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CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA



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NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2021



Hail to the King, ...50 years!!!





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CLUB EVENTS for 2021

<i>Month</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Event</i>
Jun-21	Tuesday 15 Jun	Club Meeting – Seaton Hotel, 7.30 pm
	Sunday 27 Jun	Club Rego Day
Jul-21	Tuesday 20 Jul	Club Meeting – Alberton Hotel, 7.30 pm
	Sunday 25 Jul	
Aug-21	Tuesday 17 Aug	AGM – Alberton Hotel, 7.30 pm
	Sunday 29 Aug	Barossa Brauhaus - Cruise to Angaston
Sep-21	Tuesday 21 Sep	Club Meeting – Alberton Hotel, 7.30 pm
	Sunday 19 Sep	Cruise to Clarendon
Oct-21	Tuesday 19 Oct	Club Meeting – Alberton Hotel, 7.30 pm
	Sunday 17 Oct	All Ford Day - Oakbank
Nov-21	Tuesday 16 Nov	Club Meeting – Alberton Hotel, 7.30 pm
	Sunday 21 Nov	Bow Hill
Dec-21	Tuesday 21 Dec	Club Meeting – Alberton Hotel, 7.30 pm
	Saturday 11 Dec	Christmas Dinner
Jan-22		
	Wed 26 Jan	Australia Day Cruise - TBA
Feb-22	Tuesday 15 Feb	Club Meeting – Alberton Hotel, 7.30 pm
	Sat 19 Feb	30th Anniversary Dinner

See newsletter flyers for full details.

Club meetings are currently held on the **THIRD Tuesday** of each month
at **ALBERTON HOTEL**

124 Port Road ALBERTON



Hi Peeps,

Not long till the All Ford Day with a new location being at the Oakbank Racecourse on 17th October. Hopefully the weather's kind to us all so everyone can enjoy the new venue and have a great day. The club is having a display so if anyone wanting to enter has until Friday 1st October before late fees apply. No late entries on the day.

November club run is to Bow Hill on the Murray. Great location and great food.

December event is the Xmas party at the Mcmillan's , looking forward to that.

January run is the annual GT/Monaro clubs combined Australia Day cruise.

Still seats available for the 30th anniversary dinner. The more the merrier. Promises to be a great night.

Hopefully more info soon on new club shirts and 30th anniversary shirts.

Oh and Mike Perry has not left Maughan Theim Ford. The Ford dealer is about to start a major rebuild.

Call me about anything,

See ya

Karl 0408351391



Hello

The year 1971 was significant for a lot of reasons. Some noted events that occurred in that fantastic year include:

- Apollo 14 and 15 manned flights to the moon occur with 15, the first to employ the lunar rover on the moon.....*their burnouts are still there!*
- Sonia McMahon, wife of Prime Minister William McMahon, captures international attention when she wears a daring full-length dress, with a long slit down the side revealing her legs to a White House reception.....*Nixon approved.*
- The Premier of South Australia was Don Dunstan.....*beige safari suits were the rage.*
- Jackie Stewart becomes Formula One World Drivers' Champion in the Tyrrell 003-Cosworth.....powered by a Ford DFV V8.
- Sesame Street premieres on ABC.
- McDonalds opens in Australia.
- Hawthorn are the VFL Premiers.
- Silver Knight wins the Melbourne Cup.
- Eagle Rock was number one for 10 weeks....*doing the Eagle Rock!*
- Steve McQueen stars in LeMans. He should have won an Oscar for best dialogue/screen play for that one line, "*Racing is Life.....everything else..... is just waiting.*" *The only sentence in the whole movie!*
- The Lamborghini Countach prototype appears at the Geneva Motor Show *and on to my bedroom wall years later along with a Ms S Fox, and*
- Ford Australia builds the '***fastest four door production car.....in the world'***.
- **Allan Moffat dominates Bathurst** with a crushing display of speed and professionalism, whilst cruising around Mount Panorama with an empty beer carton as a grill ornament. *At least, this time he didn't piss on the floor.*
- ***And, your Ed was born.....***

This month, to celebrate the legend that is the **Ford Falcon XY GT-HO Phase III**, Hugh has returned to share with us his experience of being a custodian of the King of all Aussie Muscle Cars. I hope you enjoy his valued input to this edition and to maintaining the Legend.

