



# 1926 - 2026 The Crossing Centenary

## Perth to Melbourne

Depart Perth October 25 2026

Fiats and owners of all eras welcome

**Cross the Nullarbor with support  
(everyone wants to do it once)**

Various travel options:

Own Car (best option)

Borrow a car (possibility)

Get a lift (A real option)

Join the bus (with car trips)

Rent a Campervan

Melbourne to Perth in the week prior  
for those that who need a lift or support

Frid 23rd October - Gala Dinner

Sat 24th October - Formal Ceremony

Sun 25th October - Italian Car Clubs

Pasta Run and departure

To register your interest or any questions:

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# 100 years ago there was a drive planned.....

The recently formed F.I.A.T. Club of WA decided to test their mettle and their metal in an adventure driving across the then roadless Nullarbor Plain to Adelaide and on to Melbourne. Arthur Anderson was selling plenty of new FIAT 501 and 505 vehicles, his son Gilbert was in Turin working in the Lingotto factory, learning the industry and the Club was growing.

After a year of lectures, picnics and touring the club decided that a grand adventure was the way to pass some time. Sponsors provided assistance, from a photographer and journalist to Shell fuel drops by Imperial Oil. The adventurers even advertised for members of the public to join them. No road, no worries seems to have been the attitude of the day. They left on December 11th 1926 and arrived in Melbourne two weeks later.

So to the current day ..... we are planning to commemorate the original event with a transcontinental crossing of our own. Everyone welcome to join in as there will be many ways to enjoy the trip. Some are taking the same model cars that crossed originally, some more modern and still others shall join the expedition bus. We expect there will be plenty of opportunity to ensure that everyone gets a ride in whatever vehicle they would like and everyone will chip in to ensure everyone has fun.

Right now we are trying to gauge how many might fall into each category. If you could complete the attached it will help us with the planning. As you can imagine the task is large but getting more information will help.

## EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Name

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Contact

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Vehicle (if applicable)

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Other ideas or suggestions?

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How travelling

How Many



Own car  
Vintage

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Own Car  
Classic

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Own Car  
Modern

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Catch  
the Bus

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Take a  
Camper

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Fly One  
Way

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