



Austin 7 Club of S.A.

262 Tapleys Hill Rd Seaton.

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8.3.24



Le 24 Mai 1903, le Dux "La voiture de la semaine" première place finale de France.
Sur les chemins de France sur un total de 20 km.
Troisième place après avoir franchi le 1000 km sans arrêt sur le circuit de Pau. Deux
heures de trajet à Seaton en route du centre d'activités et de loisirs.

What's on and What's not.

11.3.24 Club Meeting

15.3-17.3.24 Adelaide Motorsport Festival

17.3.24 Historic Gathering at West Beach

17.3.24 Woodside Swap Meet

17.3.24 British Classics Tour

21.3-24.3 Aust F1 GP Melbourne

24.3.24 50th Anniversary of the opening of the clubrooms

25.3.24 Technical Night

26.3.24 Leisure Run

29.3-31.3.24 Easter

8.4.24 Club Meeting

14.4.24 Day Run to Mypolonga

14.4.24 Gawler Club Veteran & Vintage Run

21.4.24 Regularity Round 2

22.4.24 Technical Night SWAP MEET

23.4.24 Leisure Run

5.5.24 Old Crocks Run SCC

5.5.24 Naracoorte Swap

13.5.24 Club Meeting

17.5.24-19.5.24 PreWar Run to Burra

19.5.24 Day Run

25-26.5.24 Historic Winton

27.5.24 Technical night

28.5.24 Leisure Run

Please check with the organisers as dates and events may be subject to change.

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Sports and Specials





The Vintage Sports Car Club SA

Historic Motor Vehicles Gathering

Vintage Veteran Classic



17 Mar

10 am - 2.00 pm

Car enthusiasts, general public, young and
old, family fun day, a taste of yesteryear

Food & drinks available

ALL Welcome

FREE ENTRY

Barratt Reserve West Beach Rd
West Beach

For information email: patchwork@internode.on.net



British Classics Tour 2024

Registrations are now open for one of the events coming up to commemorate 100 years of MGs, the British Classics Tour 2024 which many of our members are already familiar with – an event in its 12th year, finishing up in Victor Harbor.