I also look forward to seeing you all at the All Ford Day.....and remember to keep COVID Safe, till then.....keep on Grand Touring.

Cheers.

Mr Ed



Pearl (30th) ANNIVERSARY Dinner

Perpetuating the Legendary FALCON GT

SATURDAY 19TH FEBRUARY 2022 from 6:30pm



On the 11th of February 1992 the inaugural meeting of The Falcon GT Club of South Australia (FGTCSA) was held at the Naval Military Club on Hutt St in the city.

30 years on, the club is still very much active and committed to

‘Perpetuating the Legendary Falcon GT’

whilst providing an enjoyable social environment for GT owners & their families.

To mark this milestone achievement, the FGTCSA will host a special

30TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER

at the Hilton Hotel in the city just after our birth date.

This will be complimentary for all current full and associate members & partners (adults only please) & will include a dinner & drinks package, with a live band & dancing. Accommodation will be available at the Hilton at a special rate for those wishing to make it a complete night.

Dress to Impress.....drinks and dinner package from 6:30pm till midnight.



Please RSVP to:
admin@gtclubsa.com.au
Thank you
FGTCSA Committee



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Tuesday 21 Sep 2021
Alberton Hotel

FALCON GT CLUB MEETING 21/9/21 ALBERTON HOTEL

MEETING OPENED 7.44PM

PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOVED Marilyn

SECONDED Gabby

CORRESPONDANCE See elsewhere in newsletter, NAFGTC meeting minutes, FHMC minutes, National Motor Museum Newsletter, Bat to Birdwood update.

SCROLLS

Gabby has indicated the scrolls are in the process of being updated and the account will be emailed to Tony P

TREASURERS REPORT Tony P

MOVED Joe

SECONDED Karen

Karen queried whether the club had been emailed an invoice from the German Shepard Dog Club to pay following the historic rego day. At this stage nothing has been received.

HISTORIAN

Mike Parry has NOT left MAUGHAN THIEMS, the dealership is being renovated. The cabinet and memorabilia that was there has been collected and is now in storage. The dilemma of where and what to do with our large amount of memorabilia came up again. Michael to find out from GT club of WA about the arrangement they have with their venue. Tony P to make enquiries with the property section at Norwood/Payneham council. General consensus was that while Mike is still with Maughan Thiem we should display there due to their long ongoing support of the club and its events.

CLUB ANNIVERSARY DINNER

There is a link on the website under events, for accommodation. Keep an eye on the link for accommodation prices. Tony has paid the second instalment of \$7200 earlier this week. There is a substantial drinks package and a bar tab for spirits also

EVENTS

We have had 2 runs since the last meeting. See details further in the newsletter



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ALL FORD DAY. 1st October is the cut off to enter the event. We cannot have a sausage sizzle but can have our marquee, and we will have an esky there

November there will be a run to Bow Hill 40km from Mannum with everyone meeting at Burnside to take off from there.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Will be held again at the Mcmillan household THANKS FOR YOUR HOUSE!!! If more than 26 people will be attending the club marquee will be required! Please let Karen or Brian know that you will be attending. Proposed date is 17th December

EDITOR

Karl was present at the meeting and welcomes any feedback on the newsletter and how it can be improved

GENERAL BUSINESS

Two of our members not well. We wish JS and JG all the best

Tony P asked Gabby if the Orange Box (trailer storage) direct debit had been changed and Gabby indicated it had been all sorted.

Leanne and Karl will be involved with the AMCR next year in Oct/Nov this year. A fundraising night is coming up, keep an eye out for it to support them raise funds. The event is supporting Variety SA now NOT the Leukaemia foundation.

Karen Mcmillan for the XMAS function is looking for pictures of members with their cars. Feel free to email them at gully_gully@bigpond.com please let them know by EARLY NOVEMBER your intention to attend the evening.

