

**June 2023****Official Bulletin of the Sprite Club of SA**

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The month got started with the Peter Hall Memorial 6-Hour and, whilst we may not have featured in the result sheets, a Sprite Club did (the Victorians!), with a little help from one of our members! Hopefully Dean has finished putting his Sprite back together after parts were borrowed by several competitors to keep their cars running!

The keen readers of the news articles will know that both the winery run and mid-week run didn't quite happen last month, but the MG Car Club of South Australia has welcomed us to join in on their monthly Breakfast Runs. These leave from Veale Gardens in the Southern Parklands on the last Sunday of the month and head out for a run to somewhere and then a BYO coffee/morning tea somewhere picturesque. Once I can get the Midget out of jail (I can't get it past the works going on at the house right now!) I'm hoping to join in with one of the runs and I'd encourage members to keep on an eye out for details of their next run. I think the next destination is Murray Bridge which might be a good leg stretch for many of our cars!

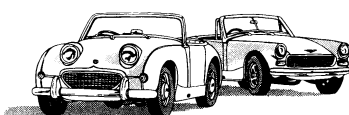
I'm keen to make the 'Winter Solstice' lunch run AND a midweek run a reality for June, so I thought maybe to combine the two! I'd like to understand possible numbers for a run on Wed 21<sup>st</sup> up to either the Aldgate Pump Hotel or the Hagen Arms in Echunga. The destination might not be a mystery but I'm sure we can make the route there challenging with a bit of local history along the way! Details to be posted up on the web later this week but I'm keen to understand the interest at this stage please! If anyone would like to organise a route and a run also please let me know otherwise I'll dream up something that gets us to the pub in good time for a hearty mid-winter lunch!

Exciting news on the Regalia front ... we have scarves and beanies in stock and will soon have new 'Sprite Car Club of SA' stickers in, wait for it ... full colour! I know right! Keep an eye on the webpages for news on how to order!! We continue to look at options and as a lead up to the Nationals we interested to know how many people would like an old-fashioned badge bar emblem created. Get your thoughts to Daryl our Regalia Officer!

Some other upcoming events I'd like people to put marks into their diaries.:

- 16 July: Slotcar racing for the SCC(SA)SCC (the Sprite Car Club (SA) Slot Car Cup). I hope to invite competitors from MGCC(SA), AHOC and Clubbies SA to come and take us on in some 'Le Mans' team racing events put on by Clive! \$20 gives you car and controller hire for a day full of fun filled slot car action!
- 26 Aug: Pea and Pie Night
- 16 Sep: Club Annual Dinner
- 1 Oct: Picnic Run to the Historic Hill Climb at Collingrove. Now, this is no ordinary Picnic Run! Thanks to the efforts of Gary Dodd, the Sporting Car Club have offered SCSA members free entry to the event and, for those who drive their Sprite or Midget up to Collingrove, you will be able to park as part of the overall car display (with the historic Hill Climb competitors) and get one or two controlled runs up the Hill Climb circuit behind the pace car (without the need for the usual race suit, helmet, roll bar etc!). It shapes up to be a really great day!
- 22-25 March 24: Sprite and Midget Nationals. Yes, its confirmed, it's happening at Wodonga. More to follow but mark the date! And the news gets better as the event is open to Members of the associated Sprite Clubs irrespective of the car they are able to drive there. The AHSDC has introduced a 'Drivers Championship' replacing the previous 'Sprite Championship' in its own competition and has decided to extend this format to the Nationals.

Finally ... the Constitution update. As you are all aware by now, a Special Meeting has been called for 3 Jul to vote on updates to the Club Constitution. The initial draft was emailed out early last month and the committee has had a number of suggestions and questions. This will be discussed at the Jun General Meeting and the updated draft sent out to all current members for further review and comment leading up to the Special Meeting. We need the



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Constitution to be updated and to do that we need your voice and your vote. If you can't get to the meeting we will also be sending out proxy voting forms so you can have your say about the future direction for the Club!

Phew – that's more than a page.... I think that's enough!

Happy driving!

Robin Dunk  
President, Sprite Club of SA

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### Technical Tip (#6)

Not so much a technical tip but a tip to read the article regarding ignition systems penned by yours truly posted on the Club webpages in the '[Technical Tips](#)' section. Click [here](#) to go direct!

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### Next Two Months Events.

