



KVE News

Newsletter of Khaki Vehicle Enthusiasts Incorporated
 Organisers of the Annual GPA Swim In held at
 Corowa N.S.W.

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YEAR OF THE 6X6



Get your entry forms in now!

Closing date for Pre-Registered entries is 29th February

Entry form on last page

**The 33rd Annual GPA Swim-in & Ex-Military Vehicle
 Gathering**

Supported by Corowa Shire Council





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Accommodation in Corowa can be difficult to find unless you are camping at Ball Park Caravan Park or at Corowa Airport. If you require other accommodation please contact the Corowa Tourist Information Centre on 1800 814 054 or via email corinfo@dragnet.com.au

They will be able to assist in organising your booking.

President's Report

Welcome to this KVE Inc Newsletter. Corowa is coming up fast, and I am pleased to say that the planning is well under way and coming together very well. It is a pleasure to reach this stage of planning which could not happen without the help and support from all involved.

Corowa Swim-in, whilst not being the biggest or the smallest in the World, is well up there with the best of them. We have a great group to run the event and the input from KVE members in the planning and running is excellent.

The planning for the 33rd Corowa Swim-In is well under way and your Committee is flat out with the planning to make this one to remember.

New Committee members Robert Pearce, Harvey Black, and to our overseas Committee member, Richard Farrant, are doing a great job. It is very pleasing to have people willing to volunteer and help with the running of this event. Without modern communication means, we would not be able to run Corowa the way that it is. Emails, Skype and the telephone make it so much easier. Our local Corowa members are also helping out and it is good to have somebody local to tie up the loose local ends.

The Shire now has an idea 'on paper' of our worth. Richard Farrant and Jan Thompson submitted a Grant Application to the Corowa Shire and we were successful in receiving a grant from them. This means that we have to now pay for some Shire items which in the past were free. It also means that we can give more to the participants. Those who enter before the cut-off date for entries, will receive a mug and a cap in their rally pack as well as the usual other items including the sought after Rally plaque.

This next Swim-In will see a revised survey with more detailed questions. Please fill it out accurately. The Shire will be able use the figures to assist us in applying for further grants and other things to make our event even more successful. We are the longest continuous running event in the Corowa Shire and they want to help.

Well, please enjoy our Newsletter and thanks to Richard, it is a beauty once again.

Roll on March 2012.

Your President Rick.

Editorial

Well here I am writing my second editorial. Many thanks to all those who sent kind words on my first effort. It is reassuring to know that I must be doing something right!

It is not long to go now, before we all meet again at Corowa. To all those who have not entered yet, please do so now, entry form at the back of this newsletter. It makes life much easier for the committee, if we receive your entries by the end of February, as there is less work to do at the event and we can all enjoy our time there. Not only that but it gives us a feel for numbers likely to attend.

In this issue is an article sent in by Alan Newton. For those that are not aware, Alan was co-founder of the first Swim-In at Corowa, so we have a lot to thank him for.

Don't forget, if you have anything you wish to be included in the next newsletter, be it Sales or Wanted, Events or just a story of your trip to Corowa please send it to me, or Jan, contact details on page 2.

Have a safe trip to Corowa and see you there.

Richard Farrant - Editor

Corowa Jump Shak at the Airport

Friday evening 16th March 2012 6.45pm

SPIT ROAST DINNER

Period costume welcomed

Parade briefing following the meal, approx. 7.30pm

Followed by Special Guest Speaker: John Belfield

Dinners must be booked in advance by 14th March at latest

Please contact Tabitha or Tim at the Jump Shak

0415 704 748

tab75@bigpond.com

More details on page 12 >

News - Grant and Donations Received for 2012

Grant and Donations

Early in November, we received an invitation from Corowa Shire Council to submit an application for funding, in their new Tourism Event Grant Program. As the closing date was at the beginning of December, there was not a lot of time. The form asked for specific spending that met their criteria, and with little ideas forthcoming, Jan Thompson and Richard Farrant got together to work out what to do. The idea was that it had to benefit participants of the Swim-In and also give recognition to Corowa Shire promoting their name for tourism and visitors. Advice was at hand from Kendall Chubb at the Council, so we were able to sound out some of our ideas. Quotes for items to be bought with the funding were obtained and a lot of midnight oil was burnt getting the application and marketing strategy report written. We applied for funding to buy Year of the 6x6 caps, coffee mugs and stickers, also included was in-house support from the Shire, loan of site office for a week, cherrypicker for photo shoot, folders for the participant packs and printing of the daily news sheet during the event week.

A few days before Christmas, we received the good news that the sum of money applied for and items to be spent on, were accepted. We then had to get the designs finalised and off to the supplier. We encourage participants to pre-register and send their entries in by the 29th February, It will be first come, first served, so best to enter early to avoid disappointment.

Just after Christmas, more good news, the NRMA Classic Vehicle Insurance approached us offering a donation towards the event Awards, which was well received. They will have a stand at the Swapmeet at Corowa Airport on Saturday, so please go and visit them. The local tourist office have also come up with a voucher booklet with discount offers from many local businesses which will be of great use to participants during their stay. There will be a voucher booklet for those participants who have pre-registered and paid their entry fee by 29th February, again it is first come, first served due to the number of these items available.



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wishes to thank our
event sponsors**



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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 in your modern vehicle to be a part of the gathering.

Site office times:

Robert Pearce has been organising the Site Office roster for 2012. We are looking for people who may be interested in helping out. It is a good opportunity to meet some of the participants from far and wide. KVE would like to give thanks to those people who assisted last year. At this stage the office will be open at the following times:

Monday 12th March: 9-11am and 3-6pm

Tuesday 13th March: 9-11am and 3-6pm

Wed 14th March: 8.30-11am and 3-6pm

Thurs 15th March: 8.30-11am and 3-6pm

Fri 16th March: 8.30-11am and 3-6pm

Sat 17th March: from 7.30-8.45am: People who have arrived overnight or just for the parade should go straight to Bangerang Park. You will be able to get your package if you have pre-registered or receive your vehicle number. Site office at Airport will open at 8.30 to 12.30pm. Voting forms can be submitted up until 12 midday at the Airport Site Office.

To put your name down for a time contact Robert on Email: hrpearce123@bigpond.com or phone: 02 69465101.

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.
- c) your contact details if you are looking to meet other participants.

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.

A whiteboard at the front of the Site Office will advise of 'Today's and Tomorrow's Activities'. Please check this daily in case of time changes.

Coffee & Tea: you are welcome to make yourselves a free coffee or tea.

The Daily Despatches will be available for collection from the site office, Tues to Sat from 5 - 6 pm. This will give up to date information to participants and will be a vital link in communicating during the week.

Entry Forms:

Please send your entry form in ASAP. Those who have pre-registered by **29th February** will receive free mementoes and an official participant pack. Those who have provided us with the details of the vehicle they will be bringing will have a completed certificate in the pack. If you change your mind

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and decide to bring another vehicle please let us know so we can ensure the right certificate is in the pack. If you don't pre-register then you will receive a certificate but you will have to get it completed.

Participant packs:

Pre-registered participants will receive an envelope of goods when they register in at the Site Office. There will be a voucher book for local shops and businesses so make sure you collect your pack upon arrival in Corowa to make the most of these vouchers and to read the information provided.

We received a grant from the Corowa Shire and have been able to put this towards a free cap and coffee mug for preregistered people. Get your entry form in ASAP so you don't miss out.

Items include:

- Event details
- Vehicle certificate
- Complimentary mementoes
- Voting form which gives you an opportunity to make suggestions on a theme for 2016, places to visit in 2013 and award winners. Put completed forms in the Jerry Can at the Site Office.
- 2013 Entry Form
- Vouchers for local businesses
- Cap
- Coffee Mug

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.

Motoring Event at Corowa on Friday 9th to Monday 12th March:

There will be the Wangaratta Rod & Custom Club Bi-Annual Rod Run in Corowa on the Victorian Long Weekend. It is advisable if you are planning to arrive on the Saturday or the Sunday that you make sure your accommodation is sorted. There are not many details about the event at this stage but it shouldn't effect what we are doing.

Voting Forms

Our Suggestion Box is a painted Jerry can and this will be at the Site Office at Ball Park during the week and at the site Office at Corowa Airport on the Saturday.

This is what you will receive in your participant pack ;

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Please put this form in the Suggestion Box by 12 midday on Saturday 17th 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.

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: _____ Reason why: _____

2. Hard Luck award:

Name: _____ Reason why: _____

3. Breakdown Award:

Name: _____ Reason why: _____

4. Longest distance driven in a military vehicle:

Name: _____ Number of Kilometres driven: _____

5. Encouragement Award:

Name: _____ Reason why: _____

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

Vehicle rally number: _____ Type of Vehicle: _____

Suggestions for a Theme for 2016

Suggestions for places to visit in 2013

Dogs at Corowa Airport:

I would just like to remind people that dogs are not allowed at any airport. We have investigated a local dog kennel close to the airport and suggest if you are taking your dog to Corowa you contact the kennel and organise for them to look after your dog when required (especially on the Saturday when we are at Corowa Airport for most of the day). This newsletter provides contact details.