Gabby queried why members are receiving texts about meetings but NOT for events or cruises and queried whether this can change

Marilyn queried a payment of \$700 to Sean J which Tony P explained

Meeting closed at 9.05pm



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Email: enquiries@nafgta.asn.au
GT Nationals Web: <http://www.gtnationals.asn.au>

General Meeting Minutes

- Date:** September 04, 2021
- Opened:** 1905 hrs AEST
- Venue:** Bue Jeans Teleconference
- Attendees:** Gary T., Dave W., Mark B., Adrian P., Darryl M., Tony P., Mick and Sharon H., Phil G., Peter G., Leo K., Rod M., Dave D., Dean H., John N.
- Apologues:** Ian J
- Agenda Items:**
1. Minutes of Previous Meeting
Moved Mick H. and seconded Tony P.- accepted
 2. Mail In/Out
 - Emails traffic for meeting minutes, notice of next meeting and agenda
 3. Treasurer's Report
Treasurer was unavailable to deliver a report.
 4. Business Arising
None
 5. 19th Falcon GT Nationals
Sharon gave an update on 19th Falcon GT Nationals – The organising committee and GT Owners Club of Qld. Have cancelled for a number of reasons.
 - entries have been much lower than expected - approximately 100
 - only 10 rooms booked so far.
 - The Covid 19 situation at the moment brings a lot of uncertainty
 - Major sponsor had been secured however, other sponsorship was not forth coming.
 - Rooms to be cancelled prior to Sept 12 for full refund of room fee.
 - Qld club was asked if it could guarantee full refunds for rooms, meaning they would make up the difference between the full cost of the room and the refunded amount after Sept 12. The club was not in a position to do this.
 - Decision was carefully considered and was a unanimous decision by organising committee and host club.
 - Hotel has been notified and they processed refunds immediately.

Adrian thanked Qld reps for all their clubs efforts trying to bring the event to fruition.
 6. 2023 event – Dave D reported that NSW are happy to proceed as previously indicated. Bathurst can only be pencilled in 18 months prior and confirmed 12 months prior. He reported that there is still a lot of uncertainty in NSW and hopes to have a clearer picture later in the year.
- General discussion on the long term impact of Covid on the Nationals and the rotation. The last 12/18 months has taken it's toll on the committee and club and they are exhausted. At tis stage happy to go to the bottom of the rotation. Suggestion to investigate how the risk and work load can be shared between clubs and NAFGTC, also the notion of having an event manager.



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General Business:

Question asked about refunds from Qld, club is starting the process these. They will be contacting everyone for bank details and will process refunds at the end of the month. Please ask members not to contact them at the moment. If entrants have not heard by the end of the first week in October, then they should contact the Qld club.

Next Meeting:

2021.

Closed:

1940 hrs AEST

Rodd Mann 0418 751 809



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F.H.M.C. GENEAL MEETING NOTES

SATURDAY 21ST AUGUST 2021 @ 7.00PM.

- The meeting was well attended by the Club's delegates.
- The general housekeeping requirements were given by the President.
- The Registrar/Authorised Officer/Person naming debate was raised by Gordon Cowley, who strongly criticized the use of the term "Registrar" as being inappropriate. The F.H.M.C. and generally club delegates have been using this term for some time now. Gordon Cowley believes that the term "Registrar" can only be used by the D.I.T. "Registrar of Motor Vehicles". The use of the term "Registrar" was discussed and explained by the Executive Committee of the F.H.M.C. to the club delegates at the last General Meeting, as being acceptable language to use, but was not mentioned in the last General Meeting Minutes. Gordon Cowley brought up this omission during general business. I feel that further discussions will be had on this issue and a resolution, no doubt, will be pending. As was pointed out at the meeting, the term "Registrar" is a person who keeps official records and is **not** synonymous with only one department and/or office e.g., D.I.T.
- Correspondence was read out by the Secretary.
- David Searles presented the Treasurers Report, which showed a healthy balance, indicating that the F.H.M.C. now has only one (1) account.
- Brian Davey, Logbook Manager, mentioned that as of 21st August 2021, 56,293 logbooks have been issued to clubs.
- Web site is up to date.
- Motorfest. 67 entries with 352 entrants. Unfortunately, nearly all interstate entrants have "pulled" out due to Covid-19 restrictions. Entries are open till 3rd September 2021.
- General business. The saga surrounding "Electric Vehicles" is a work in progress. Reminder, regarding the Arthur Clisby Memorial Tour picnic to Wirrina, on Sunday 12th September 2021. Interested parties to be there by 11.00am. There will be Kiosk with hot/cold food and music.
- Proposed future meetings to start at 2.00pm. This will be voted on at the next General Meeting and if approved, to start on February 2022.
- There also have been "rumours" circulating from Victoria, regarding a 426-page report, concerning "Club Registration". Watch this space.

