



Get Home Safe

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For families.....not for profit

Welcome to our first newsletter!

We can't believe that it has been a year since the Foundation was launched, what a year it has been

The Get Home Safe Foundation was launched without any kind of cash injection that so many Foundations enjoy. As such, we know that we have a challenge to grow into something that we all aim for: an organisation that will be effective, be trusted, be prominent, be recognised and most of all make a real difference to the safety of every road user, and we *thank you* for your support during our first year.

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Programs Launched this Year

Primary Schools Poster Competition

This was supported by Bendigo Bank and we are thrilled to say that we have secured the Bank's support for this year's competition. Primary schools from across South Australia are asked to encourage students to produce a poster that best represents how to get to or from school safely.

Women Against Road Toll

We feel that women of all ages can lead the way regarding future behaviours on our roads. The High Tea held at Ayers House was a great success.

The Get Home Safe Round

We want to encourage everybody that plays sport to recognise that the qualities that are crucial in sport are also needed when using the roads. Glenelg Grade Cricket Club was the first club to host the Get Home Safe Round; we hope that more clubs and more sporting codes will host this in the future. The aim is to raise awareness of the correlation between good sports players and great road users – qualities such as focus, doing your best and striving to improve.



The Mayor of the City of Holdfast Bay Amanda Wilson attended our inaugural Women Against Road Toll High Tea

A few words from Rod Jameson...

“My support of the “Get Home Safe Foundation” and why it was established could not be more relevant and evident, right at this moment in 2019.

The SA road statistics year to date are damning and tracking towards the horrific statistics of the early 2000's.

For various reasons, people are not abiding by the road rules, taking greater risks and endangering their own and other lives in doing so.

Over 40 fatalities and well over 100 serious injuries to the end of April just in South Australia – families are losing loved ones.

The Get Home Safe Foundation continues to share the right messages, again highlighting how imperative it is our children grow up with the support of every parent and adult; We are our children's role models and must display the right driving behaviour at all times. If you're a parent, teacher or student, pick up the phone and engage the Get Home Safe Foundation. The road is not the place to be taking risks. Get home safe every time.”



Get Home Safe Foundation Ambassador – Rod Jameson and President Darren Davis



Get Home Safe Round supported by Chadd Sayers and Brett Maher

Future Plans

- Create a State-wide Road Safety Group Alliance, giving regional communities more support and a bigger voice.
- Create an event aimed at male road users in the coming year.
- Create new partnerships and programs with companies such as Save A Life Australia and other road safety organisations from across Australia.
- Host a family day event. This will give us the chance to encourage families to have conversations around how all family members have a role to get home safe to each other when using the roads.

Darren Davis.....Our First Year

We have started to raise our profile by seeing our logo on the playing shirts of all ages and gender of Glenelg Grade Cricket Club. The club boasts some International players so we are pleased with this partnership.

I have been the guest speaker on a number of live ABC radio shows discussing the standards of Driving Instructors, young drivers and other aspects of road safety.

I have featured on a Channel 7 Today Tonight story that highlighted the need for more courteous behaviours on our roads.

Our launch of the Get Home Safe Round at Glenelg Cricket Club was featured on Seven News. We highlighted the need for players of all sports to transfer essential sporting skills and behaviours to how they use the roads. This was supported by Chadd Sayers (Australian bowler) and Adelaide 36ers legend Brett Maher.

I have met with State Government and discussed the need for a new independent voice that speaks with no agenda regarding road safety. We want to be that voice. I also suggested that we need to form a road safety partnership including Government, SA Police, Metro Fire Service and all stakeholders so that more effective and collaborative strategies are created to make our roads safer.

We hosted our inaugural Women Against Road Toll event, a High Tea at Ayers House. This was a great success with very positive feedback from all who attended.

I ask that you come to our first Annual General Meeting on the 29th of May. We want members and non members to attend so that we hear how you feel about road safety. To truly be the voice of the people we need to hear the voice of the people so come along and have your say or just listen and learn about our work. Thank you so far for your support. I hope that you continue to give us the support we need so that we can support you and your families in the quest to always get home safe.

Future Events

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday May 29th. 7pm at The Rockford Hotel, Adelaide

Our first AGM. We would like to invite you to attend and ask that if you could discuss our Foundation with other people in the community and bring them along so that they can see what we are aiming to build together.

We want to be the voice of the people so the more people we have talking to us the more we can do.

- **Get Home Safe Gala Evening**

Saturday August 10th. 7.30pm at Ayers House, Adelaide.

Tickets are \$115 and can be purchased at www.trybooking.com/BAZWD. Price includes entrance to a prize draw (prize worth over \$200), live music, canapés, superior drinks package, auction and of course a great chance to enjoy a night with family and friends and raise money and awareness for our cause.

