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 Organisers of the Annual Corowa Swim-In held
 at Corowa N.S.W.

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2024 COROWA SWIM-IN & MILITARY VEHICLE GATHERING YEAR OF THE BLITZ



Those were the days!

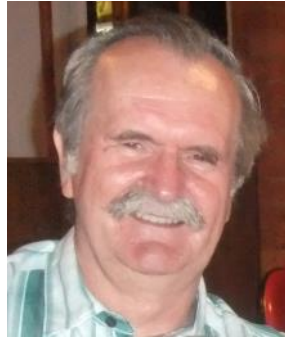
In this issue: Full details of the 2024 Corowa Swim-In & Military Vehicle Gathering
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& Military Vehicle Gathering
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President's Report

Now Christmas and New Year is over, we are fast approaching the month of March and the annual Corowa event.

If you have not yet entered then now is the time to do so, the entry form for participants is at the back of this newsletter along with the form to book a Swap Meet stall if you so wish.

Please read through this newsletter as it will have all the information you need to know about the event, any questions, contact Jan Thompson whose details are on the previous page.

There are also order forms in this edition for Corowa Swim-In polo shirts and khaki drill shirts, please note all orders must be in by Monday 12th February.

The theme for 2024 is Year of the Blitz and there are already a number of these trucks entered including one from Western Australia. As usual, all types of military vehicles are welcomed to enter, beside the theme vehicles.

Any questions, please contact us, our contact details on the previous page. We look forward to receiving your entries. This is the last newsletter before the event.

Best regards,
Richard Farrant
President and Editor - Khaki Vehicle Enthusiasts Inc.

KVE received a grant from the Federation Council for the 2024 event, we thank them for their continued support of the Swim-In.

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Secretary's Report

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Important information for people attending the Corowa Swim-In in March 2024

Secretary's / Public Relations Report

We need to remind enthusiasts that each year we have a theme, this one being Year of the Blitz, but you are always welcome to attend with any ex-military vehicle you own or come along to be a part of the gathering. By entering the event and being a pre-registered participant you will receive mementoes and a Special Edition Newsletter which will give you precise details of everything that is happening including the route cards for the events happening from Wednesday through to Saturday. We have appropriate insurance so would like everyone to enter the event.

Accommodation at Ball Park Caravan Park:

For those requiring a powered or non-powered site at Ball Park Caravan Park it is advisable to contact them ASAP. **Contact Sonia and Andrew Palmer on (02) 6033 1426**

KVE preparations for the swim-in: March 2024:

Official parade for Saturday 16th March: We have received a grant from Club Corowa (previously known as the RSL) for our parade.

Use of the Showgrounds: KVE have asked for permission to use the Showgrounds from Thursday 14th March until Sunday 17th March. Jan McKenna will be organising the swap meet again.

Entry Form for 2024:

If you haven't returned your Entry Form for 2024 please do so ASAP so it gives the organisers an indication of the numbers and types of vehicles along with the number of participants we are to expect. It only costs \$30 per vehicle to enter and if you preregister by 28th February you will receive a participant pack upon arrival in Corowa. The participant packs will include a brass plaque, hat, Special Edition Swim-in Information book etc. Please look in your Information book for details on the activities from Wednesday to Sunday.

KVE Site Office:

Elke Hoyermann will be organising the Site Office roster for 2024. We are looking for people who may be interested in helping out. It is a good opportunity to meet some of the participants from far and wide. KVE would like to give thanks to those people who assisted in 2023.

To put your name down for a time contact Elke on 0429 300 894 or Email:

e.hoyermann@gmail.com

We welcome assistance from KVE members and other participants. This is one job that is important so that participants can receive their packs. Participants can register for the trips during the week and buy items that are for sale. Ideally we would like to have a full roster before going to Corowa.

At the Site Office you are welcome to have a look at various boards and put advertisements up on the following boards:

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- a) For Sale and Wanted advertisements: there will be a board for you to put advertisements on.
- b) Coming Events: If you want to advertise any future events you will be participating in then feel free to put a notice on the Coming Events board.

Articles on past Corowa Events: please give to Jan if you have any of these. There are a number of notice boards which have copies of articles from past Corowa events. Take a look when you have spare time as you might appear in one of more of these articles.