Next F.H.M.C. General Meeting will be on Saturday 16th October 2021 at 7.00



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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- The existing Secretary, Amando Vozzo, opened the proceedings by announcing that he was standing down from the position of Secretary. He then went on to state why he was standing down and mentioned that the last two (2) years of his tenure were very enjoyable and still wanted to make himself available, on request, to visit registered clubs and to talk about what the Federation is all about and to answer any questions that they may have. He basically said that he was still interested in the F.H.M.C. but wanted to take a "back seat" for a while.
- The President continued with general housekeeping requirements.
- Previous A.G.M. Minutes were accepted and carried.
- The President, Morven Green, presented his report for the previous year, indicating how difficult and frustrating it had been, due to Covid-19 requirements and restrictions. He mentioned the Federations 50-year Anniversary and a total of 223 clubs.
- Announcement that the \$50.00 registration subs would be waived for this year due to Covid-19.
- New Committee positions were called and shown below: -
President – Morvan Green. (Existing)
Vice President – Hugh Davis. (Existing)
Secretary – Shirley Tonkin. (Nominated)
Treasurer – David Searles. (Nominated)
Logbook Manager – Brian Davey. (Nominated)
Web Master – Alan Pickering. (Nominated)
- The Treasurer, David Searles, presented his Annual Report which was carried showing a very healthy balance. He noted that almost 50% of the funds were generated through the sale of logbooks.

Meeting closed around 8.20pm.

Next Annual General Meeting on Saturday 20th August 2022.

Report presented by Ron Tebby.

Club F.H.M.C. Delegate.



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UDC Para Hills

From: Michael Stavrides <mstav7@bigpond.com>
Sent: Tuesday, 21 September 2021 1:09 PM
To: UDC Para Hills
Subject: FW: National Motor Museum Clubs Newsletter - September 2021

Michael to print for next newsletter

From: National Motor Museum <motor@history.sa.gov.au>
Sent: Friday, 17 September 2021 2:02 PM
To: Hugh Westphalen <secretary@gtclubsa.com.au>
Subject: National Motor Museum Clubs Newsletter - September 2021

