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YEAR OF THE TANK & CHRYSLER?



**37th ANNUAL GPA SWIM-IN
COROWA - AUSTRALIA - 2016**

Once again there is a link between our themes. The Chrysler Corporation were a major manufacturer of tanks during WW2. Above photo shows a M4A4 Sherman having its Chrysler A57 Multibank engine installed. The power unit was based on five Chrysler six cylinder engines.

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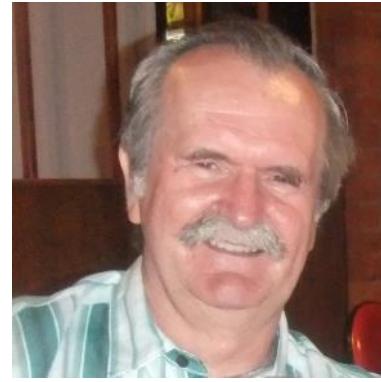


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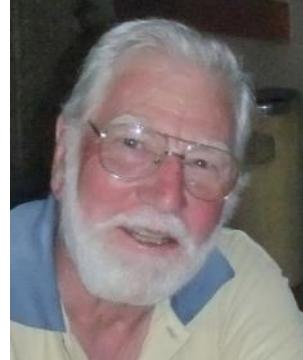
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Editorial

Hi,

March will soon be upon us and another pleasurable gathering at Corowa, meeting up with everyone again. I note this will be the 37th Swim-In and just realised my first visit to Corowa was for the 17th Swim-In. Unbelievable how time flies and how the event has developed over the years. The military vehicle scene in Australia seems to be expanding, with more people getting involved. I am on the HMVF forum (www.hmvf.co.uk/forumvb/) and the Maple Leaf Up forum and have recently seen more new members coming on from Australia, all good for the hobby.

Don't forget to pre-register as a participant (with or without a military vehicle), this is the only way you will get a Participant Pack with Special Edition magazine, theme cap, badge, sticker, etc. The form is in the back of this newsletter. Sending your entry in advance also helps speed up operations at the Site Office, so the staff have more time to enjoy themselves!

There will be another visitor to Corowa from England this year, my brother Robert will accompany me. He has owned and rallied his Willys MB jeep since 1984. A number of you will have met him on visits to War & Peace or Normandy over the years.

Lastly, I am sure we all extend our congratulations and best wishes to one of our hard working members of KVE, Jan Thompson, who will be marrying Troy Creamer at Corowa. Jan has been coming to the Swim-In since she was a child and been involved in organising for a good number of years now, that it is almost a way of life. Not only that, but Jan and Troy are now military vehicle owners, and rumour has it that Troy also has a tank!

Regards,

Richard Farrant - Editor

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Blink and the year has gone and that is all I can say about the year just past. We are now just over 7 weeks away from the 37th Annual Swim In and the finishing touches are being put on the planning. As usual a lot of hard work and long hours have been put in by the members to get us here. From here we need the rest of our membership attending to put their hands up and give us a couple of hours of your time to make the event run smoothly. This is not hard work and a great way to meet others. So don't sit back and let the others do all the work, jump on the desk or muster the vehicles. As our MEERKAT friend says "SIMPLES"

As with our planning I am sure some of you out there are feverishly putting the finishing touches on your latest projects and if you are not so far advanced through then some really long nights are ahead of you. But heads up as the results are worth it. The past years have produced some really great restorations and some very rare / special vehicles. This is what the themed years are all about and keep up the hard work.

Sunday the 20th is also our AGM and a time for others to have a go. Don't be afraid to put your oar in the water. You don't need to wait for someone to nominate you, if you think you can do a job put your hand up. If you are interested then ask a committee member about the role. A successful committee is an every changing and revolutionary one and this can only ever be achieved by regular new blood and ideas.

It is a strong week of events and runs this year including a wedding, this makes for a bit of difference.