Date: Sunday 17th March

Start venue: Port Noarlunga Sporting Complex, Britain Drive, Port Noarlunga

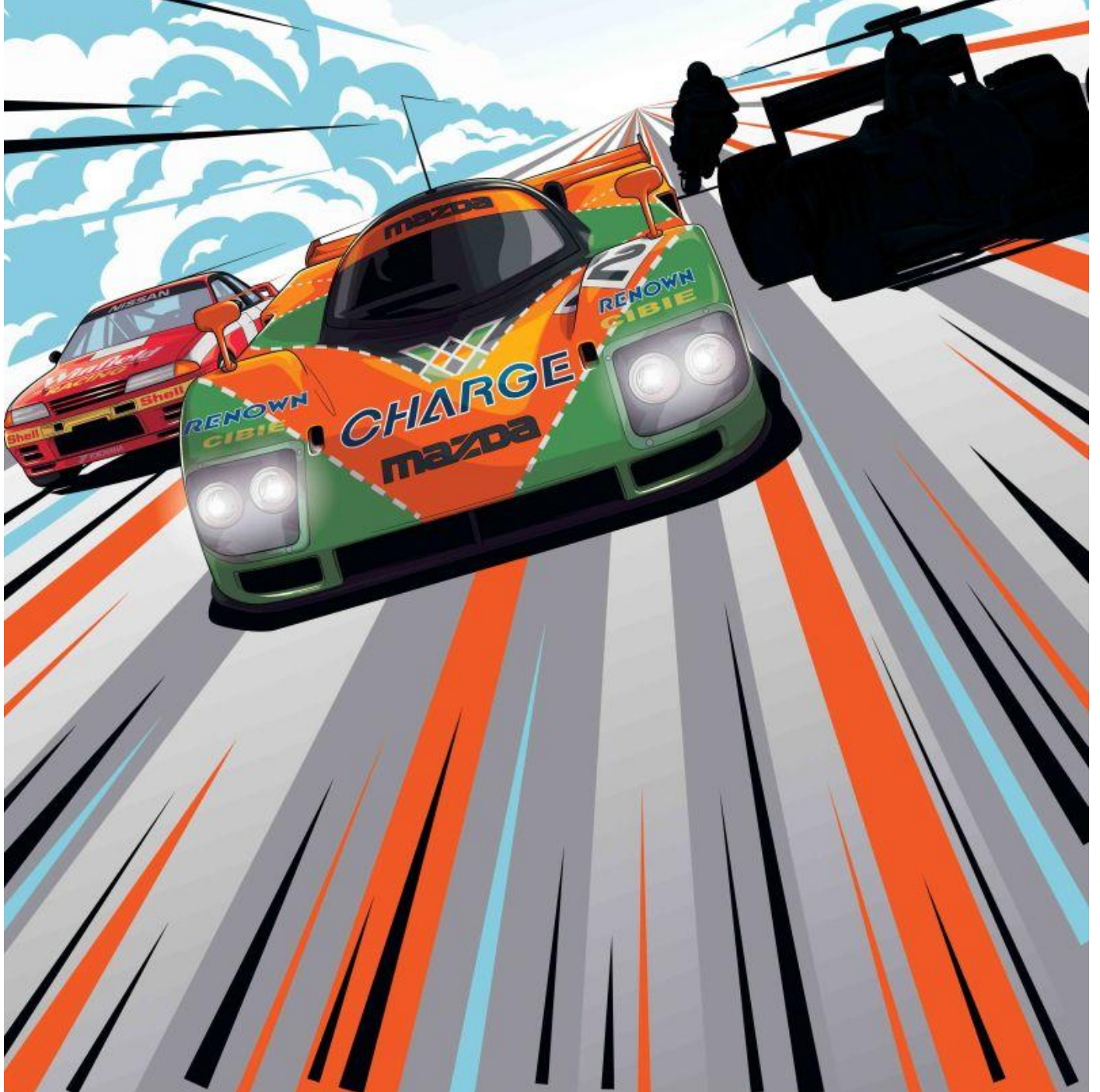
Time: Start venue open from 8.00am; check in from 8.30am

Finish: Warland Reserve, Victor Harbor.



ADELAIDE MOTORSPORT FESTIVAL 2024

MARCH 16, 17 2024





Celebrating 25 years

The Lower Murray

Vintage Machinery Show and Tractor Pull



Celebrating 25 years

Over 150 Displays

Chaff Cutting

16th & 17th March 2024.

Vintage Cars

Vintage Engines
and Tractors

Old Trucks

Murray Bridge Show Grounds,
South Australia.

Raffles and
Prizes

Antique Working
Machinery

Admission:

This is a FREE event.

Tractor Pull

Hay Baling and
Rock Crushing

Food and Drink stalls onsite.

Gates open at 9:30am.

Cars and Coffee
Sunday

www.lmvemc.com



Lower Murray Vintage Engine
and Machinery Club



McLaren Vale Vintage & Classic 2024

Dinner: Sat 13th April 2024
Parade: Sun 14th April 2024



HOME

ENTRY FORM

BEST DRESSED

LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

DINNER

GALLERY

COOL STUFF

CONTACT US

Sunday 14th April 2024



FREE COMMUNITY EVENT
FAMILY FUN!



50 Years in Our Clubrooms

March 1974 to March 2024

In March 1974 the first Club meeting in our club rooms was conducted.

To commemorate this historic event in the life of our club come along to our special event on **Sunday 24th March 2024**



Programme:

10:00- 11:30am	Morning tea at The Watershed 665 Salisbury Highway, Mawson Lakes (Near the junction of Port Wakefield Road and Salisbury Highway)
11:30am	Depart on a scenic convoy to the Clubrooms
12:15pm (approx.)	Lunch at the Clubrooms Consisting of Subway Platters, followed by Fruit salad and ice cream BYO alcohol if desired
Booking is essential By: Monday 18 March	Chris Cutting 0412 092 760 Or email: touring@austin7clubsa.com.au
Cars:	To add to the historic nature of the day, please bring your historic car – but don't let tis request stop you from coming.



Leisure Run to Old Noarlunga

26th March 2024

Caffe Buongiorno at O'Halloran Hill for Coffee.