News from the National Motor Museum

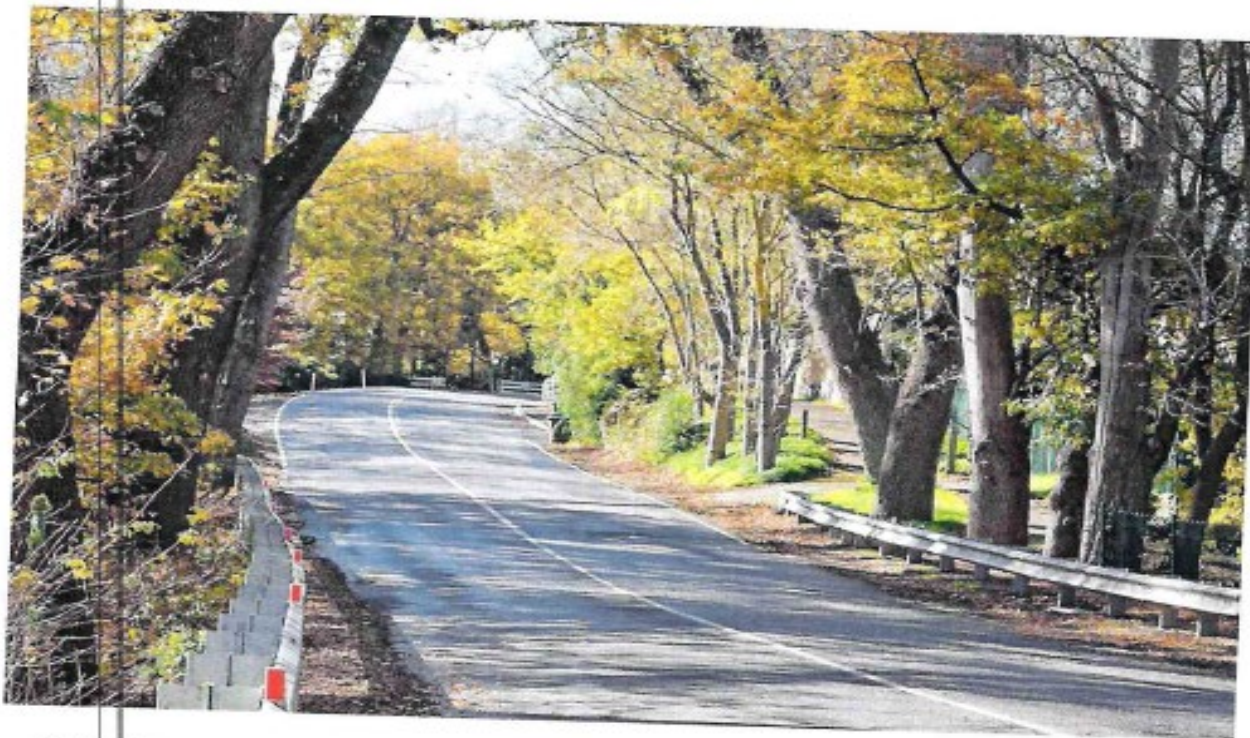


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Spring has sprung, and with the warmer weather and sunnier weekends, there hasn't been a better time this year to cruise with your club to the National Motor Museum!

As we move into the popular Spring season, the museum has limited weekend spaces available to host your club event.

It's now easier than ever to book a club visit to the museum! The National Motor Museum is proud to launch the [Vehicle Club Online Booking Portal](#). This online portal contains all the information you require for organising your club's next function quickly and easily - check it out and make a booking today!

Thanks to the generous support of [Shannons](#) - share the passion - and [The Bay to Birdwood](#) - one of the world's great historic motoring events - all club members and passengers attending a pre-booked vehicle club event receive **FREE** entry to the museum. You'll also be able to view the highly acclaimed exhibition [Holden Heroes: a retrospective 1948-2017](#) and reflect on the treasured memories of former GMH workers in [Holden & Me](#).

Book now as weekend spaces are filling fast. Use our [online booking portal](#) or call the museum on 08 8568 4000 or email motor@history.sa.gov.au.

Paul Rees - Director

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BAY to
BIRDWOOD



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The 2021 Bay to Birdwood – one of the world's great historic motoring events – will not take place as originally planned this year.

The decision not to hold the parade and gatherings on Sunday 26 September was made in consultation with SA Health.

Further details of the activities planned for the 2021 Bay to Birdwood will be announced soon.

The Bay to Birdwood will be back in 2022!

Upcoming Events

September

Sunday 19 - [Super Sunday Get Together](#)

October

Sunday 10 - South Australian Performance Crew

Sunday 17 - [BMW Drivers Club of SA](#), [Triumph Sports Owners Association](#), [Auto Collectors Club of Murray Bridge](#)

Sunday 31 - [Touge Alliance Car Club](#)

November

Sunday 7 - [Minis at the Mill](#)

Sunday 14 - [Australian Goldwing Association](#), [Adelaide Rotor Cruisers' Brap to Birdwood](#)

Sunday 21 - Classic & Muscle Car Club of SA Christmas Picnic

Sunday 28 - [All Japan Day Classic](#)

December

Sunday 5 - [Street Machine Association of SA \(SMASA\)](#) Christmas Function

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Help us restore the Hartnett



Help us to restore one of Australia's rarest cars and display it alongside other icons of Australian motoring.

Join other Australian motoring clubs in supporting the restoration and help fuel our ambitions to return the vehicle to its original running condition. Your support will assist the National Motor Museum to restore the vehicle and display it for all to see.

DONATE NOW

Shop online

Looking for that perfect unique motoring-themed gift for that special someone? Want to get in early for Christmas? The [Museum Souvenir Shop](#) has you covered! Have a browse online and explore our extensive range of giftware, clothing, books and scale models.

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The National Motor Museum is committed to the safety of all staff and visitors. You can find more information about our COVIDSafe policies here.

