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Year of the Military Motorcycle

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Full reports on the 40th Swim-In this year.

Mike Cecil continues his story on motorcycles used by the Australian Army.

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Despatch Rider on duty with his BSA WM20 in Sydney area during WW2

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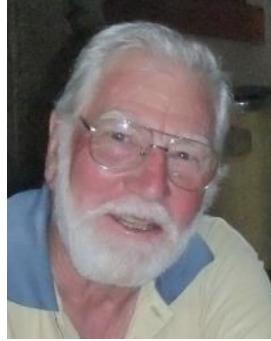
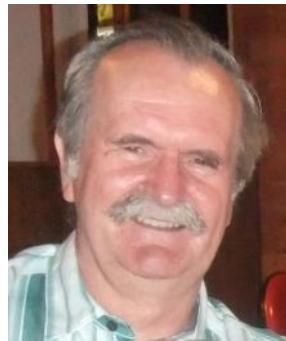


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President's Report

The 40th Corowa Swim-In went off extremely well and was a certain success. The trips out were very well attended too. The relocation of the KVE Site Office was great as we were in a prominent position near the park entrance with a nice area out front for people to stand and chat, and thanks to Kristian with his Everyman brew truck they could have a drink as well. It made a great location for the Saturday evening presentations as well.

There was a lot of reminiscing between some of those who attended the early events and stories to tell. Please remember we are working on a 40 year book on the Swim-In and are still looking for stories, photos on anything related to the Swim-In, even where you might have got together and planned a trip, either at home or overseas, it is all part of this event as it is a gathering of military vehicle enthusiasts. We aim to have the book ready by next March, so if you can send us anything, please do it as soon as you can and we look forward to hearing from you.

The theme for the 2020 Swim-In is 'Year of the Military Motorcycle' and it is planned to have a ride-out for the motorcyclists on a circular route with a lunch break halfway. This has been done over the years at the UK's War & Peace Show and it always proved to be very popular with the riders.

As always, **all** types of ex-military vehicles are welcomed to the Swim-In and with a great turn out of amphibians this year we look forward to seeing them again next year. This leads me to the most unfortunate accident that occurred to Graham Arkle and his Stalwart on the way to Corowa. We have been following his progress in hospital and send our best wishes to Graham, and hope you are back on your feet soon.

I hope you enjoy reading this newsletter and if you are intending to come to Corowa next March, please send your entry in early as we cannot plan numbers in advance for ordering items when the bulk of entries arrive in late January and February. There is an entry form at the end of this newsletter.

Best regards,

Richard Farrant KVE President (and Editor)

KVE received event sponsorship from the Federation Council for the 2019 event, we thank them for their continued support of the Swim-In



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Secretary & Public Relations Report

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Secretaries report for 2019

Ball Park Caravan Park: Anne and Peter George will be leaving Ball Park Caravan Park at the end of June. The Federation Council has decided to employ managers and staff from 1 July. There are going to be some renovations in the park and if you didn't pay a deposit for 2020 it is advised to do so ASAP.

Program of events: This year the route cards for the trips on Wed, Thurs and Fri went well. We thank all who put their names down for the events and took a route card. It enabled us to give numbers to different places we visited for catering purposes. We have had a meeting and are looking forward to offering the following trips:

Wed 11th March: We are working on a trip to the Joint Logistics Unit near Bandiana for a tour of their facility. We are waiting on confirmation and there will be some requirements for each person who views the facility. These will include: provide names and contact details probably at least a week or more before the tour to a nominated committee member, closed in shoes, no cameras. As further details come to hand we will let you know.

Thursday 12th March: A visit to the Howlong Public School and lunch in Howlong at 12 midday then visit the Avro Anson landing site between Howlong and Brocklesby and the Brocklesby public school during the afternoon.

Friday 13th March: A tour for the motorcycles is being organised. Details will be available shortly.

Entries for 2020: We commence organising our participant packs months prior to the event as we have to pre-order items such as caps, plaques, Special Edition newsletters and stickers. We would appreciate people entering the event ASAP so we can get approximate numbers at least 2 months before the event. If you pre-register and are unable to attend we can either offer you a refund or put your entry towards the following year so please don't hold back to the last minute and enter then as it may be too late. This year we had over 300 pre-registered participants and many of those came in February and early March. To ensure you receive a brass plaque and hat we really need people to enter preferable before early February.

Voting forms: Over the past years we always give the participants an opportunity to nominate people for awards. The KVE Committee only organise who will receive an award and we look in the Suggestions Tin at 12MD on Saturday to make this decision. We feel this is the fairest way for us to decide on the prize winners so if you feel your vehicle is worthy of an award you need to put it in the Suggestions Tin. Some events have one or two people who make all the decisions but in KVE we like the process to be seen as fair. The award recipients are listed in the 2019 Swim-In report in this newsletter.

Themes for the following years:

2020 Year of the Motorcycle and the 40th Anniversary of the Corowa Swim-In. If you know any motorcycle clubs who have military motorcycles and they might be interested in attending please forward their contact details.

2021 Year of the Jeep and Year of the RAAF for the 100th anniversary of the RAAF

2022 Year of the Heavy Metal

Membership to KVE: If you are interested in joining please send me an email or download a membership form off the website and forward to me.

Next KVE General Meeting: on Friday 12th July from 4-6pm : We will be having another KVE General Meeting at the Menangle Military Muster. It will be held at Campbelltown RSL Club . Participants are welcome to come along. We will be organising our program of activities and if you have any suggestions on places to visit please let me know.

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New office bearers:

On Sunday 17th March we had a KVE General Meeting and an AGM. The office bearers are now:

President: Richard Farrant

Vice President: Harvey Black

Treasurer: John Gordon

Secretary and Public Relations: Jan Thompson-Creamer

Governance Officer: John Gordon

Committee: Jane Packer, Kel Baxter, Brian Healey, Sam King, Neville Smith and Scott Rough

Editor and KVE Webmaster: Richard Farrant

40 years of Corowa:

We are planning a celebration book to mark 40 years of the Swim-In at Corowa and need your help to make it something special.

Whether it is stories, anecdotes, photos, film or video. Anything that captured the spirit of the event. We all have something to tell. Also we would like personal profiles of those that attended over the years and of their vehicles. We will combine this with reports through the 40 years.

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We will appreciate any assistance to provide us with photos and stories, no matter how small or large they may be. Jan has stories from a few people but we are looking for a larger number.

Email: kveinc@optusnet.com.au or post to: **KVE Secretary, 9/1 Millett Rd, Mosman 2088.**

We have put together a form that we would like all participants past and in the future to complete so we can put together a profile on people plus reports people have on their experiences at Corowa. If you have written a report for your club newsletter we would like a copy as we already have reports included on our website that goes back to the first event in 1980. We will require your reports by 31st December at the latest to give us enough time to have it printed. We are asking \$30 to be paid upfront to secure a copy.

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 Corowa Swim-In & Ex-Military Vehicle Gathering at Corowa, NSW, Australia. Let's spread the word about this great event.

Corowa Facebook:

We are also on Facebook: www.facebook.com/corowaswimin Please join and contribute.

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. We encourage you to provide us with the information.

Helping at the Site Office while at Corowa:

This year we had a number of participants who were not KVE members who helped out on the site office. Many of our KVE members also helped. We really appreciate this and from a few of those people I spoke to said they really enjoyed getting to meet other participants. We will have a co-ordinator hopefully shortly and will start recruiting for the 2020 event. If you are interested again in helping please let me know and we can make sure you are contacted. Every year we fine tune the role to make it easy for those helping.

Until next time,

Jan Thompson-Creamer Secretary and Public Relations Officer

KVE General Meeting @ Menangle

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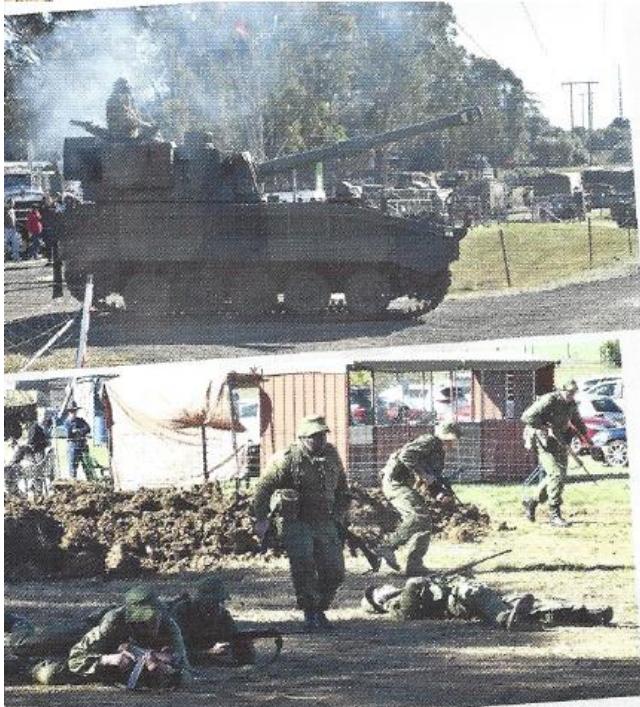
In order to make the KVE General Meeting in July easier for members and other interested persons to attend, we have arranged it to coincide with the Menangle Military Muster which many come from far and wide to attend. **It will be on Friday 12th July from 4-6pm and will be held at Campbelltown RSL Club.** Participants are welcome to come along. We will be organising our program of activities and if you have any suggestions on places to visit please let Jan Thompson-Creamer know, kveinc@optusnet.com.au

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40th Anniversary Celebration Book



This photo was taken by Judy King in the early 1980's, a few well known faces, this is just the sort of pictures we are looking for, from any year.

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Jan has some stories from people but there may be many others who have stories to share so if you think you may have something of interest please start now to share this.

See form on page 38

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40th Annual Corowa Swim-In and Military Vehicle Gathering - March 2019

Report by Jan Thompson-Creamer

The 40th Annual Corowa Swim-In and Military Vehicle Gathering was a great event. There had been some changes at Ball Park Caravan Park and most people were accepting. Peter and Anne George had never seen such an event and mainly had positive things to say.

