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President's Report – TSOASA 2025/2026 Club Year

I would like to thank all club members who have assisted in making another very successful club year. There has been a hard-working executive committee, supported by various appointees, who have all put in a great effort to keep things on track and allowed the club to prosper and grow. I am not sure how many other car clubs have the number of new members that we achieve each year. We currently have a total of 246 members, including over 200 full members, 9 life members and 34 social members.

Vice President Richard Sellars has once again always been willing to step up in my absence. This has included recently for two meetings in a row where I have been unavailable.

Secretary Duane Kaak continues to be a tower of strength within the club and provides us with great service. It is hard to imagine the club running successfully without Duane.

Our treasurer, Lisa Macleod maintains the books very efficiently. Having had this role for the previous 10 years before Lisa took over, I know what a time consuming and at times complicated job this is, and the club owes Lisa a debt of gratitude for her hard work. We had once again budgeted for a deficit for the club year, however managed to finish in a better than budgeted position at years end.

Chris Marshall, who is a chartered accountant and club member has agreed to act as the club auditor and advisor to Lisa on accounting and taxation matters for the next club year, and I thank Chris for taking on this role.

Katherine Bradley as Fastrak Editor position three years ago and continues to produce an excellent publication each month. Again, we are very grateful for all she does in this production.

Secretary Duane Kaak also is our competition secretary in addition to his other secretarial duties. Unfortunately, we did not have a team to compete in the MSCA 6 Hour Regularity Relay this year, and we have only small number of members participating in competition events.

We have had new social secretaries, Charlie and Carol Onody, who stepped into retiring social secretary, Natalie Farrell's shoes after the last AGM. We have had a variety of great Sunday runs over the last 12 months, with various other club members helping with organising a run, so that the role is not overly burdensome. Thanks Charlie and Carol for doing such a good job, and to all club members who have also assisted.

Lawrie and Kaye Placing continue to organise mid-week lunches each month at interesting and sometimes out of the way venues. These have a loyal bunch of regulars attending, as well as members who attend them now and again, and these lunches continue to be very popular.

Ian Rigby has, as he does every year, carried a heavy club load, and worked tirelessly as Conditional Registration Scheme Registrar and Membership Officer. Ian has a band of helpers on his committee, and I thank these members for assisting Ian in this major role. Ian is also our representative on the Federation of Historic Motoring Clubs and has been instrumental in the past in gaining grants from the Federation for our Day of Triumph.

Life Members, Bill and Margie Berlemon ran the Weekender in May, based at Nuriootpa. Bill had spent the lead up few weeks in hospital but was determined to have the event come what may. The Weekender was very successful, however must have been a huge strain on Bill. We were all very saddened by the news of Bill's passing in June, a short time after the Weekender. I reflected on Bill's huge legacy as one of the TSOA all-time greats in my July report. I won't repeat them for this report, other than to say that we are all very grateful to have known such an exceptional person as Bill, and for everything he did for TSOA in the many years of him being a member. Our condolences are with TSOA members Margie, Dean and Lisa, Kate and the whole Berlemon family.

Margie remains a life member of the club, and I know she has appreciated the support she has received from the club, and in particular Ian Rigby during this sad time. Margie and Treasurer Lisa have been stalwarts on the door, and we are very grateful to them for doing this task. We have spread the load of preparing supper, and several club members have volunteered to do one supper. Mark Griffin has also negotiated for us to have surplus pies, pasties and other goodies from Banjo's Bakery, Glenelg, which he collects each month and brings to club meetings. Thanks, Mark, for your initiative and hard work.

Dean Berlemon was again the convenor of the day of Triumph Display Day, as well as Regalia sales. Dean assisted by wife Lisa, did a great job and team Berlemon/Macleod remains integral to club operations and success.

We had a great turnout of Triumphs at the All-British Day in March and Stephen Wade was our club representative on the ABD Committee. Thanks to Stephen for all his effort albeit as well as being a member of TSOA, Stephen is also a member of several other British car clubs, so is representing more than just us on the ABD Committee.

Our Christmas Dinner continues to be our largest and best attended annual function of the year. Natalie Farell organised this year's event, along with Charlie and Carol Onody, and it was once again a very successful and enjoyable event at our traditional venue, the Royal Adelaide Golf Club.

I covered the 60th Anniversary lunch in my last year's annual report. Although this fell into the 2025/26 financial year, it was prior to the last AGM.