If this will be your first year to our event then welcome, it is great to see new members to our hobby or even old members trying something new. Come to our RADAR van and introduce yourself and if you want to help you are more than welcome. This is a great meeting place and a way to connect with others. While you are down there support our local sponsors so take the time to check out your entrant packs upon arrival. There is a load of information and discounts to best enjoy your stay. Also don't forget about our hobby sponsors who bring their wares for you to buy. If you are clearing out your shed and find you have loads of JUNK (oops I mean quality pre loved items) then bring it down to the swap meet. This may just be the item someone else has been looking for to finish their project or collection.

At this point the parade is still planned for Saturday. Similar format as last year the only difference is we will exit via Edward Street. Please Watch and read your DAILY DESPATCH for this and other run information.

Seeing you in March.

Roughie.

Timetable of Activities

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Weds. 16th:

Depart Ball Park at 9.30am for Jindera Primary School, arrive 11.00am. For lunch there is a bakery and shops in main street. Visit to Jindera Pioneer Museum 1.30pm

Thurs. 17th:

Depart Ball Park at 9.30am for Bandiana Primary School, arrive 11.00am
230 children attend the school. There is a service station nearby for lunch.
After lunch depart to Bonegilla Migrant Centre, arrive 1.00pm.

Fri. 18th:

Depart Ball Park at 10.30am for Corowa High School.

12.15pm to 1.50pm: Gathering of ex-military Land Rovers organised by REMLR at Rowers Park, Corowa (opposite Ball Park entrance) - ALL Military Land Rovers are invited - BBQ

Depart Ball Park at 2.00pm for Karinya House for visit.

7.30pm Friday evening: at Corowa Footy Club, the Parade Briefing, followed by a talk given by adventurers, Lang and Bev Kidby at 7.30pm - Visitors welcome to attend the talk.
The club will be open from 5.00pm for meals and drinks, prior to the evening's activities.

Saturday 19th:

7.30am: Vehicles will line up at Bangerang Park from 7.30am and participate in the drive to the Corowa Showground and Racecourse where there will be a photo shoot and swap meet. (Take note: the parade route has changed - see map in the newsletter.)

9.00am: PARADE OF VEHICLES departs from Bangerang Park, down Sanger St. to the Showground followed by static display of ex-military vehicles. Visitors welcome to view the vehicles at the Showground.

9.45am: Swap Meet Commences at Corowa Showgrounds

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

12.00pm – Group photos of people associated with various forums, ie. MLU and REMLR.

1.00pm – Vehicle activities down by the River in Ball Park Caravan Park

8pm Sharp: Saturday evening - Presentations at Ball Park Caravan Park

Come and support the **Presentations** on Saturday evening. If anyone is organizing trip over the next year or two you are welcome to give a talk.

Sunday 20th March:

KVE will have a General Meeting and an AGM, 10.00am, at Bindaree Motel and Caravan Park, Corowa. Members and visitors are invited

Sunday evening – from 6pm there will be a meal at the RSL Club.

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Secretary & Public Relations Report – January 2016

Not long now until our 37th Annual Swim-In and Military Vehicle Gathering. Things are proceeding well. Our orders are in for mementoes including Caps, plaques, stickers and we will be also presenting a Special Edition Newsletter for Pre-registered entries. To receive the mementoes you must pre-register by 29th February 2016.

LATEST NEWS:

Weapons: Replica or deactivated weapons of any type will not be allowed at Corowa unless the correct NSW Firearm Permits have been obtained and presented to KVE upon arrival at Corowa. You MUST provide KVE with a photocopy of this for our records.

Helping while at the event:

If you are able to spare a little time while at Corowa to help KVE we would be very grateful of this. There are many people who have helped in many ways and their assistance is always appreciated. We don't expect you to be a member of KVE so please come along and offer some assistance.