We will also have clipboards for participants to indicate if they are looking at attending some of the activities from Wed onwards. For catering purposes we require names and numbers of people.

Vehicle Numbers:

Upon arrival at Corowa you need to go down to Ball Park Caravan Park and register your vehicle. Vehicle numbers will only be given to people with an ex-military vehicle and due to the large numbers of vehicles we are expecting this makes it easier for us to provide a tally of the types and numbers of vehicles at our event. The number must be placed either on the front window or bumper bar of your vehicle. This makes it easier for the organisers to determine if your vehicle has been entered.

Theme vehicles (Ford and Chev Blitz trucks) will also receive another tag.

Federation Council News:

During the year we have kept in contact with the Federation Council. They are one of the sponsors of the caps this year.

Corowa IGA:

Please support the Corowa IGA as they are another sponsor of the caps.

Club Corowa (formally Corowa RSL):

Please support the **Club Corowa**. They are sponsoring both our parade and the caps.

VOTING FORM

Please put this form in the Suggestion Box by 12 midday on Saturday 16th March. At 1200hrs this box will be cleared and any forms received after this will not be included. We need time to count and organize the results for the presentations on Saturday night.

Awards: *Please give the person's name and the reason for them to be considered for an Award.*

Mal Mackay Memorial Award: *This award will be given to an individual who appears to get the most enjoyment out of being at Corowa.*

Name:

Reason why:

Hard Luck award:

Name:

Reason why:

Breakdown Award:

Name:

Reason why:

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Longest distance driven in a military vehicle:

Name:

Number of Kilometers driven:

Encouragement Award:

Name:

Reason why:

People's Favorite Choice: For your favorite vehicle attending this year.

Vehicle rally number:

Type of Vehicle:

People's Choice: For your favorite theme vehicle attending this year.

Vehicle rally number:

We are also open to other awards and one year we had a 'Bung' award. Any suggestions will be considered by the Committee.

You may also have suggestions for future events so please write your idea and provide us with your name and contact details.

Memorial Board for enthusiasts who are no longer with us:

Each year we lose some well known military vehicle collectors. KVE has a Memorial Board and would appreciate an A4 size article including a photo of any person who has attended Corowa so we can remember these people.

Offers of help are gratefully appreciated:

As you all understand this event is a role where no one is paid for the help they provide. We are all volunteers and there are times during the week where we would like some assistance:

1. People on Sunday 10th March to put together the Participant packs.
2. Setting up the Site Office on Sunday 10th March.
3. People to take on shifts at the Site Office. During the week the site office is open at Ball Park Caravan Park and on Saturday a temporary office is located at the Showgrounds. To run the office effectively we require a minimum of 2 people on each shift. Ideally having 3 people on the Site Office makes it easier. In the past there have been both KVE members and participants who have helped and we really appreciate their help.
4. Marshals for the parade. These people are put in charge of a group of vehicles and make sure all the participants in that group are aware of what is required prior to and when the parade commences.

People to help pack away our site office at Ball Park Caravan Park at the end of the week.

Swap Meet Site holders at the Corowa Showgrounds:

This year the Swap Meet is being managed on behalf of KVE, by the Corowa Pastoral, Agricultural & Horticultural Society Inc. (Corowa PA&H Soc.). Anyone wishing to book a swap meet site should contact Jan McKenna from the Society, on 0427 331 148 or email janandfrankmckenna@gmail.com The application form is at the back of this newsletter

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There will be some stallholders open for business at the Showground also on Thursday and Friday.

The official day of the Swap Meet at the Showground will be on Saturday. There will be covered and outside pitches available and it is requested that those who wish to book a pitch, do so in advance, to ensure they get their choice of Undercover or Outdoor.

Camping for stallholders only is available at the Showground from Thursday to Saturday inclusive \$10 per person/per night. Stalls can be open from Thursday to Saturday and charged per day as below.

Stall rates

\$20 for Outdoor site 6 x 3 metres (approx.)

\$25 for Undercover site 3.65 x 3.2 metres (approx.)

Double the rate for double size areas (approx.)

Double the rate for 6 x 6 metres (approx.), etc.

Rules which the Showground Trust have requested we abide by:

Dogs will be allowed and must be on a leash at all times.

