Norwood
Friday 5 th – Sunday 7th	V8 Supercars Grand Finale @ Oran Park, Sydney

February 2009	
Thursday 5th	General Meeting 7:00 pm Jarvis Ford Premises - Norwood FPV Open Day travel arrangements will be discussed at this meeting. Entry Forms for the Open Day must be submitted no later than today 5/02

March 2009	
Sunday 1st	2009 FPV Open day
Thursday 19 th – Sunday 22nd	Clipsal 500 - Adelaide

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President's Piece

The membership of the Tickford / FPV Car Club – SA Inc has elected me to the position of Club President for the next 12 months, and I hope to repay their faith in me during the coming 12 months.

A lot has happened to our club since its inception back in September 1999 and like most Clubs (including Car Clubs) membership has fallen during the past few years.

At the AGM and before the vote, as acting President I offered to those present (75% of the financial members for (2008 / 2009) present) the chance to wind up the Club and walk away, but all present stated that they wanted the Club to move forward and grow.

After the election was completed we discussed the famous question
“what now and where to from here”

It was unanimously agreed that we would rebuild the Club and drive to bring it back to its past glory, but for this to happen, all members must work together with a common aim of presenting the Club at its best at all times, this means that the Club must always come before the individuals cars

There is no doubting that in today's society with ever increasing demands and commitments to our jobs that social activities out of necessity must take second place, for this reason alone I do acknowledge on behalf of all the members of our Club the efforts and sacrifices made since our inception by individuals who either held formal committee positions or those who helped out at all times as and when required

Given that we are an Incorporated Club and we have yearly bills to pay, we need to have a minimum of 70 financial members, just to pay the required bills. If we don't have these members then we will fold

Sponsorship is 1 way around this, but obtaining sponsorship is only the 1st battle, keeping it is even harder, the role of obtaining sponsorship for our Club is everyone's concern, but the Committee will always help and draft all such letters

Discounts at shops for goods or services, is just like sponsorship, everyone in the Club is again responsible for getting these companies to support us

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Editor's Ramblings

Having joined the club only in October, it is with great pleasure that I have taken on the roll of club editor. I trust I will get the support of every member in bringing you juicy news items about the club and events that will be beneficial to all members.

With the above in mind, it has not been decided yet as to how often the newsletter should be presented. On my part I have not set any deadlines and therefore welcome any items of interest to the club that you may wish to present. Just send it to me at my e-mail address anand49@bigpond.net.au

There has been some good news from Ford Oz regarding their decision to keep the Geelong engine plant open beyond 2010. This means that our beloved I6 engine will continue on for some time, *Halleluiah!*

Not so good is their decision not to support Team Vodaphone (Triple 8 Racing) next year who have done an outstanding job this season in V8 Supercars by winning the Manufacturer's Championship for Ford. This is bizarre, considering that this year, Ford totally dominated the series by winning 10 out of the 14 rounds (so far), with Team Vodaphone providing most of the wins finishing 1& 2 in two races – that's more than can be said for the FPR Team! It seems to me that Ford Oz don't know their front from their butt. I believe that the amount of sponsorship money involved that has been dropped for Team Vodaphone was only \$5 million. Let's hope Ford reverse their decision on this as well.

Don't they realize how much race wins mean to car enthusiasts in Australia. What happened to the old adage – win on Sunday, sell on Monday? I have yet to see an ad by Ford proclaiming the victories that have devastated the dark side!

Enough said. Hope to see as many of you in the upcoming events.

Cheers,

Anand

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