- **Women Against Road Toll High Tea**

Sunday November 17th – Afternoon

We are very excited to announce that this year's event will be held at Adelaide's newest rooftop venue, The Rockford Hotel. The hotel is currently developing an innovative rooftop space that has the potential to be one of the city's most popular venues. We hope you will join us. Details will be announced soon.

How you can help...

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL - Your continued support is so valuable to us. The Board has decided to make May the annual renewal month. If you would like to continue your support as a member for another year please look out for your renewal notice. Please also consider asking family and friends to support us. We are keeping the minimum membership fee of \$25 again this year and hope to announce some membership benefits in the near future.

PARTNERSHIPS - If you own a business or an ABN you could become a partner and enjoy the benefit of charitable status tax relief from your payment.

DETAILS OF OUR MEMBERSHIP AND PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS ARE ON OUR WEBSITE www.gethomesafefoundation.org

A word from our Board Members

Debbie Davis

"Whilst the Get Home Safe Foundation was officially launched on the 18th May 2018, the highlight of the Foundations first year for me was our inaugural Women Against Road Toll High Tea. The help and support I received from Board Members, local businesses, community members and friends was overwhelming. All of which not only helped us raise over \$2000 but also saw new members join the Foundation. The following twelve months in terms of fundraising and events looks very exciting with the addition of a Gala Evening this year and two more new events also planned for 2020.

I am very excited about these plans for the future, as they will not only raise more road safety awareness, but also valuable funds, which will allow the Foundation to offer and support more programs for more community members. I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to all of those who have supported me in my role on the Board. Over the next twelve months I hope we can continue working together to raise not just funds for the Foundation but continued awareness for road safety education."

Mark Cook

"Why did I want to join the foundation as a board member?"

I've driven on many roads around the world and unfortunately the driving habits of those in Adelaide are without doubt the worse I have come across.

For a city that is so relaxed and people that are so generous, that seems to go out the window when we get behind the wheel in Adelaide.

I have had family and friends suffer due to road accidents that could have been avoided by considerate driving.

What can we achieve as a foundation?

We can improve the road safety awareness of drivers and passengers one by one until there is a generational change in the habits of drivers.

Drivers need to realise the power of the vehicle they are driving and the impact their actions can have on people.

They simply need to concentrate and get home safely."

A word from our Board Members *continued...*

Sam Davis

“A year on from our launch and I am so proud of what we have achieved in such a short time.

The Primary School awareness poster competition, the Women Against Road Toll High Tea and recently the Get Home Safe Round launched at Glenelg have all been successful.

I look forward to another exciting year working for this important cause.”

Debbie Baker

“I was honoured to be asked to join the board of the foundation. It has been an exciting year, the functions we have held have raised awareness and interest in the community. People are continually enquiring as to what the foundation is about.

It has been a very rewarding experience being a part of something that Debbie and Darren are so passionate about, it has been a privilege to work alongside of them for such an important worthwhile cause.

Darren Davis – President

I would like to personally thank the Board members for their support and dedication.

I am so very grateful to these people. They have given up their time and made sacrifices to support our passion. Without these people the Foundation simply would not exist. Thank you - Debbie Baker, Mark Cook, Debbie Davis and Sam Davis.

I would also like to thank our Ambassador, Rod Jameson. He is a man who is in constant demand and I have benefitted and enjoyed his words of support and wisdom during our first year as a Foundation.

Thank you...

We are extremely grateful to the following businesses who have made generous donations during our first year.

Adelaide Football Club
Adelaide Symphony Orchestra
Anna Gray Naturopath
Bendigo Bank
Bracegirdles House of Fine Chocolate
CMI Toyota
Cook & Associates (SA) Pty Ltd
D Baker Business Services
Digital Sunshine
Emkay Creative
Isabel Mansfield – Rodan + Fields
Jonny’s Popcorn
Lee Anne Francis – Body Shop At Home
Lorenza Jewellery
Oceanhaze Jewellery
Port Adelaide Football Club
Renee Bogaerts – Intimo
Rockford Hotel Adelaide
Running Cup Café Norwood
Simply Hygge
Thistle Be Good
Toyota Australia
Wayne & Jackie Pemberton

Lastly and most importantly, I would like to thank all of our Associate Members who have shown such faith in our Foundation. Your support has meant so much to me on a personal level.

You have trusted us to build a Foundation that will make a difference to people’s lives. The Board and I do not take your trust lightly. We will work tirelessly to ensure that our roads become safer places for all of us to use in the future.

We will stand by our promise.

Kindest regards

Darren Davis