Help is required for the following duties at Corowa:

- Site office both during the week and people are desperately needed on Saturday while at the Showground.
- Marshals for the drive from Bangerang Park to the Corowa Showgrounds
- People to hand out the daily newsletters.
- Setting up the site office on Sunday 13th March
- Cleaning up the site office on Sunday 20th March

Site office times:

Robert Pearce is organising the Site Office roster for 2016. We are looking for people who may be interested in helping out. You don't have to be a member of KVE to help with this or any other tasks we may need help with. 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 14th March: 9-12pm (Ball Park Caravan Park)
- Tuesday 15th March: 9-12am and 3-6pm (Ball Park Caravan Park)
- Wed 16th March: 8.30-11am and 3-6pm (Ball Park Caravan Park)
- Thurs 17th March: 8.30-11am and 3-6pm (Ball Park Caravan Park)
- Fri 18th March: 8.30am-11am, 11am-1pm, 1pm-3pm 3pm-6pm (Ball Park Caravan Park)
- Sat 19th March: from 7.30-8.45am (Bangerang Park – Jan, Richard and Troy will be signing in by the side of the road): 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 and receive your vehicle number. The Site office at the Corowa Showgrounds will be open from 8.30 to 12.30pm. Voting forms can be submitted up until 12 Midday at the Showgrounds Site Office.

To put your name down for a time contact Robert on Email: hrpearce123@bigpond.com or phone: 02 6946 5101.

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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.

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.

We need to remind enthusiasts that each year we have a theme but you are always welcome to attend with any ex-military vehicle or without to be a part of the gathering. Send in your entry forms now to receive the Pre-registered participants pack.

Participant packs:

Pre-registered participants will receive their Pack when they register in at the Site Office. There will be vouchers in it 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 some mementoes.

Get your entry form in ASAP so you don't miss out.

Items include:

- Event details
- Complimentary mementoes including Special Edition book, a badge, cap and bumper sticker.
- Voting form which gives you an opportunity to make suggestions on award winners and places to visit in 2017. Put completed forms in the Jerry Can at the Site Office.
- 2017 Entry Form
- Vouchers for local businesses

Vehicle Numbers:

Upon arrival at Corowa you need to go down to Ball Park Caravan Park and register your vehicle. (Take note of the Site Office opening times.) ***Vehicle numbers will only be given to people with an ex-military vehicle attending the event*** (if you have been unable to bring your vehicle do not register it in as attending) 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. Chrysler vehicles and Tanks will have an extra card to display so that Marshals will be able to spot and position them in the parade and line-up.

Classic Restos

Mark 'Fletch' Fletcher will be with us for the fourth time. On Thursday he will be filming and interviewing people with their vehicles. Over the past 3 years with coverage on Classic Restos we have received an increased number of inquiries. We have copies of the shows available on DVD. Come along to the Site Office and ask for a copy. \$15 each.

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Keith Webb's DVD's:

Since 2002 Keith Webb has done DVD's on our event. Copies of these will be available at the Site Office. The latest DVD will be covering 2015-Year of the Emergency Vehicle and Year of General Motors. It will be available for \$35 each. Past Corowa DVD's will be for sale for \$30 each. Keith has also done some other interesting events so take a look at what is for sale. Keith has been talking about using other people's video footage so if you take any video footage please talk to Keith as he would like to incorporate this in his DVD's. Keith sometimes has difficulty getting to Corowa before Thursday so for those who attend for the whole week your coverage might help him make his video.

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 Showground on the Saturday. This is what you will receive in your participant pack.

VOTING FORM FOR 2016

Please put this form in the Suggestion Box by 12 Midday on Saturday 19th 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. 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: _____ Vehicle: _____ Number of Kilometres driven: _____

5. Encouragement Award:

Name: _____ Reason why: _____

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

Vehicle rally number: _____ Type of Vehicle: _____

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

Vehicle rally number: _____ Type of vehicle: _____

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

Vehicle rally number: _____ Type of Tank: _____

Suggestions for places to visit in 2017:

Swap Meet Stalls in Ball Park Caravan Park:

In 2015 there appeared to be a few problems with people setting up swap meet stalls in Ball Park Caravan Park. This was related to people who were not registered in for using Ball Park facilities. 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.

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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) 60331426

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:

- \$10 for Outdoor site 6 x 6 metres (approx.)
- \$20 for Undercover site 6 x 6 metres (approx.)
- Double the rate for 6 x 12 metres (approx.), etc.