Then to the Old Noarlunga Hotel for Lunch.



The Old Noarlunga Hotel



Contact David Searles for Bookings 0408 700 047



Graham Paige Run - Mypolonga

Sunday 14th April



Morning Tea: At Mt Pleasant Bakery (if you wish) prior to departure

Time: 11:00am

Lunch: **BYO lunch** and beverages. Either bring your own or purchase necessities at Mt Pleasant

What: Large collection of Graham Paige cars as well as other makes. This could be the largest collection of Graham Paige cars in Australia.

Plus: Marlene has perfected a method for restoring **enamel badges**. View her work. If you have an enamel badge that needs restoration, bring it along for assessment.



Before:



After:

Club Automobile Francais (The French Club) members are also invited to join us on this run.

Bookings Essential: Please book in with **Martin Lewis 0414 727 893** or **Chris Cutting 0412 092 760** or at touring@austin7clubsa.com.au

ALL HISTORIC

26-28 APRIL 2024



FEEL THE PULSE

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05

MAY
2024

INVITATION OLD CROCKS' RUN

90

YEARS

One of the original cars in the The Old Cocks' run is this 1904 Speedwell. Currently owned by Nigel Steele Scott, it belonged to William Cornell in 1904 as he was becoming a motor dealer.

The car has belonged to Nigel Stell Scott since 1988 when it ran successfully in the London to Brighton run in England. Here you see the car being driven to safety by Nigel's granddaughter on the day of the bushfires that threatened Nigel's home.

All cars are welcome on The Old Cocks' 90th anniversary. Cars pre 1935 and cars after 1935. The run from Victoria Park Racecourse to Wigley Reserve at Glenelg will be run on Sunday 5th May 2024. Please put your entries in now to ensure your place in this event. Entry fee \$30 per car and includes a \$5 donation to Variety. Car clubs wishing to make a display are invited to register now.

For more details contact the club on 8373 4899 or email manager@sportingcarclub.com.au



ADELAIDE CBD
TO GLENELG

WIGLEY RESERVE



Organised by the Sporting Car Club of SA as part of the clubs 90th anniversary

Entry form on the back



**Pre – War Run to Burra
17th May -19th May 2024**

A great opportunity to use your car on quite low traffic volume roads around the Mid North of our State.

We will be staying at Paxton Square Cottages in Burra and visiting Farrell Flat to view their Silo art and then to Clare on Saturday.

Trailer Parking available at Paxton Cottages.

To confirm your accomodation booking please contact Paxton Square Cottages on 0488 513 101.

Room rate is \$180.00 per night.

Bookings will only be held until 1.4.24

Once you have booked please let me know

dgrear@optusnet.com.au

47th

HISTORIC WINTON[®]

25th and 26th May 2024



www.historicwinton.org

Winton Motor Raceway, Benalla, Victoria



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Austin 7 Club of S.A.

June 14th -20th 2024

Book Now



The Motel is now full however we may be able to source some more accommodation in Menindee.

We will travel to Mildura where secure trailer parking is available then on to Menindee Lakes to marvel at the Birdlife and water ways.

Dine in the second hotel built in N.S.W. where Bourke and Wills visited in 1860.

A couple of Days will be spent in Broken Hill The gateway to the Outback then returning to Mildura.

All Era Vehicles are welcome.

June 14th Mildura

June 15th Menindee Motel

June 16th & 17th Broken Hill

June 19th Mildura

Andrew Dawes (mobile 0427751488) will be trailering his Austin 7 to Mildura and then driving the Austin from Mildura.

Book now with Andrew Dawes on 0427 751 488 or

dawes@internode.on.net

MEET THE TEAM



Glynis, Brian, Helen and Rob

**SWAN HILL BORDER RUN
13th-16th September 2024
EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**



**Bring your Austin on a holiday. A short break admiring our northern reaches of Victoria. Learn the history of this area; the Paddle steamer, The Heart of the Murray, the agriculture, the Catalina seaplanes, the aromas and the camaraderie of our club neighbours.
What are you waiting for? To be part of our regular updates, register your interest on the form below via: phone, text, email, mail or carrier pigeon.**

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST – SWAN HILL BORDER RUN – SEPTEMBER 13th – 16th 2024

Name CLUB SA / VIC

PHONE EMAIL

MAIL ADDRESS

Return to: Rob Storr at email: Rob.trucktorque@gmail.com

Phone/ Text: 0477880281

Mail: 21 Springfield Drive, Narre Warren. 3805

OR

Brian Gibbons. 0418 508 611



Austin 7 Club of S.A.