We have maintained membership numbers at close to 250 in total despite members leaving each year due in most cases, to having sold their vehicles. New members are joining, and our challenge is to get these new members involved with our club, which offers so much more than just the concessional registration scheme. I have encouraged new members to attend meetings and bring their vehicles for "cars on stage" which continues to be a key part of each meeting.

Storing and transporting our club equipment remains a significant task, and Ian Rigby and Dean and Lisa Berlemon/Macleod continue to do most of this work. It would be great to see another club member take on some or all of this role as Ian, Dean and Lisa are already heavily committed to working for the club in many critical areas.

Next year is the turn of South Australia to host the TSOA National Meeting. We have a small committee working on the planning of this event, which will be in October 2027. Planning is well advanced and I am sure it will be a highly successful week. Thanks to those members helping on the organising committee.

Life member, Roger Lange has been our club webmaster continuously since we first got a website and has now decided to hand the baton over. Terry and Sue Dowden have offered to take over as webmasters and have recently commenced the role. Roger has also been our club representative on the Marque Sports Car Association (MSCA) committee and has been treasurer of MSCA again for many years. Roger has decided to retire from these roles, and the new club committee will seek to find a replacement for Roger as our MSCA representative. Thanks, Roger, for doing a great job in both webmaster and MSCA roles over such a long time.

Our club has two awards for service made each year. The President's Award is made to the Committee member who has made an outstanding contribution to the running of the club, and the Vice President's Award is to a club member, other than a committee member.

The committee is a small group, and all do a fantastic job. This year, we welcomed Ian Rigby back onto the executive. An anomaly of our constitution is that the Concessional Registrar is not an executive position, however as we have not got a separate competition secretary, we had a committee position open up, and I was of the opinion that this position should logically be filled by the Concessional Registrar.

All club members know that Ian is a tireless worker in the club and maintains our Concessional Registrations in an exemplary manner. He is the go-to person for so many aspects of the club's activities and is never too busy to help others. I am therefore very pleased to announce that Ian is the winner of the 2025/26 President's Award.

Alex Smithson
President

President's Report – August 2026

The AGM has finally arrived, and I have prepared a report on the year's activities, and the TSOA members who have made the year very successful.

Treasurer Lisa, and Conditional Registrar/Membership Secretary Ian have got membership renewals to the point that we did not have to report anyone on the scheme to DIT as being unfinancial.

Laurie and Kaye Placing organised amid-week run was to the Aldinga Hotel, on 5th August, and Last Sunday, a run from Crafers to Gungellan Hotel, Freeling, organised by Katherine Bradley. I did not attend the Aldinga lunch but was able to get to the Freeling Hotel for a great lunch and a good turnout of members.

The Bay to Birdwood is on Sunday 18th October, and registrations close on Monday 31st August. For those planning to participate, I suggest they contact Duane Kaak to arrange to arrive at the starting paddock at the same time and be able to travel in convoy.

Day of Triumph is on September 13, and Dean Berlemon has planning well advanced. Please try to get there with your Triumph, or if you have another non-Triumph on the conditional registration scheme, we would also love to see it at the DOT. There are also opportunities to become a judge on that day. This is not an arduous task, and I encourage all members to think about offering their services as a judge. Don't just leave it to the same small band of club volunteers.

Alex Smithson
President

Socially Speaking – August 2026

Thank you to Dino Vettese for organising the July run at the Gumeracha Hotel held on Sunday 19th in our absence. Everyone who attended enjoyed the day.

Thank you, as always, to Lawrie and Kay Placing for organising the mid-week lunch at The Aldinga Hotel, which was held on the 5th August. Charlie and I were disappointed we were unable to attend but am sure it was a success.

Thank you to Katherine Bradley who organised a scenic run through the Adelaide Hills ending up at the Gungellan Hotel for lunch. Given the amount of rain, we have been experiencing the weather held up surprising well. There was a good turnout with an enjoyable lunch and great company.



Kind Regards

Carol Onody
Social Secretary
0417 816 067

Calendar 2026

SEPTEMBER

Sunday 13th Day of Triumph will be held on **Sunday September 13th** at Civic Park Modbury, (995 North East Road Modbury). Gates open at 9am and close at 10am. All other classic cars with club registration are welcome to be on show, but only Triumphs will be judged.
For further details contact Dean Berlemon on 0451 152 871.

Tuesday 15th **TSOA Meeting** at the Sporting Car Clubrooms 51 King William Road, Unley

Sunday 20th **M.S.C.A. Super Sprint Series RD 4** at Mallala

OCTOBER

Thursday 8th **Mid Week Lunch at the Charleston Hotel, 26 Onkaparinga Valley Road Charleston at 12.30.**
Please contact Lawrie or Kay Placing to book your attendance on 0407 286 194.