We chose to put the Radar Van on the grass area opposite the main office and it worked well as participants were easily able to collect their packs and register their vehicles in. It made a good focal point for people to meet and catch up with each other. There was a roster for the site office and we decided on 4 people per shift. We send out this roster to KVE members in December and ask for their assistance first. If there is anyone who isn't a KVE member and who would like to do a shift or two next year please let us know during the year and I will forward your details to Deborah Birrell. The most difficult days to get people were Wednesday, Thursday and Friday when the trips were on.



Upon arrival on Friday 8th March after dropping our Furphy water tank down at Shepparton so we could get a new barrel we caught up with those who had already arrived. Those of us at the event had dinner at the Newmarket Hotel.

The Radar Van arrived on Sunday morning. Thanks to Dutchy and Eddie for painting the trailer. Thanks also to Sam King, Neville Smith and Tim Hughes for sorting out the trailer during the year. We were more organised for the setting up of the site office. There was a problem with the old site office structure so Sam King and Warren Packer headed to Wodonga to purchase 2 new gazebos. In the future this will make the set up and pack away of the radar van much quicker and less stressful.

On Monday and Tuesday we didn't plan activities as there was a large influx of participant arrivals and all like to set up their camps and catch up with people they may not have seen in 12 months. Sam King started producing the Daily Dispatches newsletter which was produced on a daily basis from Tuesday to Friday. Next year if people could write up a trip report on events they attended or have anything for sale or wanted or future events they can give it to the editor for inclusion.

On Wednesday Troy and I led the trip to Dookie via Tungamah, Devenish and Goorambat. Jim Carmody had problems with his BSA on the way to Dookie and he wrote the following: *This was my first trip to the Corowa Rally and I was to ride my 1940 BSA WM20. On the first day the bike stopped due to the clip on the carburettor float level breaking. I would like to thank the back up crew who were extremely helpful, and assisted in getting the bike going again. I was impressed with the way the events were organised and will be there next year, and hopefully finish the Rally.*

After visiting the Tungamah silos the rest of the trip caught up and we headed to Devenish. We went through the small town of St James and there was an artist just starting to paint the silo there. A week later it was finished. The artist was Timothy Bowtell. The GrainCorp silos have been decorated with a mural of Sir George Coles, the founder of Coles supermarkets who was a local to the St James township. Just prior to Devenish, Bill Kelly had problems with his Land Rover and was recovered by Colin Young. We

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were given a talk at the Devenish silos by a historian by the name of Kevin. He talked about the 2 silos which had been painted and also a third will be painted prior to 13th April. The next stop was at Goorambat to view their silos before making our way to Dookie. The Hotel had a problem with staff in their kitchen so they were unable to cater for the group but Sol Sutherland and his team at the Dookie Emporium and also the General store made sure all the participants were fed. I saw a number of people with goodies they had purchased.

On Thursday morning we were informed of an accident on the Hume Freeway which occurred at approx. 10pm involving Graham Arkle. Throughout the day I received a number of phone calls from people who had seen the vehicle on the side of the road and when I arrived back at Corowa after a visit to Bright for our Wedding Anniversary I spoke to Jared Archibald who had stopped to assist police. Various stories went around the caravan park regarding the accident and I was in contact with Graham's wife who informed me of the injuries. Graham's injuries were quite substantial and his recovery will take a long time. I have been receiving regular updates and he has had a number of operations and is in high spirits hoping to be at Corowa in 2020.

Richard Farrant has provided me with the Berrigan Trip report as we headed to Bright for our third wedding anniversary lunch:

Trip leader for the run out to Kel Baxter's property just north of Berrigan was Sam King, with myself driving. We progressed steadily out to Mulwala and at the turn off there pulled over to check all vehicles made the turn. Second vehicle was driven by Harvey Black and he confirmed our speed was just right. We continued on passing through Berrigan and found the turning to Marshes Road quite easily, as we approached Kel's property we were confronted by hundreds of sheep in front of us, luckily going in the same direction, later found out there were around 950 of them!

We arrived and were warmly welcomed by Kel in front of his workshop where he gave us a run down of the haulage operation and history of the property in his family. There were a few Kenworth trucks being serviced at the time. From there we moved over to what was equivalent to an aircraft hanger, an enormous steel building with a lot of Kel's vehicle collection in it. An old Studebaker which had been converted to a concrete mixer in its past life, a Bedford tipper, probably c.1948, a Bedford TK tractor unit fully restored with a V6 Detroit diesel in it, I believe this was Kel's first truck, another truck which had been part of the business was a Dodge



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which had been re-engined from a petrol motor to a Detroit. Other vehicles on show were a Mercedes Benz 911 fire truck, an Inter with Abbey crane and a Mack R type 6x6 tipper, all ex-army, not forgetting two classic cars. All were started up and ran, despite the smell of stale petrol!

An excellent BBQ lunch was laid on with donations to the Royal Flying Doctor Service and Kristian from Everyman was on hand with his 'brew truck' as well.

From here we were instructed to get our vehicles and head off into the fields for the agricultural part of the visit. First stop was the cotton fields and Kel showed how the cotton crop was getting ready to harvest in several weeks' time, some cotton buds were already showing. Although the area is very much in a drought there is some water in the irrigation channels and a metered water supply is pumped out automatically as programmed and any excess water is channelled back in order to save it. A brilliant operation but hampered by the low water levels currently. From there we moved on to the maize crop and a combine harvester was waiting further down the field to move up towards us. For those not familiar with these machines they were fascinated. When the harvester reached us, it was stopped and the header was opened up so the visitors could see how the corn cobs were harvested. We then went back to the farm and were shown some of the large cultivating and sowing implements and the gigantic John Deere cotton harvester which picked the buds, then baled and wrapped them at the end of the operation, this machine weighed about 30 tons!

An extremely interesting visit with something of interest for everyone. We all appreciated Kel and his staff taking the time to show us. We left and people made their own way back to Corowa.



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One point of note on these trips is that if people intend going, they should put their name down on the list at the Site Office with numbers of persons in their party as on this trip there was about double the numbers that were on the list, which is not fair when catering is involved.



Only a few weeks prior to the event I was speaking to Roger Ross and we talked about an amphibian trip. I made the decision this would occur on Thursday 14th March after the Berrigan Trip. Messages were sent out and by 4pm the amphibious vehicle owners were all set to leave Ball Park Caravan Park and enter the river near the Lone Pine Motel, which is a boat ramp we can use and go downstream to the lagoon below Ball Park Caravan Park. Manfred and I did a recce early in the week. This bought back memories from 3 years ago when Manfred took me in his GPA down to my wedding on 14th March. This event will continue each year. All vehicles apart from the Weasel, Deborah Birrell's DUKW and the Wilson's GPA entered the water. Manfred in his GPA led the group, Tony Nassar in the Amphicar kept a check on all the vehicles as his vehicle was faster than all the others and the only problem was John Hecker's GPA. He was towed. I was amazed at the number of people who were waiting at the lagoon below Ball Park. The local photographer took photos and the vehicles continued to go in and out of the water. I spoke to Keith



Webb and he mentioned never having been in a GPA. I organised for him to go with Manfred and then he went in the Amphicar with Tony Nassar. On Sunday morning when we went in the DUKW, Keith came along too. Many thanks to Andrew Wilson for taking rides during the week and even being able to steer it was a definite highlight for me. Most of the amphibious vehicles took people for rides. Many thanks from the participants.

Report from Keith Webb:

Part of filming the event each year means I get to ride in some of the vehicles while doing profiles on them. When I mentioned to Jan I had not ever had a ride in an amphibious Jeep I think she was rather incredulous but immediately arranged for a ride with Manfred in his Amphibious Jeep. Manfred has a particular style when entering the water and that is to do it rather fast to create a satisfying splash on entry, which he did with a smile on his face, and there was one on mine too. After the Jeep I was treated to a ride in Tony Nassar's delicate looking Amphicar, an unusual blend of Volkswagen, Borgward, Mercedes and powered by a Triumph Herald engine. Whilst not military it was a thrill to ride with Tony, his sea captain's cap at a jaunty angle as we crossed the river, turned around on the beach at the other shore then sped back downriver.

On Sunday morning I was offered a ride in the Wilson's DUKW. It's been several years since I've had the pleasure and it was interesting to see both Jan and Troy take turns navigating the river. Following that I was able to interview Daniel Stanton about the history of the DUKW in Australia which you'll be able to see in the 2019 video at Corowa next year.

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Friday was a busy day with a KVE breakfast, a trip to Mt Prior for those with Land Rovers who wanted to be involved in a photoshoot, a visit to South Corowa Public School in the morning and then a visit to Maurice Wilson's property in the afternoon.

The KVE BBQ was well attended and thanks to Brian and his crew for organising this.

The following report was from Wazza Packer who attended the Corowa South Public School:

Friday of the Swim-In saw 25 cars line up in Ball Park at 10.30am for the short run to South Corowa Public School.

From Land Rovers to a LARC, Motorbikes to Mokes, Jeeps, Amphicar, Chevs and Dodges, our group made its way to a small park near the school, where students walked the 100 metres not knowing what to expect, the look of excitement on their small faces as they rounded the corner to be greeted by the vehicles.

Students were surprised to learn that thanks to the generous nature of the owners they were allowed to sit in the vehicles, and soon a chorus of blasting horns woke the neighbourhood. Most children choose to visit the LARC first and were amazed that it could not only drive on land, but also go in the water, some smaller children marvelled to see that the tyres were taller than them.

Next on their visiting agenda was the Amphicar 'That things from outer space cried one child'. The children cried in laughter when their principal Mrs Mac was seen driving around the street in the Amphicar a cross between the Queen and Mrs Bucket. Unfortunately their time was limited as lunch was due and hungry bellies could be heard rumbling.

The school formed up in front of the vehicles for a group photo and 2 students came forward to thank all vehicle owners for their time and patience. One touching note for the visit was a small boy with special needs who didn't like loud noises, but thanks to the support and encouragement of the members present, he was soon in and out of vehicles and really enjoying the morning. One final loud blast of the horn from the LARC capped off a good morning for not only the children, but also all those present.

Thank you to ALL that took time from their time to make it a special visit to Corowa South Public school, I know that the kids get real enjoyment from these types of visits as well as being great public relations for the event. Thanks also to the vehicles that helped the LARC manoeuvre through the streets safely.