*Missed a club event? Check out photos and tags on our **Instagram** and **Facebook** accounts now!*



→ **VISIT THE NATIONAL MOTOR MUSEUM**
OPEN DAILY 10AM-5PM
CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY
SHANNON STREET, BIRDWOOD



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New Membership Application OR Existing Member Renewal Form for 2021/22**PERSONAL DETAILS** (Tick appropriate box) ☐ NEW MEMBER ☐ MEMBER RENEWAL

(Single Member) SURNAME FIRST NAME (S)

(Joint Member) SURNAME FIRST NAME (S)

DATE OF BIRTH OCCUPATION

ADDRESS

SUBURB/TOWN POSTCODE

PHONE AH: WK: MOB:

FAX: EMAIL:

VEHICLE DETAILSGenuine GT Owners **MUST** complete **EVERY** section of their application (new member OR renewal)

The Falcon GT Club of SA Inc reserves the right to inspect genuine GT's for authenticity before granting membership.

Tribute, Replica and other vehicle owners only required to provide general vehicle details as indicated by asterisk *

VEHICLE MAKE/MODEL * MONTH/YEAR BUILT *

REG NO: * COLOUR * PAINT CODE

PREFIX NO: MODEL NO: ENGINE NO:

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY (Tick appropriate box) **Note:** Only Full Members have voting rights☐ FULL MEMBER (Genuine GT/South African GT owners only)☐ ASSOCIATE MEMBER (Any other Ford manufactured vehicle)**JOINING FEE** \$20 \$Applies to all **new** members for **first year only** and previous members re-applying after membership lapse.**MEMBERSHIP FEE**

Single \$65 (OR) \$

Joint \$85 \$

Annual payment due by 1st July each year or no later than 30 days after Annual General Meeting or membership will lapse.**HISTORIC REGISTRATION** Membership must be maintained during the duration of vehicles conditional registration. Log book will not be renewed if there is any lapse in FGTCSA membership.

FGTCSA member less than one year \$75 \$

FGTCSA member one year or more (\$20 per vehicle) \$20 X \$

All vehicle owners must be current financial members.

Joint owners must also be current financial members. **TOTAL** \$Direct Deposit to BSB 325185 Account 03227159 Falcon GT Club of SA. Enter your Member Number in description if an existing Member or Surname for New Members. Then mail signed form to address below, or email to secretary@gtclubsa.com.auPlease make Cheques/Money Orders (no cash) payable to: **Falcon GT Club of SA Inc**

Post this form with appropriate fees to: The Secretary Falcon GT Club of SA Inc. PO Box 289 Kent Town SA 5071

INDEMNITY

I agree to abide by the constitution of the Falcon GT Club of South Australia Inc. and release the FGTCSA Inc. from any liability, either personal or property.

Signed Date Membership No

OFFICE USE ONLY: Amount Paid \$

Receipt No:

Membership No:

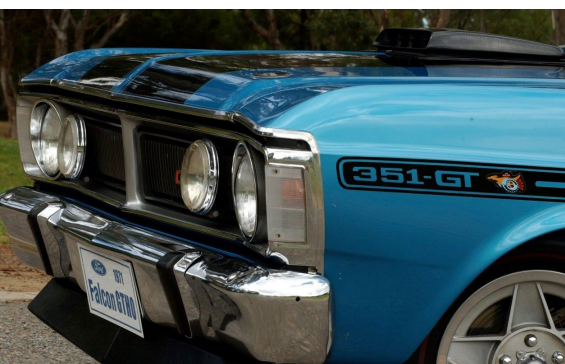
Ben (21/22) V1



My first encounter with a 351 Falcon GT was on a trip to Port Lincoln from Whyalla & return in my mates FC Holden. The XWGT had only been recently released, & we saw a Starlight Blue one in Port Lincoln & I was blown away by the stunning looks & awesome sound of this thing. So, later on we were cruising back to Whyalla sitting on about 70-75 mph, working the old Holden pretty hard in the heat of the afternoon, & this very same XWGT cruises up behind us pretty quickly. Then in what seemed like a few seconds he was past us with this fabulous bellow from the twin exhausts & he left us for dead just like that. I knew then & then I would have to have one of those 351 GT's, & it would have to be blue. But, with the pressures of family & mortgages it would be some years before I could even think about making that happen.

