

Federation Meet The Clubs Tour 2026
Visiting the Mid North towns of South Australia
Programme of Tour
Saturday 16 May to Sunday 24 May 2026.

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Hello and thank you for expressing an interest in attending the next Federation Tour, as yet unnamed.

We have made an introductory tour booking places at each town we are staying overnight. Overall we have ‘booked’ 20 rooms at motels in various towns along with 5 cabins and 15 powered sites at caravan parks.

When you ring either a motel or caravan park for your booking make the statement that you are on the “Federation Tour” in May next year.

Prices quoted on this memorandum may be adjustable with any discount or membership cards you may hold.

Some overnight accommodations are “No Pets” sites. Please use discretion when booking.

Please book your accommodation as early as you wish but before the end of October 2025.

Please email the Federation Treasurer on treasurer@fhmcsa.org.au when you have made your accommodation bookings confirming the days you are participating.

If you prefer to stay at other venues please do so but also let us know as above. Conversely, if you decide not to participate in the tour or shorten your duration, please advise of your decision.

The official launch of the tour will probably occur just before the Federation Meeting on 22 November at 1pm at CCC Clubrooms. The General Federation Meeting will commence as usual at 2pm.

The Federation web-site (www.fhmcsa.org.au) will keep you informed on the general progress of organisation of the tour. The web site is open to anyone and no private information of participants will be shown.

Reports at general meeting of the Federation will be made on progress of the Tour, these will be for general information only, more detailed information will be emailed to you on an individual basis.

The Tour – Where we are going and when. We will fill in the gaps including meals and local sights which will be organised when actual numbers of people attending is known.

Saturday 16 May:

Meet at Gawler Community Centre to start the tour.

Departing at 9.30am drive up Horrocks Highway via Tarlee, Rhynie, Auburn, Leasingham, Watervale, Seven Hill to Clare.

Lunch stop at Clare outside the premises of Goode Restorations at 34 New Road Clare. A running board luncheon hosted by NARC will be handed out to all

Because it is the Clare Gourmet Weekend, we are unable to stay in Clare, so we staying in Burra for the overnight stop.

A booking in the name of the Federation Tour of 20 sites at the caravan park (\$40 per night) and 20 rooms at Paxton Cottages (\$140/160 per night) has been made at the Caravan Park & Paxton Square Cottages in Burra for the overnight stop tonight. Please contact the Caravan Park and Paxton Cottages on 0488 513 101

Evening meal at Burra. We have a contact at the Burra Bowling Club for the meal, It is in walking distance from our accommodation. Details will be available when the entry form is developed.

Sunday 17 May:

Proceed from Burra to Peterborough. Lunch may be at Jamestown, yet to be confirmed

Overnight at Peterborough.

MOTEL: Roundhouse Motel Ph 8651 2078 from \$135 to \$155 per night.

CARAVAN PARK: Peterborough Caravan Park, Ph 8651 2545

Also see their website www.peterboroughcaravanparksa.com.au where you can see what cabins they have plus general facilities.

Powered sites \$45, Cabins between \$130 – \$170 depending on size.

Evening Meal: At Steamtown Peterborough.

Monday 18 May

At Peterborough After lunch head off to Quorn via Orreroo, Morchard, Willowie, Wilmington arriving Quorn.

Overnight Quorn.

MOTELS: Austral Inn Hotel/Motel 16 Railway Tce, 9 Rooms. Ph: John Wyk on 0437 133 500 to confirm your booking at this hotel. Rooms quoted at \$120 per night.

John's partner in business, Allison, is able to arrange catering for us if required.

Or the Flinders Ranges Motel Railway Tce, entrance via West Tce 11 Rooms approx. \$130 per night Ph: 0418 250 646.

CARAVAN PARK: Quorn Caravan Park Silo Road Ph 8630 3424 Cabins (\$145 or \$185 and Powered Sites \$42.00)

Evening Meal:

Tuesday 19 May

Drive to Hawker to visit Jeff Morgan Panoramic Gallery, driving back to Quorn via Cradock for lunch at 1pm at the Cradock Hotel.

Overnight Quorn.

Evening Meal:

Wednesday 20 May

Touring the district possible drive to Port Augusta to visit PAVRC

Overnight Quorn

Evening Meal:

Thursday 21 May

Head off in the morning to Port Pirie. Travel via Wilmington, Melrose, Booleroo Centre, Murraytown down Port Germain Gorge to Port Pirie.

Lunch stop at Melrose at your choice of venue.

On our journey to Port Pirie we are stopping at the Booleroo Centre Recreation Grounds at the Booleroo Steam Traction Society for a tour and afternoon tea.

Arrival at the grounds is scheduled for 1.30pm for the tour and afternoon tea leaving approx. 3pm for Port Pirie.

The cost of the afternoon tea and refreshments at Booleroo Centre will be borne by the Federation.

Overnight Port Pirie.

MOTEL Comfort Inn Flinders on main. Includes continental breakfast. Book this motel on line at *bookings@comfortinnflindersonmain.com.au*

CARAVAN PARK: Echo Holiday Parks No1 Three Chain Road Ph: 8632 4275

Evening Meal

Friday 22 May

After breakfast, head off on 3 Chain Road to Port Broughton, then via Kadina, Moonta and Arthurton arriving at Ardrossan.

Overnight Ardrossan

MOTEL: Ardrossan Hotel/Motel. Ph: 8837 3008 about \$140 per night

CARAVAN PARK. Ardrossan Caravan Park Ph: 8837 3262. Our Powered sites and Cabins are situated near the Boom Gate and Office entrance on Park Terrace.

Evening Meal:

Saturday 23 May

Day trip around Yorke Peninsula hosted by MAPS.

Farewell dinner

Overnight Ardrossan.

Head back to Adelaide or home

Brian Davey & David Searles

On behalf of the Federation Committee