**4-Wheel drive trip to Arkaroola
travelling via the R.M. Williams Way.**

6th-10th October 2024

SAVE THE DATE

**After the success of last year's
Coorong Explorer weekend we are
going north to Arkaroola.**



LAKE PERKOLILLI RED DUST REVIVAL 2025



29 SEPTEMBER TO 5 OCTOBER 2025



Austin Seven

NATIONAL

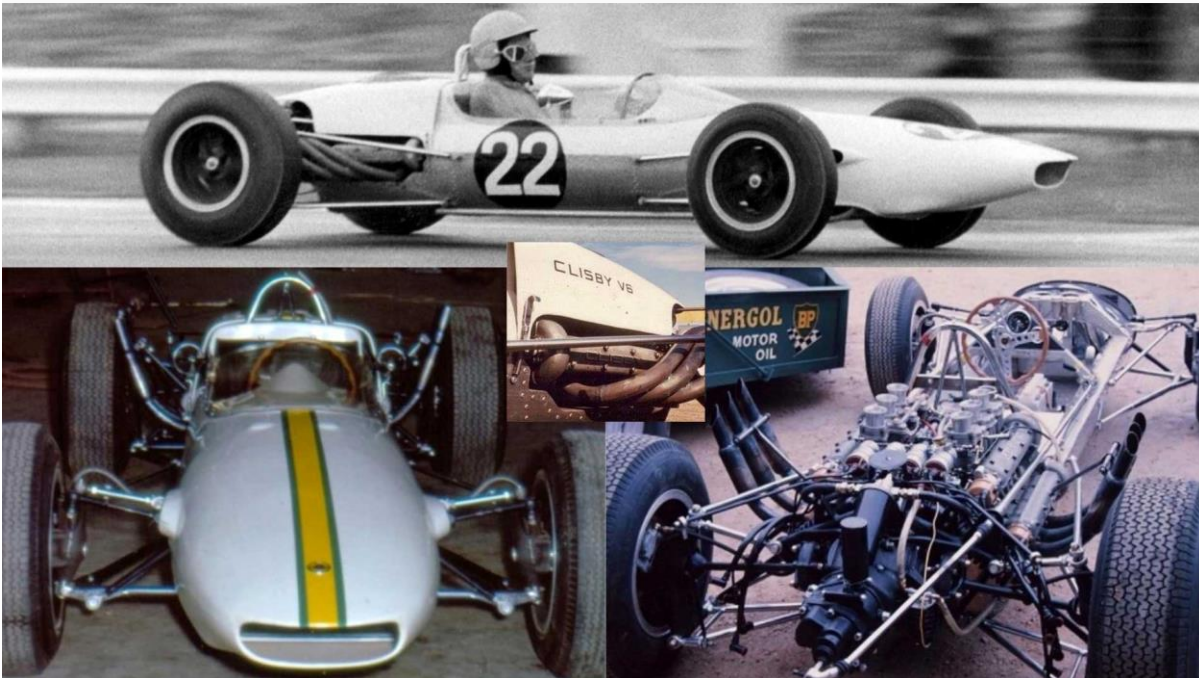


RALLY

OCTOBER 2027 - MURRAY BRIDGE S.A.

Kevin Drage

All-Adelaide designed and built Elfin Clisby – Australia's first F1 car – contributes technology to 1967 Brabham title



More than 10,000 were at South Australia's Mallala race circuit in April 1965 to see the Elfin Clisby, potentially Australia's first internationally competitive Formula One racing car with every part of it built in Adelaide, by Adelaide engineers, with remarkably few resources.

The Elfin Clisby's 1.5-litre, double overhead cam, two-valve, 120-degree, twin-carb, 1.5-litre V6 F1 engine was designed by wildly inventive engineer Harold Clisby and built over four years at his small factory in the Adelaide suburb of Prospect over four years from 1961.

