



Newsletter

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CLUB EVENTS

for 2023

<i>Month</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Event</i>
Feb-23	Tuesday 21 Feb	Club Meeting – Alberton Hotel 7.30 pm
	Saturday 25 Feb	Cruise Route 31 - Aldinga
Mar-23	Sunday 05 Mar	Jim Giovinazzo Memorial Cruise
	Tuesday 21 Mar	Club Meeting – Alberton Hotel 7.30 pm
Apr-23	Tuesday 18 Apr	Club Meeting – Alberton Hotel 7.30 pm
	Saturday 29 Apr	Mount Compass Hotel
May-23	Tuesday 16 May	Club Meeting – Alberton Hotel 7.30 pm
	Sunday 21 May	
Jun-23	Sunday 11 Jun	The Hotel central in Riverton.
	Tuesday 20 Jun	Club Meeting – Alberton Hotel 7.30 pm
Jul-23	Sunday 2 Jul	Yankalilla Run
	Tuesday 18 Jul	Club Meeting – Alberton Hotel 7.30 pm
Aug-23	Sunday 13 Aug	Greenock Run
	Tuesday 15 Aug	Annual General Meeting Alberton Hotel, 7.30 pm
Sep-23	Tuesday 19 Aug	Club Meeting – Alberton Hotel 7.30 pm
	22-24 Sep	Renmark Weekend
Oct-23	Tuesday 21 Oct	Club Meeting – Alberton Hotel 7.30 pm
	Sunday 29 Oct	All Ford Day
Nov-23	Sat 04 Nov	Palmer Hotel
	Tuesday 21 Nov	Club Meeting – Alberton Hotel 7.30 pm
Dec-23	Saturday 16 Dec	Mount Compass Hotel Xmas lunch
	Tuesday 19 Dec	Club Meeting – Alberton Hotel 7.30 pm
Jan-24	26-Jan	Falcon GT & Monaro Cruise

Event details released within Newsletter.
Club meetings are currently held on the THIRD
Tuesday of each month

at ALBERTON HOTEL
124 Port Road ALBERTON



President's Report

Welcome to All Falcon GT Enthusiasts

Welcome one and All, Welcome to the cruising months ahead, with great excitement we have the Palmer Pub run this coming month and November we have The Bend All Ford Day in early November, we are participating as a club with 25 GTs on display at the track with 3 different types of events you can participate in, an email would have reached you by now if you have not received one this means your details with the club are not up to date. Hopefully we attract more than 25 Falcon GT's to this what may be the next regular attraction for us as a club we can attend as a group.

We are also putting feelers out to other Australian muscle car clubs The Monaro The Valiant owners Torana and a few others to participate with us in a joint club run to country destinations in the coming months and hopefully do this to break the stigma many have of the Falcon GT Club owners are stuck-up elitist toffy people, I find that personally untrue, I have no problems mixing it up with the peasants folk even if their taste in cars are uncivilized, let us all do our bit and take the less fortunate car enthusiasts on a run for some fellow comradery 😊 LOL

Order of Business:

PLEASE send all emails for the Falcon GT Club of SA Secretary at the moment to admin@gtclubsa.com.au writing care off the secretary and we will do our best to get back to you ASAP.

Hugh Westphalen just recently returned from a road trip to Shepparton Victoria scoping out the Accommodation prospects for club members, and came across another that is fairly new and excellent value, The First Lady Lisa and I also were there 2 weeks ago doing the exact same thing, and we are looking forward to a what will be an exciting event and the venue is first class, We ourselves are arriving well before and staying for a week afterwards to make a great holiday of it.

The Release of the Motels/Accommodation list for the 20th GT Nationals on March 13th – 16th 2025 has been released. Time is flying past very quickly with less than 18 short months left to go to get our beloved beasts ready before the 20th Falcon GT Nationals are upon us, at Shepperton Victoria check the link out below, I have already booked my accommodation early bird gets the worm, already eager for a little warmer weather for the Nationals

https://www.20thfalcongtnationals2025.com/?fbclid=IwAR1d0iwe5_O5jqOkAbZBgThqFGakglP8wocU6pe7NXyzd7-oNSqwl8PivTw

If you would like to have a country Victorian Holiday in Shepparton Victoria Start planning now, I am hoping to encourage as many Falcon GT Club of SA members to make a joint journey to Shepperton with a huge contingent of South Australian Members making the Journey together, as time fly's by very quickly before you know it, it will be upon us, so don't be caught thinking, I won't rush it there's plenty of time to plan for the next nationals.....Or is there! 18 months and counting

Check out The Falcon GT Club of SA Facebook page for upcoming runs from the events committee, Bryan & Karen McMillian regularly post updates of future events and members post great photos showing the great friendship a great among our club members with fantastic turnouts, like the recent Riverland cruise staying at the Renmark Caravan Park, just read the report in the last newsletter or checkout our Facebook page.