After the event I received a package from the Principle of the school with reports written by the children:

Cooper wrote – Thank you for bringing your vehicles. I liked the big 'lark'. The engine was really deep. The 'lark' had lots of buttons on the controls. The Land Rovers had 2 long seats because the tray was long. Three people could fit in the front. There was a flip button that made a sound like an ambulance. One of the jeeps had a lock like an x so that the kids could not get through. The Amphicar had really shiny white paint. It had a curved windshield.

Ashton wrote – Thanks you for coming on Friday. It was really good. Will and I had fun in the cars. Your cars are cool. When we went back to school Harry and I were marching to show respect for the KVE.

Macy wrote – It was so fun to get in your vehicles and get to know how they were used in the military. I think that Mrs Mac enjoyed her ride in the white car that could go in water. My friends and I had a lot of fun playing in the vehicles. They were all nice colours. My friend Ki liked the dog Toby a lot more than the vehicles that were there.

Maddison wrote – Thank you for letting us hop in all your military vehicles. My favourite vehicle was the 'Lark' that is 55 years old. It is really loud when you honk the horn. My second favourite was the Amphicar. The best part about the Amphicar was how fancy it was. My third favourite vehicle was an army truck and in the back it looked like a jail cell. When my friends and I saw a dog called Toby we thought he blended in well with the khaki vehicles.

Charli-Rae wrote – thank you for coming to Corowa to show us all of your army vehicles. I really liked the 'Lark' because it can go in water. I can not believe how old the 'Lark' is. The horns on all the vehicles were

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really loud. The 'Lark' has the loudest horn and it sounded like a train. My favourite vehicle was the Land Rover that had a bed in the back. I could not find the horn in it. I wonder what sound it makes?

Hannah wrote – Thank you for showing us your restored vehicles. I enjoyed looking at them all. I liked how at the end the 'Lark' blew the horn. Nobody found the horn on the 'Lark' but they found the horns in all of the other vehicles. The loudest was the 'Lark'. My friends and I went in the back of a vehicle where the dog Toby sat. There was a ball and a leash. My favourite vehicle was the 'Lark'. The 'Larks' tyres were bigger than me. The Amphicar was white. Mrs Mac went in the Amphicar and went for a drive down the road. I would like to do it again because I got to learn a lot of new things. I also went in vehicles that I had never been in before. I think that the Jeeps and Land Rovers were used to carry soldiers and supplies around.

With the Land Rover photoshoot all the vehicles attending met at 10am in the carpark near Bangerang Park. Mick Morrissey had been in contact with the managers of the Mt. Prior Winery as there was an area near the winery where the vehicles could line up side by side for a photoshoot. After the photoshoot we all went inside and tasted and most of us purchased some wine.



Vehicles attending: 23 x Perentie LR (4x4 and 6x6); 7 x Series LR (incl. 1 x Series 3); 1 x 101FC Airportable and 2 x Jeeps.

In the afternoon there was a visit to Maurice Wilson's property on the outskirts of Corowa.

Friday night dinner and Guest speaker Doug Draeger. Doug spoke about his interest in the BTTT and BTTT 2020. There were a number of people who asked questions and Doug encouraged people to put their questions forward on paper. Approx. 130 meals were provided. Please remember to put your name on the list for next years event as we are planning a book launch. To do this successfully please send us your profile and any photos you have. We are looking at the content and will probably have a section for personal profiles, event reports from 1980 and plenty of photos.

Saturday parade, swap meet and line up of vehicles. Approx. 200 vehicles lined up for the parade and they were led out of Bangerang Park up to the top of town and down Sanger St. then out to the Showgrounds. Two areas were used again for the photos which enabled people to view all the vehicles including the theme vehicles.

Thank you to Jan McKenna for running the Swap Meet for KVE. I am sure there were a number of bargains found there and at Ball Park during the week. Many thanks to those KVE members who held the donation tin for a period of time in the morning.

On Saturday afternoon there was a hold up down at the lagoon due to a houseboat being put into the water. Those with amphibious vehicles and trailers ended up being able to go in and out of the water a little later than expected.

On Saturday night we commenced with a celebration for my 50th birthday which is actually on the 30th April. It was nice for my parents to be able to attend this celebration along with many friends.

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Right:

This photo is of all those who attended the first Swim-In in 1980 and were present at the 40th Swim-In. It was especially good to see the instigator of the first Swim-In, Ian Grieve from QLD present at the presentations.

At 7:30pm we held a photoshoot for people who had been at the first event back in 1980. I was able to put up one of the flags made for the first event back in 1980 as a backdrop. We held a presentation of awards and also a photo of the KVE members.

In the participant packs we have a Voting form so people can nominate people for awards. There are probably many people who deserve these awards but if there is nothing in the Jerry can (Suggestions Box) we can only make a decision from what we are told and what is submitted to us. Sometimes information comes to light after the event. There is also a suggestion so people can let us know of a theme they would like in future years and places to visit the following year.



Award list

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

Name: Manfred Henkel as he is always enthusiastic and likes to share his vehicles with people.

2. Hard Luck Award:

Name: Trent Keith for working day and night to get his DUKW to Corowa and unfortunately was unable to complete it.

3. Breakdown Award:

Name: Paul Dekmetzian his 1965 International Mk3 4x4 truck. (Paul sent this report after the event.)

The following was provided by Paul:

Well, at about 1.30pm on the Thursday and 220km from home near Swanpool, the water pump casing broke off just below the shaft and pushed the fan and pulley into the radiator. The speedo was showing 60mph at the time.

The Inter was running beautifully and not a noise or whisper from the water pump until it let go. Radiator, water pump, fan, pully and fan belts all damaged and a good thing I wasn't in a river or on the side of a mountain up the High Country.

The RACV covered the cost and Benalla Towing got me home at about 8pm. Pretty big day I would have to say but many thanks to the RACV and their Total Care package.

Upon pulling the thing apart yesterday, we found that the water pump had been slightly modified in the neck with small punch holes on the inside of the casing.

We believe that an Army mechanic, some 40 or more years before, was overhauling the pump, had an loose fitting bearing and would probably have punched the holes to give the bearing a tight fit.

All of that worked for many years but metal fatigue got the best of it over the years and caused the problem. All in a days fun I say! :)

Anyway, its all apart now, the radiator can be repaired, replacing the harmonic balancer & seal, the timing cover gasket, new hoses and belts and all together relatively easy fix.

But I am making a slight improvement with a viscous coupling and plastic fan as the original fans tended to break up and cause all sorts of issues.

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4. Longest distance driven in a military vehicle:

The only name in the Suggestions box was Sam Cutajar. I asked some Queensland members if they knew of anyone driving from QLD and they were unable to identify any. An award was given to Sam Cutajar who drove his Jeep from SA. After the event we were made aware that Alex Daffy drove his 6x6 Land Rover from Gatton in Qld so he has been sent an award.

5. Encouragement Award:

Name: Beau Bruce as he completed restoration of his Blitz prior to Corowa and drove it all the way from Young and back. It is good to see younger people joining our hobby.

6. Vehicle - People's Choice For your favourite vehicle attending this year:

Vehicle rally number: Lachlan Matthews with his 2 pounder Attack Carrier

7. Amphibian - People's Choice: For your favourite amphibious vehicle attending this year:

Two awards were handed out and these went to Andrew Wilson with his DUKW and the Ledwidge family for their Studebaker Weasel.

8. Prototype - People's Choice: For your favourite prototype attending this year:

John Abakumenko for his 1987 Land Rover Perentie Senior Commander (48-006) the 6th Perentie.

Information on John's Land Rover Perentie Senior Commander: *once the contract for the supply to the Australian Army was awarded to Land Rover the production models initially had to begin somewhere. The vehicles that were used in the trials were built just for those trials and amounted to six vehicles for the Australian Army and three that were retained by the Australian Army.*

The Initial Production Vehicles (IPV) were the first ten production 4X4 vehicles built and represented at least one of each model that was anticipated to be built at the that time. Where multiples were built it was because one was retained by Land Rover as Engineering Reference Vehicles.

There was also a range of minor differences in the IPV's from their production vehicles. A bumperette on the jerry can brackets at the rear for example, a slightly different design for the shovel bracket on the bonnet and so on. Even down to them all being finished initially in olive drab, although that extended beyond the Initial Production Vehicles.

The Initial Production Vehicles built were:

1 x General Service 48-001

2 x Fitted For Radio-4800-002 and VOY 194

1 x Fitted For Radio With Winch 48-003

1 x Survey Fitted for Radio 48-004

2 x Command Fitted for Radio 48-005 and AJ-46-HS

1 x Senior Commander 48-006

2 x Personnel Carryall-48-007 and OLE – 980

source: <https://www.remlr.com/perentie-IPV.html>

9. The Fantasy Award: went to Ray Kickert for misunderstanding the meaning of Prototype military vehicle and desecrating a civilian Jeep Cherokee.

After the end of the night David Stafford came out with the second flag which was produced in 1980 for the first event. This is the first time possibly since the 1980's that both flags were put side by side.

See the flag reunion in the photo here>



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Deborah Birrell wrote a poem which was shared with participants on Saturday night:

The Corowa Swim-In.

*The engine sound is hard to describe
Of the ex military vehicles in which we ride
Each one different in many ways
And some unique I heard you say*

*It is now forty years since its first beginnings
This gathering of vehicles, not a bad innings
The dedicated come from near and far
To show their vehicles and have a yarn*

*Many have been here more than once
And that surely cannot be by chance
What keeps them coming is a common theme
Military vehicles, their hopes and dreams*

*There are track marks in the hard ground
And bar treads on vehicles abound
The size and colours of vehicles are mixed
There is canvas and hard tops that are fixed*

*This passion, this interest it is amazing
There are some who think we must be crazy
We keep coming back year after year
To the swim in at Corowa to show our gear*

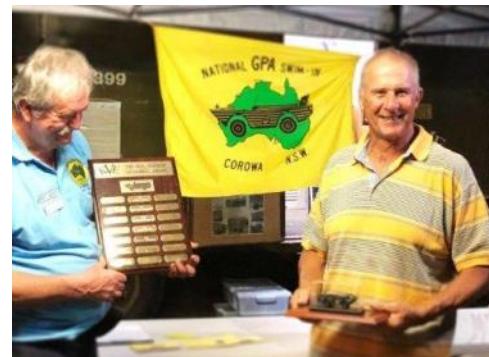
*Some will drive to the water as a car or truck
And then transform and become like a duck
Floating on the water and motor propelled
The myths of amphibians are now dispelled*

*There are many jeeps and trucks and cars
Tracked vehicles and bikes decorated with stars
The week at Corowa is an awesome event
So bring your van or pitch a tent*

*Be part of the show and have some fun
Catch up with mates, old and young
Mark March on your calendar as a must
To get to Corowa and have a blast.*

Deborah Birrell — March 2019

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Report from John Oldenmenger:

The Swiss Maid (Saurer truck) was running late, but it has done its first duty already. Transporting the radar van back to Neville's farm. After that back to Ball Park, and returned to Sydney, but copped fuel lift pump trouble, so the trip was done over two days. When serious needs ask for serious measures, I pressurised the fuel system at Marulan after lunch, and she didn't miss a beat from there onwards, so she's at her new home since 3pm today. I hope that everybody had a great time, although this year's event has had its challenges, but as usual all madness turns back to normal, so back to work tomorrow. For those who helped with the parade and photoshoot, in particular Clark (kiwi) Ross, thank you very much, and let us see what we can achieve next year.

