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SCUDERIA CLASSICA

❖ The Boat Shed

A great social event this year was the drive to the Boat Shed at Hallett Cove. This has become an annual event and is popular with members.

❖ La Festa Italiana at the Rezz

The club displayed a number of cars at this event which is part of the Adelaide Italian Festival

❖ Christmas Dinner

Members celebrated the festive season and reflected on a great year. A new Life Membership was also awarded on the night.





CLUB PRESIDENT

Hello Members,

We are fast approaching the end of 2024, and it has been another fantastic and very successful year for the club.

The new committee was elected in October (refer to the list of the new committee members on Page 4) and there are also some departures from the committee I wish to acknowledge.

Sam Mancarella has stepped down from both his positions—Vice President and Webmaster due to his work commitments and the tyranny of distance. Maria Lepro has stepped down from her position as Social Secretary for a well deserved break. John Philips has stepped down from his position as a General Committee Member due to personal commitments. I would personally like to thank all of these members for their extremely valued contributions to the club. I am please to say that they will all be staying on as members, and none have ruled out re-joining the committee in the future!

Thes departures have resulted in some changes and some fresh faces in the committee: Raff Cirillo is the new Vice President, Peter Neal is the new Secretary, and Don Napoletano is the New Webmaster. Dom Lepro has picked up the Social Secretary Role. I would like to thank these members for taking up these positions, and the ongoing committee members in all other positions. I have said it before, but a great committee is what makes a club such as ours so successful, and I look forward to working with all the committee over the next year.

I am also pleased to announce that John Simonetti was awarded Life Membership at this year's Christmas Party at the Altavilla Club. Congratulations John. You can read more about this on Page 16 of this issue.

We are getting great member turn out at our club runs and social events, and we have had some fantastic and very successful events throughout the year. We are also increasingly being asked to show our cars at a number of Italian themed events throughout the year (including events associated with the Adelaide Italian Festival) and it is great to see strong member involvement in these events.

On behalf of the committee I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our members and their families a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, and look forward to another great year and seeing you all in 2025.

Regards,

Renzo Bonini



CLUB VICE PRESIDENT

Cari Scuderisti,

Another year is almost upon us which means that this the final magazine of 2024, celebrating another wonderful twelve months of fun times, great friendships and plenty of food, all in the name of our shared passion for Italian cars.

This issue of Scuderia Classica is a great opportunity to commend the membership for their engagement in all our club events, with greater numbers showing up to our monthly meetings, social events and Sunday club runs. It is evident that the percentage of our membership base that are attending events has grown significantly over the last 12 months which shows that our club is growing in the right way.

Furthermore, it is exciting to see more members putting their hands up to assist the committee with planning of runs and suggestions for social events. Off the back of some great feedback from our members, we look forward to implementing some new ideas and initiatives throughout the course of 2025 to make next year even better than this year has been for us.

Personally, I would like to take the opportunity to thank three people and congratulate another.

Firstly, I feel it is important that we thank Sam Mancarella, John Philips and Maria Lepro for all the hard work, efforts and sacrifices that they have made over the years to build this club into what it is today. They have all certainly earned a well-deserved “retirement” of sorts and we have big shoes to fill in the future. I believe we have many in our club with the ability and desire to fill the void left by these three great members and implore those considering to not be shy and get involved – at many times it can be a thankless job, but the results speak for themselves and seeing how much our club members enjoy everything makes it all worth it.

Secondly, although no less importantly, I would like to congratulate John Simonetti on being inducted as a Life Member. The highest of standards need to be met to become a Life Member and this is a testament to all the incredible things John has done over the last 16 years since the inception of the Scuderia Italian Car Club. To that end, on behalf of myself and the club, we thank you and congratulate you, John.

I am honoured that the membership has selected me to be the Vice-President of this amazing club and endeavour to do all I can to build on the successes of the past and grow this vibrant community even further.

