

# It's Uteznvanz 4th Birthday!!!!

Another awesome year gone already! They say time flies when you are having fun!!! I guess our club proves that as I can't believe I am already writing the next birthday report... It seems only a month or so ago I wrote our third birthday report.

Over the past year we have extended our member base greatly once again. Although the majority are still locally based we have an increasing number of South Australian and Melbourne area members coming on board to join in the fun and we hope this will continue.

We are still supporting Chances for Children with our events and have already given them an additional \$1000 to the \$8000 donated last year. Over the next few months we hope to have another donation when our October event is wrapped up. Successful Adopt A Roadside clean ups have removed another huge amount of rubbish from one area of the Adelaide highway too and the signs with our name on have finally been erected at each end of our area.

This year we held a Show and Shine for all vehicles including bikes not just utes and vans at the Merbein Market in August and got some really high standard vehicles there.

Our October event held at the Mildura Show has a name change this year but is still supporting our Charity. Uteznvanz Auto Show has been born!!! As we now have all vehicles and bikes in this event as well it was no longer appropriate to call it a Ute and Van show and one of our committee came up with the new name that fits the event so well.

As we continue to promote the event Australia wide it is beginning to get known and so attract interest. We are very excited about some of the vehicles already registered to attend this year. We will have the National top van here named Skidrow and the runner up 2<sup>nd</sup> top van Jaffa together with some special utes like Batman and show standard wagons just to name a few of those already entered. It is shaping up to be our best show yet but we hope many locals will take the opportunity to show case the great vehicles as well.

The year has seen the club attend many local and away events including the Bathurst Van Nationals at Easter and a Bonfire BBQ night in South Australia. Our Presidents mystery cruise was a local highlight and we are looking forward to our Christmas party at the end of the year. The substantial growth in the vehicles we have on club permits has been exciting too.

With yet another year of growth and expansion gone we look forward to rocketing through the next and wonder what it has in store for us... Events already in the planning include a trip to Broken Hill, a couple to South Australia and many local.

So whether you are young or old, if you would like to become a part of our club family and join in the fun, please give us a call on 0431 559 636. Everyone is welcome....

**Happy Fourth Birthday Uteznvanz!!!! J**