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LATEST NEWS

A new sign has been erected at the entrance to Ball Park Caravan Park in recognition of it being the 'Home of the Swim-In' since 1980. This was paid for by a government grant that KVE was awarded. See more about this on page 3



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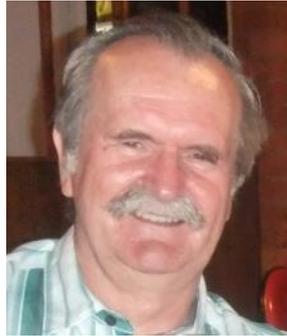
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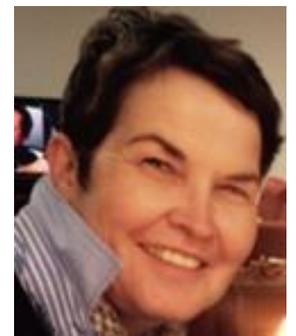
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President's Report

Hi,

This year's Corowa Swim-In was well attended and very successful, it would seem people were glad to get back to some sort of normality. Unfortunately I was unable to attend this year for a number of reasons, main one being work and all the lost time I had due to lockdowns. First time after 10 consecutive years. However, I was still working on the event from 10,000 miles away collating the entries as they came in and transferring the information to the registration forms, as well as other necessary tasks.

The relaxing of Covid rules at the end of February could not have come at a better time for the event, as participant numbers were on a par with previous years, although vehicle numbers were slightly down as with the Jeep theme we were expecting numbers to be much higher.

KVE submitted an application for a government grant to erect a permanent signboard in Corowa to show that it is the location of our great event. The Culture, Heritage & Arts Regional Tourism (CHART) program was a \$3 million Australian Government program that supports community cultural, heritage and arts organisations in regional Australia as they recover from the impacts of COVID-19. The grant has been awarded to KVE and the signboard made and erected permanently. It will be seen next to the Ball Park Caravan Park's office and visitors to the park at all times of the year will see it. Hopefully it will provide more interest from visitors to the park who are unaware of our event and encourage more to attend our event in the future. See the photos on the front page of this newsletter. Due to a surplus of money from the grant as the sign's cost was less than we estimated, we have been able to purchase a contactless payment reader, which will make paying at our Site Office a lot simpler and more efficient. Many thanks to the CHART program.

Richard Farrant

President and Editor - Khaki Vehicle Enthusiasts Inc.

KVE has received a grant from the Federation Council for the 2022 event, we thank them for their continued support of the Swim-In.



The theme for 2023 is titled:

YEAR OF THE HEAVY METAL & MILITARY KIT

To elaborate on the meaning of this theme, it is really an open book, anything considered heavier than a 3 tonner Blitz (or similar) and of any description, armour or soft skin, wheeled or tracked so long as it is an ex-military vehicle.

The 'Military Kit' theme was added on after a participant made a suggestion along these lines. At a static show, you would be able to set a display up where you are camped, such as a collection of militaria, replica camp, Forward Observation Post, First Aid Post and so on. This may not be practical for those not camped at Ball Park and also restricted space of campsite. However, what can be done is to dress your vehicle in authentic kit as it might have been in service and maybe crews in applicable uniform for the vehicle and period.

Here are some photos taken at the War & Peace event in the UK and some other venues, which should give inspiration and ideas. Let your imagination take over!

Besides the theme, all types and sizes of ex-military vehicles are encouraged and welcomed to enter.



This GMC was in Normandy and loaded with genuine US items, such as ammo boxes, jerrican, tools, etc, it really was an eye catcher.



A North Africa campaign diorama with the Blitz ... and fake palm trees behind!



This photo is part of a Vietnam war diorama at War & Peace show and is the Australian element, dug in.

More photos on the next page >>>>

YEAR OF THE HEAVY METAL & MILITARY KIT

More photos to get the ideas flowing, just simple things, not necessarily as involved as these examples



This was a diorama of a US Army transport unit, even having the GMC canteen truck present with coffee and hamburgers.



At an event at a preserved steam railway in UK with an American unit present.



This is really serious stuff with a jeep and a GMC having some urgent surgery. Not expecting to go this far at Ball Park !!!



Another photo from the railway event showing GMC truck adorned with kit, including the tin bath. Also bystanders in authentic WW2 uniforms.

KVE is looking into a way of providing awards for this theme, covering vehicles kitted out, static displays, and participants wearing uniforms to fit with their vehicles.

Secretary & Public Relations Report

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Important information for people attending the Corowa Swim-In in March 2023

Secretary's / Public Relations Report

It was great to hold our COVID-19 modified event in March this year. My newsletter report is quite extensive and explains what did and didn't occur. The Committee and members of KVE agreed to holding the event and fortunately there were a few things that were relaxed just prior and during the event. I didn't hear of anyone getting COVID while at the event however a number of people have had it over the past couple of months.

We need to remind enthusiasts that each year we have a theme but you are always welcome to attend with any ex-military vehicle you own or come along to be a part of the gathering.

KVE preparations for the Swim-In: March 2023:

The Friday night guest speaker and dinner at the Corowa Football Club was cancelled this year but we hope the guest speaker will be able to attend next year.

The parade on Saturday should be able to go ahead so we will be making contact with the Traffic Management company and the Federation Council.

Entry Form for 2023:

If you haven't returned your Entry Form for 2023 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 \$25 per vehicle to enter and if you pre-register by 28th February you will receive a participant pack upon arrival in Corowa. Once again we are organising Numberplates for Year of the Heavy Metal and Military Kit. Please indicate and pay for one of these so we can get an order in early next year.

KVE Site Office:

We are looking for people who may be interested in helping out with shifts on our roster system. 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 2022.

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

- 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.

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.

Heavy Metal vehicles will also receive identification card to put alongside your vehicle number.

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 the Sunday 12th March to put together the Participant packs and help set up the Site Office.
2. People to take on shifts at the Site Office from Monday 13th to Saturday 18th March. 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 3 people on each shift. In the past there have been both KVE members and participants who have helped and we really appreciate their help.
3. Marshals for the Showgrounds.
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@bigpond.com The application form is at the back of this newsletter with full details of rates per day, either Outdoor or Undercover.

There will be some stallholders open for business at the Showground 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 areas (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@bigpond.com or phone (02) 6033 1148 - Mobile 0427 331 148

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

Hume Bank whose bank details are -BSB 640000 Account No 568163516

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

Themes for 2024, 2025:

In 2024 it will be Year of the Blitz. Monday 11th to Sunday 17th March

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

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VOTING FORM

Please put this form in the Suggestion Box by 12 midday on Saturday 18th 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.*

Hard Luck award:

Breakdown Award:

Longest distance driven in a military vehicle:

Encouragement Award:

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

Heavy Metal Theme - People's Choice: *For your favorite Heavy Metal vehicle attending this year.*

We intend to have a voting system and give out multiple prizes for people who go to the effort of displaying 'Military Kit' alongside their camp at Ball Park Caravan Park.

Vehicle rally number:

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.

KVE shirts :

KVE has made the decision to have both polo and Drill shirts made for participants who send in their order and make payment before the shirts are made. With the polo shirts there are various colours and the sizing sheet explains the sizes. It is best if you contact Jan to discuss posting costs or collecting of the shirts. They are not theme related.

See order forms on pages 30 & 31 for details and closing date for orders.

AMAGA Grant to KVE Inc.:

As you will have seen on the front page, we were awarded a grant for a signboard to promote the Swim-In. There was a surplus left over due to the sign not being as expensive as initially quoted, and the grant administrators have allowed us to use the balance of the grant to purchase a Square Register which will allow us to accept card payments at the Site Office during the Swim-In event.

Until next time,

Jan Thompson-Creamer - Secretary

42nd Annual Corowa Swim-in and Military Vehicle Gathering Monday 14th to Sunday 20th March 2022

After postponing our event in 2021 due to COVID-19 we worked harder than normal to hold our event this year. COVID is still around and we had meetings with many organisations inc. the Federation Council and Ball Park Caravan Park. Initially entries were slowly coming in but after announcing the event will go ahead the entries came in quickly. Orders on brass plaques, hats, numberplates, etc. were done and instead of putting 2022 we changed this to 42nd Annual in case we had to postpone again. I thank all the KVE committee and members who assisted with many duties prior to and during the event. We also had some volunteers from the gathering and a local lady whose name was Julia. It was great to have Sonia and Andrew Palmer back managing Ball Park. They knew how our event runs so successfully and enjoyed talking to those who had been attending the event for many years. With the boom gates raised, the gate to the lagoon opened and the oval area opened everyone was happy.

For Troy and I we headed south on Friday 25th February and stopped at Gundagai where we participated in the Tractor Pull and Swap Meet. On Sunday we continued on to Point Lonsdale and left the Land Rover at Chiltern. Troy had a problem with the clutch and ordered some parts which Scott Rough collected from KLR. After not seeing my mother for 2 years we had fun sorting through dad's militaria and organised a trailer load of swap meet paraphernalia. Thank you to Bill Bates and Keith Webb for their assistance identifying parts etc.