And from this end, I wish Graham Arkle (Stalwart accident) a speedy and full recovery.

Thanks folks. Dutchy.

Many participants left on Sunday but I managed to get a ride in Andrew Wilson's DUKW before our Sunday KVE meeting. Those of us who were still in town met up at the Corowa RSL in the evening for dinner.

We hope next year that those who were unable to bring their amphibian's due to them not being complete such as Trent Keith with his DUKW, John Mackie with his GPA and David Stafford with his GPA will be in attendance.



Finally, Ray Kickert receiving his award for the Fantasy vehicle - well done, a lot of thought and effort went into it!



Thanks to Federation Council, Anne and Peter George -managers of Ball Park Caravan Park, Corowa Tree Care, Australian Armour & Artillery Museum, Corowa VRA for coming to the lagoon on Saturday afternoon. Thanks to the AMVCS for the loan of their defribulator. Thanks also to Kristian Kemper from Everyman who joined us near the radar van and went on the trips.

To be kept up to date on how the next event is progressing we hope people regularly check the website: corowaswim-in.org and our Facebook. During the past year there were changes and we kept the clubs informed and I hope your club provided you with these updates. You might want to touch base with us during the year and I hope all who camped and stayed at Ball Park Caravan Park have paid deposits for the following year. Up until Corowa 2018 people were not able to pay a deposit for unpowered sites but since then participants are encouraged to pay a deposit. The normal license for unpowered sites has been 80 and the Federation Council completed a special application for this year to be increased by 55. We hope this can



Jan, our KVE Secretary, celebrating at her pre-birthday bash on the Saturday evening at Corowa.

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occur in future years.

KVE hope you will be submitting your personal profile to us ASAP so we can get our 40th anniversary book underway.

Vehicle list:

Land Rovers: 61	Jeeps: 80	Blitz: 6
Dodge Weapons Carrier: 1	GPA: 10	Studebaker: 4
LARC V: 1	International: 5	Bren Gun Carriers: 3
Strickland Carrier: 1	Austin Champ: 2	Ferret Scout cars: 3
Unimogs: 4	BSA WM20: 2	Mini Moke: 2
Yamaha Motor cycles: 3	Mutt: 2	White M3A1: 2
Mack: 2	Mercedes fire truck: 1	VW Kubelwagon: 1
HUMVEE: 2	Mule: 1	Studebaker Weasel: 1
Saurer: 1	OKA: 1	Dodge Carryall: 1
Dodge command car: 3	Ford convertible: 1	Harley Davidson: 4
Marmon Herrington: 1	Chev car: 1	Pinzgauer: 1
Ford XY: 1	Burma Dodge: 1	Vauxhall Car: 1
Indian 741 Motorcycle: 1	Condor A350 motorcycle: 1	Land Cruiser: 1
Various military bicycles: 4	Amphicar: 1	
		Total : 225

It is always interesting to see what happens on the way home from Corowa. John Hedges has provided me with the following:

AMEC Snowy Mountains Trip - Post Corowa

After another relaxing week at Corowa for the annual swim in, some of the AMEC members headed off on Sunday for there return trip home. It was decided to take 4 days and drive home via the Victorian high country. Det, Mark & Allan in their Perenties, David with his wife, Glenys in a modern vehicle. Then there was me and Fiona's primary school friend, Garry from Scone NSW. He had never been to this part of the country before so he was keen to see it in "Captain Peacock" sitting in the passenger seat. This is a 1964 Series 2A Land Rover that belonged to David Brown, one of the original people to attend the 1st Corowa Swim In. David was at Lady Davidson Home and Hospital as part of the organising committee helping to marshal all the vehicles ready to head for Number 1 Platform at Central Railway Station, to be loaded onto a train bound for Alice Springs. David was dressed in his Army Reserve overalls with his swagger stick under arm and his slouch hat with an Emu feather in it, being very official, hence some participants gave him the nickname "Captain Peacock". When Fiona acquired the Landy 4 years ago she christened it Captain Peacock in memory of her brother.

Day 1

We left Ball Park at 1000 hrs and headed for Taylors Crossing camp ground on the Mitta Mitta River north of Omeo arriving about 1830 hrs. This took us via Myrtleford, Bright, Mt Beauty then to Falls Creek Alpine Village. The Landy handled the mountain climb very well, even though it was said to slow down the Perenties. From there we drove through the Alpine National Park to our camp site. Mark took us on a short cut via the 8 mile loop fire trail. This was slow going in low range up and down the hills. Garry said he was glad to see camp that



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night, little did he know what was coming ahead of us the next day. We had our first break down on that trail as Mark got a flat tyre. The jack that came supplied with the Perentie failed to work, luckily he had a spare on board.

Day 2

After a photo shoot of camp and the hanging walking bridge over the river we headed off. Stopped at Benambra Pub for another photo shoot as Mark had led another group of AMEC members there some 15 years ago, that time no Perenties, Blitz's etc. Once we turned off the main road and headed for Tom Groggin via Davies Plain, the trail again turned to slow going, up and down in low range, some of it was very steep, it was on one of these steep climbs that Capt. Peacock decided that it had had enough, just making it to the top. Then the real fun started, at first I thought it had run out of fuel in the tank it was running on, (not a first for me). This was not to be the case, after much investigation it was found to be the fuel pump. Our tour guide Mark with his wealth on knowledge on 2A's attempted to undertake repairs, to no avail, I did not have a spare repair kit. Of course, while all this was happening, we had light rain to add to the matter. After much discussion it was decided that Det with his Perentie would tow me back to the pub at Benambra. There we would all have a dry warm bed for the night. All was going well with the tow back to the pub until Det was unable to tow me up on very steep hill, hence we hooked Mark to Det and both of them managed to get me to the top. After that it was easy going for the remainder of the 70 km tow in. A relax at the bar and a hot meal was very well received by all. John had to shout the drinks, not really sure why.



Day 3

After bedding the 2A down at the back of the pub John and Garry travelled with Det and Mark for the remainder of the trip home. As it had been raining it was decided not to go home via Davies Plain, instead via Corryong and Cabramurra. We had to change our plans, as the road to Cabramurra was closed due to a bush fire, so then had to go via Thredbo to get home. Given that we would now pass by Tom Groggin, it was decided to drive across the Murray River at the point where we should have come out on our original plan. Once across the river we had another tyre failure, this time it was Allan's turn, luckily a top up of air got him home. The rest of the trip home was uneventful.



All in all, we had a great time and are keen to go back and do the balance of the Davies Plain trail that we did not get to do. Never let a break down get in the road of a good time.

Later that week Det and I borrowed a suitable truck from a mate and over 2 days returned to retrieve Capt. Peacock. A 1200 km exercise.

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The Corowa Swim-In & Military Vehicle Gathering has once again been nominated and awarded the Community Event of the Year in the Federation Council area.

A number of KVE members were present at the ceremony on Australia Day at Mulwala.

The award was presented to KVE Secretary, Jan Thompson, by Australia Day Ambassador Jeremy Jones AM



At the Saturday Presentation evening a group photo was taken of KVE members who were present at the time. If you were not there then you missed an enjoyable social gathering with some people present who had not been to Corowa for some years.



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On Two (or More Wheels): Australian Military Motorcycles Post-WW2 by Michael K Cecil Colbert, WA, USA

After the end of the Second World War, tens of thousands of military motorcycles were declared obsolete and sold. The RAAF maintained the Indian 741B for several years, while Army retained the Harley Davidson 42WLA as the standard service motorcycle in both solo and combination configurations. Indeed, the Harley was deployed with the Australian contribution to the British Commonwealth Occupation Force (BCOF) in Japan, and would again go to war with Australian forces in Korea in the early 1950s.



Private Bob Parker of 3RAR on a Harley Davidson 42WLA in Korea prior to his capture by the Chinese on 24 April 1951. He was engaged and wounded by a Chinese machine gun while riding the Harley, crashed and was captured after fending off the Chinese with his Owen machine carbine.
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Left:

A 3RAR dispatch rider tends his Harley Davidson 42WLA while on operations in Korea. The Harley was the Second World War-vintage motorcycle retained in service by the Australian Army during the post-war period. They were disposed of during the 1960s.

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By the late 1950s, the 42WLA was approaching the end of its service life. The small number remaining were becoming difficult to maintain as fast-wearing spare parts became more and more difficult to procure. A replacement was needed, so the Army turned to the more traditional supplier of Australian military hardware, Britain.

In 1960, Triumph, Norton, BSA, Royal Enfield and Velocette each provided two motorcycles for evaluation by the Australian Army as a possible replacement for the Harley Davidson 42WLA. (Table 1)

Table I: 1960s Trials Motorcycles

Manufacturer	Model	Aust Army Registration
Triumph	Not known	94741 & 94742
BSA	C15	94743 & 94744
Norton	ES2	94745 & 94746
Royal Enfield	500 Bullet	94747 & 94748
Velocette	MSS	94749 & 94750

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After the initial trials, the two remaining contenders were the Norton and an improved model of the BSA. Both companies loaned the Australian Army a motorcycle for testing. The Norton was the 349cc capacity Navigator, while BSA provided a C15 fitted with a 350cc B40 engine, designated a 'special trials machine'. The BSA was registered as 94752, while the Norton received the registration 94751. Both were returned to the manufacturer at the end of the initial phase of trials.