Camping at Corowa Airport:

Tabitha at the airport would really appreciate people pre-booking their powered or non-powered sites so she knows how many people are staying. She is considering hiring more toilets and showers but she can only do this once she knows the numbers.

Upon arrival at the Airport you must visit the Jump Shak to be allocated to your campsite.

Contact Tabitha Hughes on 0415 704748.

At this stage the cost will be \$10 per person, per night for a powered site and she has some beds left in the Jump Shak for the same price. There is now air conditioning in the Jump Shak. Meals will be available but you must inform Tabitha ahead of time. This year it will be **STRICTLY NO DOGS**. These rules apply at all airports.

Accommodation at Ball Park Caravan Park:

For those requiring a powered site at Ball Park Caravan Park it is advisable to contact them ASAP. Some years they have run out of powered sites. **Contact Sonia & Andrew Palmer on (02) 6033 1426**

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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.

Daily Newspaper:

Our KVE member Brian Healey will be producing a daily newspaper from Tuesday to Saturday. It will be called Daily Dispatches. Make sure you collect your copy each afternoon from the KVE Site Office at Ball Park. The current plan is for this to be printed during the previous afternoon and available at 5pm. You can collect your copy from the site office. This will contain some very important details regarding the activities the following day.

Program of Activities:

Wednesday 14th March: Visit to the South Corowa School at 10am. Drive out to the Owl's Eye Rural and Military Museum on the Hopefield-Rand Rd approximately 15 kms from Corowa. BYO lunch. BBQ facilities will be available. In the afternoon we will visit the Lowesdale Public School and come back via the Redland Hills where there is a piggery. If time permits there is a collector in town with Vintage Tractors and Machinery. Fortunately we have 3 KVE members who live near Corowa who are organising this trip.

Thursday 15th March: Departing at approximately 8.30am from Ball Park Caravan Park. Visit to the "Finley and District Historic Museum and Log Cabin." It is in town on the Newell Highway at the Tocumwal end of town. They have a good collection of all sorts of items and equipment, and have engines, etc, that can be run while we are there. Entry cost \$5

Friday 16th March: Departing at approx. 8.30am from Ball Park Caravan Park. Trip is to the Pentarch facility at Wangaratta. We anticipate the visit will be about 1 to 1 1/2 hours. Trip one way is approx one hour with some impromptu detours on the way back via the Boorhamen brewery and the Renaissance Chocolate factory.

Friday night: The Corowa Jump Shak will organise a meal. It will probably be a spit roast with potatoes, salads and bread for \$18 per head for adults and \$10 per head for children. Desserts will be at an extra cost. Participants will be required to contact Tim and Tabitha by 14th March at latest. Phone: 0415 704748 or email: tab75@bigpond.com A drivers meeting for the parade, will be held here after the meal. In the evening, approx. 7.30pm, John Belfield will be our guest speaker at Corowa Airport. We encourage people to dress up for the event.

Saturday 17th March: Vehicles will line up at Bangerang Park from 7.30am and participate in the parade to the Corowa Airport where there will be a photo shoot and swap meet. In the evening there will be an auction and presentations at Ball Park.

9am sharp – Parade to Corowa Airport: Vehicles will line up at Bangerang Park from 7.30am and participate in the parade to the Corowa Airport departing at 9am sharp where there will be a photo shoot and swap meet.

9.45am: Swap Meet at Corowa Airport. The Corowa Rotary Club will be running the Swap Meet again in 2012

12.00MD: ensure your voting forms are submitted at the KVE Site Office at Corowa Airport.

12.30pm – Group photos of people associated with various forums such as the MVCA, MLU and REMLR.

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1.00pm – Vehicle activities

7.30pm SHARP: Come and support the *Auction and presentations* on Saturday evening at Ball Park. We will not be organizing a meal on the Saturday evening. There is bound to be a combination of items of interest. We will be giving each person a numbered bidding card and we have a new auctioneer so we hope this will be a more effective way to run our auction. Remember to collect your bidding card. We are after extra lighting which would also make things easier. If anyone can help please let us know.

Sunday 18th March: KVE will have a General Meeting at 10am. In the evening there will be a meal at one of the local hotels.

2011 Year of the British And European Vehicles DVD

This will be available at the 2012 event. Keith Webb will be making a 2012 DVD so please be prepared to be filmed to be part of this new DVD. Keith is looking for unusual stories or restorations, as well as filming some good action at the event.

Reminders for the Parade on Saturday 17th March

It is very important that participants stick their vehicle number onto either their front bumper bar or windscreen so it is visible for parade marshals as soon as you receive it. If you arrive overnight on Friday or first thing on Saturday morning be prepared to stop at the entrance to Bangerang Park and sign in. You will be met by people in fluorescent jackets and we will try and quickly register people in.

Once again John Oldemenger will be organising the line up of vehicles in the parade. There will be a driver's briefing at the Jump Shak at Corowa Airport on Friday night prior to the talk at 7.30pm. John would like a few people to assist with marshalling the vehicles both at Bangerang Park and Corowa Airport.

Make sure you are familiar with the photo-shoot plan which will be in your participant pack.

Auction on Saturday 17th March:

If you have any items for the auction please leave at the site office. KVE appreciates all donations which go towards the running of this event and this keeps the entry costs low for participants.

Themes for 2013, 2014 and 2015:

In 2013 the theme will be Year of the Trailed Vehicle or Equipment, and Year of the Armoured Vehicle

In 2014 the themes will be Year of the Ford and Year of WWI

In 2015 the themes will be Year of the Emergency Vehicle and Year of the General Motors.

Participants at the event this year will be given a chance to suggest a theme for 2016. (Refer to the Voting Form in your participant pack).

For further information on the event in the future please feel free to give me a call on 0423 943010 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.

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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 kveinc@optusnet.com.au 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 apart 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. We will be having a meeting at Corowa on Sunday 18th March so you are welcome to attend. By joining KVE you will be given more of a chance to make suggestions for how the event is run in the future.

With only a few weeks until the event I hope the restoration of your vehicles is going well. If you don't quite make it there this year we look forward to seeing you there next year.

Emails to KVE Secretary

Unfortunately over Christmas, I had a problem with my computer and lost all stored emails from the end of October onwards. If you have been in contact with me within that period of time and not received an email directly from me, please send me a message either to kveinc@optusnet.com.au or jan.thompson1@optusnet.com.au

Skydiving

Sunday 18th March, for those that might be interested, there will be Skydiving at Corowa Airport. If anyone would like to do a tandem skydive, it will be \$385, booked in advance. Contact Tabitha Hughes at Corowa Jump Shak on 0415 704748

Next Year's Corowa Swim-In Dates

Monday 11th March to Sunday 17th March 2013, make a note in your diary.

Until next time,

Jan Thompson - Secretary



Friday Night at Corowa Airport

Friday the 16th March, 2012
at The Corowa Jump Shak, Corowa Airport

Fancy Dress Theme – Military Attire *(not compulsory, but desirable)*

Meal consists of

- **2 choices of succulent spit roasted meats**
- **Salads and sides**
- **Roast potatoes and Bread**
- **Only \$18 per/head, kids \$10**

Dinner starts at 6.45pm

Parade Briefing: approx. 7.30pm

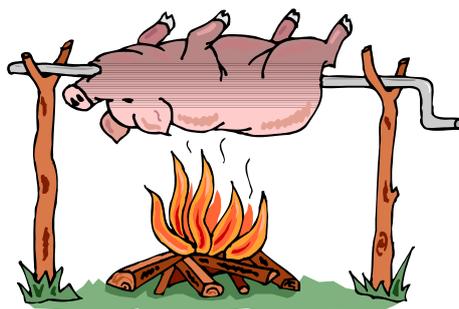
Special Guest Speaker: [John Belfield](#) *(after parade briefing)*

