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ENTRIES FOR 40TH ANNIVERSARY BAY TO BIRDWOOD NOW OPEN!

2020 marks the 40th anniversary of one of the world's great historic motoring events, the **Bay to Birdwood**. The iconic event is inviting national and international historic motoring enthusiasts to enter in the motorcade which will travel from West Beach to Birdwood on **Sunday 27 September**.

The **Bay to Birdwood** is the largest continually-held motoring event for veteran, vintage and classic vehicles anywhere in the world. With a **capacity of 1750 entrant vehicles**, for the first time ever, the Bay to Birdwood will be celebrating **every year of historic motoring** from the very earliest vehicles of the nineteenth century up to the current cut-off of pre-1990.

National Motor Museum Director Paul Rees said, "In the past, there has been a gap-year between the event involving veteran and vintage vehicles and classic and post-classic vehicles, but this year we are presenting a combined event and we encourage participants to enter quick to avoid missing out on the 1750 vehicle capacity."

"The event is one of the most unique motoring events in the world and could only really take place in a city like Adelaide, where participants can drive a roughly 60 km route from the beach to the Adelaide Hills township of Birdwood. It is an epic Sunday drive and we often see around 90,000 people lining the streets to watch the passing parade of motoring history," continued Paul.

The day will start at **Barratt Reserve, West Beach**, with an alternate start at **Civic Park, Modbury**, for entrants wanting to do a shorter route.

This year's route sees vehicles winding their way along Anzac Highway up Greenhill Road, Fullarton Road and North East Road, through the townships of Tea Tree Gully, Inglewood, Gumeracha and onto Birdwood. This route has many vantage points for spectators to view the impressive motorcade.

The day-long festivities that greet entrants at the finish line at the **National Motor Museum** are family-friendly, with music, a Fashions in the Field competition judging the best dressed in each era, local producers, children's entertainment, and the awarding of the prestigious **Concours d'Elegance and Preservation Awards**.

"The Bay to Birdwood is one of those events that is loved by South Australians and has gained a national and international reputation since it began forty years ago in 1980. We are looking forward to a fantastic 40th anniversary celebration for 2020, seeing everyone at the start, along the route, and at the National Motor Museum at Birdwood on Sunday 27 September 2020. It is a great day for our motoring heritage and shows off the best of South Australia, Adelaide and the Adelaide Hills!"

"We encourage historic vehicle enthusiasts to enter online via the Bay to Birdwood website. We have a capacity for 1750 vehicles so be quick to avoid disappointment for the 40th anniversary year," concluded Paul.

<http://baytobirdwood.com.au/enter-your-vehicle/>

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