



COLUMN SHIFT

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



OCTOBER - NOVEMBER 2008



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.

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MEETINGS

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MEMBERSHIPS

Memberships fall due on the 30th April every year

G'day

Late again, no apologies though, I have been flat out busy lately and content from members has not been forthcoming, many thanks to those that to contribute though.

For those that don't regularly visit the SA Web Site, Paul Roberts has put a lot of effort into a major upgrade. Very well laid out and easy to navigate with plenty of pictures and information, so make sure you pay a visit and email any contribution to Paul.

www.fefcholden.com.au/sa

Colin Pearce is looking to re-create his car that he had back in 1964, if anyone can help his story and details are on page 4.

Not much content eh? I need members to contribute as much as possible to keep the content varied and interesting. Member's cars is one area I have found that people are most interested in, but I receive nothing in the way of pictures or information. The most popular sections on the FE/FC Forum are those dedicated to peoples cars whether they are finished or under construction. Some of the build up threads have had over 10,000 "hits" to them indicating the level of interest is very high. So no matter what state your car is in you can be sure there are many members interested in reading about your car and seeing pictures.

Shades and Venetians, I stumbled across a website of a bloke who makes these in SA, so if you are in the market for Venetians or a shade for your car it might pay to give this guy a call.

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Cheers
Glenn

Planned Column Shift Issue Releases

It is planned to have the newsletter available at the member's meetings, if not they go out soon after in the post. General there is no newsletter for June/July unless there have been events to justify a run.

October/November 2008	- Released 7th Oct 2008
December 08/January 09	- Released 2nd Dec 2008
February/March 2009	- Released 3rd Feb 2009
April/May 2009	- Released 7th Apr 2009
June/July 2009	- No release planned

Meeting AUGUST 2007

At the recent meetings of the F.H.M.C. of S.A. the following points were discussed. For those new members who are unaware, our club and 130 or so others are affiliated with the Federation. The Federation acts on behalf on many issues including Historic Registration (HVRS), Bay to Birdwood Classic, special club runs, and insurance. Please note that my report is my own interpretation of the information given by either attendance at meetings or minutes of meetings. I don't expect all the issues I have outlined to be always relevant to us, but it gives some feedback on what the F.H.M.C. of S.A. represents.

The following matters were brought up at the meetings:

- The use of the term "Rally". It should not be used by clubs. E.g. If you rang the RAA for help they would not attend.
- The FB EK Holden Club has joined the Federation.
- Log book return sheets due. (my job!)
- The idea of the FHMC to issue a book of HVRS rules was raised once again. Much needed I believe.
- The Kernewek Lowender run is being re-organized as Mary Jervies the long standing organiser has dropped out. It's on next year starting at the silos at Wallaroo. Only vehicles older than 30 years will be allowed to enter now.
- One of the arguments for having HRVS is so that we can have the Bay to Birdwood runs. So people are encouraged to enter, especially the older vehicles as they struggle with numbers. The Bay Classic numbers are fine.
- HRVS review is still in progress and the FHMS is happy with the progress.
- The first draft is doing the rounds at present. We must be patient!
- It is slow as it is not a top priority of DETI, or the person responsible. They have other more important work to do, or so I am told.
- Numerical number plate issues will only become available through the auction system possibly every 12 months. If you want one you have to write in, and DETI might add it to the auction list.

HISTORIC REGISTRATION UPDATE

REMINDER : A few members have asked me about the use of 6 inch rims. I have read the Code of Practice and have asked members of the Federation for clarification. 6 inch rims are NOT allowed for our historic registration purposes. Tyres are allowed to be a modern design but must be of an appropriate fit.

WALLY'S HISTORIC REGISTRATION QUESTIONS

WALLY: What's this about getting my green rego slip signed and stamped?

ANSWER: Your latest green rego slip should be signed and stamped by the club's Authorised Person as soon as possible, after you have acquired it.

WALLY: Does that mean if I renew the rego after I have paid my subs and got my log book stamped, I have to get the new green slip stamped and signed by the club?

ANSWER: Yes. The club will have a record of when your rego is due for renewal and also whether or not you've brought it along for stamping.

WALLY: I was asked by the rego office if I wanted to have the rego for 1, 2 or 3 years. Wouldn't that save me having to get my log book done each year?

ANSWER: No, your log book needs to be processed by the club each year, in order to show that that you are still a financial member of an approved club.

WALLY: Do I need to carry the rego slip and log book with me?

ANSWER: Your vehicle should show your latest rego sticker and the view is that to leave the log book and the rego document together could be risky, should the car be stolen. You must have your log book with you.

WALLY: So what about when I am about to buy another car? How do I deal with the paperwork?

ANSWER: First of all, if your car has come from interstate or abroad, a Police check has to be carried out when you get it home. In certain cases, it may be necessary for a vehicle to be inspected at the Regency Road Depot in Adelaide. But Wally, as you're finding it hard just to fill in a log book, we'd better not over complicate the subject.