RSVP: Tabitha Hughes

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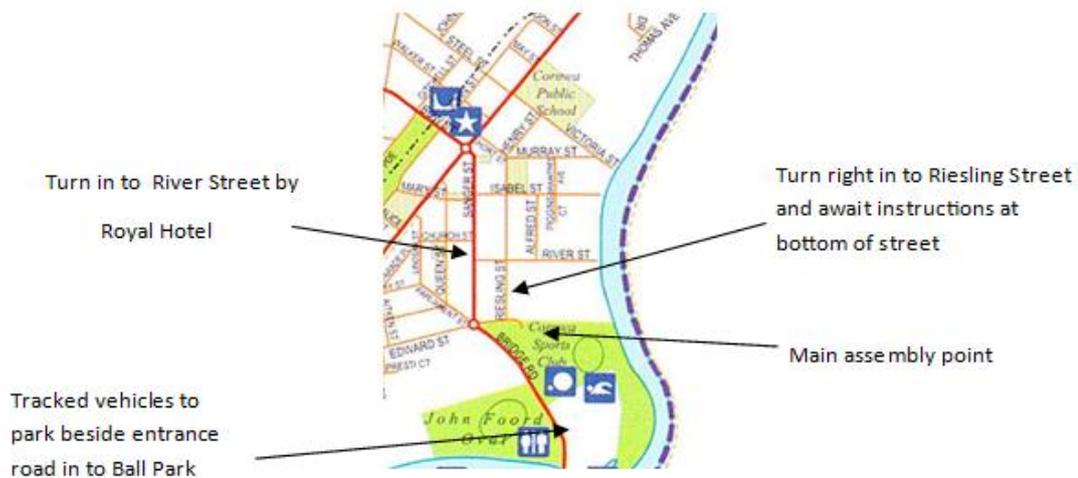
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by the 14th March, 2012 at latest



Line-up instructions for Saturday

Slight changes are to be made this year in the interests of safety and the number of larger vehicles that will be arriving at Bangerang Park on the Saturday morning. **All 6x6 theme vehicles should arrive at the assembly area via Riesling Street, as seen on the map below ;**



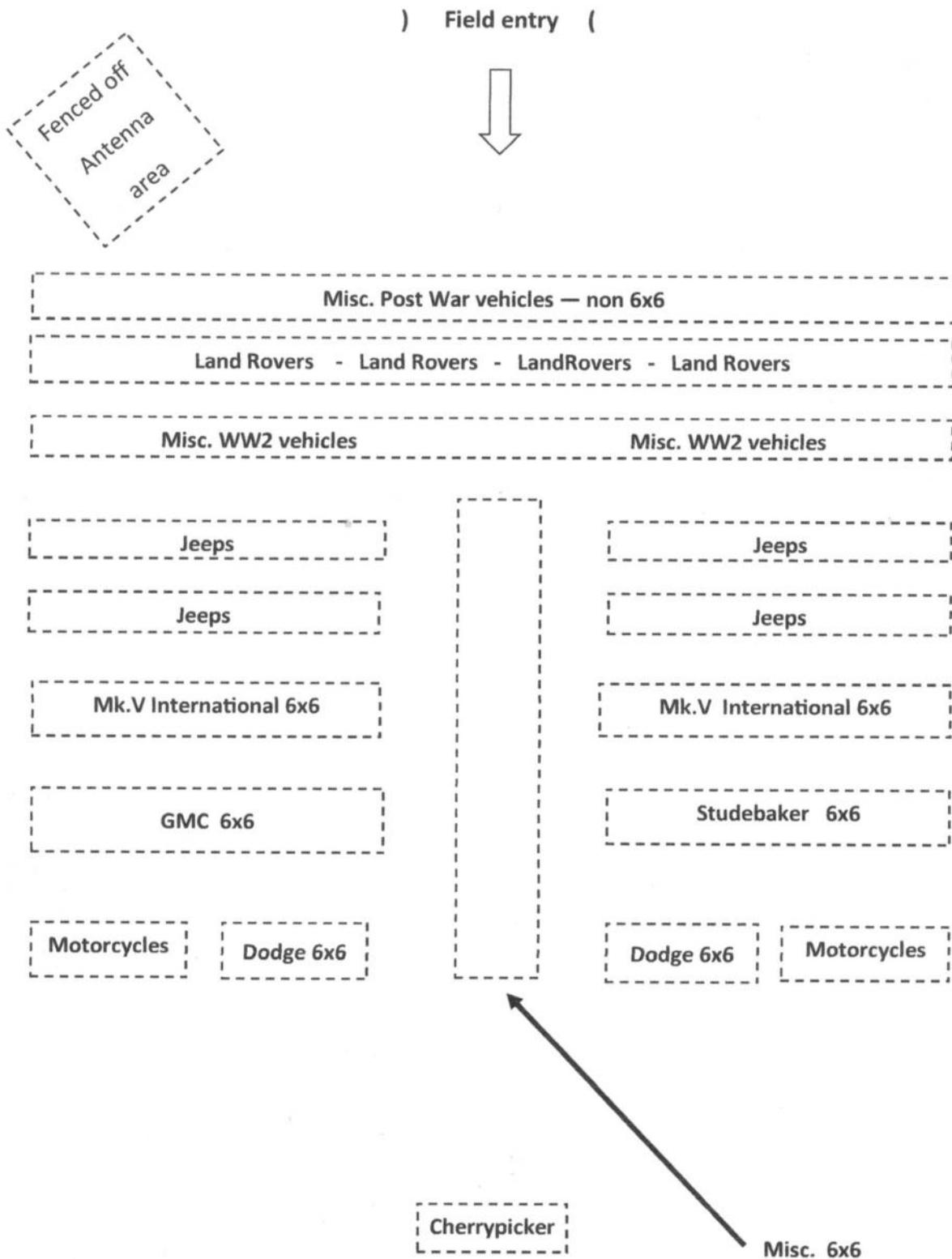
This is to avoid a back up of vehicles onto the roundabout at the bottom of Sanger Street. All other vehicles to approach as normal. The 6x6 theme vehicles will be picked up by a Marshall (Dutchy) at the bottom of Riesling St. and directed into the correct category, this will enable the vehicles to arrive at the airport in an order that will make assembling the vehicles for the photo shoot quicker.

The order of parade should look like this;

1. Tracked vehicles—if any (these will park up at the Ball Park caravan park exit and start from there)
2. Misc. 6x6
3. Dodge 6x6
4. GMC 6x6
5. Studebaker 6x6
6. International Mk.V
7. Jeeps
8. Land Rovers
9. Dodge
10. Others

This is all subject to change nearer the date, and up to date instructions will be included in the participants pack when they book in. Also there likely be a driver's meeting at the airport on Friday night. The next page shows the plan of vehicle parking at the airport in order to get a good shot of the theme vehicles.

Plan of photo-shoot line up at the Airport



Accommodation Options in Corowa area

This list is of accommodation in Corowa and surrounding area, for those wishing to come to the event next March. For further information, please contact the Corowa Visitor Information Centre on Freecall; 1800 814 054. They are there to help you and are willing to search and book for you..... or you can go online and do it at www.visitcorowashire.com.au

Business Name	Location	City	Phone
Caravan Parks			
Ball Park C/Park Holiday Retreat	Bridge Road	Corowa	02 6033 1426
Howlong Caravan Park	55 Hume Street	Howlong	02 6026 5304
Rivergum Holiday Retreat	386 Honour Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 1990
Bindaree Motel & Caravan Park	454 Honour Ave	Corowa	02 6033 2500
Corowa Caravan Park	84 Federation Ave	Corowa	02 6033 1944
Motel			
Arcadia Motor Inn	127-135 Federation Ave	Corowa	02 6033 2088
Best Western Heritage Motor Inn	25 Edward Street	Corowa	02 6033 1800
Comfort Inn Federation	330 Honour Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 2022
Corowa Golf Club Motel	Hume Street	Corowa	02 6033 1466
Corowa Motor Inn	69-73 Riesling Street	Corowa	02 6033 1255
Golfers Lodge Motel	71 Hume Street	Corowa	02 6033 1366
Golfers Retreat Motel	57 Hay Street	Corowa South	02 6033 2059
Greenacres Motel	91-99 Federation Ave	Corowa	02 6033 2288
Howlong Country Golf Club	194 Golf Club Drive	Howlong	02 6026 5321
Lone Pine Motel	17 Lone Pine Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 2966
Lovells Motel	203 Sanger Street	Corowa	02 6033 1566
Motel Menere's	146 Federation Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 1066
Motel Wingrove	147 Federation Ave	Corowa	02 6033 2055
Murray View Motel	193 River Street	Corowa	02 6033 2144
Riverside Water Front Motel	7-9 Cadel Terrace	Wahgunyah	02 6033 1177
Statesman Motor Inn	2 Edward Street	Corowa	02 6033 2411
Yarrowonga & Border Golf Club	Gulai Street	Mulwala	03 5744 1911
Self Contained			
19 on Nixon	19 Nixon Street	Corowa	0418 124 850
Coromandel House	14 Tower Street	Corowa	02 6033 1001
John Foord Guesthouse	7 Braintree Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 5284
Kath's Place	15 Wanstead Street	Corowa	02 6033 1001
Murray Banks Holiday Units	76 Federation Avenue	Corowa	02 6033 2922
Murray Lodge Holiday Units	35/41 Tower Street	Corowa	02 6033 1712
Murray Rest Cottages	43 Barkly Street	Wahgunyah	02 6033 3685
Oakleigh	Piggins Rd Hopefield via	Corowa	02 6033 1814
Pete's Place	20 Gitchell Street	Corowa	02 6033 4495
Roseleigh	6a Lindsay Street	Corowa	03 9727 0493
Savernake Farmstay	Savernake Station	Yarrowonga	02 6035 9415
Terminus Flats	Cnr Edward & Sanger Sts	Corowa	02 6033 4071
The Shanty Waterside Cottage	The Shanty, Spring Drive	Corowa	02 6035 3838
The Stable @ Riesling S/Leggero	1/51 Riesling Street	Corowa	0439 456 337
B&B			
Stableford House	22 East Street	Howlong	02 6026 8524
The Old Post Office Howlong	39 Hawkins Street	Howlong	02 6026 8278