If you have not been on a Falcon GT Club run lately, please feel free to join in for a family filled day that caters for everyone, so join in you might be pleasantly surprised.

With the events committee putting forward a great event schedule over the next 5-6 months.

One event I will be looking forward going too is on November 18th *"The Bend Raceway Ford Festival"* with classic to modern fords on display Track events to watch and participate in

Please plan ahead if you can make the time and feel free to join in on the runs, I realise with life these days our schedules are jamb packed with work & family commitments, with more than 6 runs to choose from see if we can fit at least 1 into your schedule and take the family out with some like-minded Family of Falcon GT Enthusiasts.

Check the run flyers as you may want to secure your bookings in one of these great events.

- October 29th All Ford Day Oakbank
- November 4th Palmer Hotel
- November 18th The Bend Raceway Ford Festival
- December 16th Mount Compass End of year Lunch
- January 26th Australia Day Falcon Gt & Monaro Joint Cruise
- With a few others thrown in as contingencies for inclement weather

Keep your eye on the events pages for the dates on Roll racing as a club event, being held shortly after the Falcon GT Nationals at Bathurst, It will be it was around Later in 2023 or early 2024, which for one I am looking forward too immensely, cruising up to Taillem Bend and getting to open up the Mighty Falcon GT's roar up under full noise down the main straight at The Bend Raceway as a club, those that do not wish to participate, there is a terrific balcony area for viewing the mighty GT's rip up the bitumen and wonderful restaurant there to dine and relax and watch in style.

Get your orders in for your Newly Designed and personalised to your model specific Falcon GT, these Shirts are High quality Cotton Dress shirt with embroidered Model Specific GT logos of your Falcon GT with as little or as much details as you wish, you may even want a Polo shirt if you choose too.

Proudly wear them on Club runs/Cruise's, car shows-events and display your model on your shirt letting all in sundry know you Drive a Mighty Falcon GT. Contact Tim Crowther to take your orders Personalised with grille & guard badges on the sleeves and large Guard Badge on your back of the shirt and club logo over your heart, please check the newsletter for styles to order. Have them ready wear for this summers cruises and shows

Stay Safe and we will see you soon

Peter Polson

President

Falcon GT Club of SA.Inc



Meeting Minutes
GT Club of SA
Tuesday 17th October 2023
Venue: Alberton Hotel

Item	Title	Respon	Attach
1.	BACKGROUND		
	Welcome		
1.1	Chairperson: P Polson Secretary: M Stavrides Treasurer: T Parente Vice President Joe Pinneri		
1.2	Present:: Peter Polson, Micheal Stavrides, Tony Jordan, Joseph Weigel, Marilyn Harvey, Hugh Westphalen ,Mick & Julie Denham, Kerri Xenophou, Tony Parente, Joe Pinneri, Brian & Karren McMillian, Murray Blight, Ian Mcavoy		
1.3	Apologies: Chris Carrol, Julie Westphalen, Sean Johnson, Gabby & Robin Hayes, John & Di Waters, Lisa Polson, Fiona Jordan, Karl & Leanne Brown, Micheal & Alex Stavrinakis, Jaime McNeil, Ron Tebbly		
1.4	Meeting Opened: 7:27pm		
1.5	Minutes of previous meeting - Accepted as a true & accurate record Moved: Marilyn Seconded: Kerry		
1.6	Business Arising previous Minutes: Nil		
2.	STANDING ITEMS		
2.1	New Members: No	P Polson	
2.2	Correspondence: Nil	M Stavrides	



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2.3	Newsletters:	M Stavrides	
2.4	Letters/Emails: Nil	M Stavrides	
2.5	Treasurers Report: Moved: Kerri Seconded: Tony	T Parente	
2.6	Merchandise: The XR GT Members are coming out of the wood work and Ordering shirts, Look forward to seeing the members out on a few Runs and the All Ford Day At the Bend	P Polson	
2.7	Historian/Property: Nil	Absent	