On Friday 11th March with mum we headed to Corowa. We stopped at Wangaratta and collected some military equipment and books from an older gentleman who had made contact 18 months prior. Our next stop was at Chiltern and Troy collected the Land Rover and camper trailer. Thanks to Carolyn Young. Thanks also to Tim Hughes for allowing us to leave the trailer at his house.

How great it is to be back in Corowa after 2 years: In 2021 we postponed our event but some of the participants had their own private gathering. With the normal formalities this year it was great to see the happy faces and the businesses in town all embraced us.

On Friday night went to Barrel and Brew for dinner. We caught up with a few people who had already arrived at Corowa. On Saturday we decided to take Manfred to the Balldale Hotel and we had a great lunch amongst many locals and visitors. By Sunday Ball Park was alive with a number of military vehicles. Trent Keith and Richard den Brinker dropped the DUKW, Chev Blitz and a Jeep at the park before going back home and coming back a few days later. Thanks for bringing a number of vehicles down and I know it took a few weeks before you could get them back home. A number of people this year came with more than one vehicle from their fleet and KVE find this very impressive. On Monday KVE members and helpers put together the participant packs and set up the site office. Thanks to Kel Baxter for bringing the Radar Van over to Corowa and keeping it in his shed. With the recent rat plague he was surprised there were no rats in the van. There was a constant stream of military vehicles coming through the park. A group of us went to the Italian on Monday night to celebrate our 6th Wedding anniversary.

Trevor Vuillermin arrived early in the week and provided me with this report:

We came up again with my parents who enjoyed a quiet time camping at Ball Park, while I managed to put 12 hours on the LARC during the course of the week. We got on the river on the Tuesday and had it out every day except Saturday which we went to the showgrounds instead. I had to leave early Sunday morning, and was a bit worried I would struggle to get all packed up in time. In hindsight I should have taken an extra hour and gone for a splash with all of the GPA's and DUKW's as well.

The site office opened on Tuesday morning and there was a constant stream of participants registering in. Harvey Black our Vice President, Kel Baxter, a KVE committee member, and myself met with the Mayor and councillors and we presented two number plates which we had made for the last two events. Pat Bourke gave us a warm and friendly welcome and ensured us that if there was anything we wanted of



council to ask and he would see what he could do. We did receive a smaller than normal grant for this year which went towards promotional items for our participants but did not cover as much as in past years. At the Site Office people put their names down for attending the 3 trips which were held from Wednesday to Friday. In the afternoon we had a visit from Robert Muir and Adrienne Hartnett from the Corowa Free Press. I introduced them to a number of participants and Adrienne enjoyed having a ride in a few vehicles. Jake Neville encouraged her to go for a ride in the Cletrac. Don Teresi came out from Seattle, Washington in the United States and at the end of the week was given the award for the only overseas participant. It was interesting hearing about his trip to Corowa. (*See Don's report 'The Corowa Adventure' on page 26 in this newsletter.*) In the evening we had an enjoyable meal at the Newmarket Hotel. When our group left we stayed with the noisy group until the pub closed then walked back to Ball Park.

Jake Neville, from near Geelong brought his Dodge Ambulance and a rare 1942 Cletrac High Speed Tractor. It was an aircraft tug that were used in the Pacific during WW2 to haul heavy bombers around in the mud and sandy airstrips. This one was built in the United States and would have been used by the US Army. It was transferred to the RAAF and used by the Australians. He found it on a farm in Drouin and it still has the original markings on the side and its original RAAF number. Jake plans to fully restore the vehicle and it was at Corowa in its original condition. Jake said "It runs and drives and does everything it's supposed to do. It's also a lot of fun to drive. It does around 30 km/hr so it is pretty speedy. It's a Jeep tank on steroids."

On Wednesday morning the rain started. It was the only day we had rain and fortunately it didn't last all day. The site office was fairly quiet until the afternoon. Kel Baxter led a trip to the Hume Dam, Frontline Machinery and Owl's Eye Museum.

Kel Baxter's report of the trip:

The trip started in drizzle which soon turned into sunshine enroute to the back of Bandiana Army Camp in Wodonga. Here we viewed wrecks of various old Army vehicles through the fence seeing Land Rovers to Bushmasters as we drove slowly past up to our morning tea stop at Huon Hill Lookout. The climb was steep in parts and gave the vehicles a workout. The views were spectacular looking out over Bandiana, Hume Weir and Albury Wodonga. Then the drive back down was a test of the old brakes on the way to our next stop outside the Logistics depot where a Centurion and Leopard Tank are on display at the entrance. A mate of mine who was an apprentice at 4 Base Workshops Bandiana gave us a detailed talk as he walked us around the "Cent" explaining the workings of this icon.

Hume dam was the next stop after passing by Latchford Barracks and Bonegilla the former migrant camp. Operations staff at Hume gave us an insight into the history and current operations of this huge water storage that services a huge food bowl through NSW, Vic and the length of the Murray to the sea in SA. We lined up our vehicles for a photo with the water of Lake Hume as backdrop.

Next stop was a visit to Pickles at Thurgoona where the monthly Australian Frontline Machinery Auction was in its final hours. We had the opportunity to view the current offering and other stock on site. Of particular interest was a special forces Land Rover that later sold for \$106k!

From Thurgoona we headed to Hopefield for our last stop to visit to Neville Smith's "Owls Eye Museum" which houses a wide range of collectables both Military and Australiana. Of interest are his two Carriers one of which is an example of carriers that were converted to operate as a farm tractors to pull ploughs and other farm machines after the war.

This concluded an enjoyable day and thanks to our hosts along the way.

Mum, Troy, Ray Kickert and I met the trip at Thurgoona where we were able to check out the vehicles in the current auction which finished late that afternoon. There was lots of drooling over the vehicles which are now costing more for people to buy. Tara and Alison were our guides and answered everyone's questions. We look forward to catching up with them in Sydney at a few of our events.

In the evening we had dinner at the Corowa RSL. (*Roger and Elke's report on the trip to the Hume Dam, Bandiana and Hopefield' is page 20 in this newsletter.*)

Ron Fry arrived on Thursday with his S-Line and M3 Lee Medium Tank on a trailer behind. When I was with Adrienne she interviewed Ron. This tank was built 2 years ago for the New York Armour Museum and when COVID hit the museum closed down and the sale fell through. He started with the bottom half. From the top of the tracks up to the flat top, it was all chopped up wreck then Ron cast the turret and built all the other ancillaries like the mud guards, guns, headlights and doors.



Deborah Birrell gave me this report on the trip she organised to Tocumwal:

On Thursday March 17th vehicles mustered at Rowers Park Corowa for the trip to Tocumwal. After noting the turn out of 'green' for Saint Patrick's Day, the vehicles were divided so that those booked for the 10 am tour of the Aviation Museum could have the lead. This group of vehicles was led by Bob Bevan to ensure they got there in good time for the tour. Subsequent vehicles were led by Deborah Birrell with Darren assisting on the radio. Tail end Charlie was ably covered by Jane and Wazza Packer.

A number of participants chose to make their way to Tocumwal in their own time depending on the tour time if they had a booking. The featured points of interest for the day were the recently opened Tocumwal Aviation Museum and Chrysties Classic and Collectable Museum. Once in Tocumwal, participants were free to roam the town. The only time sensitive events were the prebooked guided tours of the Aviation Museum.

Founder and CEO of the Tocumwal Aviation Museum, Matt Henderson, conducted three, 1.5 hour guided tours of the Museum. Matt's passion and background knowledge of the WW11 air field was spell binding. Those who attended these tours were treated to a dialogue of local history about McIntyre Field, as the Base was known then and the impact on the local community. The Drome Café had a steady trade of hungry guests and more than one model airplane kit was seen tucked under an arm, purchased from the merchandise area. We had 24 table spaces booked out for the day and this ensured a spot to have a meal.

George Chrystie's Museum is a walk back in time and there was a lot to see within the building. It was lovely to hear stories from others about what they remembered as they saw items in the museum. One of the caravans even had an inbuilt bath – hidden away under a seat! Some went back for a second look at the collection.

Seeing Jeeps parked in the main street was a step back in time as the town hosted many soldiers while the air base was active. Participants were able to make their own way back to Corowa when they were ready. A heavy shower of rain around 3pm saw a few ducking for cover, but otherwise the weather was perfect.

(for a participants perspective of the event see Jane and Warren Packer's 'Tocumwal Trip Report' on page 22 in this newsletter.)

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Scott and Linda Rough arrived on the Wednesday with the parts from KLR for Troy's clutch repair. Scott and Steve took charge of the repair on Thursday morning and after a few hours the Land Rover was fixed.