Only Swap Meet stallholders to camp on site.

Stallholders to remove their own rubbish from site, failure to do so will mean no stall there at future events.

Stallholders who are camping will be able to use the toilets which are owned by the Show Society. The Racecourse toilet block will be opened either Friday night or Saturday morning. There are no showers.

The Swap Meet will be managed on behalf of KVE, Jan McKenna from the Show Society will be organising the sites and collecting all camping and stall fees. Her contact details are as follows: janandfrankmckenna@gmail.com or phone (02) 6033 1148 - Mobile 0427 331 148

Jan will have her own safety jacket. Please Direct deposit fees:

Hume Bank whose bank details are ;

BSB 640000

Account No 568163516

Put your name if possible so it is easier to track payment.

Program of Activities:

People wanting to attend any of the trips on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday should put their name down on the form at the KVE site office prior to the day. Route Cards will be in the Special Edition Newsletter which worked well last year.

Wednesday 13th March:

Visit to the Corowa & District SHE Shed: There is a limit of people at this event. Just a couple of spots are remaining so if you are interested contact Jan on 0412078096 ASAP.

Morning activity: we hope to visit one of the local schools. **Please place your name on the list at the Site Office if you are planning to attend this activity.**

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Afternoon activity or anytime on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday:

Treasure Hunt. This is the first one done as part of our Corowa event. If you go to the Site Office you will be giving an envelope. There are 7 stops at Historic Sites.

4-5pm approx.: **KVE General Meeting.** KVE members and participants are invited.

Thursday 14th March:

11am-2pm: **Veterans and Vehicles Reunited.** This will be held in a similar format to last year and will be held at Club Corowa (formerly the Corowa RSL). **Please place your name on the list at the Site Office if you are planning to attend this activity.**

5pm: **Parade marshals meeting** at the Site Office. Anyone interested in helping welcome to attend.

Friday 15th March:

There is an option of attending either the Trip to Glenrowan and Milawa or a Trip to Mulwala which will probably incorporate a visit to the Mulwala RSL and Paddle Steamer Cumberoona for luncheon cruise from 12-1.30 **Please place your name on the list at the Site Office if you are planning to attend either of these activities.**

4.30 pm: **Parade briefing at Site Office.** Information also printed at site office and disseminated via FB page for Swim in

Friday evening: Guest speaker: Stephan Cheers who is talking on Australian Army Uniforms for the past 100 years. This will be held at a function room at the Club Corowa (formerly Corowa RSL) from 7:30pm. Either have a meal at the bistro or come along to the function room ready for a 7:30pm start in the Ms Birdie function room, theatre style seating for 100 -150. Café in main lounge serves tea and coffee, if someone would like a cuppa, could take into meeting at 7:30 There is a shuttle service available, \$3 per person if travelling alone otherwise \$2 each in a group. **Please place your name on the list at the Site Office if you are planning to attend this activity.**

Saturday 16th March: Vehicles will line up at Bangerang Park from 7.30am and participate in the parade at 9am to the Corowa Showgrounds where there will be a photo shoot and swap meet. Vehicles must be in place by 8:15am and there will be a driver's briefing which every driver must attend at 8:30am

From 1pm: vehicle activities

From 7:30(for a 8pm start)-9pm Presentations and a talk by Isabella and Bill Bates, a book release by Keith Webb, and Scott Rough will be giving a presentation on his idea of a military vehicle run from Melbourne to Townsville in 2025.

Sunday 17th March: general activities

From 6pm: Dinner at Club Corowa bistro

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Themes for 2025 and 2026

In 2025 it will be Year of the Mack and Mog. Monday 10th to Sunday 16th March

In 2026 it will be Year of the 6x6. Monday 9th to Sunday 15th March.

Swap Meet Stalls in Ball Park Caravan Park:

To keep the management at Ball Park happy we suggest if you do want to set up a swap meet site in their caravan park please call in at the main office and talk with management. KVE are not responsible for swap meet sites in the caravan park.

Contributions to our KVE Newsletter

We are after articles for our next newsletter so if you are a member or a participant and have anything you would like to contribute please forward to kve.editor@btinternet.com This newsletter goes out to members of KVE along with past, present and future participants of the Annual GPA Swim-In and ex-Military Vehicle Gathering at Corowa, NSW, Australia. Let's spread the word about this great event.