The BSA was chosen for further testing, so BSA manufactured a batch of 20 C15 frames equipped with the B40 engine. These were taken into service in 1964 and given registration numbers 94754 to 94773.

Following extended user trials, the BSA B40 was accepted for service, and a contract for a further 450 motorcycles was issued. These new production B40s were taken into service during 1967. They were assigned registration numbers from 94785 to 95234. Over the next few years, the Harley Davidson's were phased out and disposed of. The BSA B40 remained in service until the mid-1970s, with the majority disposed of in the late 1970s and early 1980s.

In parallel with the purchase of the British BSA B40, the Italian 150cc Vespa Model VBB motor scooter was purchased in small numbers to provide local area transport. The 1960s also saw the first purchases of Japanese motorcycles. These were the Honda C90, for use in commuting around large base areas. Around 100 were purchased.

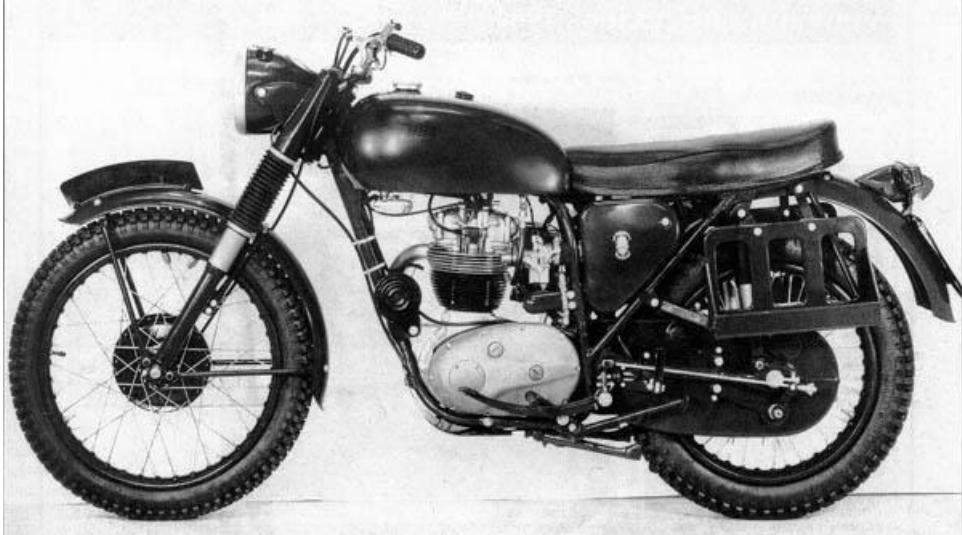
In 1971, two Kawasaki W2P police motorcycles, and two Triumph TR6R motorcycles were trialed, but neither was acquired in quantity, with the BSA B40 remaining in service use. This trial was the 'last gasp' of the British motorcycle in the Australian Army: from the mid-1970s, Japanese motorcycles came to dominate Army motorcycle purchases.

The next series of trials were held in 1976-1977, and were all Japanese makes. Suzuki, Honda, Kawasaki and Yamaha each provided solo motorcycles in two configurations: as general purpose transport with minimal military fittings, and as a military police 'provost patrol' model with police-type fittings such as additional warning lights, siren and radios.

The models trialed were the Honda CB550 with a 544cc four cylinder, air-cooled engine; the twin cylinder, 398cc Kawasaki Z400, the Yamaha XS 500B powered by a 498cc twin cylinder engine, and the 399cc Suzuki GS400, also a twin-cylinder.

The Suzuki GS400 was chosen for both roles. The 'Motorcycle, Solo, General Purpose, Suzuki' was used for general communications and the carriage of dispatches, while the 'Motorcycle, Solo, Military Police, Suzuki' was for the use of the military police for patrol and escort work. Although the same base motorcycle was used in both applications, some idea of the additional fittings of the MP version can be gleaned from the difference in tare (dry) weight, with the MP version weighing 20 kilograms more than the GP version. Eighty of the GP model were acquired in 1979, followed by 42 of the MP model in 1979.

The development of the off-road motorcycle for the civilian recreational market was paralleled by developments in capable off-road military motorcycles for patrol and reconnaissance work.



The BSA B40WD production model - This one is in British Army specification, only minor differences to the Australian army contract, such as the exhaust system. Other armed forces who bought this motorcycle were Denmark and Jordan.

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Where motorcycles had previously been more-or-less road-bound, the new generation of off-road motorcycles provided the military with the ability to traverse much greater areas of terrain than could be achieved on foot, or in a larger vehicle. In 1980, the Australian Army acquired its first 'Motorcycle, Two-wheel, All-Terrain' for testing, which was soon followed by the purchase of small numbers of Suzuki DR250S off-road motorcycles. Designated the 'Motorcycle, Patrol, MC2, Suzuki DR250S', it weighed just 130 kilograms and was powered by a quiet, air-cooled 249cc single-cylinder – ideal for travel across large tracts of rough country inaccessible to larger vehicles. The DR250S was on limited issue to reconnaissance troops and to the Special Air Service Regiment (SASR). The SASR had the new Land Rover 6x6 Long Range Patrol Vehicle (LRPV) which was equipped with a rear-mounted rail for carrying an off-road motorcycle.



The Suzuki DR250S was the first off-road motorcycle purchased in quantity by the Australian Army. Used for patrol and reconnaissance work, it is seen here on the transport rack of an SASR 6x6 Land Rover Long Range Patrol Vehicle. Note the use of camouflage green-tinted plastic parts and the Auscam seat cover. Examples have also been noted with the manufacturer's name Suzuki in black paint on the sides of the fuel tank.

The latter part of the 1980s also saw the introduction of three-wheel off-road motorcycles into the civilian market. Known as All Terrain Vehicles (ATV), these rapidly became popular with both agricultural and recreational users, though the stability of the tricycle configuration needed careful handling and limited the type of terrain that could be traversed in safety. The Australian Army purchased a small number of three-wheel ATVs in the mid-1980s.



The introduction of the quad-cycle All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) extended the variety of tasks that could be accomplished with motorcycles. Virtually all purchases have been 'off the shelf' civilian ATVs which then receive a coat of camouflage to 'militarise' them. This quad, operated by the RAAF at the Tindal, Northern Territory air base during the mid-1990s, is no exception, with a spray coat of north Australia camouflage colours over the original red plastic panels, and a loose-fitting green cloth seat cover.

Pressure from the civilian market saw the rapid progression from three to the much more stable and safer four-wheel, four-wheel drive configuration of ATV. The quad, as the four-wheeler quickly became known, was an instant hit and quickly superseded the tricycle in all market areas including the military. In 1987, the Australian Army purchased a small number of quads for trials. The Yamaha YFM 350 'Raptor', the Suzuki LT-F4WD and the Honda TRX350, together with trailers, were trialed. The Honda TRX350, with its 'Trailer, Drop-Zone Clearance, MC3', was subsequently purchased in small numbers for the use of specialized troops, such as the Army's infantry parachute battalion and the SASR. Quads and their trailers were light enough and rugged enough to survive insertion by parachute, and once landed, provided troops with both mobility and carrying capacity for stores and heavy weapons. They were, and still are, the modern-day equivalent of the Second World War $\frac{1}{4}$ ton truck.

The numbers of motorcycles purchased in the post-Second World War period have not come even remotely close to the many thousands acquired during war. Nevertheless, between 1945 and 1980, the

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motorcycle still provided a very valuable capability in terms of escort, patrol and communications duties on reasonably good roads. The advent of the true off-road motorcycle extended the capability to traversing rugged off-road terrain for patrol and reconnaissance work. That off-road capability was extended even further in the late 1980s with the introduction of the ATV, first in tricycle, then quad-cycle configuration (*and later still, with the six-wheeled light utility vehicle – but is that still a 'motorcycle'?*). There is little doubt that motorcycles and ATVs will continue to be a valuable component of the modern Australian Army into the foreseeable future.



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A Honda ATV of the AWM collection. This quad was operated by the SASR during operations in East Timor, but was damaged in an air-drop. The camouflage paintwork was simply applied directly over the red Honda panels without preparation, and which soon starts to flake off.

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Corowa Swim-In 2020 The event's 40th Anniversary Theme for next year is; **Year of the Motorcycle**

We invite all owners of Ex-Military motorcycles to bring their machines to Corowa for 2020. It will be wonderful to see a large gathering of makes such as BSA, Norton, Triumph, Matchless, Ariel, Royal Enfield, Harley Davidson, Indian, BMW, Zundapp, Bombardier, Armstrong, Condor and not forgetting Suzuki and Yamaha machines.

"Push the bike out and bring it to Corowa"



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For further information or assistance in accommodation please contact the Corowa Visitor Information Centre on Freecall: 1800 814 054. They are there to help you and are willing to search and book for you, or you can go online to do it at www.visitcorowaregion.com.au

Business Name	Address	Location	Phone
<u>Caravan Parks</u>			
Ball Park Caravan Park	Bridge Road	Corowa	02 6033 1426
Howlong Caravan Park	55 Hume Street	Howlong	02 6026 5304
Rivergum Holiday Park	386 Honour Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 1990
Bindaree Holiday Park	454 Honour Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 2500
Corowa Caravan Park	84 Federation Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 1944
<u>Motel</u>			
Arcadia Motor Inn	127-135 Federation Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 2088
Best Western Heritage Motor Inn	25 Edward Street	Corowa	02 6033 1800
Federation Motor Inn	330 Honour Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 2022
Corowa Golf Club Motel	Hume Street	Corowa	02 6033 1466
Corowa Motor Inn	69-73 Riesling Street	Corowa	02 6033 1255
Golfers Lodge Motel	71 Hume Street	Corowa	02 6033 1366
Golfers Retreat Motel	57 Hay Street	Corowa South	02 6033 2059
Greenacres Motel	91-99 Federation Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 2288
Howlong Golf Resort	194 Golf Club Drive	Howlong	02 6026 5321
Lone Pine Motel	17 Lone Pine Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 2966
Corowa Gateway Motel	203 Sanger Street	Corowa	02 6033 1566
Motel Menere's	146 Federation Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 1066
Motel Wingrove	147 Federation Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 2055
Riverside Water Front Motel	7-9 Cadel Terrace	Wahgunyah	02 6033 1177
Statesman Motor Inn	2 Edward Street	Corowa	02 6033 2411
Yarrawonga & Border Golf Club	Gulai Street	Mulwala	03 5744 1911
<u>Self Contained</u>			
Coromandel House	14 Tower Street	Corowa	02 6033 1001
John Foord Guesthouse	7 Braintree Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 5284
Kath's Place	15 Wanstead Street	Corowa	02 6033 1001
Murray Banks Holiday Units	76 Federation Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 2922
Murray Rest Cottages	43 Barkly Street	Wahgunyah	02 6033 3685
Oakliegh Hideaway	Piggins Road	Hopefield	02 6033 1814
Pete's Place	20 Gitchell Street	Corowa	02 6033 4495
Savernake Farmstay	Savernake Station	Yarrawonga	02 6035 9415
Terminus Holiday Units	Cnr Edward & Sanger Streets	Corowa	02 6033 4071
The Shanty Waterside Cottage	The Shanty, Spring Drive	Corowa	02 6033 3838
The Stable @ Riesling	1/51 Riesling Street	Corowa	0439 456 337
<u>B&B</u>			
The Old Post Office Howlong	39 Hawkins Street	Howlong	02 6026 8278
<u>Hotels</u>			
The Royal Hotel	95 Sanger Street	Corowa	02 6033 0301
Hotel Australia	Sanger Street	Corowa	02 6033 1052