On Thursday I had a visit from Leo Anic who has a Facebook page: Out and About with Gnarly E-Bike Adventures. He does stories on local events and he posted 2 videos up on different Facebook pages. I enjoyed introducing him to participants and he was able to get rides in vehicles such as the Kubelwagon and GPA. Thanks to everyone for sharing your stories with Leo. An hour or so later Adrienne from the Corowa Free Press came back down and she wanted to get more stories from participants. This included a photo of a family who share this interest. Hayley, Trent, Cooper and Flynn Keith ended up having a photo in front of Flynn's blitz along with the dogs. Adrienne enjoyed her ride with Jad Dennis in his GPA.

The Friday trip organised by Sam King had to be changed due to the Mosquito Virus. The trip ended up being a 4WD trip in the Chiltern area.

Here is a report on the Friday trip written by Peter Rush:

Whilst we were at the great event the Corowa Swim In we went on the day trip to Chiltern. It was a wonderful day led by Sam King. First stop at Chiltern for a quick coffee and then into the forest for some 4wd touring. We then ended up back in Chiltern for lunch and then back to another section of the forest track. We stopped at the site of a blue metal quarry used for the construction of the highway. Now partially filled with water. Back to the main road and return to Corowa. Great day thanks Sam!



On Friday afternoon there was a small gathering for the owners of Kubelwagons at the Wangaratta Airport which was organised by Chris Mayr so photos could be taken with the FW-190 and the German vehicles. (see right)



On Friday night Troy, mum and I participated in a VMVC bbq. Thanks to the VMVC for putting this on and it only took place due to changes in COVID regulations in NSW over recent days. I had been participating in the VMVC Zoom meetings during lockdown and my mother is still a VMVC member.

With COVID regulations changing just prior to the event we had already decided not to have a parade and indoor activities so we kept to the plan that the committee decided to take a month prior. We will do a parade next year. The drive out to the Showground was done so people could make their own way there, in their own time. The theme vehicles were placed on the grass area alongside the racetrack and the other vehicles were over the other side of the buildings. Many thanks to Jan McKenna who assisted us once again. She is a great asset and is very organised ensuring all the stallholders are happy.

It was an early start on Saturday as Troy and I went to the Showgrounds and went to the gate where all the vehicles entered for the vehicle display. The arrival of vehicles between 7:30 and 9:30 went smoothly and Jane Packer, Tim Hughes and Warren Packer lined the vehicles up. The jeeps and RAAF vehicles were lined up on the grass area near the racecourse while the other vehicles were parked in the other area. We looked around the swap meet and purchased a few tools and a stubby cooler from the APEX club who were raising money. People who set up stalls are able to arrive from Thursday. Chris Mayr flew over the showgrounds in his FW-190.

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I was fortunate to be given the first copy of Paul Dekmezian's book 'The Adventures of Cargo the Army Truck. Cargo gets a new job'. It is available online

https://www.amazon.com.au/Adventures-Cargo-Army-Truck-Gets-ebook/dp/B09V22YG2P/ref=mp_s_a_1_3?crid=12THJG2X1GM9S&keywords=the+adventures+of+cargo+the+army+truck&qid=1647765622&sprefix=the+advent%2Caps%2C442&sr=8-3

It is only \$4.95 and depicts how Billy Baird used his International Mk.3 and how Paul ended up with it.

On Saturday afternoon the amphibious vehicles had a great time. These included a No.5 trailer, GPA's and 2 DUKW's. Both DUKW's ended up being bogged in the river and Deborah Birrell along her crew pulled the Wilson DUKW out. It broke an axle. Trent evacuated the passengers on his DUKW when it got bogged. Scott Rough helped with the recovery by running the winch cable past the driver.

I was stunned to hear that one of our participants was near Tallangatta on the Friday with 2 mates and his vehicle ended up in Dartmouth Dam. (*Read Rick Canhan's story 'The Sinking Feeling' on page 23 in this newsletter.*)

**Recipient of the
RAAF theme -
Peoples Choice award:**

**Jake Neville
with his
1942 Cletrac M2 High
Speed tractor**



**Recipient of the
People's Favourite Choice:**

**Greg Nichols
with his
1944 Morris 10 Utility
"Tilly"**



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On Saturday evening after celebrating Warren Packer's birthday with pizzas we headed back to the Radar Van and held our presentations. Philip Slattery gave a talk on Back To the Track 2021. It was very interesting with some great photos.

Voting forms: Each participant pack had a Voting form and we encourage people to submit these so we can award people on the Saturday night. The committee make the final decision. Thanks to those who submitted forms and also added a few details .

1. 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: Tim Hughes Reason why: Always available to help and a consistent hard worker. Each morning and evening Tim helped pack and unpack the radar van and as a local was very helpful to many of the participants.

2. Hard Luck award:

Name: Bruce Brown Reason why: It took 3 attempts to get to Corowa. Started off with the jeep in the back of the Mercedes and the Mercedes blew a gasket. Had to unload everything, go back home and put the jeep on the back of the Toyota with the caravan. He caught up with Dutchy at Coolac and didn't unplug the caravan power. He camped the night and the battery was flat the next morning. Then had to tow start the Toyota.

3. Breakdown Award:

Name: John Oldenmenger Reason why: A number of consistent breakdowns on the Hume Highway. There were 2 punctures and a fire on the way down to Corowa so he called out to Shane Mitchell who was able to help him with 10.00 -20 tube tyres.

4. Longest distance driven in a military vehicle:

Name: Gary Schluter Number of Kilometres driven: over 3,500 kms each way

5. Encouragement Award:

Name: Flynn Keith Reason why: 10 year old restoring his own Blitz (*See report on Bob the Blitz on page 28*)

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

Name: Greg Nichols Type of Vehicle: 1944 Morris Tilly

7. Jeep Theme - People's Choice: For your favourite Jeep attending this year.

Name: Gino Di Tella Vehicle: 1942 Willys Jeep. (*See Gino's restoration report on page 27*)

8. RAAF Theme - People's Choice: For your favourite RAAF vehicle attending this year. 2 awards this year:

Jake Neville: 1942 Cletrac M2

Shane Mitchell: 1945 C60L Blitz. Shane's Blitz was previously owned by Corowa Council and it was used at Daysdale Bushfire Brigade. It was sold in 1983 and this is the first time it has returned to Corowa.

9. The only Overseas guest: Don Teresi from Seattle, Washington in the United States of America

10. The Bung award – The Bakers Dozen. 12 bungs went into the bottom of the GPA and 13 were required. Awarded to Graham Hosking

When I asked Gary Schluter how many times he has come to Corowa I had this reply:

Trips to Corowa ,,, done a few

Some in my Series 3 GS Landy

Some in my CL 1510 Inter

Some in my HJ 47 Norforce Tojo

And of course a few in the mighty Perentie !

Report on the 2022 Corowa Swim-In - cont'd

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KVE were surprised with the numbers of participants who attended especially after we postponed our 2021 event. There were past participants who were unable to attend this year due to various reasons and we had an influx of new participants which is great for the local Federation Council area. *(Glen and Donna Plumridge were 'Corowa Virgins' this year. Read their report on page 25 in this newsletter)* Over the week most participants now attend for the whole event and even longer. The local caravan parks, hotels, cafes, and all businesses benefit from our participants. In total, there would have been over 1,000 people in attendance during the week.



Glen and Donna Plumridge with their LP Carrier

The week went so quickly and on Sunday we left our Land Rover near Chiltern and headed to Point Lonsdale then on Monday we headed for Sydney.

My mother, Barbara Thompson appreciated the contact she had with people she has known for just a short time or many years.

After picking up the Land Rover we ended up in Tumut for the night. Thanks to Greg and Clare Malone for their hospitality. While we were there, 2 calves were born. The first one is named Jan and the second is named Troy.

There are some particular local groups and individuals we would like to thank. The Federation Council helped out with a Community Grant and when they were approached were able to provide us with bollards and mesh. Sonia and Andrew Palmer of Ball Park Caravan Park, and other workers in the park provided us with a site for our Radar Van and it appears there were no issues during the week.

Jan McKenna did an amazing job with the Swap Meet. There were some cancelations but overall, a larger swap meet this year.

Thanks to local resident, Julia Begelhole for taking up a couple of shifts on our Site Office. We are always looking for people to help registering our participants and the easiest way to do this was to open our Site Office from 8am to 6pm.

The Rotary Club attended the Swap Meet and participants were able to purchase breakfast, morning tea and lunch. We have had their support for a number of years, and we really appreciate the service they provide. The Apex club was doing a fundraiser and we welcomed them to sell raffle tickets and stubby holders.

The next event will be the Year of the Heavy Metal and Military Kit. No doubt there will be an increase in the size of the vehicles. With the army selling off Mack trucks and Unimogs there will be more of these attending the event in the future. Entry forms are now being accepted for next year's event. Many thanks to more participants for pre registering for the last event. With the large number of vehicles likely to attend our gathering we like people to pre-register if possible. For those who haven't pre-registered please attend the Radar Van in Ball Park Caravan Park and sign your vehicle in. You will receive a vehicle number to put on your windscreen and this enables a final tally of vehicles to be more accurate than hearing there were vehicles attending but didn't sign in.