Rules which the Showground Trust have requested we abide by:

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

Only Swap Meet stallholders to camp on site.

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

Stallholders who are camping will be able to use the showers and toilets which are owned by the Show Society. The Racecourse toilet block will be opened either Friday night or Saturday morning.

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 McKenna will have her own safety jacket.

Please note the changes to Direct depositing your fees:

The Westpac closed in Corowa and they are now with the Hume Bank whose bank details are -

BSB 640000

Account No 568163516

Memorial Board for enthusiasts who are no longer with us:

Each year we lose some well-known military vehicle collectors. KVE has a Memorial Board and would appreciate an A4 size article including a photo of any person who has attended Corowa so we can remember these people. We encourage you to provide us with the information.

Daily Newspaper:

Ann Penhallow will be producing the Daily Dispatches. She would like contributions from enthusiasts and when you go on one of the trips please organise to send her a report. She will email the newsletter to the Corowa Shire for printing and will then collect it prior to 5pm. Ann would like some assistance with handing out the newsletter so this is where your children could provide assistance especially if they can walk around or ride around and hand out the newsletter to our participants. This will commence from

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Tuesday and last edition will come out on Friday. It will be called Daily Dispatches. Make sure you collect your copy each afternoon from the KVE Site Office at Ball Park. This will contain some very important details regarding the activities the following day.

Parade Briefing and Guest Speakers:

Friday evening from 5.00pm at the Corowa Football Club, come along for a meal and enjoy a drink or two prior to our Guest speaker and Parade briefing.

7:30pm Parade Briefing & Lang and Bev Kidby will be the 2016 Guest Speakers. Please support the Footy Club who will be providing a 2 course meal and drinks. No BYO

All drivers and volunteers marshals should attend the Briefing, (see next paragraph for more details).

Reminders for the Parade on Saturday 19th 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 Oldenmenger will be organising the line-up of vehicles in the parade. There will be a driver's briefing on Friday night at the Corowa Football Club. John would like a few people to assist with marshalling the vehicles both at Bangerang Park and Corowa Showground.

2015 Year of the Emergency Vehicle and General Motors DVD

This will be available at the 2016 event. It will cost \$35

Themes for 2017, 2018 and 2019:

In **2017** the themes will be **Year of the International** and **Year of the Carrier**

In 2018 the theme will be Year of the Land Rover

In 2019 we celebrate 40 years of the Swim-In at Corowa so the theme will be Year of the Amphibian and Year of the Prototype (The original gathering was for GPA's however other vehicles attended and were very welcome as they will be in 2019.)

For further information on the event in the future please feel free to give me a call on 0423 943 010 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.

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.

Corowa Website and Facebook:

The Corowa website has been revamped to include more features and information. Take a look at

www.corowaswim-in.org We are also on Facebook: www.facebook.com/corowaswimin

Please join and contribute. Any updates will appear on a regular basis.

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. We will be having a General Meeting and an Annual General Meeting at Corowa on Sunday 20th March so you are welcome to attend. This will be held at 10am at Bindaree Motel and Caravan Park, Corowa. By joining KVE you will be

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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.

Until next time,

Jan Thompson - Secretary

The well known trader, Bill Toole has contacted KVE to say that people can visit him during the week of Corowa, as in the past, but to call him first on 0419 355 445.

**Also Tim Vibert has extended a similar invitation to those that might like to peruse his stock earlier in the week.
Call Tim on 0407 480 354 to arrange a visit.**

IMPORTANT - Participant Entries for 2016

As many of you are aware, Jan Thompson, the KVE Secretary, is getting married at Corowa.

In order to lessen the work for everyone on the lead up to the event and during the week, we would very much like to get as many participants as possible to send their entry forms in as early as possible. Any time from now on is perfectly alright. Also, it would be appreciated by those of us covering these tasks if all entries were sent in on the correct entry form, no verbal phone messages or texts will be accepted. Forms are available from our website or in the back of the newsletters.