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2.8	Website: nil	S Johnson	
2.9	<p>Events:</p> <p>Karen will ask Sean to send a txt to ALL members looking for confirmation of cars wishing to be involved in the Tailem Bend Ford Day on Sat 18th Nov. Its \$10 to enter and register the event and needs to be done on line individually. Check on line for extra costs involved in further track activities on the day</p> <p>Maughan Thiem Drivers Day: Wednesday 22nd November at 630pm. Our club can have 3 cars inside on display</p>	B & K McMillan	
3.	NEW BUSINESS (GENERAL)		
3.1	Karen Mcmillan wished good luck to ALL those involved in the aussie muscle car run		
3.2	Hugh informed us of his recent visit to Shepparton and for those attending the GT nationals in 2025, recommended the Southgate Hotel as a great place to stay		
3.3			
3.4			



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4.0	Meeting Closed: 8:07pm		
	Next Meeting – 21/11/23		
	Venue – Alberton Hotel		



Mr Ed!

Greetings Team

Unicorn and I, along with six other Club members, have just returned from our pilgrimage to that 'holy' mountain located at Bathurst, Mount Panorama, on the **Variety Aussie Muscle Car Run**. What a week!

Firstly, I must inform you that collectively, the **Variety Aussie Muscle Car Run** raised a massive total of **\$614,000** to be used to support disadvantaged children and their families.

The other good news, most of those who participated from this club survived the long journey, commencing in Murray Bridge, into Victoria and onto NSW, as well as the three motorsport activities of which, Mount Panorama was one of. Numerous mechanical failures impacted some teams with the worst being catastrophic engine failures (parts exiting block) to wheel bearings and universal joint failures, mostly affecting GM product☺. The specific events were: drag racing at Heathcote Park, Winton Raceway and sprints down Conrod.



Raised \$614,000 (net) for kids in need



Variety Aussie Muscle Car Run 2023

The event commenced at Murray Bridge, with the AMCR commencing with flag wave from the Founder and now Patron of the AMCR, Kevin May. Each car carried a picture of a beaming Kevin as a sticker on their journey, hopefully with Kevin acting as a motorsport guardian angel... ?! Our first destination was Bendigo in preparation for Drag Racing at Heathcote Park.



Drag racing at Heathcote Park was on the full 400m track, where, Unicorn nearly blitzed the men with an outstanding best reaction time of .006 secs! Her jumping the green by a mere .1 of sec meant finishing third overall in an elimination shoot out. Unicorn has definitely got talent when it comes to launching a car on a drag strip! Car 17 went head to head on most occasions with Leanne and Karl's XB GT, respectively achieving close times, consistently in the low 15s for each. Not too bad for two sedans with slush boxes and a good warm up to Winton.



Winton raceway proved to be the most fun for me, with Car 17 proving to be an effective weapon on the track achieving a forth best time overall around the Winton course. Not bad for 180kw! Winton was also the venue for the coveted Ladies Day round, where Leanne achieved consistent times with the XB GT, making for a good spousal competition between her and Karl for best time. Leanne's efforts secured her the coveted Bev Gilbert Ladies Day award. Congratulations! Karl can brief directly (if asked) on who he thinks was quicker.....





In between motorsport, the AMCR delivered several grants to children in need, as it toured through regional areas on it's way to key destinations like the snow fields at Thredbo and our nations capital, Canberra with lunch at Parliament House and attendance at the Last Post ceremony at the War Memorial. All of this packed into a week long journey to Bathurst.

Mount Panorama was the goal, to not only reach it, but to have the car survive the rigours of Heathcote and Winton, whilst doubling as a pack mule for Unicorns luggage! We got there and Car 17 impressed again. The sprints were of the same format as occurred for the recent GT Nationals. Starting from a standing start below Forrest Elbow, you would accelerate down Conrod towards the Chase, through Murrays and finish at the line on pit straight. The aim was to achieve a best time overall.



Car 17 benefited from some recent *aero mods* with a good layer of Porzelac polish to achieve a slippery surface, complementing the body kit.....I am happy to say, she went flat through the first corner of the Chase at about 175kmh! Mission accomplished! Overall, I can honestly say that Unicorn and I had an awesome time. We raised over \$10,000 to achieve Silver door and proved you do not need big horse power to remain relevant on a race track!