Report by Jan Thompson-Creamer

Swim-In Reports from Participants

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Comments sent in by participants:

From Trevor Vuillermin - LARC V

Just a note to let you know how we went during the recent Corowa event.

We came up again with my parents who enjoyed a quiet time camping at Ball Park, while I managed to put 12 hours on the LARC during the course of the Week.

We got on the river on the Tuesday and had it out every day except Saturday which we went to the showgrounds instead.

I had to leave early Sunday Morning, and was a bit worried I would struggle to get all packed up in time.

In hindsight I should have taken an extra hour and gone for a splash with all of the GPA's and DUKW's as well. Had a great time and will definitely be there again in 2023!

WW2 Jeeps (from their newsletter)

Right, back to business. Corowa was again a great event, however the long anticipated "Year of the Jeep" wasn't as big a spectacular as anticipated as Cliffy alluded to in his Say. The numbers were about 108 Jeeps and that is very much down on the 178 of the previous Year of the Jeep, back in 2010. We know of many, many more that could have been there, but perhaps afraid of leaving home due to the continuing China Virus situation? Anyway, whatever the excuse, all those that made the effort certainly enjoyed it and for those of us in the central and north of the eastern states, the warmer drier weather and sunshine! Whooo hoo. Well done to KVE and its army of volunteers. Hats off to you all.

Ian Fawbert: Thanks to the organising committee and those who attended.

George Glass: We had a great few days. Thank you everyone.

Helen Dennis: Abfab! A fantastic week. Thank you all.

Peter Kunz junior: so much fun at Corowa. Great to catch up with all my friends.

Janelle Genner: Can't wait for the next one. Total military vehicles turned up was past 250. Wow! Great capture of a wonderful event.

Beck Hickford: We had such a great weekend. Met some great people and saw some beautiful pieces. Does anyone know what the dates are for next year? Wanting to get on top of the accommodation.

Ray Hicks: Back safe and sound had a great time. Thanks for all the organisation for the Swim In. Looking forward to being back again next year.

Scott Hough: An interesting weekend in Corowa for the military weekend, the organizers did a great job and there was plenty to see and a swap meet which made me spend money! Thanks for the chats and good times ! and thanks to Jen for putting up with khaki stuff for a few days lol

Rachel Young: Great job everyone.

Julie Rae: We attended on the weekend and went to the swapmeet at the showgrounds. Hope there is a parade next year. The DUKW's and the amphib were a hit down at the lagoon. Fun times. Enjoyed the presentation evening at the Ball Park caravan park. The story was fascinating, sounds like it was an amazing adventure. Thank you everyone.

David Barton: That would be lovely, I did see it on line (*newspaper report*), along with Ronny Fry who was actually smiling!! Great coverage and great to be back at Corowa again! Well done.

The Blue jeep story

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Swim-In report from Wayne Lane, owner of the 'Blue Jeep'

I would like to mention the outstanding effort once again with the Corowa Swim-In event. I'm pleased that myself and my granddaughter were both able to attend, given that Tilly has been doing so well at school she was able to secure some time off to come to Corowa. Tilly was a ball of energy and filled with excitement as she met new friends and had a great experience and adventure, and has expressed that she would love to attend again.

I was pleased to secure this Willys Jeep from outback South Australia some years back as it worked out well for this year being the Year of the Jeep so I took the opportunity to come to Corowa with the Jeep for a 'show and tell' as it does hold strong connections with Maralinga, also Warren Bonython and Donald Campbell with the Bluebird land speed record team on Lake Eyre.

kind regards Wayne Lane



Above:
Tilly enjoying herself at Corowa with granddad's jeep!



Above:
Plate found on bonnet stating it was the first car driven on Lake Eyre on 29th August 1954

Below:
Note the spare road springs fitted to the bumper,



Below:
Extra petrol tanks had been fitted and modified front passenger seat

Some random photos from Corowa



Troy Creamer, Jan Thompson and her mother Barbara.



More photos from Corowa



Thank you to all those who sent in photos of this year's Swim-In.

Trip report - Weds. To Hume Dam

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Trip 16.3.2022 to the Hume Dam, Bandiana and Hopefield

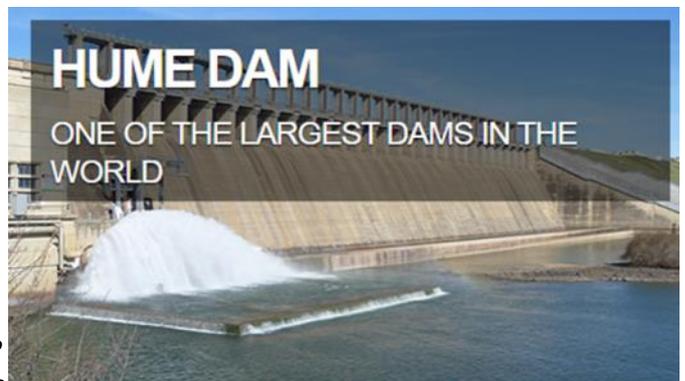
Being used to good weather during Corowa Swim-Ins', this Wednesday morning we woke up and gathered in rain in Rowers Park. Kel Baxter briefed us about the route we would take, sounded quite challenging not to get lost, so I guess everyone was keen not to lose sight of the front vehicle. Round about 11 military vehicles and a number of others participated.

The drive to the Hume Dam was a very scenic one, rolling country, paddocks, beautiful homesteads and livestock. Traffic was not too bad, the weather decided to fine up. We drove past the back of the army barracks in Wodonga, seeing some interesting damaged vehicles, possibly during trainings, up onto the Huan Hill to a lookout which opened breath taking views to the Hume Dam and the cities of Albury and Wodonga. Great spot to get out of the vehicles, enjoy the views, have a cuppa (thanks to our tour leader) and a chat.



Then back down the windy road heading to the Hume Dam, stopping on the way at the Joint Logistics Centre in Bandiana. All out to look and hear about the Centurion and Leopard tanks displayed at the entrance of the Centre.

We stopped at the Hume Dam Resort with access to the dam wall. Kel had organized for us to meet with representatives of Water NSW to give a talk about the dam, its history, importance for the region and challenges to manage during rain events as we have had them in the past and currently have.



"A triumph of engineering when it was built in the years after World War 1, Hume Dam caught the public imagination in the same way the Snowy Mountains Scheme did after World War 2. When finished in 1936, Hume Dame was the biggest in the southern hemisphere and one of the largest in the world. Today the dam continues to play a critical role in capturing winter and spring rainfall from the Australian Alps and releasing it to regulate the flow of the River Murray. As well as irrigation, the dam supplies stock and household needs for towns and landowners along the Murray River across three states, and is used for flood mitigation and hydro electricity."

Excellent spot to have lunch, which was organized by Kel as well, what more could you want or ask for.



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Next stop was the Australian Frontline Machinery Sales Yard. I guess there was no one in the group who had not followed the auctions they do once a month. We were greeted by representatives of the auction company and everybody had the chance to have a good look around to view the vehicles and make some bets for what price they would be auctioned off. The auction was ending the same day at 8 pm. (The LRV bet was max. 70 k, it went for 103.500 \$).

Our trip back to Corowa went through beautiful housing areas of Albury and then onto Hopefield, where we had the chance to see Neville Smith's collection of army vehicles and lots and lots of other collectables. All I can say a breathtaking collection, most probably a life time of work and compassion.

A great day for everybody who could attend, a big thank you to Kel Baxter for organizing this trip and catering, and to Neville Smith to opening his private collection to us to admire.

Report by Roger Rindfleisch and Elke Hoyer mann

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Trip to Tocomwal

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Report by Jane Packer:

Trip to Tocomwal

On Thursday 17th a group of enthusiasts gathered at the Rowers Park for a briefing by Deb Birrell who had put a considerable effort into organising a day trip to Tocomwal, NSW, about 80km from Corowa. The plan for the day involved visiting the Tocomwal Aviation Museum, Chrysties Classic and Collectables Museum with some free time to explore Tocomwal Cemetery, where there is a dedicated War Graves section, as well as free time in the town itself.

The Guided tour of the Aviation Museum was split into 3 groups, 10am, 12md and 2pm. The 10am group departed the park and the remainder of us drove at a leisurely pace to Chrysties Collectables.

Chrysties Collectables

Wow! What an incredible collection. George, the owner had advised you could spend between 1 and 3 hours there. Personally, I could have spent all day there!

The rambling shed held an array of all kinds of paraphernalia, from classic cars to the largest collection of chain saws I've ever seen, to old and antique crockery, cutlery, kitchen goods and furniture to old toys and push bikes. You name it he had it there! Not to mention old tractors and machinery, and a fascinating display of old timber caravans set up with how they were 'in the day'!

As the group moved through you could hear exclamations of 'Oh Wow! I remember my grandparents had this on their back porch. We weren't allowed to touch it or there'd hell to pay' or 'We had one of those growing up!' There was something there for everyone. I would definitely love to visit there again next year.