More accommodation in Corowa

The accommodation list on the previous page, was supplied by the local Tourist office, but did not list the following two hotels ;

The Royal Hotel, 95 Sanger Street, Corowa, NSW 2646

Tel. (02) 6033 1395 Fax (02) 6033 3760

Email; royalhotelcorowa@westnet.com.au

Hotel Australia, Sanger Street, Corowa, NSW 2646

Tel. (02) 6033 1052

Pictures from Corowa Past



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URGENT NEWS ***IMITATION FIREARMS. (VICTORIA)***

The Victorian Police have just, on 1st July 2011, “enacted in Law”, new laws regarding the ownership and use of Imitation Firearms. Applications for these are available from your local District Firearms Officer or on the web at www.police.gov.au/weapons

You will need :-

“Application for Chief Commissioner’s Prohibited Weapons Approval (Individual)” - (VP FORM 1206).

A general breakdown of the information and requirements is listed below:-

Imitation firearm (handgun or longarm)

Imitation firearm means a device—

- (a) the appearance of which could reasonably be mistaken for that of an operable firearm; but
- (b) which is not designed or adapted to discharge shot or a bullet or other missile by the

expansion of gases produced in the device by the ignition of strongly combustible materials or by compressed air or other gases, whether stored in the device in pressurised containers or produced in the device by mechanical means and is not capable of being made to do so;

Genuine Reason

The *Control of Weapons Act* 1990 requires you to have a genuine reason to obtain a Chief Commissioner’s Prohibited Weapons Approval.

This new Law is limited to genuine collectors who can demonstrate the theme of their collection, defence, historical re-enactment, commercial/trading (retail), martial arts (if applicable).

Purpose of Prohibited Weapons Approval

You must indicate the purpose of each of the prohibited weapons you list in part 7 of your application.

Information you must supply in a separate letter accompanying the Application

- * Why your needs cannot be met by non-prohibited weapons.
- * How and under what circumstances do you need to possess these weapons.
- How you propose to transport the prohibited weapons and an outline of the measures you will take to ensure they are stored securely so as to prevent unauthorised access and use.

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Use

- * How and under what circumstances you propose to use these weapons.
- * How you propose to transport the prohibited weapons and the measures you will take to ensure they are stored securely so as to prevent unauthorised access and use.

Display

- * Under what circumstances, how and for what purpose the prohibited weapons will be displayed.
- * A detailed description of the display facilities and measures you will take to ensure the prohibited weapons are stored securely so as to prevent unauthorised access and use.

Carry

- * How you propose to transport the prohibited weapons and the measures you will take to ensure they are stored securely so as to prevent unauthorised access and use.

Genuine Collector

You must provide:

1. a) A copy of a current membership card to a recognised Collector's Organisation; **or**
b) Evidence that you are a bona-fide collector by attaching a list and/or photographs of the Prohibited Weapons you currently possess or propose to collect to demonstrate;

and

2. A dated and signed letter recording each Prohibited Weapon type you propose to collect and detailing the theme of each type of weapon in your collection. Themes may be of a commemorative, investment, historical or thematic nature, or of a particular range or era. You should provide as much detail as possible (e.g. valuation certificates, collector club endorsement etc) to demonstrate that your collection is/will be of obvious and significant investment, commemorative, historical or thematic value.

Note:

If you have indicated you have more than one Genuine Reason for applying for this approval, you must clearly **show which weapons are linked to which reasons** in your Application and accompanying letter.

Please ensure that you conform to the new laws if you have any imitation firearms.

There is quite a lot of information on the WEB at www.police.vic.gov.au/weapons

GOOD LUCK!!

Rick Cove

President KVE Inc.

IMPORTANT NEWS

Corowa 2012—Imitation and Replica Firearms

IMITATION OR REPLICA FIREARMS AT COROWA 2012 “The Year of the 6x6”.

There has been a request from some vehicle owners to ‘Dress Up their Vehicles’, to include imitation firearms. KVE Inc. does not as a rule consider this a bad idea. BUT!!! The rules governing imitation or replica firearms in New South Wales are extremely harsh.

The only way for individual persons to display these items are if they have the correct Victorian and New South Wales Permits. These Permits will have to be presented to the KVE Inc. Committee (and the Police, if requested by them) before any display.

The approved items can ONLY be displayed at the Airport on Saturday, and with approval from KVE Committee for other times.

There will be no carrying of weapons at any other time or venue during this event without permission.

The Security arrangements for storage also must meet the New South Wales Regulations at all times.

Go to:- www.police.nsw.gov.au/firearms

Arrangements have been made for secure storage of all imitation firearms at Corowa. Contact Rick Cove for more information.

rckcv@internode.on.net

And also familiarise yourselves with the *Firearms Act 1996* and *Firearms Regulations 2006* found at www.legislation.nsw.gov.au

We have familiarised ourselves, so now it's up to you.

KVE Inc. as the organisers of this event, has the last say regarding any weapons - Real, Imitation or Replica put on display.

Corowa Swim-In Re-mailer

The internet and email have proved to be an invaluable resource for so many in the ex-military vehicles hobby. Many of those who attend Corowa or have an interest in the event have friendships and connections they have made via the internet. Quite often it is years after these connections are made that people finally meet in person. From the early days of the internet the connections took place, many having made international connections dating back to the mid-1980s.

However, there are few Australian members and very little Australian content. Our large distances in Australia and proportionally small population mean that of all countries, we should be making the most of anything that allows collectors to stay in touch with each other.

There are also several "forums" where the more internet active collectors "meet", however they may not suit those who don't "surf" the web or have slow connections.

Because the major Australian MV event is Corowa, there is an opportunity for a re-mailer to serve both the Corowa event and Australian ex-military vehicle collectors. We hope this free service will do that.

It is a place to meet, discuss and share your experiences and knowledge with like-minded people specifically for discussion relating to the KVE Corowa military vehicle rally.

In order to provide as much protection for subscribers against junk email as possible, the re-mailer has been made hard for search engines to find. Thus you will need to type into your browser page the following address:

<http://au.groups.yahoo.com/group/Corowa-Swim-In/>

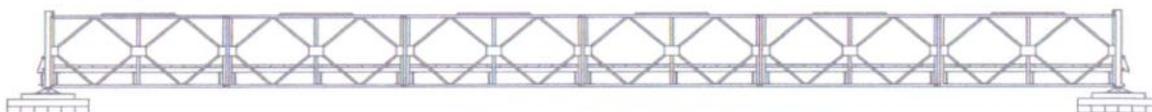
If you are not already a free member of the Yahoo service, please email Doug at the address below for detailed instructions on how to navigate the joining process.

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A D-Day Whale in Normandy



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During the Battle of Normandy, in August 1944, almost every road and rail bridge for about a hundred miles around was destroyed by the Allies or the retreating Germans. The ingenious British military bridging system invented by Sir Donald Bailey had already been deployed in Italy a year earlier but it was here in Normandy that Bailey Bridges really came into their own. Although over 1,000 of them were laid between Rouen and Mont-Saint-Michel to keep the battle moving forward, by 2008 only one was still in use in Calvados. When the French authorities threatened to scrap it, a group of Anglo-French enthusiasts, *Les Amis du Pont Bailey* (helped by members of the Corps of Royal Engineers), succeeded in preserving it as a memorial to all those who suffered or died in the battle for French liberation.