Sat-Sat 10th-17th **TSOA Queensland National Rally held in Toowoomba.**

Sunday 18th **2026 RAA Bay to Birdwood**

Tuesday 20th **TSOA Meeting** at the Sporting Car Clubrooms 51 King William Road, Unley

NOVEMBER

Tuesday 17th **TSOA Meeting** at the Sporting Car Clubrooms 51 King William Road, Unley

Saturday 21st **TSOA SA End of year Dinner and Trophy Presentation to be held at The Royal Adelaide Golf Club.**
Please contact Carol on 0417 816 067 if you wish to attend and of any dietary requirements.
(Please see flyer below).

Sunday 8th **M.S.C.A. Super Sprint Series RD 5** at Mallala

DECEMBER

Tuesday 29th **APRES Run to Aldgate Pump Hotel, 1 Strathalbyn Road Aldgate (Details TBA Charlie Onody)**

Bookings are essential for all Runs/lunches.

Hope to see you all at our Triumph events; keep the dates in your Calendar.

Kind Regards,
Carol Onody (0417 816 067)



END OF YEAR DINNER
&
DAY OF TRIUMPH TROPHY PRESENTATION

Venue : The Royal Adelaide Golf Club – 328 Tapleys Hill Road, Seaton

Date: 21st November, 2026.

Time: 6.30pm for half hour Pre-Dinner Drinks on the Club

7.00pm 3 course Dinner – Dietary requirements available

\$65 for members - \$80 for non-members

Payment can be made to club account: BSB 065-006 No: 00902024

RSVP - Tuesday 3rd November 2026

Please contact Carol Onody on 0417 816 067 if you wish to attend and if you have any dietary requirements.



Photos from the run to Gungellan Hotel, Freeling



Notes from the last Mid-Week Run

The Last Lunch with Lawrie (The Mid-Week Run, without a Run) was at Aldinga Hotel on 5th August.

The weather was good, but cool. A big improvement on previous runs. Again, a small group (ten) but it was a happy group (as always). So much talk and laughter. Thanks to Sue and Rory for recommending the Aldinga Hotel. The staff and food were great. We also had a new member turn up in his TR6. It was nice to meet you both Kim and Debbie. Kim also came along to the last general meeting. Would be nice to think that our lunch helped.

Thanks to everyone who rang me to say they would or wouldn't be there (because of rain or health). I appreciated the calls.

The next Lunch will be at Charleston Hotel on Thursday 8th October. Please ring me and come along.

Lawrie Placing
0407 286 194

LUNCH WITH LAWRIE

(also known as the Mid-Week Run, without a Run)

Charleston Hotel at Onkaparinga Valley Road, Charleston

WEDNESDAY 5TH AUGUST at 12:30pm

A table has been reserved for the Triumph Car Club.

RING LAWRIE NOW!

0407 286 194

And let him know you want to be there

I must have the number of people going by 6th October.

MINUTES – TSOASA General Meeting – 18th August 2026

Meeting opened at 8:00pm

1. Welcome: The AGM will be held after the general meeting

- **Apologies:** Richard Sellers, Sue Smithson, John Wood, Margie Berlemon, Dean & Marg Bogisch, John Tuohy, Sue & Rory Gibson, Gary Buckton, Bill Galler, Richard Sutherland, Greg Page
- **Guests/Visitors/New Members:** : Kym Miller (TR6) David Hayes (TR6)
- **Previous Minutes:** Proposed to be accepted by Dean Berlemon, Seconded by Ian Young

2. President's Report – Alex Smithson

- Thank you to all in attendance for supporting the general meeting and AGM. Last minute nominations for positions will be accepted. Club Sponsored drinks to occur between meetings as a thank you
- Thanks to efforts by Lisa Macleod and Ian Rigby, nil members were reported to DIT as unfinancial with logbooks
- Mid-Week run to Aldinga on 5th August was arranged by Lawrie & Kaye Placing, low numbers due to poor weather
- Sundays run to Gungellan was well attended and venue had great value meals
- The Bay to Birdwood is on Sunday 18th October with registrations closing end of August
- The Annual Day of Triumph is set for September 13th at Civic Park

3. Secretary's Report –Duane Kaak

- Duane has entered the Bay to Birdwood and will contact members also entered to see if we can meet at the starting point or early en-route to drive in a Triumph Convoy. Also entered are Richard Sellers, Katherine Bradley, Lawrie & Kaye Placing and Kym Miller
- Log books for renewal were received via post, along with the usual other club magazines.
- FHMC has sent a request for us to update our office bearers following tonight's Annual General Meeting