WALLY: Yes, but can I drive the car home, whether it's from another State or here in SA.

ANSWER: Various options here. - If the car is on full rego in another state, you should be able to drive it home to SA. However, if you purchase is on another State's club rego scheme, you are faced with getting a permit from that State and one from SA, once you hit the border.

If the car is from SA on full rego, no problem provided you register it in your name within 14 days, but if it is on HVRS with another club in SA, you and the seller have things to do. First of all, your seller needs to get his log book cancelled by his club. Then you get a permit to drive it home or use a trailer. You might strike an arrangement with the seller that he delivers it to you before he cancels his club rego on the scheme, but technically you would have to prove that the transfer has not been made until arrived at your chosen home. In some cases, you might even be able to get the vehicle registered on the HVRS whilst remaining at the previous owner's house. It all depends on distance and whether you are both members of the same club.

MORE OF WALLY'S QUESTIONS IN THE NEXT EDITION

Iain and Denis
October 2008

Searching for an old car.



Hi

I am keen to recreate an FC Holden sedan that I had in 1964 (SA 137-055). It was lowered down possibly an inch and a half, had chrome wheels, stainless steel sill covers, Jaguar metallic grey paint, Lukey exhaust - an absolute show stopper at the time. The car had been put together by John Walker of Gilbert Motor Bodies in the city. It also had an EJ steering column which was virtually a bolt up fit with minimal adjustment needed, giving a six inch shorter column (not yet fitted when the attached photo was taken). I removed a floor change (horrible thing) and reconnected the EJ gear lever and it all worked wonderfully well.

I sold the car in 1968 to a young fellow from Novar Gardens after having returned much of it to standard. He was going home to put it back the way I originally had it.

The reason for all the above is to enquire if anyone in the club has or knows of an FC preferably grey or with red and black seats that is for sale.

Many thanks,

Colin Pearce
84459836
0409 397814

I have attached a photo taken at Mallala Raceway in 1964..

Sunday 31st August 2008, Club Run to Victor Harbor. Only 3 cars on the run today, weather was great for the farmers. We arranged to meet on Marion Road at 10am. With only a small group we stopped at Greg & Kathy's to book the seating at the Crown Hotel Victor Harbor. It was cold, wet day at Victor Harbor but a good day for a meal and a get together.



Club Runs - October Long Weekend Run to Mt Gambier

We arranged to meet on Glen Osmond Road at 7.30am.

Only 4 cars from Adelaide on the run this weekend, weather was great, fine and sunny.

Rained overnight Sunday night and a few spots of rain on the way home Monday.



Asking for Help

To Whom it concern

My name is Dave Thiele, currently living in Port Augusta about 356km from Adelaide. My partner and i are looking to get married around the 19th September next year up here in Port Augusta and are looking for 4 early models Holden sedans that are around the same year to drive the bridal party. would there be anyone in your club interested in helping us out or do you know of anyone that we can make contact with? we would rather make a donation to a SA car club than hire cars from a dealer.

if you could of any way help us out it would be greatly appreciated, we await your response

Cheers
Dave and Khera (dandkthiele@bigpond.com)
0431 383 212

Can you help? Recently been involved in a rear end collision due to complete brake failure. Hit a tow bar mounting and ball. As a result I am now chasing the chrome mount that sits on the front bumper bar and protects the number plate.

Any help in obtaining this part would be immensely appreciated.

Regards
Les Young Ph (08) 9451 4864 Hm Ph (08) 9334 0248
Wk

Upcoming Events

November 2008

4th November - MGM, Bring along your deposit of \$20 per person for Christmas Lunch so we can confirm the numbers attending. Info available for Jim & Andrea.

23rd November - Club Run & Family Picnic Thorndon Park Reserve. Gorge Road, Paradise BYO Picnic Lunch and Chairs. No Shops only small kiosk.

December 2008

2nd December - MGM

7th December - Our Club Christmas Lunch
Avoca Hotel South Road, Confirm Numbers with Jim & Andrea.

January 2009

26th January - Australia Day Cavalcade of Cars City of Playford, Motorcycles, Veteran, Vintage & Classic Vehicles up to December 1970. Free Entry & Complimentary Breakfast.

Entry forms need to be in by Monday 15th December 2008.

February 2009

3rd February - MGM

15th February - Club Run to the Chocolate Factory and Lobethal Markets

March 2009

3rd March - MGM

March Long Weekend - FE FC Holden Car Club of SA inc 25th Birthday Celebration, Proposed Events Saturday 7th March Compusory Show and Shine (Location to be determined)

Sunday 8th March Dolphin Cruise and formal dinner provided by Club for members who turn up to Compulsory Show and Shine.

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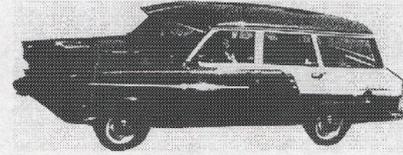


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