Joining KVE Inc

To be a part of the organising of the Swim-In in the future you are welcome to join KVE Inc. You can download a Membership Application Form off the website or ask me for a copy. By joining KVE you will be given more of a chance to make suggestions for how the event is run in the future.

For further information on the event please feel free to give me a call on 0412 078096 or send an email to kveinc@optusnet.com.au To ensure you are kept up to date with details send me an email to get on the database.

Until next time,

Jan Thompson-Creamer - Secretary

IMPORTANT REMINDER **REGARDING ACCOMODATION**

It is strongly advised that if you have accommodation booked for your stay at Corowa that you contact your accommodation provider in advance to check and confirm your booking dates.

Annual Swim-In Swap Meet

Corowa Showground, Corowa, NSW

Saturday 16th March 2024

opens at 8.00 AM

Gold Coin collection at entrance for public

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janandfrankmckenna@gmail.com

or phone (02) 6033 1148 - Mobile 0427 331 148

Booking form at the end of this newsletter

Advance enquiries to Jan McKenna as above

Alternative contact is Sam King (KVE committee member)

on 0406 255 802 kingsmedals@yahoo.com

Year of the Blitz

The first theme that we had was in 2002 and was for the Chev and Ford Blitz trucks, this was repeated in 2009 so it is now time to run it again with a lot of more of these old vehicles now in preservation.

If you have a Blitz truck we invite you to enter it for the Corowa Swim-In in March, entry form at the end of this newsletter.

As always, all types and makes of ex-military vehicles are encouraged to attend.



IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please note that all posted correspondence such as Entry Forms, etc. must be sent to this **NEW ADDRESS** for the KVE Secretary (Jan Thompson-Creamer)

31 Bexhill Avenue, SUSSEX INLET, NSW 2540

Guest Speaker for 2024

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Our guest speaker on Friday 15th March will be Stephan Cheers. Steve is a 37 year veteran of the army. Married with 2 daughters. He is currently writing a reference book on the Australian Soldier covering all field uniforms and equipment from 1915 to 2015 which is hoped to be published later this year. Steve has an amazing collection and on ANZAC Day sets up a display outside his house and raises money for charity. On ANZAC Day 2023, Stephen set up his displays of manikins dressed in uniforms and was nominated as a Community Champion in a competition conducted by Moorebank Sports Club for Neighbour of the Year.

The photos below are of the display outside Stephan's home on ANZAC Day 2023



New Book on Australian jeeps !

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The product of over 30 years of research by the authors, this series represents the most comprehensive coverage of the subject of Australian military vehicles of the Second World War.

Mike Cecil and Keith Webb are proud to release the first book:
Desert Sand to Jungle Mud Volume 1: Trucks, 1/4 ton (jeep) and Trailers.

It is an A4 size hard cover book of 233 pages.

This book encapsulates those years of service in over 356 images, many not previously published. Detailed text and extensive captions explain every aspect of the jeep's use by Australian military forces. The book also reproduces 80 pages of Australian military technical publications about jeeps and jeep trailers, bringing all of this valuable information into one reference source.

**The price is \$A 82.50 excluding postage and will be available from mid-February.
Packaging and postage within Australia is \$16.00.**

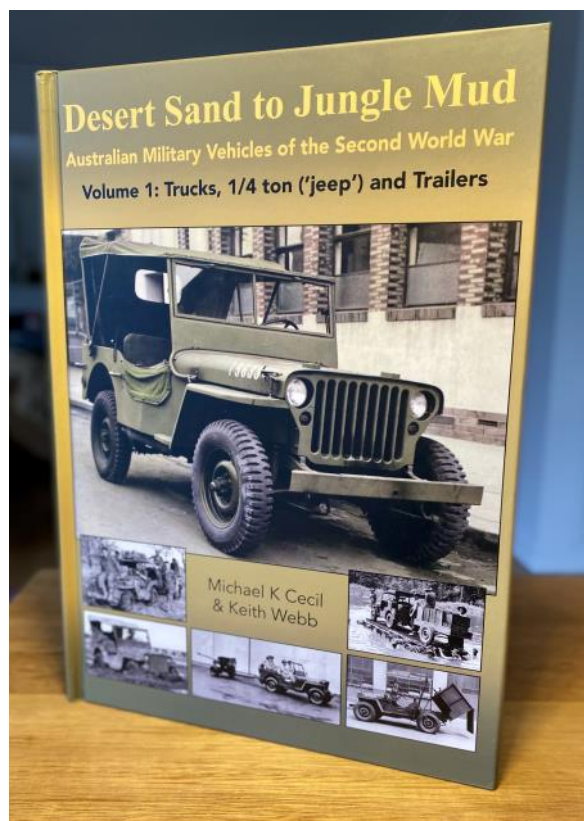
The book will be available for pre-order and payment for collection at the Corowa Swim-In. Orders can be made via this link, which also provides details of ordering for those not attending the event:

<https://www.michaelkcecil.com/collections/200233>

Packing and Post prices to the United States and Canada: A\$67.50

For UK, Holland and France: A\$74.50

So you may want to add these prices to the postage segment



Corowa Swim-In polo shirts

Corowa Swim-In shirt Polo shirts with pocket



**Orders must be in by
Mon. 12th February 2024**

**SHIRTS CAN BE COLLECTED
AT COROWA SWIM-IN
TO SAVE POSTAGE.**

Order Form



As a supporter of the Swim-In, you will like these shirts that we are having made with the embroidered Corowa Swim-In and KVE logos (as above).

Price is \$50 each plus post & packing.

Please enquire for p&p cost if ordering more than one shirt, as it will depend on quantity. Please select size, and quantity and enter in box below. The colours available are; Bottle Green, Black, Grey, Red, Royal Blue.

PS41 - MENS POLY/COTTON PIQUE SHORT SLEEVE POCKET POLO

EASY FIT	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL
HALF CHEST	51.0	53.5	56.0	58.5	61.0	63.5	66.0	68.5	71.0
BODY LENGTH	69.0	71.5	74.0	76.5	79.0	81.5	84.0	86.5	89.0

SIZE	COLOUR	QTY	TOTAL COST
			\$
			\$
			\$

+ POST & PACKING CHARGES:
1 x shirt: \$12.95
For larger quantities and / or Overseas orders, please enquire.

<p>TOTAL PAYMENT inc. P&P :</p> <p>\$</p>
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Name:

Postal address:State:.....

Phone: Email:

Please complete the above boxes for shirt type, colour, size and quantity and your full details
Please make cheque or money order payable to KVE Inc. (Sorry no credit card facilities.)

Send to Jan Thompson-Creamer, 31 Bexhill Avenue, SUSSEX INLET, NSW, 2540 or
kveinc@optusnet.com.au Mobile: 0412 078 096

Payments can also be paid straight into the Westpac cheque account for:
"Khaki Vehicle Enthusiasts Incorporated" BSB: 032521 Account No. 162538
Please enter your bank deposit reference, date and amount in boxes below.

Ref.	Date	Amount \$
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Please ensure your **Name and the word 'SHIRT'** is on the Bank Deposit/Transfer form so we can easily distinguish who has deposited the money, and post or email this Form to the above address.

Corowa Swim-In khaki drill shirts

**Corowa Swim-In
Khaki Drill shirts**



Order Form



As a supporter of the Swim-In, you will like these shirts that we are having made with the embroidered Corowa Swim-In logos (as above).

Price is \$60 each plus post & packing.

Please enquire for p&p cost if ordering more than one shirt, as it will depend on quantity.

Please select size, and quantity and enter in box below.

Orders must be in by Mon. 12th. Feb. 2024

**SHIRTS CAN BE COLLECTED
AT COROWA SWIM-IN
TO SAVE POSTAGE.**

WT03 Cotton Drill Short Sleeve Work Shirt

EASY FIT	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL	6XL	7XL
Half Chest	55.0	58.0	61.0	64.0	67.0	70.0	73.0	76.0	79.0	82.0
Body Length	75/79	77/81	79/83	81/85	83/87	85/89	87/91	87/91	89/93	89/93

Weight & size measurements are for guidance only

SIZE	COLOUR	QTY	TOTAL COST
	Khaki		\$
	Khaki		\$
	Khaki		\$

+ POST & PACKING CHARGES:

1 x shirt: \$12.95

For larger quantities and / or Overseas orders, please enquire.