Tocomwal Aviation Museum

Just a short drive from Chrysties we found ourselves sitting in a large, airy café for a meal before our tour of the Aviation Museum. The food and coffee were divine! The tour was guided by the owner and CEO, of the museum, Matt Henderson, a young pilot with a big dream which he began working on about 2 and half years ago and brought to fruition about 7 months ago.

He began the tour with the history of the aerodrome. Prior to WW2 it was a small aerodrome used for delivery of mail and newspapers and for joy rides in aeroplanes for the locals.

In 1942 the government acquired 15 farms, effectively evicting families who had farmed these lands for many generations. These families had to, on the most part, just walk away as they were only given 24 hours to vacate. They had nowhere to go. Some were taken in by neighbours and slept for many years on their verandas. Their prize stock were mostly left roam and fend for themselves. The council claimed some of this stock and sold to neighbouring farms at below cost. This, as you could imagine, caused friction between the families.

The government offered to rent the farmland from the evicted families, but these payments were not very much and very slow to come. The government then changed their mind and decided they would buy the farms. This was at a much lower price than they were worth, and they stopped the rental payments whilst they set up the purchasing. Some farmers did not receive their final payments until 1947, some 5 years after losing their homes.

Meanwhile, in just 16 weeks, the largest aerodrome in the southern hemisphere was built and became a major air base during WW2.

The history of the aerodrome is fascinating and well worth 'googling'!

We then strolled among the collection of planes in the hanger with Matt informing us of fascinating facts about the different planes.

The final part of the tour was to sit in the mini cinema for a trip down black and white memory lane (amazing to see the fashions of the 20's) before exiting via the corridor decorated with the photos of the 18 young men and 1 young woman who lost their lives at the aerodrome during WW2. (Apparently many of the deaths were associated with larrikin behaviour.)

Unfortunately, we didn't make it to any of the other attractions, but I believe there was a Cactus Farm on 10 acres which was visited by a certain club Treasurer and his wife, who said it was actually very fascinating! Thank you Deb for organising this day. We enjoyed it very much!

That Sinking Feeling

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A story from some participants, who went off for a day out

It was a perfect sunny day on Friday 18 March 2022 a beautiful drive from Corowa for the three intrepid Jeepsters, Geoff Turner, Peter Robinson and Rick Canhan (author) from the Ball Caravan Park decided to break-away from the itinerary listed journey and to travel to Dartmouth Dam instead, a place where driver, Geoff Turner, worked on his return from Vietnam. Geoff was keen to see the place he'd worked at all those years ago. The conversation in the vehicle was a continuation of the normal light-hearted banter Geoff had endured since we arrived in Corowa on the Monday. Being busy prior to his arrival in Corowa, Geoff had let his vehicle become a little untidy with tools and equipment and rubbish etc. It had been mentioned on numerous occasions that it was in need of a dam good bath. If only we knew.

With much reminiscing and photo taking etc, it was decided that we'd have lunch at the nearby township. Following a counter lunch which I might add we had with lemon squash, we headed back towards Corowa when Geoff decided to drop into Tallangatta to view the water level at the boat ramp, because the last time he was there it was very low and as the dam was nearly full now, he was interested to see the boat ramp again to get the old before and after type photo.

It was about 2:30 in the afternoon when we arrived at the boat ramp and Geoff reverse parked his much-loved 2009 Nissan Patrol 4X4 at the high end of the cark park facing directly opposite the ramp. It was quite warm and Geoff said "Leave the windows open, we won't be long". It was at this point I (author) pointed out that it was possibly not the best place to park, sort of tempting fate I think I'd said, "Never happen" replied Geoff. We set off on foot down towards the ramp some twenty-five metres or so away. I had stepped on ahead of Geoff and Peter, but only by about five metres or so when I heard a commotion behind me. I looked back and to my horror, witnessed an unbelievable event. Geoff's vehicle was bearing straight down at us at speed. It barged its way through Geoff and Pete who were so lucky not to have been run down, it past me at such a speed it would have been suicidal to attempt to stop it. The vehicle continued down the slope and bounced over the rocks to the slight left of the ramp and hit the water with a resounding splash with the three of us staring after it in utter jaw dropping disbelief. Did that just happen, came to my mind.

The momentum had caused the vehicle to continue forward as it slowly sank nose down like the Titanic, only quicker and not so dramatic. I think I was the first to act and stripped off to my jocks and swam out to the vehicle as it sank beneath the water. I wasn't even sure what I the hell I was going to do anyway. I reached an endless trail of bubbles rising from below and could just make out the top of the vehicle, I now stood neck deep in water and on tippy toes on the upper rear of the vehicle which was still nose down in the mud and I could feel it bouncing on the bottom as it continued to drift out further. "Can someone throw me a rope" I shouted, surprised at how loud I sounded. A flurry of activity had suddenly sprung up from the surrounding homes and the caravan park next door as word spread quickly of a vehicle in the water. I saw people running and soon a thin boat anchor rope had reached me, and I thought great, what the hell do I do now. I was a very long and thin anchor rope, and I became concerned about getting tangled up in it when I realised Geoff had swum out to me so with him taking up the slack, I prepared myself to tie my end onto the tow hitch of the vehicle. Not being something I'd done before I found it an arduous task, such a long way straight down in the murky water to the tow bar, I succeeded on the second attempt and the crowd on the bank took up the slack and began to pull the vehicle towards the bank. Unsure when but at some time I realised the rope had been attached to a vehicle and the rope promptly snapped as the vehicle encountered the bottom again. As the roof of the vehicle became visible, I heard shouts and a scream about someone in the vehicle I looked up to see a head looking grossly like a drowned person slapping against the inside back window of the water filled vehicle. "No, no". I shouted as a mannequin head suddenly popped out the open window and drifted away from the vehicle. I'd been using the mannequin head as prop to hold hats etc.

That Sinking Feeling - cont'd

A snatch strap was then attached to the vehicle and with the use of two 4X4's the vehicle was pulled out of its possible watery grave, but before that happened, someone opened the doors to let the water out whilst it was still sitting with water halfway up the doors, the rush of water emptied the inside water and also the internal contents of the vehicle which included my wallet, bugger.

NOTE:

Some have recently said how unlucky we were, but I see it as that we were extremely lucky. This incident had the potential for serious injury and or death, to us and or the general public.

Don't ever, ever tempt fate.

1. Boat ramp safety is paramount.
2. Don't be complacent with any machinery.
3. Listen to what other have to say.
4. I know we laughed and joked about Geoff's vehicle in the days leading up to the event, but did we jinkz him with our banter, maybe not, but who knows.
5. Put your wallet in the glove box.
6. Be Safe people and see you next year.

Report submitted by Rick Canhan



Now you see it now you don't!



We started off on our trip on Sunday morning from Maitland - Hunter Valley - bound for Corowa. After a long day driving we finally arrived to find that the Ball Park caravan park's front office had closed. We were lucky to have someone to get us through the boom gate and set up a camp enough that we could get some sleep.

After waking in the morning, it was great to see military vehicles scooting around the park in every shape and size just like we were thrown back in time. How wonderful to see these great machines so beautifully restored and tearing around like time had just stopped. It is not just the vehicles either, men and women in green was the norm. Unlike us, but that will change for next year.

Finally getting the chance to go and check out the wares of the other military camp spots and see what there was to buy for your vehicle or upcoming vehicles restorations.

Putting faces to the names of people that we've spoken to was fantastic and also meeting a whole new group of enthusiasts.

The collective knowledge is second to none and everyone is wanting to help or give advice especially when we were having issues with our Bren Gun Carrier.

It was lovely to meet new people, from the aged with fantastic facts and stories to tell, to the young who are just starting on their military machine restoration journeys to the very very young with big eyes looking at these wonderful machines that they have never seen before.

The day trips are great and varied and you can make it as structured as you like but it is very relaxed and everyone enjoyed their trips. From Museum trips to Tocumwal and going over to Bandiana Army museum on our own time and light 4WDing to just poking around town. You have to go to the wineries both near Corowa and we went on a drive to Brown Brothers wines in Vic and also found a cheese producer on the way home. Oh my gosh. Amazing.

We had dinner out a few times in both in Corowa and over the border and all the meals were amazing. You can't go wrong we don't think with any of them.

Saturday bought all the vehicles to the showground where they were on display and so many more military stalls to buy more military items and paraphernalia. A great day overall and is a must if you enjoy the military. Usually there is a parade down the main street but due to Covid this was canned. What a shame. Next year for sure.

On our way back to the caravan park (remember we said that we needed to fix the Bren Gun Carrier) well it stopped 4 times on the way back. Separate fuel pump supply issues this time instead of heat related fuel issues. Finally got back and others came over to help out and offer assistance. We loaded the carrier on the truck and started to prepare for our trip home in the morning.

What a week and what a wonderful experience. Well be back for sure but not as Corowa virgins anymore . Thanks for having us and so lovely to meet you all.

Report by Glen and Donna Plumridge.