At this special time of the year, I pray that God blesses every one of our members with a safe and peaceful Christmas to be shared with family and loved ones, and hope that you all enjoy a well-deserved break.

Cordiali saluti,

Raff Cirillo



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MONTHLY RUNS

On the first Sunday of each month, unless otherwise advised and weather permitting, turn up at the Tower Hotel car park situated on the corner of Magill and St. Bernards Roads at 08.30 for an 09.00 departure. Email/s are sent to Members advising of the destination and any details prior to the run. We usually go for a drive through the Adelaide Hills to a convenient breakfast location where we enjoy fine food and interesting conversation. Whether there are two or twenty of us, we will go for a run. While this is primarily for our Members, we encourage anyone who owns or has an interest in Italian cars to join us and enjoy the leisurely safe run.

MONTHLY MEETINGS UPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly General Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month.

18th Jan 25 Twilight Run, Osborne Foreshore Playground

Committee Meetings are called as required and do not necessarily coincide with general meetings

Notice of upcoming Monthly Meetings and Committee Meetings is sent via email. **Please ensure we have your correct email address.**

The next meetings are on:

- Jan - No Meeting
- 5th Feb - Walkers Arms Hotel
- 5th Mar - Walkers Arms Hotel
- 2nd Apr - Walkers Arms Hotel

Further events to be advised

NEW MEMBERS

SICC welcomes the following new members:

- Steve De Luca
- Paul Giordano

LIFE MEMBERS

- Dom Lepro
- Frank Terminello
- Tony Di Mauro
- John Simonetti

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Website: <http://scuderia.asn.au>

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SICC Social Club Calendar 2025

- ❖ January 18th Saturday - Twilight Run—Pizzas at Osborne Foreshore
Playground, Lady Gowrie Drive, Osborne

If you have any suggestions for social events please email:
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Further Social events to be advised as soon as possible - keep an eye on your emails for details of upcoming events.



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Club membership commences 1st July and ends 30th June. **If your car/s are on Conditional Registration and you have not paid your Club Membership fee [due date 30th June each year], you are driving an unregistered and uninsured car.** Please ensure your membership fee is paid up and your log book is current and stamped with the correct year. **Please note that due to the tightening of State Government requirements, all members requiring Conditional (Historic) registration must have their fees paid and books signed by 30th June.**

Once your car has been granted Conditional Registration, the onus is on the owner of the vehicle to maintain their vehicle in original order and to keep the log book/s up to date.

An annual log book validation (the club organises a day and venue for this) is required. All Members are entitled to register their car/s on Conditional Registration if their pride and joy meets all requirements.



DOVE SIAMO ANDATI?

WHERE DID WE GO?

For the October run Peter Neal suggested we try a new place in the Barossa Valley. Peter organised this event and about 20 members gathered at the Tower Hotel to make the run to the El Estanco Restaurant at Greenock – a Columbian influenced restaurant situated at Greenock. While the weather looked threatening at the start, the group had a pleasant run up to the Valley, and the sun was shining when we arrived. Peter had pre-ordered the meals, so breakfast was served 20 minutes after we arrived! The food was great and the group really enjoyed the day - so much so that most members stayed on for a second coffee and a chat until almost midday.

Thank you Peter for organising a very successful event. We would like to encourage any members who wish to have a go at organising a Sunday Run to let the Club Captains know. We are always looking for fresh ideas!



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WHERE DID WE GO?



The November run to Cudlee Creek was another great event. The Club has been frequenting this Café for many years while it was owned by club member Babette Wilkinson. Now under new management we are glad we can continue to enjoy this fantastic venue.



The annual Cherry Run was held on the morning of Sunday 1st December. The day was a bit gloomy to begin with but the weather got better as the day progressed. As well as a good number of members, some prospective members also attended and all enjoyed a great breakfast at the Cudlee Creek Café before making their way to the Torrens Valley Orchards to stock up on Christmas cherries!