TOTAL PAYMENT inc. P&P :

\$.....

Name:

Postal address:State:.....

Phone: Email:

Please complete the above boxes for shirt type, colour, size and quantity and your full details
Please make cheque or money order payable to KVE Inc. (Sorry no credit card facilities.)

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Bandiana Army Museum

Although the museum is not on this year's list of activities, they would welcome you to visit.



Opening times are Thursday, Friday and Saturday - 10am to 3pm

Check out their details below:

Anderson Road, South Bandiana, VIC 3691

Phone: (02) 6053 2453

Email: reception.amb@gmail.com

<https://armymuseumbandiana.com.au/visit/>



Your Stories Wanted

We are always interested to publish your stories, reports, restoration tales and so on.

If you have one and would like it to be in KVE News,
then please contact the Editor,

Richard on kve.editor@btinternet.com

FOR SALE

1944 Austin K2/Y Ambulance

One of only two restored Austin K2/Y ambulances known to be in Australia. This one was fully restored by its current owner and has been displayed at events including Corowa and other events around the Sydney area. The owner is downsizing his collection.

Located near Sydney

Asking price \$58,000 ono

Contact David Argles on (02) 4575 5145 between 5pm and 8pm only please.



FOR SALE**FWD HAR-1 4x4 truck**

Ex-RAAF vehicle, very rare, fully restored by the present owner and completed in 2019, it was displayed at events around the Sydney area, Menangle, Clarendon Classic, etc.

Asking price \$25,000 ono

Contact David Argles on (02) 4575 5145 between 5pm and 8pm only please.



WW2 jeep for sale

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FOR SALE**1943 Ford GPW jeep****Very original, built 6th month 1943****Original ID plates - F script bolt heads and cylinder head****Matching engine number and serial number****Older restoration - original gauges - Good working order****Shovel, axe and antenna
and machine gun mount****\$37,500 ono****Call Ken Hill on****0428 905 313****(Shepparton)**



ICE BIRDS

Australian DUKW and LARC Operations in the Antarctic

by Mike Cecil

Australian interest in exploring the Antarctic continent and sub-Antarctic islands goes back to the early part of the 20th Century, but it was not until the post-Second World War period that the Australian Government decided upon a permanent presence in these areas. The first Australian National Antarctic Research Expedition (ANARE) sailed to Heard Island (73 degrees 25 minutes East longitude, 53 degrees South latitude) in November 1947 aboard Landing Ship Tank (LST) 3051. Later renamed HMAS *Labuan*, LST 3051 had been built in Canada in 1943, and was said to be the best of the six LSTs available in Australia at that time.

Landing the ANARE party, who would be staying on the island throughout the following winter, was no easy matter. The rocky, inhospitable shores of Heard Island were constantly lashed by high winds and swells, making the task of unloading the myriad of stores by hand extremely difficult. Breaks in the weather made it possible to beach the LST and unload through the large bow doors, but these opportunities were rare and proved dangerous for the ship. At one stage, when floating off, the ship swung round and grounded broadside to the shore. It was only by good luck that the wind came around to a helpful direction and the tide changed enough to float the vessel free of the rocky beach.

Reading the press reports of the difficulties encountered by the ANARE party during the unloading at Heard Island, Captain Laurie Stooke, Royal Australian Army Service Corps (RAASC), thought he might have the solution to much of the problem: the DUKW. These six-wheel drive amphibious vehicles had first entered service with the Australian Army during 1942, with 535 eventually delivered to Australia under the Lend Lease scheme. The vast majority were assigned to the Army, with only six being assigned to the Royal Australian Air Force. Fifty-six DUKWs had five digit Australian registration numbers from 89261 to 89316 inclusive, while the remainder had six-digit numbers scattered in small blocks between 129537 and 159986. The DUKWs assigned to the RAAF were assigned registration numbers 210375 to 210380 inclusive. The type had been used extensively on operations during the later part of the Second World War mostly in the tropical waters of the South West Pacific Area, so their proposed use in sub-Antarctic waters was at least a novelty.