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With other events often occurring in the area at the time of the Swim-In, we have widened the area to include Rutherglen and here is some accommodation in that area. You can also search on www.explorerutherglen.com.au

Accommodation in Rutherglen

Victoria Hotel	90 Main St.	Rutherglen 6585	02 6032 8610
Rutherglen Motor Inn	217 Main St.	Rutherglen 6585	1800 028 356
Walkabout Motel	15 Moodemere St.	Rutherglen 6585	02 6032 9572
Motel Woongarra	40 Drummond St.	Rutherglen 6585	02 6032 9588
Poachers Paradise	97 Murray St.	Rutherglen 6585	02 6032 7373
Golden Chain Wine Village Motor Inn	217 Main St.	Rutherglen 6585	1800 028 356

The above are a small selection of what accommodation is available around Rutherglen. To check further we suggest you go to www.explorerutherglen.com.au where you can find out price and availability for the period you wish to stay, and there are more to choose from.

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Please let us know when you want your advert removed**

Coming event at Greta, NSW

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Silky Oak Festival

Greta Army & Migrant Camp Anniversaries 2019

9th - 10th November 2019

Hello and Welcome,

The community of Greta / Branxton invite you and your Club to celebrate with us the 80th anniversary of the Greta Army Camp and the 70th anniversary of the founding of the Greta Migrant Camp. It is 1 km. from the town centre of Greta (The site is privately owned now but, the owners have given permission for one last access to the site. This will allow the community to celebrate these periods of significant history for the area).



We are arranging and have commitment with organisation that includes the following:

2 days, Sat. and Sun. - Sunday being a shorter programme. - Official Government attendance for the opening - Marching displays - Variety of Bands - Military re-enactors - Military Vehicles, Armoured, Soft Skin, Support vehicles - Motorcycles - Vintage vehicles - Military flyovers from all facets of the armed forces during the 2 days - Military displays and current ADF personnel - Multicultural dancing groups - Food vendors - Historical display on the site & tours.

All volunteers / military exhibitors will have free entry and a separate catering area will be set up and the catering provided. Camping on site will be available. (Over the days of the event, we will be providing a separate camping area for those with full shower and toilet facilities, onsite). We feel that as you and your group have a substantial liability this would be the minimum we can do to reduce member's costs.

Clubs attending it is proposed that the following will apply:

Friday Lunch: Cut sandwiches **Friday Dinner:** BBQ dinner

Saturday Morning: Egg & Bacon rolls, tea/coffee etc. **Saturday Lunch:** Sandwiches and cold drinks, etc.

Saturday Dinner: BBQ Dinner and beer / wine.

Sunday Breakfast: Egg & Bacon rolls, tea/coffee etc. **Sunday Dinner:** Make up BBQ

The separate area will be adjacent to the military vehicle parking area, it will be fenced to ensure the public cannot access, as some people may travel from the Clarence Town Swim-In and early access can be arranged to enjoy the area and Greater Hunter.

So if you would like to join us in celebration and share your vehicles to add to the atmosphere.

Please email me **before** the below date.

- Further information will be supplied as we get closer to the event and firm up numbers.
- We will need a copy of the group's Public Liability insurance policy.
- Vehicle listings.
- Please email to spvwad@live.com.au - Craig Wade or call 0425 134 701

Come and Celebrate with us



For Sale & Wanted

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FOR SALE**1940 Cab 11 Ford F30S cab/chassis**

A very early CMP fitted with Chev diffs front and rear. Basically complete and the cab is fairly straight. Engine side plates are rusty but the rest is pretty good. A small bit of cab rust. Straight chassis and original fuel tanks. The engine turns over but I have not tried to start it. Your chance to obtain one of the rarest CMP vehicles in the world. **\$4,500.00 ONO.**


**1954 Commer FV1600
(Humber - Truck, 1 ton, 4x4 CT)**

22,000 MILES. Some rust below the cabin on RHS and around the roof.

Drove well before we put it in the shed 11 years ago

\$9,250. - ONO



Call Rick on 0401 278 238 regarding the vehicles above.

WANTED - parts for a M3A1 White Scout Car

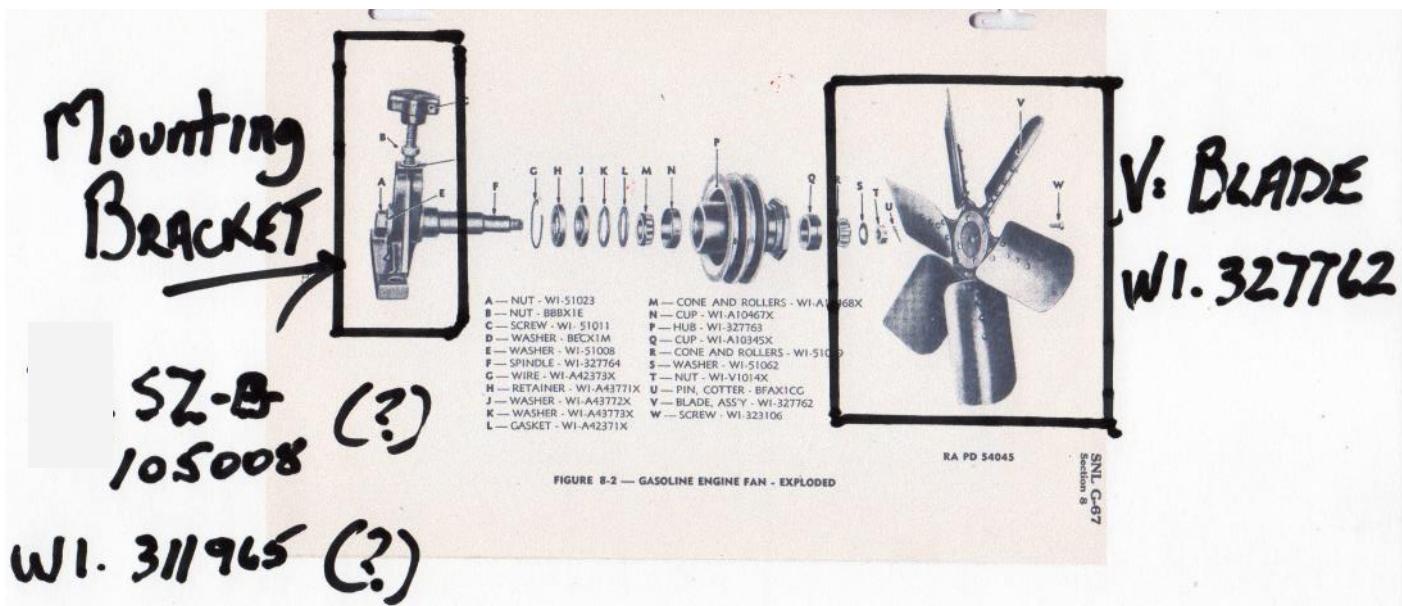
Due to an unfortunate mishap when my White Scout Car was on its way to an ANZAC Day service, a blade broke off the fan and caused considerable damage. I am in need of the following parts, preferably NOS or good used:

Fan, part # WI-327762

Fan Mounting Bracket , thought to be part # WI- 311965 (not sure)

Radiator

Call Rick on 0401 278 238 if you can help



For Sale**Page 30**

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The next edition of this Newsletter will be out in October.
There will be updates on the 2020 Swim-In event as well as articles of interest.
It will be available on the website; www.corowaswim-in.org
or if you would like to receive it by email please contact the Editor on
kve.editor@btinternet.com and your name will be added to the emailing list.

For Sale

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FOR SALE**1942 International KS5**

Motor turns, over needs full restoration for Back-to-the-Track 2020
\$3500

**1940 Ford coupe ute**

Good V8 motor plus sheet metal for tailboard and sides already swaged.
\$5500



Brand new C60S or C30 chassis. Been in a shed for over 50 years. No rust between the chassis rails. Rear 15 inches of chassis has been cut off but can be replaced easily. \$1000

Contact: Graham Meyer 0428 278 945

FOR SALE**3 x Humber FV1600 1 ton 4x4 trucks**

Due to finances, three Humbers are for sale, one will make a perfect vehicle, second one will make a good vehicle and third will be good for spares. All have engines (Rolls Royce B60), set of good doors and cab and back body, reconditioned gearbox.

Contact Glenn Cairncross at horrendorevolver69@gmail.com



The Corowa 'Year of' series of DVDs

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This series features plenty of action and the stories behind some of the many fascinating and unique vehicles taking part in the annual event at Corowa, NSW.

Available from **Keith Webb, PO Box 3130, Eltham, Vic. 3095**

at \$30.00 each (except 2018 DVD at \$35) plus postage.

The 2019 DVD will be available at the Corowa Swim-In in March 2020

Contact **Keith Webb** on **0438 132 748** or email **keith.webb@imagecontrol.com.au**

2002 - Year of the Blitz

This is the story of an attempt to establish a Guinness World Record for the largest gathering of privately owned Blitz trucks. Extra features include the **2004 Year of the Dodge** featurette.

