



Federation Motorfest 2026

Federation Motorfest for 2026 is here and welcome to this year's events. The events have been organised by some of South Australia's great historic car clubs and will certainly be of interest to our Interstate, Country and local enthusiasts. Again the various day outings will take you to many well-known, and some not so well known places of interest. For this Federation Motorfest we go to destinations which range from the Adelaide Hills to the Fleurieu showcasing so much of our great state of South Australia. We trust that as many of you as possible will take advantage of this wonderful programme and avail yourselves to as many Federation Motorfest events as possible. Please be aware that you do not require a specific vehicle to enter any of these events. You may use any vehicle you wish to, including your current model family car.

Happy Motoring.

Programme

12th October to 23rd October – Entries close 1st October 2026

Please note: **ALL EVENTS ARE OPEN TO ALL MAKES & TYPES OF VEHICLES**
(including moderns)

Entry into the “Bay to Birdwood” is not a prerequisite for participation in
“Federation Motorfest” events.

Day 1 Monday 12th October

TOUR HISTORIC AUCHENDARROCH HOUSE & GARDENS Hosts the Milang Vintage Machinery Club

Travel through the beautiful Adelaide Hills to Mt Barker to Historic Auchendarroch House where coffee can be purchased. Morning tea provided. Come and discover South Australia's interesting history at Mt Barker's Historic Mansion and gardens. Built in 1860 as the Oakfield Hotel by Lachlan McFarlan and later purchased by businessman Robert Barr Smith who converted the hotel into a luxurious summer residence renaming it “Auchendarroch” (Gaelic for “Holy Place of the Oaks”). The mansion later served as a convalescent home and an Air Force Hospital and much more. The heritage-listed restored sandstone mansion surrounded by beautiful gardens has many secrets which you will learn on the guided tour. Lunch can be purchased at your cost in the modern Oak & Iron Bistro, an extension of Auchendarroch House.

No Limits

Day 2 Tuesday 13th October

OUR LOCAL WILDLIFE EXPERIENCE

Hosts the Adelaide Allmake Automobilc Club

Join us for a scenic leisurely drive through our beautiful Adelaide Hills and historic townships for our visit to Warrawong Wildlife Sanctuary at Mylor (founded in 1969 in South Australia). Included will be Devonshire Morning Tea upon arrival followed by an informative wildlife presentation and your lunch. You can also enjoy a nature walk around the extensive sanctuary or watch from the enclosure. You may see many birds, kangaroos, wallabies, koalas and even the elusive platypus.

Please wear closed in shoes.

Limited to 70 people

Day 3 Wednesday 14th October

CARS TO THE PORT

Hosts the Gawler Veteran, Vintage & Classic Vehicle Club

Members of the Gawler, Veteran, Vintage & Classic Car Club invite you to join us on a leisurely drive through the Western Suburbs of Adelaide. Our first stop will be to visit Richmond Motors for morning tea and browse through a collection of Sports, Classic and Muscle Car. If you so desire you may wish to bring your cheque book out of your pockets. We will then proceed to the Historic Port Adelaide Football Club. There we will have lunch (at own cost) and a guided tour with their Club Historian for approximately 75 mins.

Limited to 30 people

Day 4 Thursday 15th October

AN EVENING WITH AUTOMOTIVE HISTORY IN KHAKI Hosts Military Vehicle Preservation Society

Starting at the National Military Vehicle Museum in Edinburgh Park at 2.00 pm. The 6-acre site with onsite parking is a group of heritage listed buildings built during World War 2 which now house an extensive collection of historic military vehicles dating back to 1916. There is something of interest for everyone. On arrival there will be a guided tour of the Museum and restoration workshop. During the afternoon, the volunteers will demonstrate the capabilities of the operational vehicles on the Museum testing area and there will be a firing of the 25 Pdr field gun. There is also the opportunity to ride in the historic vehicles. This will be followed by an evening roast meal consisting of 2 courses within the Museum building.

Limited to 50 people

Day 5 Friday 16th October

BATTUNGA COUNTRY

Hosts the Mercedes Benz Club of SA

Please join us for a drive up the South Eastern Freeway for a look at the area known as Battunga Country.

The main towns in this area are Echunga, Macclesfield and Meadows. Gold diggings, a Museum and sculptures are on the list of visits. There will be some walking and unpaved roads to travel on. We will stop for a cuppa along the way (included) and lunch at your own cost.

Limited to 30 people.

Sunday 18th October

THE BAY TO BIRDWOOD

Day 8 Monday 19th October

SMELL THE ROSES

Hosts the Adelaide Allmake Automobile Club

The Adelaide Allmake Automobile Club invites you to "Smell the Roses". Enjoy a leisurely drive through the northern suburbs, rural and military areas to Knight's Roses of Gawler to enjoy an informative talk on their 50 years in business. Plus interesting facts and information on Roses. Tour includes Morning Tea. Followed by lunch at a local hotel.

Limited to 40 people

Please wear closed in shoes.

Day 9 Tuesday 20th October

THE GRANGE IN GRANGE – WHO IS CHARLOTTE?

Hosts the Motorfest Committee

Leave Glandore to travel through seaside suburbs to Charles Sturt Museum & Cottage in Grange. After intro talk, meander through the museum, enjoy Devonshire tea, then a guided tour of the Cottage & gardens. Leaving Grange we will travel to the Mansfield Park Hotel for a talk & visual by a well known auto historian & author. Lunch at own cost. Questions & chat with speaker.

Limited to 30 people

Day 10 Wednesday 21st October

GIANTS OF STEAM

Hosts the Early Ford V-8 Club of SA

A leisurely drive to Port Adelaide and the National Railway Museum for Morning Tea journey into railway history at Australia's largest Railway Museum with over 100 exhibits representing State, Commonwealth and private railway operators on the three major rail gauges used in Australia. Climb into the cabs of giant steam engines, walk through elegant carriages, enjoy the train rides & interactive displays. From here a short distance to a lunch venue which is optional at your cost.

Limited to 50 people

Day 11 Thursday 22nd October

A free day no event

Day 12 Friday 23rd October

A free day no event

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT ANY DIETARY NEEDS SHOULD BE PLACED ON THE ENTRY FORM

PLEASE NOTE AFTER 1st OCTOBER 2026 THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS

FEDERATION MOTORFEST HEADQUARTERS

Federation Motorfest Headquarters for 2026 will be at the clubrooms of the Combined Car Clubs, part of the Glandore Community Complex. They are located in Clark Avenue, Glandore. There is plenty of paved off street parking, easy access to facilities and the clubrooms will be open each morning to welcome our guests.

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