4. Treasurer's Report – Lisa MacLeod

- Report to be provided at AGM

5. Social Report – Carol and Charlie Onody

- Day of Triumph will be held September 13th at Civic Park. Gates will be open at 9am, cars to be in place by 10am, judging to start at 10:30am. Volunteers are needed for setting up, judging and packing up after the event
- MSCA Supersprint is on September 20th
- October Mid-week run is heading to Charlestown Hotel
- The TSOA National Meeting is in Toowoomba October 10 – 17th
- Bay to Birdwood is October 18th
- The end of year dinner is on November 21st at Royal Adelaide Golf Club, will be partly subsidised by the club as usual
- 8th November is the final MSCA Supersprint for 2026

6. Competition Report – Duane Kaak

- Duane did not make last Supersprint due to oil leak and smoke now discovered to be coming from the dipstick. Jon Williams also didn't make it
- Duane hopes to sort out the oil issue so he can participate in next event on September 20th

7. Library Report – Greg Page

- There is a huge variety to borrow

8. Regalia Report – Dean Berlemon

- Some one item only t-shirts in one size only, are on sale to clear old stock.
- As an AGM Special all items are on sale at 10% discount

9. Editor's Report – Katherine Bradley

- Nothing to report

10. Website Report – Terry & Sue Dowden

- Edits have begun on the website
- Please send any reports and photos from Triumph Events attended through so they can be posted on the website
- If any old classifieds are still for sale, please consider lowering price, adding more photos etc to attract interest
- Email address for the editors is on the website

11. Conditional Registration Report – Ian Rigby

- Ian attended the FHMC AGM. A new president, Brian Davey was elected. FHMC now has 230 affiliated clubs and a new code of practice has been released to accommodate Hot Rods
- FHMC has approved a grant to TSOA for the Day of Triumph, open to all Triumphs
- Ian reported the NSW Police conducted a blitz recently on club logbook vehicles and found some people were not adhering to the rules
- The FHMC has again organised a Motorfest around the time of the Bay to Birdwood and were disappointed with lack of support from affiliated clubs to plan
- FHMC has several other events planned this year. Ian will pass the details to the secretary. One of special interest is a 100 year old club where vehicles over 100 years old will be travelling London to Brighton (London Road – Brighton Beach) on October 25th
- David Stephens has agreed to become a logbook officer to help service the Unley and central areas

12. General Business

- Tony Case re-iterated the sadness of the loss of Bill Berlemon and spoke positively of his son, Dean Berlemon's contribution to the club. Tony praised members for attending the meetings, events and keeping the club active over many years and encouraged people to participate in the committee or at events but was also thankful members had renewed and paid their subscriptions. Tony questioned why the club does not charge for the issuing of logbooks to help raise funds for keeping subscription costs low or providing funds for active member benefits. Tony thanked Roger Lange for his efforts as Website editor and was pleased Sue & Terry have taken over the management of it
- Dean Berlemon requested that all perpetual trophies be brought to next meeting, so they can be engraved and updated prior to the end of year presentation dinner. Dean expressed a heartfelt thank you to Tony Case for his article in Fastrak about Bill Berlemon

13. Parts or Cars For Sale or Wanted

- Ian Rigby has begun to assist Peggy Hayden with preparing her TR6 for sale. Fuel Injected with overdrive, owned by her husband since 1977. Ian is also looking at purchasing a barn find GT6 that has been in storage for 15 years
- Peter Williamson is looking for a roll bar for both a TR7 convertible and for a TR7 hardtop

14. Raffle – won by David Hayes

15. Cars On Stage

- Nil

16. Supper – Thanks to Nathan Parkes and Mark Griffin and Banjo's Bakery Glenelg.

- Volunteers are needed for the supper roster for the rest of the year. Please see Duane or Alex if you can help

Meeting Closed: 8:53pm

MINUTES – TSOASA AGM – 18th August 2026

Declared Open by Life Member, Roger Lange at 9:15pm

Venue – Sporting Car Clubrooms, King William Road, Hyde Park SA.

1. Welcome:

- **Apologies:** Same as General meeting

Last Minutes: Last AGM was 19th August 2025, Minutes published in Monthly Newsletter Fastrak , distributed 26th August 2025 - Nil business arising was reported.