The Corowa adventure, 2022

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Report from our American participant, Don Terisi

The Australian Government had made it extremely difficult to travel into the country; however, the paperwork, hours on-line, as well as the stress of a highly compacted timeframe were well worth the effort.

Obtaining a Holiday Visa was tricky as there was no way to apply on-line via computer as in years past. Instead, a mobile app (which was not mentioned on any Government websites at the time of my trip) needed to be downloaded. Once downloaded, a photo of your passport, an actual up and down scan of the passport (which was very hard and took many attempts) as well as a selfie photo, plus 20-25 questions all needed to be completed in the same session. Once these were completed, there was a 15-20 minute wait until the "OK" came back in the app stating you could move forward and process the Visa. So, the next step was to input a credit card number, and within 2 minutes, a "Visa Granted" was sent to the app, where I had to have a printed copy with me at all times, as well as on my phone.

Without a visa, there was no sense in booking flights beforehand. After I was granted the Holiday Visa, I booked my flights which were easy. But before you could travel, the airline required proof of Visa, Vaccination Status, a PCR test within 72 hours of the flight, a questionnaire with roughly 30 questions, as well as a separate Declaration form stating all info was true and correct. This was all to be collected at the ticket gate (and in hard copy) when checking your luggage. 48 hours before my flight, I had the PCR test... Once I had my results, I had about 18 hours until my flight to fill out the questionnaire and the Declaration form (as they needed information about the testing facility and results). This all needed to be downloaded to the airlines website, which in turn had to match my Visa and Vaccination status which had been input previously when the flight was booked. Keep in mind, if anything was rejected for whatever reason, there was less than 18 hours before my flight for me to correct it and resubmit. Somehow, everything matched up and I was ready to go. These all had to be on hand in hard copy, as well as my phone.

At the airline counter before checking my luggage, the ticket agent scanned through all of my documentation to verify it was completed properly and I hadn't missed anything, then cross referenced it on her computer. My boarding pass was issued and I made my way to the gate.... Lucky me, I got the middle seat in the very last row, of a very packed plane, with two very large people seated on either side. It was an extremely long 14+ hours to say the least, but again, well worth it.

Coming home was much easier.... All I needed was a negative PCR test 24 hours before my flight. There was a clinic close by my accommodations, so I went 20 hours before and took the test. Results were sent to my phone about 10 hours later. I showed the ticket agent the results on my phone as well as my passport, and my boarding pass was issued. Easy! I think the Gods were looking out for me since my trip over was so torturous... When I found my assigned seat, I had the whole row to myself. I stretched out and slept most of the flight home. Hopefully, next year won't require so much paperwork but if it does, at least I'll have the system down!



Don Terisi (on right) at Corowa this year, alongside Jim Harris

Gino's Jeep story

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What started off as a tongue in cheek bet between myself and a friend at Corowa in 2020 about having a decent Jeep ready for Year of the Jeep in 2021 got me motivated to finally get off my backside and give my 1942 Willys MB a complete rebuild.

You might have seen my Jeep at past Corowa events running around in its "Pacific" Movie Marine Corps War paint scheme that over the years had been peeling off and making the jeep look pretty untidy but I had grown accustomed to it and honestly enjoyed the constant ribbing I was getting about how crappy the colour was as I liked the fact that at one point my Jeep was a Movie star! (see photo here).



Well, the challenge was accepted and work began to restore my jeep. Working in the building industry doesn't give me much time on weekends for my hobby so I decided to send the Jeep to Mawson Motors in Geelong Victoria to do the majority of the restoration as in all mechanical work including rebuilding of the entire drive train, electrical and body work.

My Dec 42 tub was in real poor condition to the point where only the Cowl was salvageable so I opted to sell off that tub and use a tub that had been previously partially restored by a good mate Dave Furness.

The boys at Mawson Motors got stuck into the restoration pretty much as soon as I pushed the Jeep off the trailer and were progressing at a lightning pace with it until BANG!... Covid hit and everything went to sh*t in a big way, other businesses either closed or were finding it hard to supply parts etc. due to both staff shortages and supply chain problems so what was going to be roughly an 8 to 12 month restoration ended up being almost an 18-month rebuild! Which actually worked out OK as Corowa 2021 didn't go ahead due to Covid Restrictions.

Once Robin Mawson had gotten the Jeep to the stage of almost being completed it was then returned to me to finish it off. I thought that 5 months would have been plenty of time to complete the work on the Jeep but I was still spraying on all the Jeeps markings just 4 days prior to heading to Corowa!

In the end everything worked out and I was able to finish off the Jeep just in time to have it loaded up on its trailer and begin its journey to Corowa for the 2022 "Year of the Jeep and RAAF Vehicle". Once I had arrived to Ball Park and unloaded my Jeep, I didn't waste any time in taking it out and about to get some miles up on it and just enjoy having a fantastically mechanically sound and, if I do say so myself..., a half decent looking Jeep again in a Colour that was not as hard on the eyes as apparently the old colour of my Jeep was! and to top it off it was an absolute honour to receive a People's Choice Award to boot!

I wish I could say that I did everything myself but unfortunately, I'm not that talented... so I'd like to thank Robin Mawson and the guys at Mawson Motors, Dave Furness, Jack Neville, Nigel from Milspares and the many others who pushed me along to get it done, I'd also like to say a big thank you to Jan and her team from KVE for putting in the hard yards and getting the Event over the line in 2022.

Looking forward to next year and beyond,
Cheers,

Gino Di Tella.



Bob the Blitz ... and Flynn

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Flynn is one of the junior members of MVGNSW and is 10 years old. As we say he is born into green blood. He has always loved attending events from a young age, looking at all the big trucks, tanks and everything the military events has had to offer.



For everyone that knows us knows that his Dad, Trent Keith is always working on green projects in the shed, so Flynn has always been apart of that. It wasn't until Flynn

saw an old blitz for sale on Trent's phone that he really showed a major interest in owning his own piece of Green gold. A few messages were sent back and forth and it wasn't long after that we were picking up Flynn's very first Military Vehicle with the deal being that he had to help restore it. This was back in July 2022. The very rusty, busted tyred Chev Blitz made its way home, a lot of people laughed when Trent and Flynn said they would have it at its first event at Corowa in March 2022. Lets all remember that the Blitz wasn't Trent's main priority as he also had to work his many jobs, and get the DUKW ready to take to Corowa as well—so the task at hand was always going to be a challenge! We all love a challenge!

So the boys set out to restore the Blitz who was affectionately named Bob. Flynn worked so hard on Bob. He hand sanded the whole cab by himself with little help from Mum and Dad. It was a pretty tiring job, and as we all know it isn't always fun, so on the days Trent had a spare moment they would move on to other jobs to keep Flynn interested. Wheel cylinders, new tyres, brakes, straightening the bull bar, sandblasting - the lot! Bob needed lots of surgery as Flynn would say! You all know the process - so many things were done to get Bob up to scratch and up and running.

Flynn had a bit of help from mum pulling out the old wiring, then he became our foreman as he watched Mum and Dad re-wire his green machine and watched it come alive. We could write all day about the time and effort that went into Bob but we all know you guys know and a lot of you have followed our story. A few problems arose like all restorations, but nothing was going to stop Bob from making his way to Corowa. Bob, being a RAAF Blitz and it being Year of the RAAF - gave Trent and Flynn the drive to get him going and make it Corowa.

At the last minute he passed his pink slip and got his historic registration. Made his way on the back of a truck carrying a jeep on his Tray! Nothing like doing things in halves!! Flynn and Bob took out the Encouragement Award from the organisers of the Event, KVE. Well done Flynn, Trent, big brother Cooper, Shelley, Mum and all his support team along the way. This award was well deserved and we couldn't be prouder of you Flynn for showing such initiative and getting off his video games to achieve such a great thing! Bob got a little too excited when he was nearing completion and dropped a bolt from his tray and gave Trent a black eye—not a great way to repay the person who worked so hard on

Bob the Blitz ... and Flynn - cont'd

you for all these months! It could have been worse though and Trent was able to tell a few stories of how he got that black while at Corowa and get a few laughs.

A Big thank you Richard Den Brinker for transporting Bob to Corowa and giving him Kirsty's jeep on his tray as company for his first adventure! Also thanks to Richard for the other help with the blitz and the amazing back curtain for his window.

A Big thank you to Shane and Les for all their helps and parts for Bob! Bob's Badge was gifted by Les to Flynn for Bob and Flynn took such good care of that Badge till it got mounted onto Bob.

Bob looks forward to showing off his tray transformation in the near future and attending more events with his mate Flynn. Flynn also has another Blitz project to take on in the future, however his brother and him think the jeep project might be the next on the list.....unless Mum gets the Haflinger that's on her wish list. (haha). Thank you MVG for being so family orientated and being so supportive Flynn during this restoration.

BOB ROCKS!