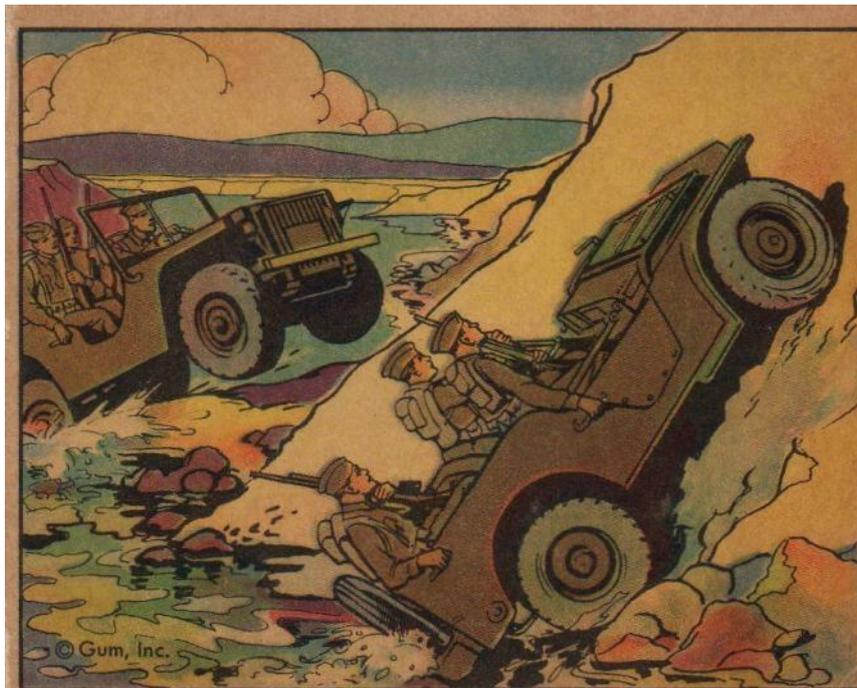
Almost immediately however *Les Amis du Pont Bailey* were presented, literally, with a new 22 tonne problem. The last abandoned 'Whale' section of the extraordinary floating roadways from Britain's 1944 artificial Mulberry Harbour at Arromanches had been languishing in Normandy quarries for more than 50 years. It owed its survival to its anti-corrosion alloy of steel and copper. The Whale's owner offered it to *Les Amis* providing they could find a suitable use for it. Last year they heard that walkers and cyclists on a major cross-country trail in Normandy urgently need a means of bridging the river Vire near Martilly in Calvados. So volunteers are now preparing to clean up the veteran monster over which a whole army was landed and provisioned on French soil from June to August 1944. Hopefully, in 2012, all 24.43 metres of it will be loaned to the town of Vire for 99 years to serve the peaceful needs of ramblers.



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Got any gum chum ?

One of a series of cards given away with chewing gum in the USA around 1941, a bit optimistic on the abilities of a loaded Ford Pygmy !



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UNCLE SAM—SOLDIER

Crew of Pygmy Scout Car

One of the latest additions to the Mechanized Cavalry of Uncle Sam's streamlined Army is known as the "command reconnaissance four-four," a pygmy scout car, manned by a crew of three. The driver sits behind the wheel, maneuvering the car on a scouting mission over the roughest terrain, through shallow streams, or up sharp inclines as great as 65 degrees (see picture)! The car has a four-wheel drive, six speeds forward and two reverse. It has a four-cylinder engine and will do about 60 miles an hour on level surfaces. Next to the driver sits the observer armed with a rifle. In the rear seat is a gunner armed with an all-angle machine gun. Storage space for a submachine gun is also provided. If the car should happen to fall into a deep hole the crew can lift the pygmy out by means of hand grips located along the sides.

Save to get all these picture cards showing Uncle Sam's soldiers, sailors, marines, airmen and civilians in training for NATIONAL DEFENSE.

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Alan Newton reports on a Wreck Dive

SS President Coolidge

A report from Alan Newton who has been diving on the wreck off Vanuatu.

Earlier this year, I joined a group of scuba divers from the PRODIVE Brisbane and headed for Luganville on the South Pacific island of Espiritu Santo, the largest and most northerly of the Vanuatu group. Our plan was to dive on the famous wreck, SS President Coolidge, a 22,000 ton 200 metre long luxury liner / troop ship which had brought 5,300 troops and all their equipment, weapons, stores, vehicles, etc. from San Francisco. On 26th October 1942 while entering the channel near the American base on Santo, the Coolidge hit two "friendly" mines. The skipper drove her ashore on a coral beach at low tide, leaving everything aboard for later salvage. Then about 90 minutes later the coral reef collapsed and the ship rolled on her port side and slid back into the channel where she still lies today; her bow at 20 metres below the surface and stern at 70 metres. Just one crew member and one rescuer died as a result of this disaster.

I had heard the story of the Coolidge on a previous trip to Pt Vila Vanuatu in 2006 and that there were JEEPS, and other vehicles in the holds!! Now, I've had a love / hate relationship with Jeeps since I was a MT Mechanic in the RAAF in the late 1950's but was totally fascinated at the thought of these jeeps, that were destined for the battlefields of Guadalcanal (just one island north) all those years ago and never made it.

Returning to Adelaide I decided to do a diving course which would enable me to see for myself and maybe touch these warriors which would most likely have been destroyed in the Guadalcanal battles had they reached their destination just a few miles north! Well, at 66 years old I passed the divers medical and set about the daunting task of gaining my open water, then advanced open water certificates (which allows me to dive to 30 metres) and some speciality courses – nitrox, emergency first aid, peak performance buoyancy; some 50 dives later and with some trepidation, here I am in waist deep water with the channel and the Coolidge only 40 or 50 metres behind me.

1st Dive – Wading out in full diving kit with my companions, some with twin air tanks and talking about their experiences in Truk Lagoon – I felt like a bloody novice – well ! After pre-dive checks we dropped off the edge and followed the 45 degree slope down the guide rope which led to the ship's bow at 20 metres, regularly compensating for the pressure on ear drums as the depth increased. As we approached, and the bow came in to view, I paused, and though visibility was 10-15 metres I could see that this was one DAMN BIG SHIP !! A rather emotional moment as I actually touched the ship and thought – Bloody Beauty! I'm here! I've made it! This is it!

Suddenly a great rush of air nearby and I turned to see air escaping from one of my buddies' twin air tanks! Shit! This was not good-bad maintenance?? What can I do? Another diver approached him and after some hand signals and head nodding they calmly proceeded to dismantle the twin manifold set-up and replaced the 10 cent faulty O-ring while one was breathing from the other's secondary air supply. I watched in awe as they completed the operation and thought "Thank Christ I'm with these guys – they know what they're doing!!"

We then descended to around 30 metres and headed along the vertical deck, which loomed up on our left side. Being "tail-end Charlie" as usual, I was confronted by this metre long Barracuda-looking fish, which circled me three times showing me what big teeth it had! I thought about pulling out the dive knife but decided to try my underwater camera instead. Luckily I got a good photo of Mr. Fish and with the bow of the Coolidge 10 metres above. A couple of flashes from my camera and he was gone. By now my companions had paddled almost out of sight and it was an effort to catch them as we went past No.1 and No.2 holds, then ascended up past the bridge (which section has collapsed due to time and earthquakes) then we cruised along the almost level starboard side towards the bow.

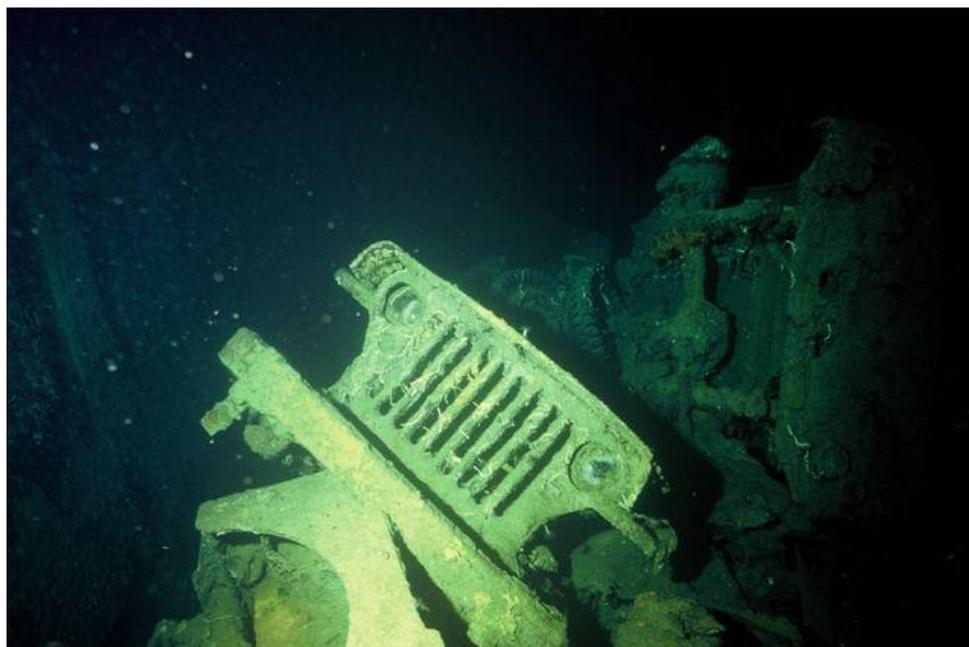
Visibility is now about 25 metres and the guide picks up a gas mask and a coral encrusted rifle and poses for pics. Good one! After mooching along the side of the ship checking out various fish and critters, I was getting a bit anxious about my air; it was down to way past minimum 50 bar! At the 6 metres decompression stop there was a spare air tank waiting for "Air Pigs" such as me! It was a relief and novelty to connect up to this "pony" air bottle

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to complete my 5 minute decompression stop. At the surface we joined another group who had just popped up and everyone was excited and looking forward to the next dive.