A motion that the minutes of the last AGM be accepted was Proposed by Dean Berlemon and seconded by Rob Hanna

2. President's Report – Alex Smithson

- Alex recounted some of the major events of the past 12 months and spoke of the contribution by each of the outgoing committee members, plus contributions from other members at running club events
- His full report will be published in the next magazine

3. President's Award

- Alex announced that the President's Award for 2026 is awarded to Ian Rigby

4. Treasurer's Report – Lisa McLeod

- Club remains in a strong financial position, and will be supported this year by member Chris Marshall with advice and auditing
- Library assets are now fully depreciated
- Main club expenses is the hire of the clubrooms for meetings, website and software costs, plus insurance are the other main expenses. Subsidies were in line with prior years for the end of year dinner and weekender
- Main income for the year was from Subscriptions

5. Vice President's Award – Richard Sellers

- Due to Richard being an apology, he will announce the recipient at an upcoming meeting

6. General Business

- None raised

7. Election of Committee

- **All Positions were declared vacant**
- **Nominations for President.** Alex Smithson was nominated, seconded by Ian Young and elected unopposed
- **Nominations for Vice President.** Richard Sellers was nominated, seconded by Ian Rigby and elected unopposed
- **Nominations for Secretary.** Duane Kaak was nominated, seconded by Dean Berlemon and elected unopposed

- **Nominations for Treasurer.** Lisa Macleod was nominated, seconded by Carol Onody and elected unopposed
- **Nominations for Committee Position.** Ian Rigby was nominated, seconded by Katherine Bradley and elected unopposed
- **Nominations for Social Secretary.** Charles & Carol Onody were nominated, seconded by Sue Dowden and elected unopposed
- **Nominations for Editor.** Katherine Bradley was nominated, seconded by Lawrie Placing and elected unopposed

AGM Closed at 9:40pm

Monthly Supper

I would really like to thank everyone who has stepped up and offered to do supper for our TSOA monthly meetings this year. Most people in our club would know that Bill and Margie Berlemon organised supper in the past, for many years. I took it on this club year due to Bill's illness, and I also have been unable to attend meetings recently due to illness.

A special thankyou to Mark Griffin who has been able to get unsold bakery items each club meeting from Banjos Bakery, 1/15 Moseley Square, Glenelg. Please support this business whenever you can.

When I first asked members to help with supper, I had 6 members immediately offer to help. This was wonderful. Nathan Parkes has volunteered to do a second supper for the meeting in September, but we still need volunteers for October and November, and then again next year. Please contact me if you can fill either of these coming meetings or can be on next year's roster.

Thanks to everyone who has sent me and Alex well wishes during my illness. They have been greatly appreciated by both of us. If I continue to improve, I hope I might be able to get to the September meeting (each day is different).

Sue Smithson
0409 675343

Regalia price list for 2026

Item	Description	Price
Scarves	Red	\$16
	Blue	\$16
	Black	\$20
	Check	\$20
Hats	Cap	\$20
	Beanie	\$20
Hoodies	Kangaroo Pouch	\$55
	Zip Up	\$60
Badges		\$12
Polo Shirts	Long Sleeve	\$35
	Short Sleeve	\$32
	Biz edge	\$38
Shirts	Long Sleeve	\$47
	Short Sleeve	\$45
Jackets	Leather Sleeve	\$110
T Shirts	All styles	\$32

TSOASA FINANCIAL REPORT – As at 15th August 2026

Balance at 15/08/2026		
General Cheque Account	\$14,924.43	cr
On-Line Saver Account	\$5,758.30	cr
Nationals Account	\$506.47	cr
Term Deposit	\$25,132.80	cr
Funds at Hand	\$46,322.00	cr
Less: National Rally Account and Allocation	\$8,518.47	dr
Funds available for normal club activities	\$37,803.53	cr

Funds available for normal club activities is \$249 more than on 21 July 2026.

Total general account receipts for the period since the 21 July 2026 is **\$883** as follows:

Income	Amount
Subs	\$883
Total	\$883

A further **\$33*** has been paid in interest.

General Account payments made during the period totalled **\$667***. These expenses were as follows:

Expense	Amount	
Accounting Costs	\$42.50	MYOB Fee
Bank Fees	\$25	Merchant Fee
Meeting Expenses	\$333.50	
FasTRak	\$16	Printing/Postage
Day of Triumph	\$250	Civic Park Hire Fee
Total	\$785	

As previously advised, **EFT transactions** are my preferred option of receiving payment and saves me substantial time as compared to alternative methods of receipt and payment. Any club members who have accounts to pay to TSOA can do these via EFT as follows:

Account name: Triumph Sports Owners Association (General Account)
BSB: 065-006
Account No: 00902024

Lisa Macleod
Treasurer