I must recognise Kevin May and his supportive better half, Kathleen, for their vision and drive over 10 years ago to create an event that celebrates Aussie Muscle cars in their natural environment (the race track), whilst benefiting a worthy charity. Starting with the Leukaemia Foundation and now Variety, the AMCR celebrated 10 years and fittingly concluded with the award dinner at the Motorsport Museum, at the foot Mount Panorama amongst all the historic race cars, Moffat's XC Hardtop being *The* car present!

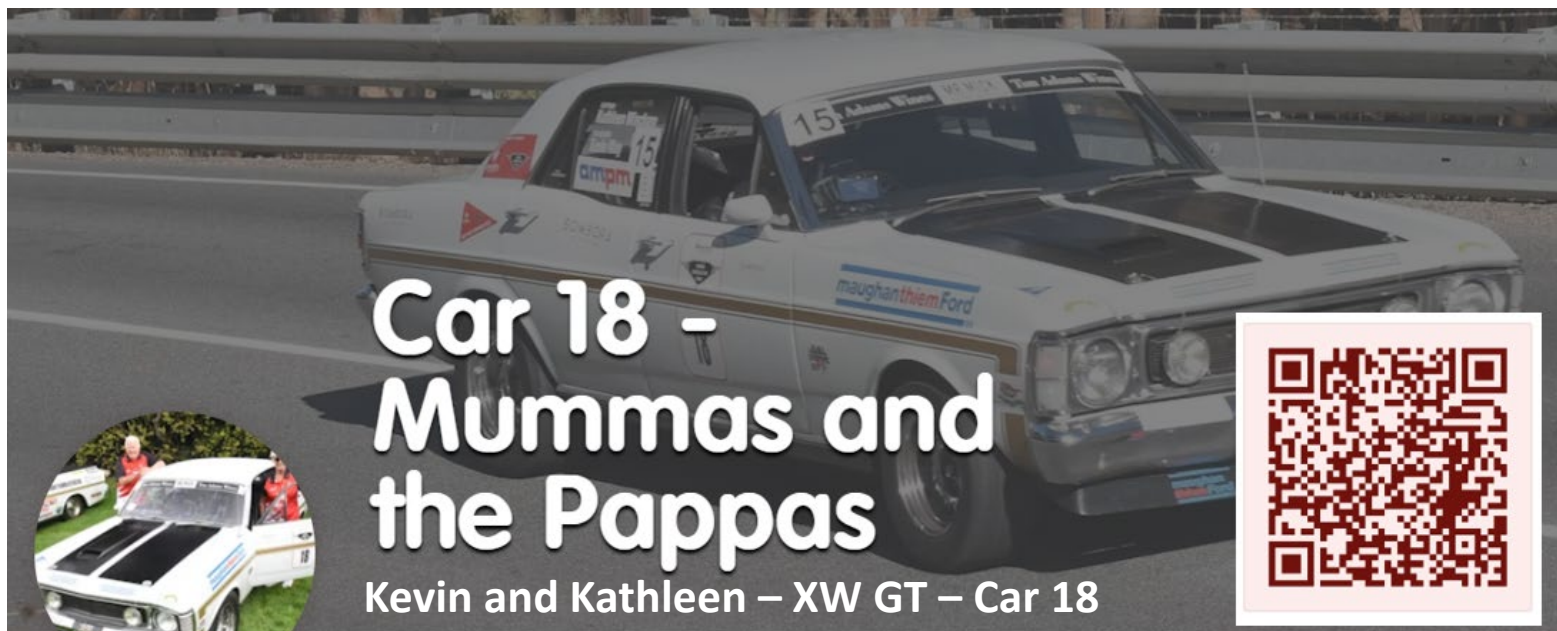
Cheers to those individuals that supported Club members (a list of those members follows) that participated and for the Club, in recognising each team with a donation to their respective car, Thank you.

It all adds up and in this case, it reached a grand total of \$614,000, all towards **Variety** and children's charities.

Keep on Grand Touring.