2nd Dive – this dive was planned to enter No.1 and No.2 holds; now I am not a certified wreck diver so I expected to just look into the hold and maybe see some vehicles and stuff, however, after an easy and quick descent to 35 metres, my deepest dive yet, the guide and three other divers went straight in to No.1 hold! I hesitated, but the guide signalled me to follow, and I didn't need a second offer! After about 4 metres inside it was pitch black! I could see the torches of the others flashing in all directions and as I had new batteries in my \$100 torch, I felt pretty confident to follow them.

Keeping track of which way is up by checking my air bubbles occasionally; I shone my torch around this mass of tangled equipment and vehicles. Now my torch only illuminates about a square metre in a circular pattern, so I see a small section of the subject at a time. Looking around, I spotted something like a conveyor belt below me; on closer look there was a diff and chassis! My heart skipped! It was a halftrack upside down! Manouvering around stacks of silt-covered equipment and keeping other torches in sight, I came across a jeep chassis upside down and another jeep nearby. Neither jeep had wheels, and the amount of loose wheels with bar tread amongst the silt seemed to indicate they had been stacked for transport – or maybe in boxes?



Moving around a mountain of equipment, floating up and over and down and under obstacles, I bumped in to something behind me; torchlight revealed a GMC 6x6 standing vertically on its end – I inhaled deeply and floated up till I was staring down at the grille, fenders, lights and bumper noting that there was no winch; all the while my camera was flashing away taking pic after pic to prove to myself later that this was not just a marvellous dream!

Looking around, I realised there were no torchlights in my vicinity, so I turned my torch off for a better look SHIT !!! I was on my own ! My immediate thoughts were “you bloody fool Alan! This is it! I'm going to miss Corowa 2012!!”

Hanging on to the GMC bumper bar in the blackness, I felt resigned to the fact that I was going to die here, but it didn't matter much, as I'd seen the jeeps and that was why I came here. Thinking back, I was just too calm about the situation – maybe I had a slight case of Nitrogen Nicosis! An eternity later (probably 1 or 2 mins.) I accepted that no one was coming back for me so I turned my torch back on wondering how long the batteries would last.

Thinking logically, what were my last movements – yes!! I turned right and went up! So I exhaled, sank a couple of metres and turned to my left. Some artillery pieces and other debris appeared in my torchlight, then some familiar

Alan Newton reports on a Wreck Dive—page 3

silt-covered machinery – and there were the two jeeps I had seen on the way in! Now which way? The wrong decision could lead me deeper in to oblivion!

Looking around there was a mountain of tangled wreckage so I glided around and there below me was the upside down halftrack! A square of pale blue appeared in the distance – The entrance. “I’M NOT GOING TO DIE!” Kicking like mad I headed for that blue square like a torpedo! Heart pounding I emerged into a grey blue world of fallen masts, derricks and cranes and stuff. Hovering briefly, I turned and looked back at the black abyss that nearly claimed me and thought of the dive compny’s motto “DIVE THE COOLIDGE – GET WRECKED WITH US”.

Daring to look at my air gauge 40 bar and 36 metres I was now REALLY in trouble! Looking around I spotted the group about 10 metres below going under the bow I was’nt going down there thanks! A few gentle kicks and I was on the bow at 20 metres; still no company, so after a minute or so I started up the 45 degree guide rope leading to the surface. Slowly as possible and dumping air from my BC, I followed this lifeline, any second expecting to suck on an empty air tank. A terrifying thought as I had experienced that in training.

An eternity later I reached the end of the rope. My computer told me SIX METRES! Looking up I could see the surface shimmering in the afternoon sun. I suddenly lost all rational thinking: I’M OUT OF HERE! And did an emergency ascent, shouting through my mouthpiece and hoping like hell there was’nt a vessel above! A few minutes later, as I floated back to shore, my guide popped up some distance away and shouted, “Sorry I lost you, but I could see your yellow fins as you were going up the rope ... I knew you were alright” I thought ... yair, good one! But I guess it was my fault for not keeping up. It won’t happen again.

On reaching shore, The PRODIVE guys were concerned, as my computer was showing SOS ... SOS and other things I’d never seen before. I was given a bottle of oxygen to breathe till it ran out 15 mins later but thankfully I had absolutely no adverse effects ... maybe a few extra grey hairs for this 71 year old!

The next day was a DEFINITELY DO NOT DIVE day for me, so I wandered back to Luganville and went straight back to the dive shop which was empty except for a couple of native girl attendants.

I spent some time reading about the history of the Coolidge, looking at original photos of the event and soaking up every scrap of information about this unfortunate Lady of the deep....

“ALLO, are you diveeng?” the sexy French accent jarred me back to reality! Standing right next to me for I don’t know how long, was this strikingly beautiful young woman, a big smile on her (Islander? French? Gypsy?) sun-tanned face Like something out of Vogue or Body & Soul magazine (not that I read that stuff) A quick look behind me, nobody there, she was talking to ME!! I managed to reply “No, not today, maybe tomorrow”. Then looking deeply into my eyes she said”Are zou alone?” I felt like a stunned mullet !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Eat your heart out Mills & Boon..... to be continued.



Thank you to Alan Newton sending in this interesting account.

Coming Event

2012 Victorian High Country Tour March 2012

Australian Military Equipment Collectors Limited will be running a on road off road tour of the Victorian Alpine Region. The run is suitable for all four wheel drive military vehicles of small to Duece and a half size. This is a great opportunity to meander through some stunning country side visiting beautiful valleys and mountain ridge roads with fantastic scenery.

Owners of vehicles need to be competent with the use of their vehicles off road and be self-sufficient as we will not be passing a shop or petrol station every day. If you have any concerns please feel free to contact the organiser to discuss.

Day One Sunday 18 March the group will meet up at the Myrtleford camp ground after 12 noon. This will allow those attending Corowa to move off after the event winds down. We will camp the night and have a pre run brief.

Day Two Monday 19 March Myrtleford to the Wonnangatta Valley which lies deep within the great dividing range. We will follow the Humphries river track into the Wonnangatta Station site and camp the night at this historic site.

Day 3 Tuesday 20th March Wonnangatta Valley to Dargo, we will travel from the valley via the historic gold mining sites on the Crooked river of Talbotville and Hart. This will be a slow days drive with great scenery with a camp on the Dargo River.

Day 4 Wednesday 21 March Dargo River to Benambra Pub, today we and drive along Dargo High Plains Road and visit the Mount Hotham Ski Resort. We then travel via Omeo to Benambra for a night at the pub and chance for a hot shower and a cooked meal.

Day 5 Thursday 22 March Benambra Pub to Delegate river, we will take the Black Mountain road to McKilops Bridge for lunch and then to an overnight Camp at Delegate River. This will all be on minor roads and should be an easy days drive.

Day 6 Friday 23 March Delegate River to Bombala, Nimmitabel will be on sealed roads. We will turn off at Nimmitabel and follow the top of the coastal edge of the Great Dividing past Countageny onto the Kewaree Road onto the Slap Up fire trail into Captains Flat were the trip will end . From here those travelling to Yass will continue through Bungendore and home, there is an opportunity for those travelling from further afield to travel in toward Queanbeyan for a camp and visit the Australian War Memorial the next day if they choose.

Cost is \$85.00 and this includes a years membership to Australian Military Equipment Collectors Limited. For people from Victoria not wanting to travel North feel free to join us for part of the trip, cost however will remain fixed.

Contact Max Hedges to arrange your booking and paper work on 02 6226 1464.