For full schedule, refer to the events calendar

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| <b>4 Jun<br/>Sunday</b>     | <b>ClubbiesSA 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Month</b><br>Perfect Note Café, 168 Main Road, Blackwood  |
| <b>5 Jun<br/>Monday</b>     | <b>General Meeting</b><br>Fullarton Park Community Centre, 411 Fullarton Road, Fullarton Park.<br><i>Remember to sign in the attendance book! Refreshments will be served.</i>   |
| <b>11 Jun<br/>Sun</b>       | <b>SCCSA Ray Pank Hillclimb (Round 2)</b><br>Collingrove   |
| <b>18 Jun<br/>Sunday</b>    | <b>ClubbiesSA 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at the Rezz Hotel</b><br>The Rezz Hotel, 0830  |
| <b>21 Jun<br/>Wednesday</b> | <b>Winter Solstice Midweek Lunch Run</b><br>A Spritely Run to a pub in the Adelaide Hills to celebrate the coming Winter Solstice!<br><i>Easy Mid Winter's run up into the Adelaide Hills, ending at a nice warm pub for a counter lunch and a natter. Who will brave the cold and drive up in style, top down??!</i>  |
| <b>25 Jun<br/>Sun</b>       | <b>SCCSA Collingrove Challenge Trophy (Round 3)</b><br>Collingrove   |
| <b>25 Jun<br/>Sun</b>       | <b>MSCA Super Sprint Round 2</b><br>The Bend (West)  |
| <b>2 Jul<br/>Sunday</b>     | <b>ClubbiesSA 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Month</b><br>Perfect Note Café, 168 Main Road, Blackwood  |
| <b>3 Jul<br/>Monday</b>     | <b>General Meeting and Special Meeting + Wine and Cheese</b><br>Fullarton Park Community Centre, 411 Fullarton Road, Fullarton Park. Following the General Meeting, a Special Meeting will be held to consider amendments to the Club Constitution and vote on its ratification.<br>Wine and Cheese will be served following the Special Meeting<br><i>Remember to sign in the attendance book! Refreshments will be served.</i> |



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| <b>16 Jul<br/>Sunday</b> | <b>ClubbiesSA 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at the Rezz Hotel</b><br>The Rezz Hotel, 0830   |
| <b>16 Jul<br/>Sun</b>    | <b>Sprite Car Club (SA) Slot Car Cup</b><br>Scalex World, Ridgehaven<br><i>Think you've got quick reflexes and hot wheels? The most hotly contested racing event on any calendar is back in 2023, bigger and better than ever. Meet at the Rezz Hotel for a coffee with the Clubbies and the meander over to Ridgehaven where the rubber will hit the road at Grant's Scalex World complex with practice starting at 1000 sharp. Racing will start at 1100 with a 'LeMans' style team racing format with six team of 4 drivers competing at a time. BBQ across in the park afterwards or in the event of poor weather we will find a local pub for lunch! Members affiliated Sprite Clubs who might be in Adelaide that weekend and members from the MG Car Club (SA), Austin Healey Owners Club and of course Clubbies SA are most welcome form their own teams and join us ... and try and win! It's rumoured that one member has pulled their own slot car track out of the attic to practice! \$20 charge per person.</i> |
| <b>23 Jul<br/>Sun</b>    | <b>SCCSA Ray Pank Hillclimb (Round 3)</b><br>Collingrove  |

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**Upcoming Events to Note:**

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| <b>26<sup>th</sup> Aug<br/>Saturday</b> | <b>Pie and Peas Dinner</b><br>Fullarton Park Community Centre, 411 Fullarton Road, Fullarton Park.<br><i>Pie and peas. Who would have thought it was a classic South Australian meal. Rumoured to have originated in Port Augusta of all places, the Sprite Club has well and truly embraced this culinary institution with a night dedicated to pies, floating upside down, in a bowl of peas!</i> |
| <b>16 Sep<br/>Sat</b>                   | <b>51<sup>st</sup> Annual Dinner</b><br>Venue TBA   |
| <b>1 Oct<br/>Sun</b>                    | <b>Picnic Run to Collingrove Historic Hillclimb</b><br>Run details TBA  |
| <b>3 Nov<br/>Fri</b>                    | <b>John Blanden's Climb to the Eagle</b><br>Victoria Park   |
| <b>5 Nov<br/>Sun</b>                    | <b>Annual Sprite Club Display Day</b><br>Wigley Reserve   |
| <b>22-25 Mar</b>                        | <b>Sprite and Midget Nationals</b><br>Wodonga   |