2003 - Year of the Studebaker

Colourful and entertaining this documentary covers both the history of the US6 Studebaker and the event. Special feature is the story of the North South road told by veteran army driver Alan Smith.

2005 - Year of the Carrier

This year the theme vehicle is the charismatic tracked carrier so popular with military vehicle enthusiasts. Extra features include an hour of footage ranging from Carriers in Canada to a profile on the 2 pounder Tank Attack carrier owned by the Bandiana Army Museum.

2006 - Year of the Armoured Car

Among a total of 123 military vehicles were 8 White Scout Cars, Ferrets, Half track, Lynx, a Daimler Dingo and LP4 Armoured Car. Extra features include an extended interview with historian Mike Cecil and coverage of the Melbourne Tank Museum auction.

2007 - Year of the Cycle and Staff Car

The 28th Annual Swim-in had a dual theme this year attracting over 30 bicycles, staff cars and motorcycles along with a further 130 military vehicles. Special features include the history of these vehicles by Mike Cecil and a trip to Tocumwal with a talk from local historian Bob Brown.

2008 - Year of the Tracked Vehicle

With some 150 vehicles at Corowa this DVD is full of tracked action. From a unique LP3 carrier prototype to the mighty Russian T34 we take you onboard some of the most interesting military vehicles yet seen at Corowa. Extras include a visit to collector Ron Fry to see his extensive collection and ride in his Stuart.

2009 - Year of the Amphibian and Blitz 2.

The 30th anniversary of the event at Corowa saw a joint theme featuring amphibious vehicles and also a reprise of 2002, Year of the Blitz. The record of 34 blitzes set that year was eclipsed with 43 blitz trucks being part of a total of 194 military vehicles. Highlights of this DVD are the Buffalo, Kübelwagen, plus a variety of Blitzes.

2010 - Year of the Jeep

This was always going to be a large event. 179 Jeeps making up more than half of the total of a massive 266 vehicles this year. The featured vehicle is the very rare 1940 Willys MA. At the other end of the scale is a Mutt, repaired on-site after a collision with a kangaroo. The wet conditions led to plenty of action in the mud.

2011 — Year of the British & European Vehicles

This DVD covers many of the highlights and stories of this fabulous event. There are 20 profiles of vehicles including German and British motorcycles, softskins and armour as well as an extended story on the star of the show, Rick Cove's 1916 Albion. Just about every vehicle attending is seen in the parade and assembly at the Corowa airport.

2012 - Year of the 6X6

This DVD features all the action of the event, including the parade, display, swap meet and loads of in depth interviews with the owners of these remarkable vehicles. We go through the gears in reverse in an Austin Champ, ride in Dodge 6X6 and GMC. A highlight is excerpts of the talk given by John Belfield about his decades of rescuing and restoring military vehicles.

2013 - Year of the Towed Equipment and Armoured Vehicle

This DVD features among other things, trailers and armoured vehicles. We take a close look at: A 'Barn Find' low mileage Canadian Military Pattern Chevrolet C60S towing a semi-trailer designed to carry folding boats; A British generator trailer; a Bofors gun from Tumut with a colourful veteran who used them in the 1960s; A rare 37mm anti-tank gun for the Dutch Army, as well as the only running SC1 Scout Car built as reverse lend-lease for airfield defence for the US forces. The special feature is the keynote speech given by Tim Vibert.

DVD's for Sale

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2014 - Year of WW1 - Year of the Ford

In 2014 the twin themes of World War One and Ford vehicles made for an interesting gathering. This year there is a good selection of vehicles covered inc. Bob Schutt's magnificent restoration of a Ford C11ADF 'Woodie' station wagon, Ken Gehrke's recreation of a Model T Australian light patrol vehicle, Anthony Shorten with his WW1 Dodge recreation and Perentie and many more. There is the spectacle of the parade of vehicles led by Rick Cove's WW1 Albion, as well as the swap meet and display, and action on the Murray River.

2015 - Year of the General Motors and Emergency Vehicle

The theme of GM and Emergency vehicles for 2015 guaranteed an interesting and unusual collection of vehicles, and they feature in the DVD for this year. Also featured are interviews with some of the owners including Dave Argles with his Austin K2 ambulance, Graham Meyer's Chevrolet ambulance, Darrin Wright with his LP2 Mortar Carrier, and we ride with Euan and Stewart McDonald in the rare 'as found' LP1 machine gun carrier. There's coverage of the action along the river as well as the parade, swap meet and Michael Cecil's talk on his lifetime's experiences with military vehicles.

2016 - Year of the Chrysler 2 and Year of the Tank

The 2016 DVD covers this spectacular event from Motorcycles to heavy armour. Featured interviews include Rob Lowden of the Australian Armour and Artillery Museum who brought his operational German Hetzer from Cairns, Peter Kunz with his VW, Ron Sutton and his very rare Dodge 12cwt ute. A walk-around of the Carrier trailer, and action on the water and riverside. Other features are Bev and Lang Kidby's talk and of course the parade

2017 - Year of the International and Carrier 2

This year saw the largest turnout of vehicles since Year of the Jeep with a total of 225 military vehicles of all types. Featured vehicles include the Fiat-Spa which won the People's Choice award and Geoff Naylor, theme award winner with his K5 International. Also profiles of the LARC 5, Wayne Lane's British Carrier, Paul Dekmetzian's brace of ACCO's. Also covered are the trip to Maurice Wilson's property and the recovery of the Alvis Stalwart, the Saturday morning parade through Corowa, display and swap meet at the Corowa Racecourse, and guest speaker Deborah Birrell's presentation on her walk along the Kokoda Track. We also hear from Jack Caple, a WW2 veteran. Jack was involved with Machine Gun Carriers during the Tobruk and El Alamein campaigns and gives us a very personal view of Australian LP1 carriers in action.

LATEST DVD - 2018 Year of the Land Rover \$35

Preview: The 2018 Swim-In DVD features Land-Rovers in all their varieties and we meet some of the owners, along with newly imported Swiss vehicles such as the M6 Saurer, Mowag and Berna 2DM. The video covers the highlights and character of the event from river fun to the parade and display at the Corowa Racecourse.



Backfire, a 1944 propaganda short movie made by Ford Canada featuring scenes of the construction and spectacular testing of Canadian Military Pattern (Blitz) trucks and carriers. \$20.00 plus postage.

Directory of Australian based Military Vehicle Groups

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Khaki Vehicle Enthusiasts Incorporated (KVE Inc.)

**Mailing Address: 9/1 Millett Road, Mosman, NSW 2088 Contact : Jan Thompson
Mob. 0412 078 096 Email: kveinc@optusnet.com.au Website: <http://corowaswim-in.org>**
Organisers of the Annual Corowa Swim-In & Military Vehicle Gathering

Australian Ex-Military Vehicle Collectors Society Inc. (AMVCS)

Mailing Address: P.O Box 221 Gladesville NSW 2111
Contact : John Gordon Phone No: Mob. 0411 868 745 Email: jgor9364@bigpond.net.au
Website: http://au.groups.yahoo.com/group/amvcs_nsw/
Dates of Meetings: 2nd Wednesday of the month Locations of Meetings: Ashfield RSL at 8pm
For collectors and enthusiasts of ex-military vehicles

Military Section of the Veteran Car Club of WA (Inc)

Mailing Address: Contact : Chairman Brian Thompson Phone No: 08 9257 3910
Email: brianjthompson@bigpond.com
Dates of Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of the month, at 8pm
Locations of Meetings: VCC Clubrooms, Cnr Hale Road/Tonkin Hwy, WATTLE GROVE, WA
Website: <http://www.veterancarclubofwa.asn.au/>
For collectors and enthusiasts of ex-military vehicles

Military Jeep Club of Queensland Incorporated (MJCQ)

Address: MJCQ, PO Box 8131, Woollongabba, QLD 4102, Australia
Contact: : Email: Secretary@mjcqinc.com Dates of Meetings: 2nd Wednesday of the month
At Rocklea Showgrounds, Ipswich Rd, Rocklea, Brisbane, Qld. Website: www.mjcqinc.com
Dedicated to the preservation of the WW2 Jeep and other military vehicles.

Australian Military Equipment Collectors Limited. (AMEC Limited)

Address: Secretary, Australian Military Equipment Collectors Ltd, 13 Knox Close, Carwoola, NSW 2620

Contact person: Mark Sierant **Phone No:** 0419 259 069 **Email:** sierant@tpg.com.au
Dates of Meetings: As required **Locations of Meetings:** As Required

Website: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aussiemecs/>
'To encourage the ownership, preservation and use of historical military vehicles and equipment'

Victorian Military Vehicle Corps (VMVC)

Address: PO Box 1209, Kensington, Vic 3031
Contact : Gordon Edwards Phone No: (03) 93768208 Email: 42ausjeep@hotmail.com
Dates of Meetings: 1st Tuesday of each month **Locations:** Rats of Tobruk Hall, Albert Park.
Website: www.vmvc.org.au "A military vehicle collectors club"

WW2 Jeeps NSW

Contact person: Mitch Holland **Phone Number:** 0418 869 709 **Email:** mitchtez@gmail.com
Dates of Meetings: as required **Locations of Meetings:** can be anywhere
Website: Still under consideration as at January 2013 if we can find an enthusiastic webmaster!
WW2 Jeeps NSW is an "unofficial" Association of enthusiasts of the legendary WW2 Jeeps (41 to 45), however membership is open to anyone with an interest in Military history and not restricted to where you live. We are bonded together by a monthly newsletter sent out regularly to an email list and the only new membership joining criteria is a sense of participation for your and current members benefit.
Find us on Facebook : world war2 jeeps nsw (fledgling group via this method with problems still being ironed out)

Military Vehicle Group of Tasmania Inc.

President: Lou Hanslow, 758 Richmond Road, Cambridge, TAS 7170
Ph/Fax 03 6248 5159 louhanslow@gmail.com
Secretary: Andrew Davis, 909 South Arm Road, Sandford, TAS 7020 Email: mvgtinc@gmail.com
<https://www.facebook.com/MilitaryVehicleGroupofTasmania>
<http://stephendenholm.wix.com/military-vehicle-tas>

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Wartime Vehicle Conservation Group SA Inc. (WVCG)

Contact: Rick Shearman Mobile No.: 0408 835 018 Email: rickshearman@bigpond.com
 Dates of meetings: 1st Tuesday of every month Location of meetings: Tower Hotel, Magill, SA
 Organisation dedicated to preservation of military vehicles.