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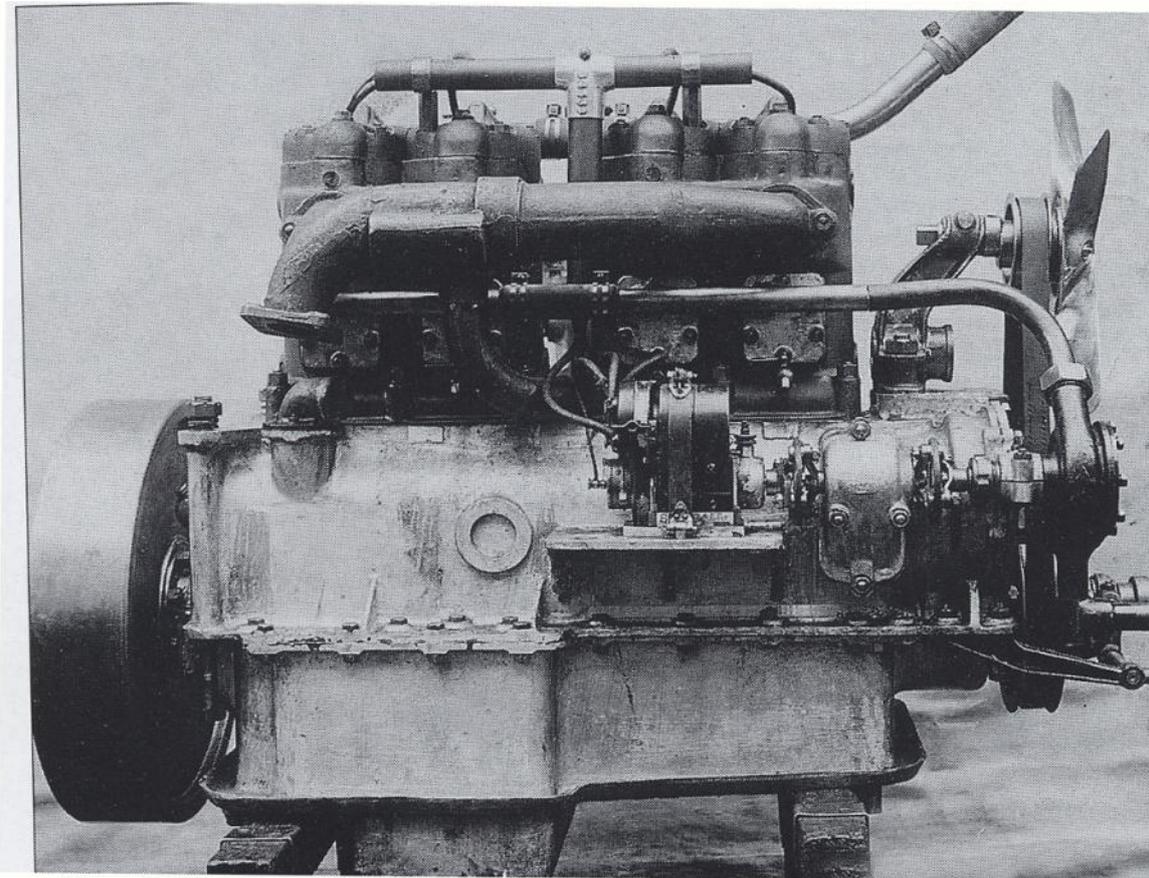
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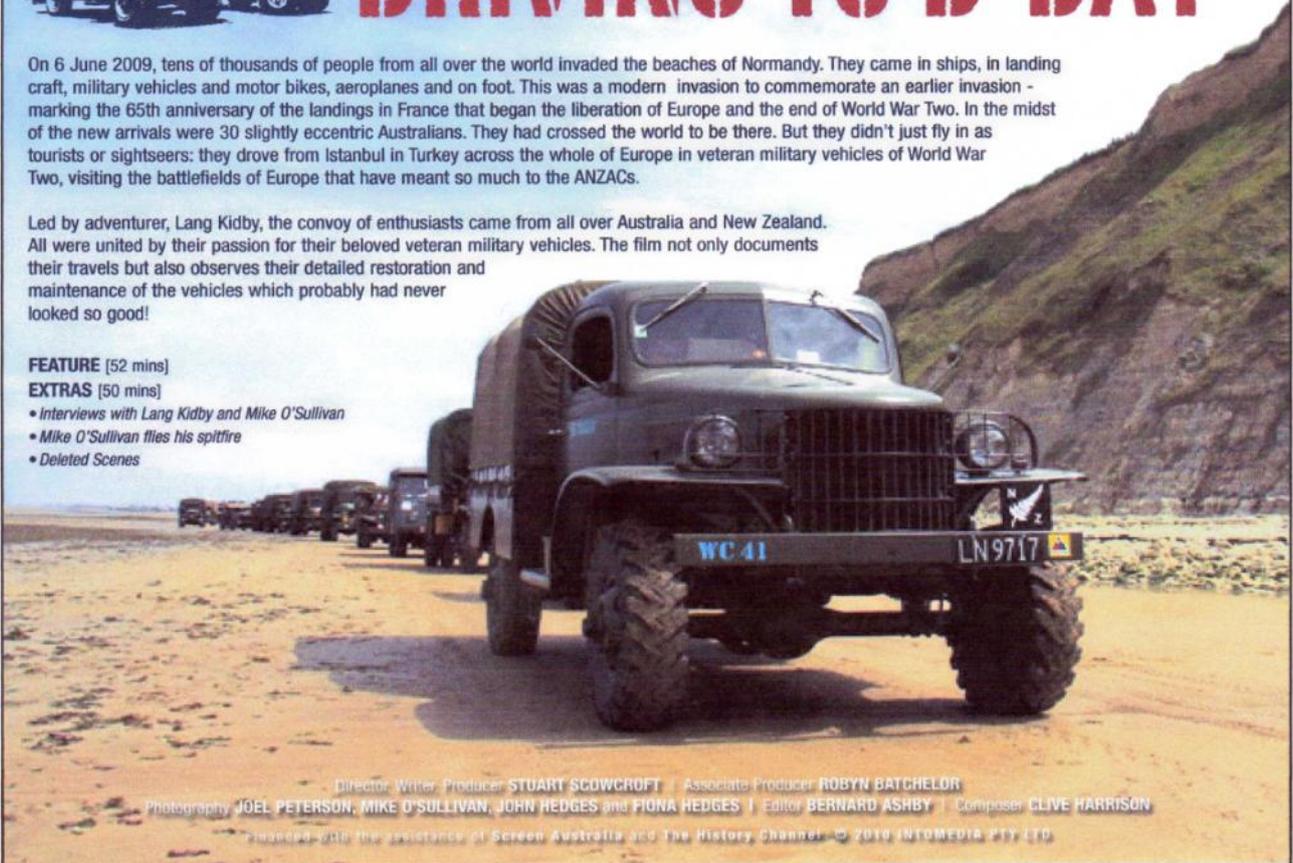
On 6 June 2009, tens of thousands of people from all over the world invaded the beaches of Normandy. They came in ships, in landing craft, military vehicles and motor bikes, aeroplanes and on foot. This was a modern invasion to commemorate an earlier invasion - marking the 65th anniversary of the landings in France that began the liberation of Europe and the end of World War Two. In the midst of the new arrivals were 30 slightly eccentric Australians. They had crossed the world to be there. But they didn't just fly in as tourists or sightseers: they drove from Istanbul in Turkey across the whole of Europe in veteran military vehicles of World War Two, visiting the battlefields of Europe that have meant so much to the ANZACS.

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FEATURE [52 mins]

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- Interviews with Lang Kidby and Mike O'Sullivan
- Mike O'Sullivan flies his spitfire
- Deleted Scenes



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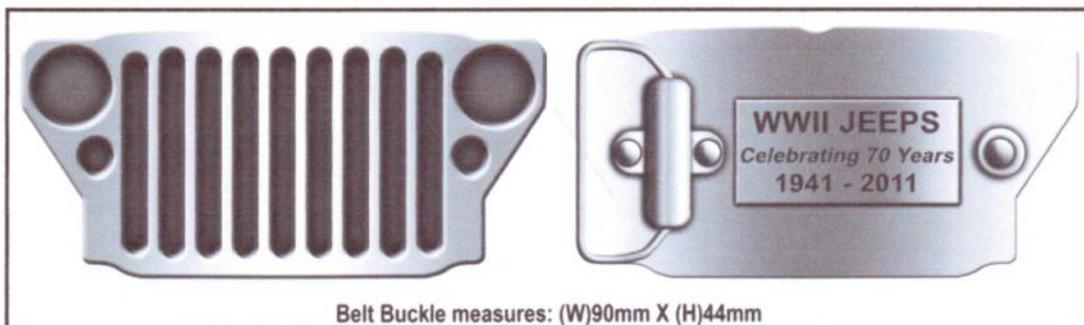
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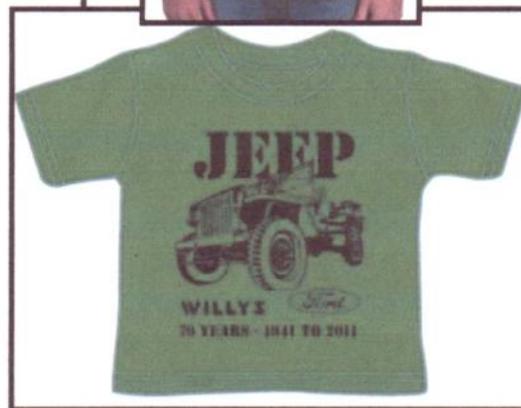
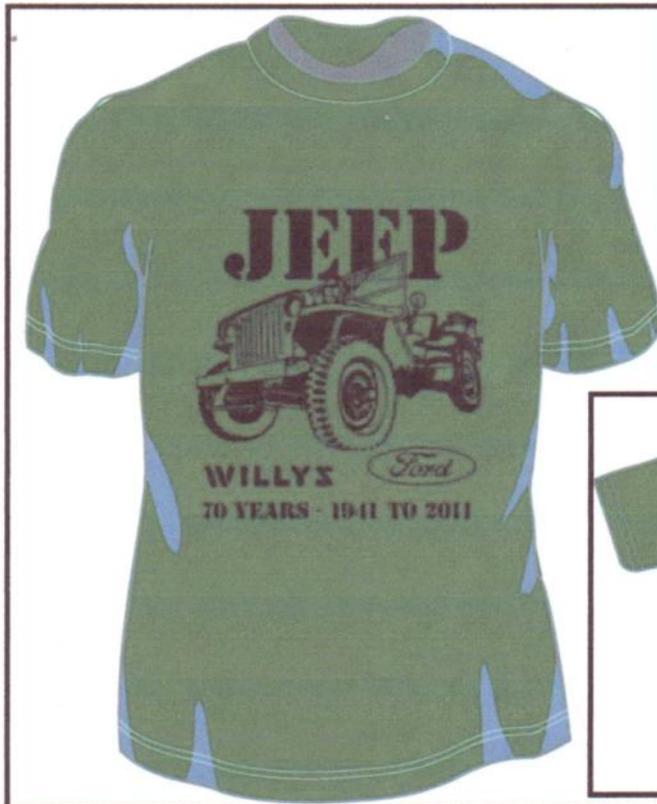
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The Corowa 'Year of' series of DVDs