The Keith Family



Flynn and Bob the Blitz at Corowa Showground

Flynn receiving his Encouragement Award

Corowa Swim-In shirt

Order Form for Participants

Polo shirts with pocket - in various colours



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Order Form for Participants
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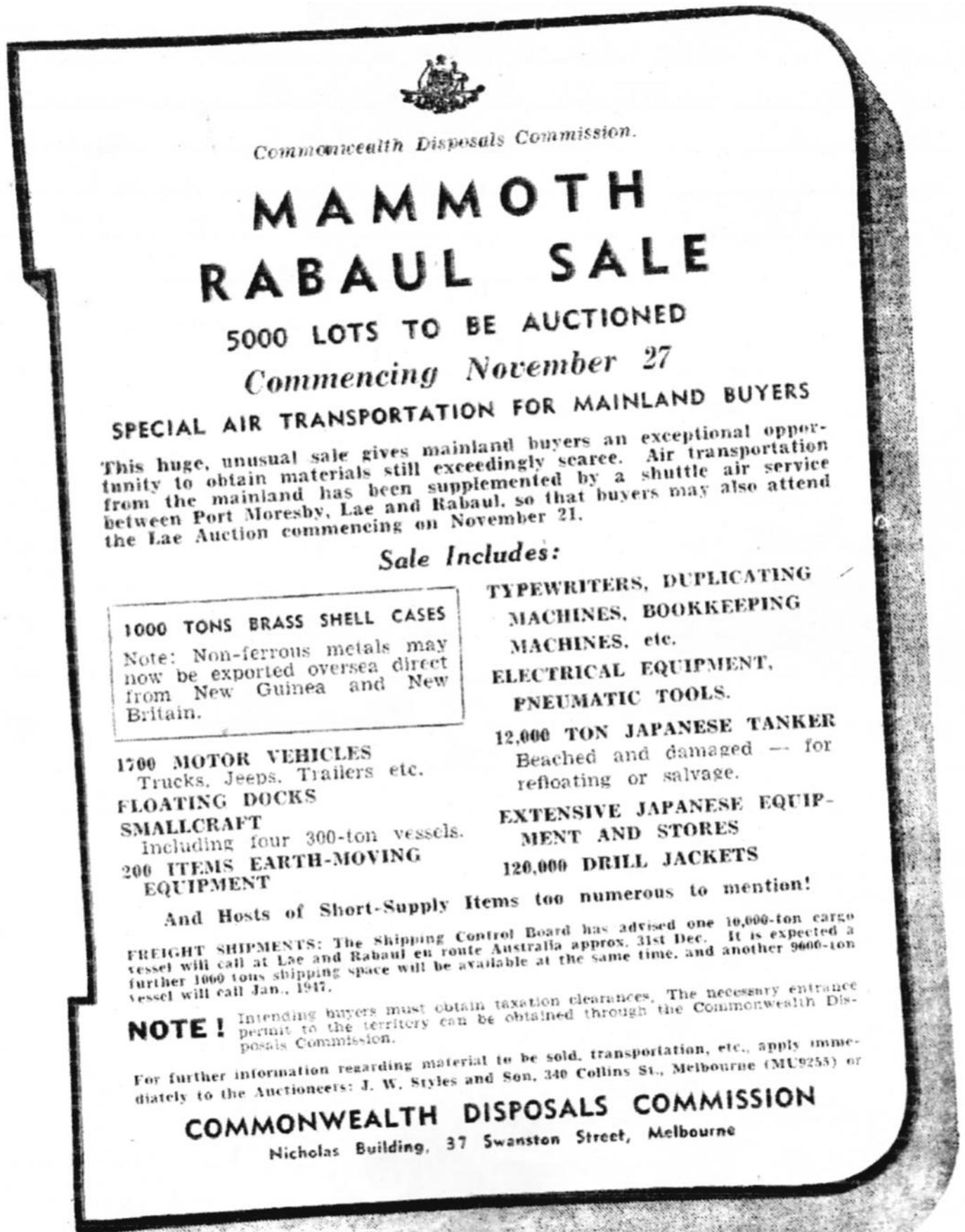
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Thanks to Tim Vibert for sending this in.



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Corowa Swim-In promotional items For Sale

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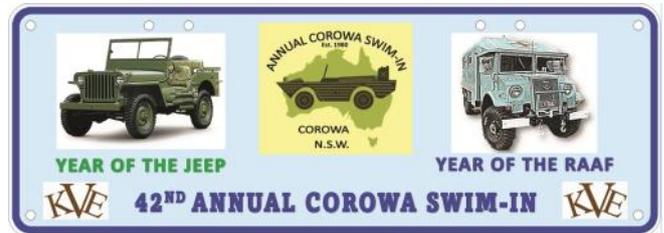
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'Bathurst Remembers World War 2 Exhibition 2022'

marking VJ Day & the end of WW2

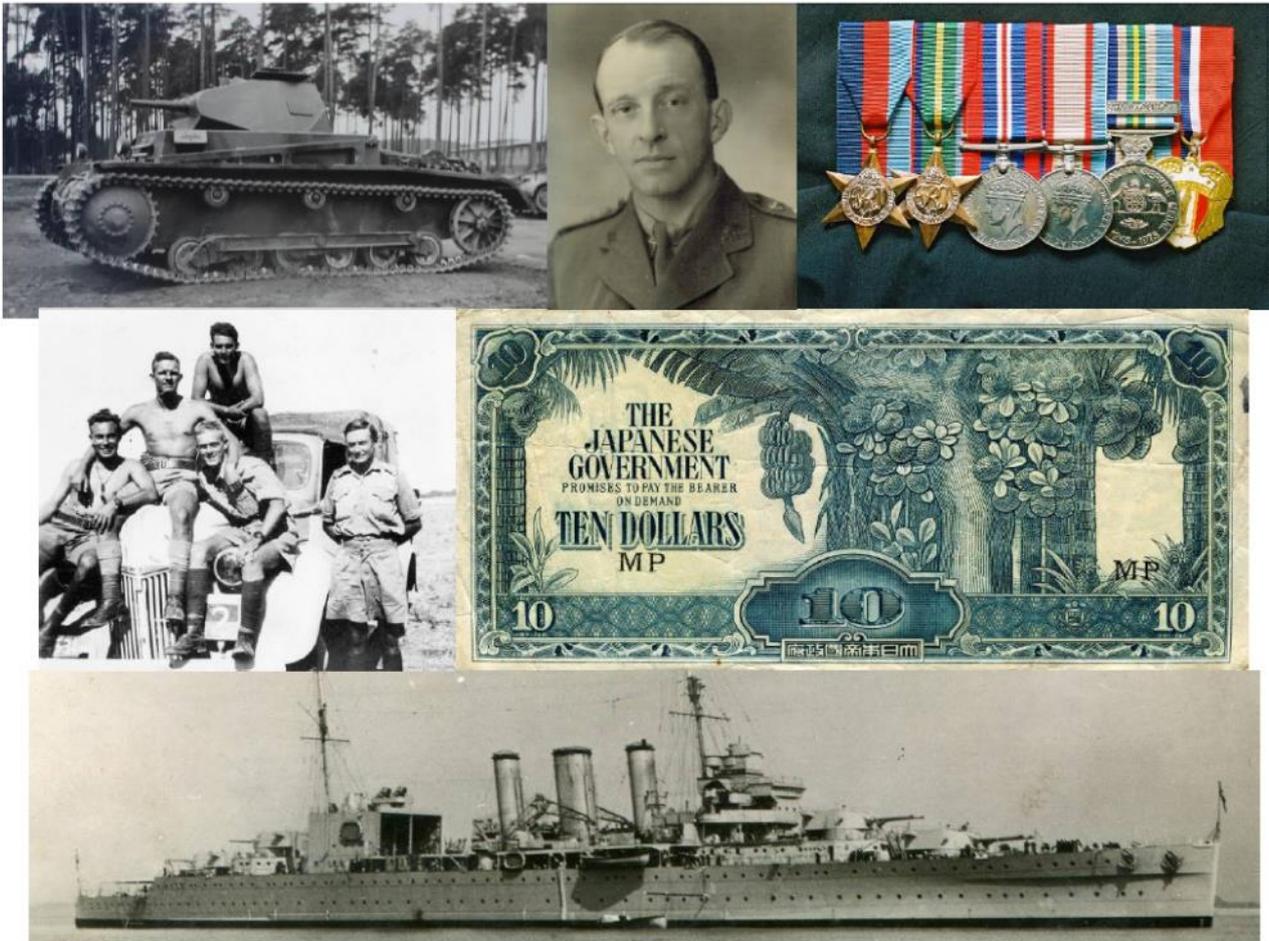
World War 2 Exhibition from Friday 12th August to Monday 15th August 2022 - Open: 9am to 5pm daily

The four day event will be held in the Heritage pavilions at the Bathurst Showground, Sydney Road

The Exhibition features "Snapshots of World War 2" - 600 enlarged photos of soldiers in action, on the battlefields training, on the home front and at the Bathurst Army Camp, the "Wall of Valour" - there are over 130 enlarged photos of World War 2 Service Men and Women with an association with Bathurst who enlisted and served. An additional 2000 assorted photos will be projected in a loop on walls in the Howard Pavilion.