Military Vehicle Preservation Society of South Australia Inc. (MVPSSA)

Mailing Address: PO Box 174, Salisbury, SA 5108
 Contact: Dave Carmen (President) 08 8285 3011 Email: secretary@military-vehicle-museum.org.au
 Dates of meetings: Last Tuesday of Month except December No Meeting. AGM in July.
 Location of meetings: National Military Vehicle Museum, 10 Sturton Road, Edinburgh Parks, SA 5111
 Website: www.military-vehicle-museum.org.au
 The Military Vehicle Preservation Society of South Australia Inc., and National Military Vehicle Museum. Our Society has been in service for 37 years, and our Museum celebrated 20 years in August 2013.

Land Rover Owners Club of Australia Sydney Branch Inc.

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 172 Concord West NSW 2138 Contact email: Secretary@LROC.com.au
 Date of meetings: 4th Wednesday each month from 8-9pm (exc. Dec)
 Location of meetings: Denistone Sports Club Ltd., 59 Chatham Rd., Denistone, NSW 2114
 Website: www.lroc.com.au
 Description of the club: The Land Rover Owners Club (LROC) was formed in 1966 by a group of enthusiasts who shared an interest in four wheel driving and the great outdoors. It caters for all models from Series I.

Australian Armoured Vehicle Association

Mailing address: Australian Armoured Vehicle Association Inc., ASIC Reg. NSW Y2413247, PO Box 41, Newport Beach, NSW 2106 Contact: Diana Alan 0417 669 081
 The Australian Armoured Vehicle Association (AAVA) is a collection of enthusiasts who own, restore and display military vehicles. Formed in the late nineties with the aim of pooling resources and knowledge to benefit anyone seeking to collect, renovate and display armoured vehicles.

Registry of Ex-Military Land Rovers Inc. (REMLR)

Website: www.remlr.com Forum: www.remlr.com/forum
 The Registry of Ex Military Land Rovers was formed in 1996 to collect information about ex Army Land Rovers that people were restoring including colours, fittings and markings. The information and illustrations were all collated, and eventually incorporated in the website for all to see and benefit from the research done. The compendium of information on REMLR continues to expand and there are thousands of pages of information and manuals on the website. It includes the Australian Army, Navy and Air Force, as well as NZ Army vehicles.
 REMLR is not just Land Rovers, other vehicles are International trucks, Mokes, various other trucks, trailers, cars and bikes covered in the information pages.

There are 3 levels of joining REMLR:

1. Join the Forum and start conversing with like minded enthusiasts,
2. Become a registrant on the website/database by filling in a registration form and logging your vehicle on the database
3. As a full financial member of REMLR Inc with full voting rights and influence on the direction of REMLR.

Military History Group Inc.

Mailing address: PO Box 6, Dallas, VIC 3047 Contact: Tony Jordan (President) (03) 9359 4687
 The MHG Inc is based in Victoria and is an organisation dedicated to the restoration and preservation of military vehicles and their heritage. The MHG attends various events throughout Victoria and NSW and welcomes new members.



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Phone: 0423 943 010
E-mail: kveinc@optusnet.com.au

KVE Incorporated

Organisers of the Annual Corowa Swim-In

Commences on the long weekend (Victorian Public Holiday) in March.

Please visit our website for more info:
<http://corowaswim-in.org>

Also see us on Facebook - corowaswimin

Submissions for this newsletter can be emailed to:
kveinc@optusnet.com.au

See you at Corowa in March 2020



KHAKI VEHICLE ENTHUSIASTS INC.

Unit 9/1 Millett Road , MOSMAN, NSW, 2088

Mobile: 0423 943 010

Email: kveinc@optusnet.com.au Website: corowaswim-in.org

Reg. No. INC9884485 (incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 1984)

Khaki Vehicle Enthusiasts Inc. is an organisation, set up to run the Annual GPA Swim-In & Military Vehicle Gathering at Corowa NSW. Membership is available for those who wish to participate in the planning and running of the event and be able to vote on any matters arising at the General Meetings. What we expect is that you contribute some of your time and skills to carry out duties in association with the event, either during the year or at the event.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

FULL NAME OF APPLICANT			
RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS			
MAILING ADDRESS (if different from residential address)			
TOWN/CITY	STATE	POSTCODE	
CONTACT TELEPHONE NO. (HOME)	(WORK)		
EMAIL ADDRESS:	(MOB.)		

..... hereby apply to become a member of KVE Inc.

(occupation)

As a KVE member, I agree to be bound by the *Constitution* and *Rules* of the organisation.

KVE Membership Fee \$30 per year

Family Membership Fee \$45 per year

Amount Paid

Signature of applicant Date

Nominated by Seconded by

Join between Nov. 2018 & Feb. 2019 and your membership will be valid until March 2020

Lodge completed form, together with payment, with the Secretary.

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

Send to Jan Thompson-Creamer, 9/1 Millett Rd, Mosman, NSW, 2088 kveinc@optusnet.com.au

Membership 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 box below:

Ref. No.	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 money and post or email your Membership Form.

Privacy: The information you have provided may be made available to KVE members from time to time.

Please indicate if you do not wish your details to be disclosed

Richard Farrant

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Annual Corowa Swim-In & Military Vehicle Gathering

40th Year and 40th Anniversary Celebrations: 2019 and 2020

We are planning a celebration book to mark 40 years of the Swim-In at Corowa and need your help to make it something special. Whether it is stories, anecdotes, photos, film or video anything that captured the spirit of the event is welcomed. We all have something to tell. Also we would like personal profiles of those that attended over the years and of their vehicles.

At this stage we are looking for expressions of interest in this project. If you have participated in the Corowa Swim-In event at any time since 1980 to the present, then we would love to hear from you. This form is basically to see what you might be able to provide, be it a story, and event report from your club's newsletter, photos, etc.

Once we hear back from you we can then keep in touch to see what you can provide. This way we can work together. Any photos or documents could be scanned by you, or sent to us to scan and return to you. Photos need to be of good quality not blurred or shadowy in order to reproduce well on printing. Early photos pre-digital age can be a problem but they can be enhanced on the computer, so we can judge what is publishable.

No story or comment is too small or too large, nor to ordinary or unbelievable. Ensure you are part of the history of the Swim-In by taking part this project.

Please respond as we would like to hear from you. Once you have expressed interest, we will send a form with some questions on.

Name:.....

Address:.....

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Contact phone no.(s):

Email address:.....

What years have you attended Corowa?

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Can you provide stories or reports of any Swim-In events since 1980?

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Can you provide any photos, home movie or video footage of Swim-In events ?

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PLEASE RETURN this 'Expression of Interest' to the Team at:

KVE Secretary, 9/1 Millett Road, MOSMAN, NSW 2088

Or contact by email:

Jan Thompson-Creamer jan.thompson1@optusnet.com.au

Richard Farrant kve.editor@btinternet.com

John Gordon jgor9364@bigpond.net.au

We will respond directly to you, thank you from the Team



41st Annual Corowa Swim-In & Military Vehicle Gathering

Monday 9th March to Sunday 15th March 2020

Held annually at Corowa, NSW

We welcome all ex-military vehicles and enthusiasts are invited to attend our event. From Wednesday onwards we have organised activities, trips out to visit places of interest, etc. On Saturday morning a Parade of Military Vehicles takes place through the town of Corowa and ending at the Showground. A static vehicle display takes place there as well as a very popular Swap Meet.

All types and makes of ex-military vehicles are encouraged to attend.

The theme is the 'Year of the Motorcycle'

ENTRY FORM

Entrant / Driver:

Name:		
Address:		State:
Number of extra Packs required at \$25 each:	Names of those, other than Entrant, requiring Packs:	

Contact phone numbers:

Home:	Work:
Mobile:	Fax:
Email address:	
Expected day of arrival:	
Member of the following clubs:	

Military vehicles entered: (Trailer details not required)

Year	Make	Model / Type	Registration/ Permit No.

40th Anniversary Book of the Corowa Swim-In

To secure a copy of the 40th Anniversary book payment of \$30 must be made by 31 Dec 2019. We welcome contributions to this book.

Payment can be included with your entry.

No. of copies

Amount paid

\$

Please read and complete page 2 of this form >

Disclaimer & Declaration – Please Read and Sign**Disclaimer**

All members, entrants, participants, drivers, riders, passengers, volunteers, members of the public, groups, organisations, businesses, spectators, or others ("Event Participants") who may enter and/or participate in both organised activities controlled by KVE Incorporated (KVE) and other unregulated, ad-hoc activities during the Corowa event period, do so solely at their own risk. KVE takes appropriate steps to manage risk for the activities it controls. KVE provides guidance to Event Participants on the need to exercise care, observe relevant regulations and ensure the safety of all Event Participants. KVE does not monitor all ad-hoc activities that occur through the duration of the event including amphibious operations on the water. KVE, its members, officers, volunteers, sponsors, agents, organisers, promoters, suppliers and their employees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage or injury suffered by an Event Participant or other party howsoever arising from negligence, contractual breach, act, or omission.

Entrant's Declaration (Amphibious Vehicle Entrants to complete both sections below)

In signing this declaration, I acknowledge that I have read, understood and accept the above Disclaimer, the Rules and Conditions of Entry. I certify that the vehicle entered complies with all relevant State/Territory regulations, the KVE Rules, has appropriate insurance cover and is roadworthy and safe to operate. Unregistered vehicles must have a NSW "Permit to Move". As applicable, all Firearms brought to the event must meet NSW Firearms Legislation. I agree to be bound by these requirements and by all NSW and Victorian roads, maritime, traffic management Laws and Regulations. I agree to show due courtesy and act responsibly toward all users of the roads and waterways during the Corowa event and in travelling to and from the event.

Entrant's Signature:	Date:
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Amphibious Vehicle Declaration

As applicable, all Amphibious vehicles that enter the water must comply with NSW Boating Regulations including registration as a vessel and appropriate safety equipment and the recommended 3rd Party and Comprehensive insurance. Whilst insurance is not compulsory, we strongly recommend that owners arrange suitable cover.

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 29th FEBRUARY 2020

Entry Fee is \$25 per Entrant enclosed with Entry form

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

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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.