The chassis, engine and gearbox (using a VW case) were all made in Adelaide. Clisby designed and built every part except the electrical system, in his small factory. This included aluminium alloy castings, nitrided steel crankshaft machined from a solid billet, 120-ton vibrac conrods and two triple-choke carburettors.

Clisby was supported by the skills of machinist Alec Bladwin and project engineer Kevin Drage. When Clisby was distracted by other projects, Drage saw the engine project completed and installed in an Elfin Monocoque T100 chassis modified by Garrie Cooper at his small factory in the Adelaide suburb of Edwardstown.

Cooper, was founder of the highly successful Elfin Sports Cars and a racing driver in his own right, who went to win the 1968 Singapore Grand Prix, the 1968 1.5 litre championship and the 1975 Australian sports car championship – all in V8-powered Formula 5000 Elfin cars.

The Easter Monday 1965 racing debut of the Elfin Clisby, driven by Andy Brown, was reported as promising in some ways and disappointing in others. The engine had a bad carburetion “flat spot” in low-to-medium range but tremendous acceleration past that point. In his first race, Brown drove it to a creditable fifth place, despite a self-imposed rev limit of 8,000- well below maximum power at 9,500- and relatively slow acceleration away from the corners

due to carburetion troubles. A rear tyre blew out in first lap of the second race and suspension damage ending its racing for the day.

The Elfin Clisby only raced three more times: at Calder in May when Brown retired with water porosity problems, back at Mallala in June when the car popped an oil line in practice, non-starting the race. In the car's last appearance in the October Mallala gold star round, it retired from the race, won by Bib Stillwell's Brabham BT11A Climax, after eight laps when the engine locked up in the straight, gyrating from high speed for 300 metres.

The Elfin Clisby project had a sequel.

When Repco Brabham Engines in Maidstone were looking for an Australian concern to cast their cylinder heads for the race program from 1966 to 1969, they chose Clisby Industries, via Kevin Drage, to fix problems they encountered in making the complex aluminium castings of their V6. With their learnings in this area, Drage made a critical contribution to Jack Brabham's 1967 Formula One world title by making the cylinder heads for the victorious 3-litre 740-Series Repco Brabham V8s that powered Denny Hulme and Jack Brabham's Brabham BT24s.

So Australia's first all-Adelaide, but largely unraced, grand prix engine contributed to the Brabham F1 world championships of its Repco successors.

Legendary Australian Engineer - and resident of this manor - Kevin Drage was honoured with the 2023 Phil Irving Award by CAMS Ltd t/as Motorsport Australia. CAMS' national awards were held in Jeff's Shed (Melbourne Exhibition Centre) in Melbourne last night.

The citation by the CAMS PR Flack reads, "Another individual boasting decades of experience in motorsport was Phil Irvine (sic FFS) Award Winner, Kevin Drage, who was recognised for his continual commitment to innovation and improvement of the essential components used by motor cars in motorsport."

I had great pleasure in working with KD on articles about his Clisby F1 1.5-litre V6 (MotorSport) and the four-cam, two-valve Globe-Ford 289 V8 (Australian Muscle Car) and thoroughly enjoyed the experience - and learned a lot.

What a fantastic, gentle, talented man he is.

Well done KD! I shall partake of a Coopers Red in your honour shortly.

The Phil Irving Award is "In honour of the remarkable achievements of the late Phil Irving OBE, an outstanding Australian engineer whose efforts impacted motorsport on the world stage, the Phil Irving Award recognises outstanding skill and achievement by an individual Australian engineer or

Australian engineering company devoted to serving and positively contributing to competitive motorsport."

My favourite previous winners are Ron Tauranac, Peter Holinger, Bob Britton (Rennmax), Michael Borland (Spectrum), Richard Bendell (Motec), Ron Harrop, Dave Mawer and Peter Molloy.



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Buy, Sell & Exchange

For Sale 1928 Austin 7 Wasp

Full professional restoration by Adelaide Hills Panel Works

Coil Ignition, New timber frame. Less than 500km since resto.