Guest Exhibitors will display over 4,000 military items and WW2 memorabilia, uniforms, large display by Military Vehicle Group of NSW and other restored vehicle groups, medals, RAAF & POW items, St Stanislaus College Damien Parer photo display, WW2 movie memorabilia, aircraft models, newspapers of the day, war gaming, re-enactors, a rustic military picture theatre, and lots more.

Hear expert WW2 war historians and authors speak on Saturday 13th at 2pm and 4pm. The Last Post Ceremony will be held on Sunday 14th at 4.30pm.



Supported by the Bathurst District Historical Society, Bathurst RSL Sub branch, Department of Veterans' Affairs, Bathurst Regional Council, and the Bathurst Showground Land Manager.

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May 2022

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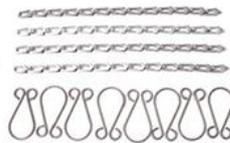
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The Corowa 'Year of' series of DVDs

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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, 19 Lindsay St., Macleod, Vic. 3085**
at \$30.00 each plus postage (except 2020 DVD at \$35 each + post).
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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 Trailed 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 including 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. The spectacle of the parade of vehicles led by Rick Cove's WW1 Albion.

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. 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.

2018 - Year of the Land Rover

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.

2019 - Year of the Amphibian and Prototype

Preview: The 40th year of the Swim-in video covers many aspects of the event including interviews with several of the entrants showcasing vehicles and projects such as David Barton's experimental Jeep recreation, Beau Bruce's Chevrolet C60L, the Ledwidge family's Studebaker Weasel, plus action on land and water. The event was marred this year by the accident suffered by Graham Arkle when his Alvis Stalwart was hit from behind by a semi-trailer causing it to roll several times, badly injuring Graham. The video features an extended interview with Graham explaining how it happened as he recovers from this horrific accident. Doug Draegar's talk on the 2020 Back to the Track event is also covered.

Corowa Swim-In 40th Anniversary

This video tracks the event from its early days with archival stills and footage generously provided by many of the early participants as well as interviews with several of the originals who are still attending today.

It also includes many highlights from the 'Year of' series from 2002 to the current day with highlights such as the jet powered blitz, the famous BBQ fire, Jan and Troy's wedding, as well as segments featuring several members of KVE who have passed on. Whether you're new to the Swim-in or have been coming for years this is the video for you.

2020 - Year of the Military Motorcycle \$35

This dvd covers the event with interviews with many of the motorcycle owners such as Hans Sprangers with his Zundapp, Paul Bailey with his Norton Big4 sidecar outfit and Anthony Shorten with his Harley. Stories from owners of other vehicles include Sam Scholz from Qld who drove his Diamond T 969 wrecker down as a trial run for the BTTT trip, Jack Neville with his Ford Roadster, Jake Neville and his Dodge ambulance, Trent Keith and his DUKW, Lachlan Matthews with his OT810 halftrack, Nicole Wright and the "Follow Me" jeep, Graham Robb's modified Ford F15 tipper. Also includes parade, swap meet and amphibious activities.

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.

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

Military Vehicle Group of NSW (MVG of NSW)

Contact : Secretary: email: mvgnsw@gmail.com
 Meetings via Zoom Facebook
 A family orientated group for military vehicle owners and enthusiasts.

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

Contact : Secretary: Murray Connell Phone No: 08 9451 4263 Email: connell@westnet.com.au
 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: sierantmz@gmail.com
 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: a42ausjeep@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: John Boucher
 Ph. 0428 972 320 john.boucher46@bigpond.com
 Secretary: Andrew Davis, 909 South Arm Road, Sandford, TAS 7020 Email: mvgtinc@gmail.com

Directory of Australian Military Vehicle groups - cont'd

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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
 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)

Email: webmaster@remlr.com 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. REMLR is not just Land Rovers, other vehicles are International trucks, Mokes, various other trucks, trailers, cars and bikes covered in the information pages.

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
 Dates of Meetings: 2nd Wednesday of the month Locations of Meetings: Ashfield RSL at 8pm
 For collectors and enthusiasts of ex-military vehicles

Military History Group Inc.

Mailing address: 4 Windsor Drive, Wallan, Vic. 3756
 Contact: Gary Jordan (Vice President) 0419 314 457 email: merlinengineers@bigpond.com
 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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FEDERATION COUNCIL

**Supporters of the 2022
Corowa Swim-In & Military Vehicle Gathering**
KVE wishes to thank the Federation Council for their support of
the event.



COROWA
RSL CLUB

KVE gives special thanks to
Corowa RSL Club for their
welcomed support of the
2020 Annual Corowa Swim-In

Corowa RSL Club Ltd
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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 2023

KVE Membership application form

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KHAKI VEHICLE ENTHUSIASTS INC.

Unit 9/1 Millett Road, MOSMAN, NSW 2088

Mobile: 0412 078 096

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 now and membership due for renewal on 28th Feb. 2023

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

PRESIDENT

Jan Thompson-Creamer

SECRETARY

Harvey Black

VICE PRESIDENT

<http://corowaswim-in.org>

2023 Swap Meet stall booking form

COROWA PASTORAL, AGRICULTURAL & HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY INC.
PO BOX 190, COROWA NSW 2646
SECRETARY : Jan McKenna - 0427 331 148

APPLICATION FOR TRADE SPACE FOR SWAP MEET AT THE
2023 COROWA SWIM-IN & MILITARY VEHICLE GATHERING
TO BE HELD AT COROWA SHOWGROUND ON SATURDAY 18TH MARCH
(Swap Meet organised on behalf of Khaki Vehicle Enthusiasts Incorporated)

Business Name :

Contact Name :

Address :

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Phone No. : **Mobile No. :**

Email Address :

Description of Goods or Services intended to sell or display :

Costs : **\$20 per day for Outdoor 6 x3 metres (approx.)**
 \$25 per day for Indoor 3.65 x 3.2 metres (approx.)
 Double rates for double size areas (approx.)

Stalls can be open from Thursday to Saturday, as charged above

Queries, contact Jan McKenna on 0427 331 148 or janandfrankmckenna@bigpond.com

Camping at Showgrounds for Stallholders only, from Thursday to Sunday -
Fee \$10 per night per campsite

COST FOR YOUR SITE (MUST BE PAID AT TIME OF BOOKING TO SECURE YOUR SITE)

Camping @ \$10 per night

Inside undercover @ \$25 per day

Outside site @ \$20 per day.....

Total cost for site

Signed by Applicant **Dated**

Entry fee can be paid straight into Corowa P A & H Society's bank account - with reference details :

Hume Bank - BSB - 640000 - Account No. 568163516

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43rd Annual Corowa Swim-In & Military Vehicle Gathering

Monday 13th March to Sunday 19th March 2023

Held annually at Corowa, NSW

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

The theme is **'Year of the Heavy Metal & Military Kit'**

ENTRY FORM

Entrant / Driver:

Name:		
Address:		State:
		Postcode:
No. of extra Packs required at \$25 each:	Names of those, other than Entrant, requiring Packs:	
Home phone:		Work phone:
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.

Disclaimer & Declaration - Please Read & 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 organized activities controlled by KVE Incorporated (KVE), and other unregulated, ad-hoc activities during the Corowa Swim-In event period, do so solely at their own risk. KVE takes appropriate steps to manage risks 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 during the duration of the event including amphibious operations on the water. KVE, its members, officers, volunteers, Federation Council, 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 1. (COVID-19 Safety Requirements – ALL Entrants to sign and date)

In signing this declaration, I acknowledge that health risks may exist with regard to COVID-19 and that I have used my own inquiries and discretion in deciding to attend. Further, I confirm that I understand the event/s I attend may be subject to COVID-19 Safety Plans. I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to ensure compliance with such Safety Plans by myself and my guests, and to follow the reasonable directions of the KVE Inc. and/or other appointed safety Marshals.

Entrant's Signature:	Date:
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Please read and complete page 2 of this form >

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.

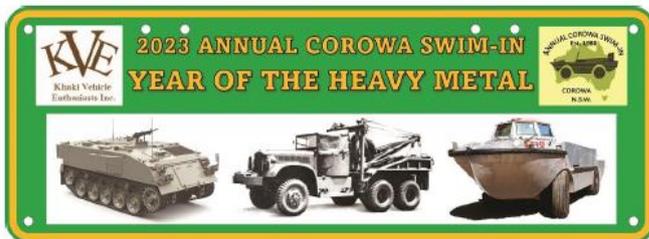
Please tick boxes below, as applicable:

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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2023 COROWA SWIM-IN ‘Year of the Heavy Metal’ PLATES - \$30 each
 Tick box if you wish to purchase a plate and enter amount paid for plates :



Qty:	\$
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Closing Date for Plates orders is 1st Feb. 2023

ENTRY FORMS TO ARRIVE BY 28th FEBRUARY 2023

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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