ED





Car 18 - Mummas and the Pappas

Kevin and Kathleen – XW GT – Car 18

<https://varietyaamcr23.com.au/18mummasandthepappas>



Car 351 - Cruzeaiders

Karl and Leanne – XB GT – Car 351




<https://varietyaamcr23.com.au/car351cruzeaiders>



Car 70 - RUF70 Racing

Jeff Mckerlie- XW- Car 70



<https://varietyaamcr23.com.au/ruf70racing>



Car 79 - Fox On The Run

Jeff and Anna - Capri GT - Car 79



<https://varietyaamcr23.com.au/car79foxontherun>



Car 22 - Cruising for Cancer

Jeff Gilbert - XT GT - Car 22



<https://varietyaamcr23.com.au/car22cruisingforcancer>



Car 65 - Team FNS

Sam Morris— 65 Mustang— Car 65



<https://varietyaamcr23.com.au/car65teamfns>



Car 17 - Happily Ever After

Carol and Kari— EB — Car 17



<https://varietyaamcr23.com.au/car17happilyeverafter>

Falcon GT Club Shirts

Polo tops and shirts have the Club logo and your name(*optional*) on the chest and Super Roo logo on sleeve.

You have the option to add “your” falcon GT badges to the r/h sleeve and back.

Example shows XBGT badges







Club Shirt Order Form

PERSONAL DETAILS

NAME.....MEMBERSHIP No:

ADDRESS

SUBURB/TOWN..... POSTCODE.....

PHONE:.....EMAIL:.....

Falcon GT Club shirts are available as a **Polo** shirt or **Dress** shirt in both ladies and mens sizing.

Basic shirts are black and blue with club logo on the front lhs and personalised with your name/nickname on the front rhs and Super Roo logo on the left sleeve.

Optional addition to your shirt is Falcon GT badge decals, your choice of model on rhs sleeve and rear of shirt.

Ladies Basic Polo - Size.....**Name on front of shirt**..... \$55ea x Qty.....=.....

Add Falcon GT Decals on sleeve and back **MODEL** additional \$35 x Qty.....=.....

Mens Basic Polo - Size.....**Name on front of shirt**..... \$55ea x Qty.....=.....

Add Falcon GT Decals on sleeve and back **MODEL** additional \$35 x Qty.....=.....

Ladies Basic Shirt - Size.....**Name on front of shirt**..... \$70ea x Qty.....=.....

Add Falcon GT Decals on sleeve and back **MODEL** additional \$35 x Qty.....=.....

Mens Basic Shirt - Size.....**Name on front of shirt**..... \$70ea x Qty.....=.....

Add Falcon GT Decals on sleeve and back **MODEL** additional \$35 x Qty.....=.....

Total

Ladies Polo

P10122 MODERN FIT	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24
Garment 1/2 Chest (cm)	46.5	49	51.5	54	56.5	59	62	65	68

Mens polo

P10112 MODERN FIT	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	5XL
Garment 1/2 Chest (cm)	52	55	58	62	65	71	79

Ladies Shirt

S10122 SEMI FITTED	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24
Garment 1/2 Chest (cm)	48	50	52.5	54.5	57	60	63	66	68

Mens Shirt

S10112 CLASSIC FIT	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	5XL
Garment 1/2 Chest (cm)	54.5	57.5	61	64.5	68	72.5	80.5

Direct Deposit to – T&C Custom Clothing, BSB: 015220, Acc: 281855864, Description: Falcon GT Club of SA, your Surname and or Club Mbr number. Email form to secretary@gtclubsa.com.au

Signed Date

OFFICE USE ONLY: Amount Paid \$

Receipt No:

FALCON GT CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA INC.

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New Membership Application OR Existing Member Renewal Form

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 DETAILS

Genuine 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@gtclubsaustralia.com.au

Please 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 (22/23) V2



CLUB REGISTRATION



Club rego logbooks with correctly filled out membership renewal forms can be posted, with a stamped self addressed return envelope for restamping/replacing.

Logbook processing can also be done at club meetings or posted to our club mailbox:

P O Box 289, Kent Town, SA, 5071.

All club rego renewals and logbooks must be processed before
June 30.

In accordance with: SA Gov Gazette, Motor Vehicles (Conditional Registration)
Amendment Regulations 2022

Motor vehicles need to be 25 years old to qualify, effective from 01 Jul 22.



COMING EVENTS

November Cruise is to The Palmer Hotel

Saturday 4th

Also The Bend is introducing their own take on a All Ford Day

Proposed date is the 18th November.

They are still finalising interest. Details to follow.

December Saturday 16th is The clubs Christmas lunch.

This year it was decided to go back to a lunch to try get more interest in attendance.

So this year we will be going to The Mount Compass Tavern

Details will follow.

Thanks Karen & Bryan McMillan



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