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LUNCH AT THE BOATSHED

About twenty members attended the Club Lunch at the Boatshed at Hallet Cove. Members enjoyed a great run down to Hallet Cove in perfect weather conditions which was perfect for those with convertibles to drive with their tops down.

As usual the food was great, and the staff were very attentive, and of course the company was perfect!

The views from the Boatshed over the Cove are amazing too!





CHRISTMAS DINNER



The Scuderia Christmas dinner was held at the Altavilla Irpina Club in Beulah Park. The venue was so popular among members last year for our combined 15 Year Anniversary and Christmas Dinner, that Maria decided to hold it there again this year.

About 100 members attended on the night. The food was fantastic and the staff at the club really looked after us. Thomas entertained us with some great songs on his accordion, and there was an appearance by a Skinny Santa who handed out a panettone to the members. Long term member John Simonetti was also awarded Life Membership for his 15 years membership and dedicated service to the Club (read more about this on Page 16).

It was a great night and I would like to take this opportunity to thank Maria, the out-going Social Secretary for the great job she did in organising this event, and also the fantastic and tireless work she has done over the last few years as Social Secretary.





Merry Christmas



CLUB DISPLAYS

The Club is increasingly being asked to support various events by providing cars for displays. They range from school events to community events and even those linked to the Adelaide Italian Festival. It is important for us to support these events because, apart from being a good promotion for the Club, it is also critical that we 'give something back' to the community. Of course it is difficult for all members to be at all events we are invited to, however we urge you to help by bringing your car along to help whenever you can.

Renzo Bonini



On the 27th October the Club was asked if we could bring some vehicles along to display on the grounds of the Woodville Wasps Rugby club in Seaton to support the St Hilarion Festival.

This was a great event with food, culture and music, which was capped off by a fireworks display in the evening.

The fireworks were held on the oval where the cars were displayed, so members were asked to move their cars off the oval before the display.

Thank you to the members who gave up their time to bring their cars along to this event.

PETER NEAL **CELEBRATES**

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On Saturday 9th November the Club was asked to display some cars at the Rezz Hotel in Newton for their event which was called 'La Festa Italiana'. This was an Adelaide Italian festival event.

Member's cars were positioned on the lawns at the approach to the Hotel which meant that people were viewing the cars as they were walking into the event.

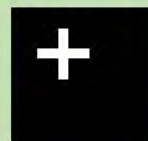
This was another very entertaining day with great food and live music.

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VISITING THE DUCATI FACTORY AND MUSEUM

In the last article I covered a visit to Autoworld in Brussels, Belgium where I described the outing as a relaxed day out and self-paced if you are staying in Brussels.

My favorite factory/museum tour is the Ducati facility in Bologna, Italy. This can also be managed as a day trip, from any major Italian city courtesy of the Italian high speed trains. There is a degree of planning required, I pre-booked the factory/museum tour with Ducati from Australia to coincide with a four day stay in Rome and checked the various train options. As our tour booking was for mid-morning, we took the first Rome to Bologna train departing after 6.00 am. The 300 kilometre trip took just over two hours, a short taxi ride out to the factory saw an arrival with time to spare.

The duration of the tour was two and a half hours in total. I consider this factory tour to be unique in terms of access and walking the factory floor. The factory highlight was the sound of the bikes on the dyno at the end of the line, worth the admission cost alone.

The museum is not large, but the bikes, history and commentary are more than suffice. The features for me were the race winning bikes, in particular Mike Hailwood's Isle of Man TT Ducati 900 SS complete with tennis ball accommodating a sponge that was used to wipe dirt from his visor.

For our return train trip, we decided to purchase Bologna to Florence and Florence to Rome tickets. This allowed a three hour excursion, enjoying the sights of Florence and all completed comfortably in one day.

I should add that this visit was pre-covid and I understand there have been changes at both the Ducati factory and museum, however reviews suggest both are still very highly rated.