Nevertheless, the DUKW could provide ANARE with an amphibious capability, whereby stores could be loaded offshore and in bulk into a DUKW using the ship's crane and unloaded at or near the camp stores area. The use of the DUKW had the potential to save significantly on manpower, provide a safer method of cargo transfer and, more importantly, save in the time taken to discharge an entire cargo. Capt Stooke put the idea to *"... various people at HQ, but then the bureaucracy bought in, of course, and I was reprimanded for having the temerity to suggest that we could tell the Navy how to do anything. Anyhow, through perseverance and contacts behind the scenes, it was agreed that Army would provide two DUKWs to go down to Macquarie Island"*.

So, when LST 3051 headed to Macquarie Island early in 1948, two DUKW amphibians were aboard along with Capt. Laurie Stooke and Warrant Officer Jack Cunningham. It was the beginning of what became a long association between the Australian Army and ANARE. The Army's ANARE Detachment, as it became known, would provide crews and amphibious craft for most Antarctic relief voyages between 1948 and 1994.

The DUKWs that went to Macquarie Island the first time were simply drawn from Defence Stores and not modified in any significant way. Under the command of Capt. Stooke, the small party of Army personnel and their vehicles performed invaluable work in the sub-Antarctic waters of Macquarie and Heard Islands, hastening the rate of transfer of stores and personnel over the time taken on previous expeditions. The vehicles demonstrated their value and consequently became an integral part of successive voyages.



The 1952-53 relief voyages, however, had to be undertaken by a ship of smaller size than used previously, which precluded the use of DUKWs during that period. The arrival of the J. Lauritzen Lines charter vessel MV *Kista Dan* in December 1953 again provided ANARE with a ship of sufficient size to accommodate DUKWs. They were included in the December 1953 relief voyage to Macquarie Island, but not the voyage to Mawson Station on the Antarctic mainland in January 1954.

While the use of DUKWs in the sub-Antarctic waters of Macquarie and Heard Islands had been an outstanding success, they had not been used in Antarctic waters where the sea temperatures were much lower, and floating ice presented a potentially significant navigation hazard. The proposal by the ANARE director Dr Phillip Law, to use them for the Mawson Station relief voyage in late 1954, caused enough concern within Army circles to prompt inquiries to the British, Canadian and US Armies as to their experience in using DUKW in sub-zero temperatures. The US Army advised that, although the DUKW was never intended to operate in waters below minus 25-F degrees, no changes were made to the DUKWs used in the Arctic, other than to provide the crews with a standby heater and change all lubricants to winter types. They cautioned that the DUKW hull was not built to withstand great impacts, and that the propeller was vulnerable. The consensus of US opinion was that they should be satisfactory for the conditions provided not too much floating ice was present. The British and Canadian Army responses concurred.

As a consequence the DUKWs that went to Mawson in December 1954 were only altered in so far as an ice guard was fitted behind the propeller. Again, they proved to be irreplaceable, ferrying stores and personnel between ship and the Mawson base. Being amphibious, the DUKWs had the advantage of being able to ferry the stores right to the base storage area, rather than having to transfer the loads at the waters edge to sleds dragged by tractor. The report of the 1959-60 relief voyage provides some insight into the volume of work carried out by the DUKWs '*...they were invaluable, carrying all but the largest loads onto the rock at Mawson, distributing material around the camp, and unloading heavy items with their A-frames*'.

Their reliability was also mentioned, with the DUKWs being '*out of service for only 16 vehicle hours during the 16 working days*'.

Indeed, these versatile amphibious trucks were used for a lot more than just ship to shore transport. Among the deck cargo of the MV *Thala Dan* on the January 1960 voyage to Mawson Station was a Douglas C-47 Dakota transport aircraft. Once the aircraft components had been transported ashore by pontoon, the DUKW with A-frame erected, was used to assemble the wings, tail and rudder onto the fuselage.

Another first on the 1960 relief voyage was the use of the DUKW as a general transport over snow and ice further inland. With chains fitted to the front and rear, but not the intermediate wheels, the DUKW was driven to the station airfield about 2-miles southwest across the ice plateau. It performed well, even on slopes of 1 in 4 and steep side slopes. With the success of this first inland run, a 12-mile inland trip to the Masson Ranges was undertaken on 14 February 1960, accompanied by two Studebaker 'Weasels'. Again, the DUKW demonstrated its versatility, being faster, more comfortable, and able to carry more passengers than the tracked Weasels.