Then there was Bathurst 1971, & the release of the XY GTHO Phase 3, & I was lucky enough to be at Bathurst to see Moffatt blitz everything else on the track that day. I knew then that my ultimate goal was to have a XY GTHO one day, & it would have to be blue of course.

Fast forward 26 years & I was finally in a position to look for an XYGT, not a GTHO at this point; that was still out of reach. So I found an Electric Blue XYGT within my budget & did what everyone does - I set about a gradual restoration as finances allowed. 3 years later & I finally got the XY to a stage where I was very happy with it. Then out of the blue a guy turns up from Alice Springs with a wad of money & says he wants to buy my car - name your own price! So I gave him an over inflated price, & he says OK. Two days later he's on his way back to the Alice with my car & I now have enough to start looking for my XY GTHO. I contacted an acquaintance in Melbourne who had a few HO's & told him what I was after - he surprised me by offering me something he had come across recently, an Electric Blue XY GTHO with saddle interior, not the usual black. It was 1 of only 4 made in that colour/trim combination - one went to NZ where it was allegedly raced by a young up-comer called Jim Richards, its fate is unknown, & two others were last known to reside with collectors in Tas & WA. Mine was originally allocated to a dealer in Katoomba NSW - much of its early life is not known, but it surfaced some years later in a car yard in WA. After a time in WA it went to NT, where it was later purchased by the guy from Melbourne, & then passed on to me.





It was only a matter of weeks after my XY went to the NT & I had my dream GTHO at long last. I could hardly believe it, in fact most GT club members hadn't even realised I had changed cars because the HO looked virtually identical to my old GT. The HO had a few rough edges that Tony Gerace sorted out for me, & very soon I had a very driveable car that was quite presentable – not a show car by any means, but a good looker from a few metres away. And that's the way I kept it. The outright performance on the open road was all I had expected – it was awesome. There were countless country runs in that car that just put a huge smile on my face, especially when shared with my best mate John Walters in his XW GTHO – it was great fun back then that you couldn't even dream of doing today.

I took the HO to the Brisbane GT Nationals in 2001 & raced it around the Lakeside circuit – huge fun until I lost it on a corner & ended up about 1 metre from a concrete wall – time for some common sense to prevail! Some said 'lucky it has a brown interior'. I also took it to the Bathurst GT Nationals in 2003 & raced it down Conrod & along pit straight in a sprint match race format, 2 cars at a time – no such dramas like Lakeside this time. I think I had 15th fastest on the day, not bad against some outright racing machinery. Another dream realised – racing my GTHO Phase 3 at Bathurst! We shared the trip back from Bathurst with another XY GTHO driven by Roger Haysman – that was pretty memorable too!

Come 2006 & the value of HO's was starting to go through the roof, & the opportunity to use the car like we used to was becoming all too risky. My retirement from work was looming, & the thought of a nice cash injection was becoming very tempting. I mentioned to Tony Gerace that I was thinking of selling the HO - he had looked after the car so well for me the whole time I had it, & very soon we came to an agreement for him to buy the car from me. I was pleased to see it go to Tony as I knew he would give the car the full restoration it deserved, & that he would love it just as I did. And that has proved to be the case.

My current ride is a FG GT BOSS 335, 5 litres of fuel injected supercharged quad cam alloy engine, ultimate comfort & sublime handling, Kinetic Blue of course – a sledgehammer in a silk glove, & I love it. But it just doesn't compare to the awesome thrill & the brute nature of a Phase 3 GTHO – still the king!

Hugh Westphalen



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CLUB EVENT



Hi everyone. The club is attending All Ford Day in Oct. we have a section for 20 cars so if people wish to attend can you let Bryan know on 0417 082 098 so we can reserve you a car space within our allocated area. We have 7 spaces left, so get in quick. The club also will have a sausage sizzle for the members attending.

Thanks Karen and Bryan Mc

Online Registrations are open for All Ford Day SA 2021.

Pre-registrations can be completed via the following link which accepts credit card and PayPal payments:

<https://www.trybooking.com/768554>

*Pre-registration closes Friday 1st October

All Entrant information can be found on our website here:

<https://www.allfordday.net.au/entrants>

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