Contact Andrew Dawes 0427 751 488



1937 Austin 10/4 saloon - restoration

\$18,000 Negotiable

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Get yourself a piece of motoring history.

Up for sale is my 1937 Austin 10 saloon. Currently on historic registration and last club registered in 2015, it has been in storage since.

Interior in great condition with blue leather seats with no rips. Exterior paint in need of some work all original paint however front guards had been repainted.

Motor turns freely, starts and runs. How ever has not been driven in 10 years so will be in need of a good service. Wheels in great condition but tyres showing signs of side wall cracks so will need replacing. All lights and indicators all working perfectly and just put brand new battery in the car to test everything prior to selling.

AUSTIN 7 RUBY

\$10,500



**Austin 7 Ruby
Complete car
walk in Rego**

**Lots of receipts and paperwork on car
\$10,500.00**

Adelaide S.A.

For sale: 1937 Austin 7 sports.

**Warm motor, runs and drives very well. Great fun to drive.
Purpose built trailer goes with the car if required.**

**Engine No M278469. \$22,000 Phone 0429 945 826 for more
info**

Mildura, Victoria.



Friday Funny's

***IT WAS AT THIS MOMENT
MY DAD KNEW***



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***ID BE BROKE THE REST
OF MY LIFE***

Austin 7 Club Calendar 2024

March 2024

- 3 All British Club Day Echunga
- 4 Committee Meeting
- 11 Club Meeting (Public Holiday)
- 17 Historic Gathering at Barrett Reserve West Beach VSCC Invitation
- 21/24 Aust Formula 1 Grand Prix Melbourne
- 24 50th Anniversary of the opening of the Austin 7 Clubrooms in 1974
- 25 Technical Night
- 26 Leisure Run

April 2024

- 3 Committee Meeting (Wednesday)
- 8 Club Meeting
- 14 A7 Club Day Run to Mypolonga
- 21 Regularity R2
- 22 Technical Night
- 23 Leisure Run

May 2024

- 5 "Old Crocks Run" Invitation SCC
- 6 Committee Meeting
- 13 Club Meeting
- 17/19 Pre War Austin 7 Run to Burra
- 19 A7 Club Day Run or event
- 25/26 Historic Winton
- 27 Technical Night
- 28 Leisure Run

June 2024

- 1 50th Anniversary of the departure of A7's from Adelaide to Ayers Rock commemorating 21 years of the A7 Club.
- 3 Committee Meeting
- 10 Club Meeting (Public Holiday)
- 14/20 Broken Hill Run
- 16 Regularity R3
- 23 A7 Club Day Run or event
- 24 Technical Night
- 25 Leisure Run

July 2024

- 1 Committee Meeting
- 8 Club Meeting
- 14 A7 Club Hills Luncheon.
- 22 Technical Night
- 28 Regularity R4
- 30 Leisure Run

August 2024

- 5 Committee Meeting
- 12 Club Meeting
- 18 A7 Club Day Run or event.
- 26 Technical Night
- 27 Leisure Run

September 2024

- 1 Old Car Day Bethany Invitation
- 2 Committee Meeting
- 9 Club Meeting & Annual General Meeting
- 13/15 Border Run (70th) (to Swan Hill)
- 22 Federation Arthur Clisby Picnic Day at Macclesfield
- 23 Technical Night
- 24 Leisure Run

October 2024

- 2 Committee Meeting (Wednesday)
- 6 Historic Collingrove Hillclimb.
- 6/10 Arkaroola 4WD Run.
- 14 Club Meeting
- 20 Bay to Birdwood
- 27 Regularity R5 Club Championship
- 28 Technical Night
- 29 Leisure Run

November 2024

- 4 Committee Meeting
- 11 Club Meeting
- 14/17 Adelaide 500 Races
- 15/17 Bendigo Swap Meet
- 24 A7 Club Day Run or event.
- 25 Technical Night & BBQ
- 26 Leisure Run

December 2024

- 1 Regularity R6
- 2 Committee Meeting
- 8 Christmas event
- 9 Club Meeting.

SA School Holidays 2024

13 Apr – 28 Apr

6 Jul – 21 Jul

28 Sep – 13 Oct

Adelaide Cup 11 March

Easter 29 March - 1 April

Labour Day 7 October