The use of DUKWs on ANARE relief voyages continued until 1970, when the first of the more modern Lighter Amphibious Resupply Cargo Mark 5 (LARC-V) vehicles went south. The Australian Army had purchased around 80 LARC-V amphibious vehicles as replacements for the ageing DUKW fleet. During this first year of operating the LARC-V in Antarctica, half the vehicles were the old dependable DUKWs while the other half were the new LARC-V. In contrast to the DUKWs, which were a 6x6 truck within an outer boat-like hull, the LARC-V was more like a boat with wheels. It was also powered by a diesel engine of greater capacity than the 6-cylinder petrol engine of the DUKW. Another advantage was the integral HIAB crane that meant that the LARC-V could unload without the use of a second crane vehicle.

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The success of the LARC-V on this first trip resulted in their use for all subsequent relief voyages until the disbandment of the Army ANARE Detachment in 1994. The last LARC-V operation for ANARE by the Detachment was the circumnavigation of Macquarie Island in 1993 by LARC-V numbers 117113 and 117102.

Both DUKW and LARC-V vehicles of the Army's ANARE Detachment were distinctively painted with their upper portions painted in a highly visible colour. For many years, this was a vivid gloss yellow until superseded in the late 1980s by 'Day-Glo orange'. Another distinctive feature of these vehicles was that most were named. Like ships, the names were painted onto either side of the bow, and appear to be famous individuals or 'friends of the RAASC'. Names appear to have been changed each year, with some vehicles carrying a different name during successive relief voyages. For example, DUKW 155680 was named J.M.A. DURRANT and F.H. FITZPATRICK during different voyages, while LARC-V 117079 has carried at least three names during successive summer seasons.

Crews for the DUKW and LARC-V vehicles assigned to ANARE expeditions were all volunteers and drawn from two Corps. The Royal Australian Army Service Corps (RAASC) which later transformed into the Royal Australian Corps of Transport (RACT), provided the drivers and detachment commanders, while the Royal Australian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (RAEME) provided technicians for maintenance and repair. Most volunteers appear to have served for more than one summer season, particularly in the early years of the Army's participation, and each year there was at least one experienced member of the detachment who had served in Antarctica before.

There is no doubt that the contribution of the Army's amphibious vehicles on various ANARE expeditions was a significant one over a prolonged period. The vehicles, although never designed to operate in such harsh conditions, performed well, making the transport of cargo from ship to shore that much safer and more efficient.

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Please tick boxes below, as applicable:

1. Will you use the Amphibious vehicle on Land only?	YES	NO
2. Do you have a State Boat Registration that is recognised in NSW?	YES	NO

(Note: Amphibious vehicles that do not comply with these requirements may still be entered if they are used for land based activities only. If the amphibious vehicle is to be used as a vessel and does not comply with these requirements, it cannot be entered in the Corowa event due to the potential risk to the owner, KVE, its members, officers and participants. Owners who cannot comply with these requirements, who wish to swim their amphibians do so at their own risk. KVE, its members or officers accept no liability for any loss, damage or claim howsoever arising as a result of this activity.)

Amphibious Vehicle Entrant's Signature:	Date:
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ENTRY FORMS TO ARRIVE BY 28th FEBRUARY 2024

Entry Fee is **\$30** per Entrant enclosed with Entry form

Please make cheque or money order payable to KVE Inc. (Sorry no credit card facilities.)

PLEASE NOTE, NEW ADDRESS:

Send to Jan Thompson-Creamer, 31 Bexhill Avenue, Sussex Inlet, NSW, 2540 or
kveinc@optusnet.com.au

Entry Fee can also be paid straight into the Westpac cheque account for:

"Khaki Vehicle Enthusiasts Incorporated" BSB: 032521 Account No. 162538

Please enter your bank deposit reference, date and amount in boxes below:

Ref.	Date:	Amount \$:
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Please ensure your name is on the Bank Deposit/Transfer form so we can easily distinguish who has deposited the money, and post or email this Entry Form to the above address