Available from Image Control in Melbourne at a cost of \$35.00 each plus postage.

The first six DVDs can be purchased as a pack consisting of the years 2002 to 2008 for only \$120 plus postage.

Contact Image Control on (03) 94293301 or email keith.webb@imagecontrol.com.au

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.

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. Along the way we learn about the origins of these vehicles, their military and post-war service. 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. See the convoys through Corowa and Rutherglen and the attempt on a new Guinness World Record at the Corowa Airport. 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 a visit to Precision Aerospace in Wangaratta, 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 as well as taking you to see the tanks at Mons.

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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 onsite after a collision with a kangaroo. The wet conditions led to plenty of action in the mud.

Also available:

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.

Latest DVD to be available at Corowa in March ;

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. There's also an interview with Richard Farrant from the UK, introducing him to a wider Australian audience. Also plenty of action footage around the riverside tracks, mishaps as well as pure enjoyment of being part of the largest event of its kind in the Southern Hemisphere. Just about every vehicle attending is seen in the parade and assembly at the Corowa airport.



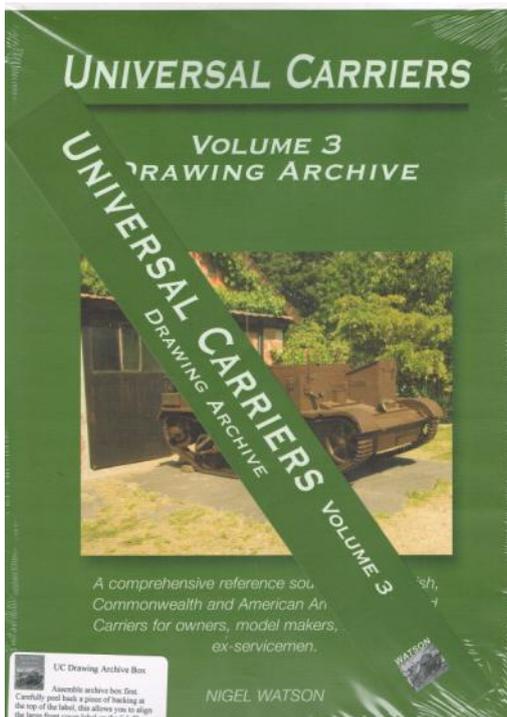
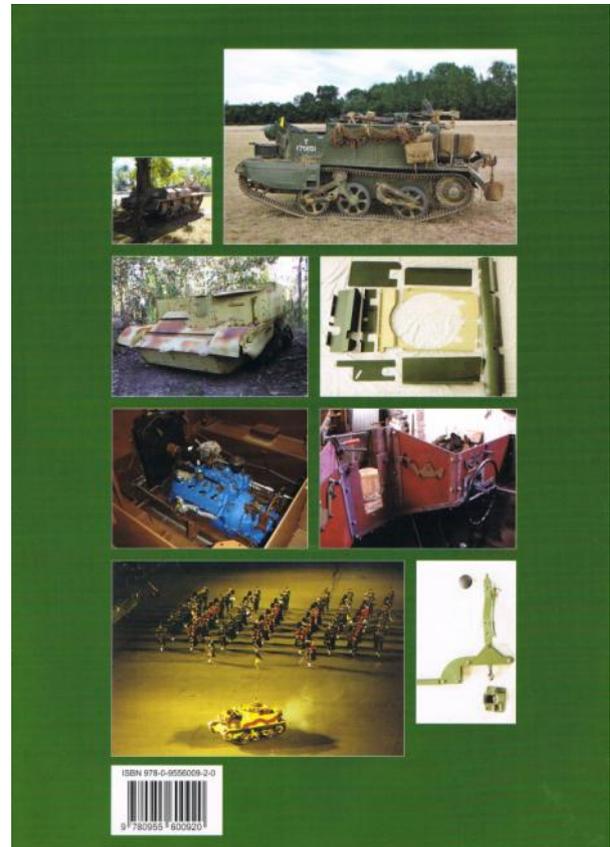
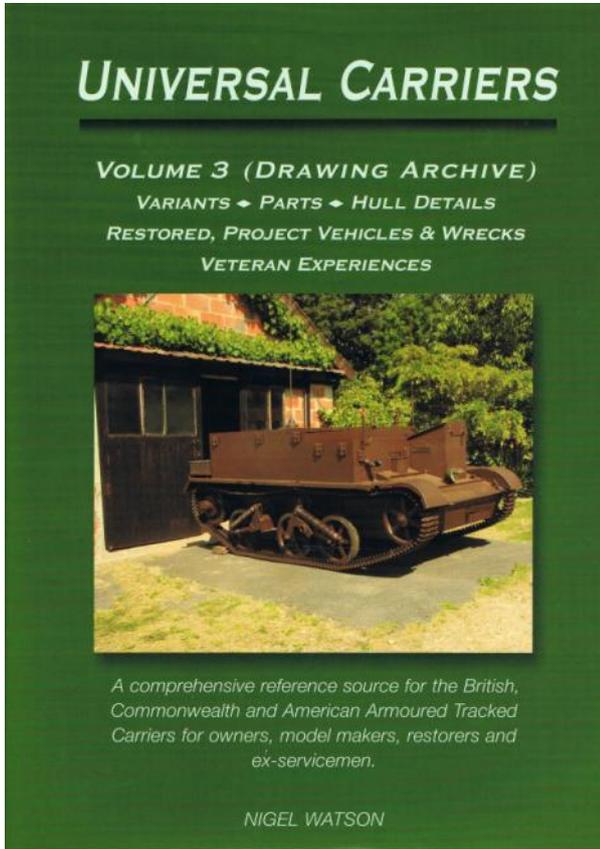
Some stills from the latest DVD - Year of the British & European Vehicles

About Image Control

Headed by military historian and enthusiast Keith Webb, Image Control was established back in 1982 and today is one of Melbourne's best known multimedia production houses, working with a varied range of clients to produce corporate video, television and radio commercials, documentaries, sound production, graphic design and websites.

Trained as a photographer, Keith is also a cinematographer and editor. In addition to running the business he has a keen interest in Australian military history, in particular Blitz trucks and aircraft. Current projects include work for the Temora Aviation Museum (where Keith is Director for the Unsung Heroes project), the RAAF Museum, Point Cook and Fleet Air Arm Museum, Nowra. He is on the board of the Spitfire Association and Australian representative for the Spitfire Society (UK).

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ENTRY FORM

Entrant/Driver

Name.....

Address.....

Participants Names.....

Contact numbers: (H)..... (W).....

Mobile.....Fax:.....

Email:.....

Expected day of arrival:.....

Member of the following clubs:.....

Vehicle Year..... Vehicle Make..... Vehicle Model.....

Registration/Permit No.....

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All entrants, drivers, riders and participants enter and participate solely at their own risk. The organisers, promoters, sponsors, their agents or employees will not be liable for any loss or damage suffered by or to any entrant, owner, driver, rider or passenger under any circumstances. In signing this declaration I acknowledge that I have read, understood and accepted the Rules and Conditions of entry. I certify that the vehicle entered complies with the rules of KVE Incorporated. All firearms brought to the event must meet NSW firearms legislation. All vehicles or vessels that enter the water must comply with the NSW Boating Regulations. I agree to be bound by these rules and by all roads, waterways and traffic management laws and regulations. I agree to show due courtesy to all users of the roads and waterways. Any conditions not governed by the regulations will be adjudicated by the Committee whose decision shall be final.

Entrant's Signature.....

Date.....

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Entry Fee is **\$15** per Entrant enclosed with Entry form

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