Stephen Howson



MYSTERY CAR



The mystery car sighted near the Champs-Élysées, Paris that I mentioned in the last issue of the magazine is a Gemballa MIG-U1. Gemballa are best known for tuning Porsches but the Gemballa MIG-U1 is based on the Ferrari Enzo. Depending on your source, Gemballa were to build 35, 25, 5 or 2 of the MIG-U1. It would seem only one vehicle was ever produced, for a customer in the Middle East with the occasional appearance of the vehicle in Paris and Monaco.

Stephen Howson

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NEW LIFE MEMBER 2024

the Scuderia Italian Car Club turned fifteen last year, therefore we have some members who are eligible for life membership.

Under the constitution, members can be nominated for life membership when they have been members for fifteen years, have served a minimum of five years on the committee and have rendered special services to the club. Eligible members may be recommended by the committee, with justification of the above criteria. The nominations must be approved by 4/5ths of the members present at the Annual General Meeting.

The member nominated this year was: John Simonetti

The nomination was reviewed at a committee meeting and then tabled at the 2024 Annual General Meeting. The nomination was accepted unanimously.

On behalf of the committee and all members I would like to congratulate John for this achievement and thank him for his contribution and service to the club. At the Christmas Dinner John was presented with a Plaque, a key ring, a 'Life Member' club shirt and a certificate of appreciation.

Renzo Bonini



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RECIPES

POLPETTE DI MELANZANE (EGGPLANT 'MEATBALLS')

While these polpette are essentially a vegetarian dish, I assure you even the most carnivorous meat lovers will love them!

This recipe comes from pastagrammar.com

Ingredients

- Salt
- 750 g eggplant, cut into 1/2 inch (1.25 cm) cubes
- 50 g grated pecorino cheese, or to taste
- 50 g grated Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese, or to taste
- 2 large eggs
- 1 clove garlic, diced
- About 1 tablespoon fresh parsley, chopped
- Fresh black pepper
- About 1 cup (100 g) fresh bread crumbs, plus extra for breading, adjusted to taste
- Vegetable oil for frying



Method

Bring a large pot of water to the boil and salt it generously. Add the cubed eggplant and boil for about 10 minutes, or until the eggplant is very tender. Drain and let cool to the touch.

Squeeze the excess water out of the eggplant and place it in a large mixing bowl. Add the cheese, eggs, garlic, parsley, plenty of black pepper and a big pinch of salt. Add about half of the bread crumbs and begin mixing the ingredients by hand.

Continue to add breadcrumbs until the mixture is soft and mouldable, but not too wet or sticky. The amount of breadcrumbs needed will vary so trust your instincts.

Fill a deep pan with about 1 inch (2.5cm) of vegetable oil and heat over a medium/high heat. Meanwhile form the meatballs mixture into about 15 polpette. They should be formed into flattened balls, about 3 inches (7.5 cm) in diameter and 1 inch (2.5 cm) thick. Dust the polpette in breadcrumbs.

Drop a breadcrumb into the oil to test the temperature. If it starts to bubble and fry right away, the oil is ready. Working in batches, carefully drop the eggplant polpette onto the pan. Turn them frequently with a tongs or couple of forks and fry until browned on both sides—about 4 to 5 minutes in total. Remove to a paper towel to drain.

Serve the polpette warm and fresh.

Renzo Bonini

MEMBER NEWS

NONNI AGAIN!

Anna and I became nonni again with the arrival of our second granddaughter.

Daniel and Aneta are proud to announce the birth of Lucia Natalia Bonini

She was born at 11:03 a.m. on Monday 9th December, weighing in at 3.92Kg.

Her big sister Zara is also very happy for the new arrival, but has decided that she won't be called Lucia Natalia, but has given her the name 'Cheese Mouse'. We are all still trying to find out where that came from!

Renzo Bonini



SCUDERIA SUN SHADES

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