All entry fees must be sent in with the form or by bank payment. Regarding bank payments, please enter the payment reference number on the form as we had had problems identifying payments this year because numbers did not tie up with the forms.

By entering early also enables us to gauge numbers of participants as we have to order promotional items, such as hats, etc, well in advance.

We thank you in advance for your co-operation and understanding.

Entry form on page 38 of this newsletter

or download from website: [www.corowaswim-in.org](http://corowaswim-in.org)

Latest News on the Swim-In

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EVERYMAN'S WELFARE SERVICE Serving the Australian Defence Force

We are pleased to invite Rep. Kristian Kemper with his Everymans Brew Truck to Corowa this year and he will be in Ball Park, from Monday to Sunday, hopefully near the KVE Site Office offering sustenance to participants for a donation, as he would to the troops in the field. Kristian followed the Kangaroo March from Wagga to Campbelltown last year (see photo below) and became known to those military vehicle owners who were on logistic support to the March.



In the field, Everyman's Representatives turn up with their "Brew Trucks" in the most unexpected places often at the most unexpected times. They provide hot or cold drinks, something to eat, reading materials, letter writing facilities, a word of encouragement but most of all sharing the hope found in Jesus Christ. They take a bit of home to the Service personnel.

Accredited by the Australian Department of Defence, Everyman's Welfare Service serve the members of the Australian Defence Force and their families by providing a Philanthropic support service which is not normally provided by the Australian Defence Force. The ADF rely on them to lift morale in the field or on base.

They are a non Government funded, Not for Profit Charity, relying on donations.

Assistance required by Channel Seven for a TV programme

The Channel Seven programme, 'Sunday Night' are planning on making a feature on the exploits of Ben Carlin and his modified GPA, Half-Safe. They are keen to meet GPA owners and their vehicles to assist in this and they will be visiting Corowa Swim-In during the week to film GPA's in the river and interview owners. If you would like to be involved with your GPA, please contact Alex Cullen on 0438 777156 or email acullen@seven.com.au

The following is what we received from Alex and explains what they intend doing:

"My name is Alex Cullen and I'm a reporter with Sunday Night on Channel 7 based in Sydney. We are Channel 7's flagship public affairs program that runs for an hour each week and has an average audience of around 2 million people across Australia. We cover everything from crime to adventure, to sport to human interest stories. I write to you to tell you of a story we are embarking on about the late, great Ben Carlin and his incredible journey around the world in the famous 'Half-Safe'. Through our story, we hope to give Ben Carlin the recognition he deserves because what he achieved almost defies logic. By modifying a Ford GPA, he created a vehicle that would circumnavigate the world on a journey that took almost 10 years. It's also a feat of incredible engineering and ingenuity and this is where you come in. With your help, we are hoping to modify an existing Ford GPA into a replica of the Half-Safe. We want to know how difficult this task was? We want to know if this will work? We want to then launch the vehicle into the ocean and take it into the open ocean. I must also stress that Channel 7 will cover the costs. I understand that Ford GPA's are quite expensive but if we can find a cheap one, all the better! We would look to start filming in the first quarter of next year with an airing date of mid next year. This part of the story would involve filming the planning and building process right through to launching into the ocean. I must stress that it does not have to be an exact replica of the 'Half-Safe'. We envisage it to be a lot like Mythbusters. Obviously without the myth but shot in the same way with a camera following the process from scratch. We would hope to interview those involved in the process too. If this can be done close to Sydney, even better. I know this may be asking a lot but this part of our story could be fascinating and, again, show just how incredible Ben's achievement was. I have attached the specifications of the Half-Safe which will give you a better idea of the vehicle and what might be involved. I hope to hear from you soon."

Land Rover Gathering /BBQ at Corowa

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ATTENTION All Land Rover owners attending Corowa

Registry of Ex-Military Land Rovers

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The web based group, REMLR, Registry of Ex-Military Land Rovers, is organising a gathering of Land Rovers at Corowa this year. If you are bringing an ex-military Land Rover then you are encouraged to join in. The time and place is Friday 18th March, we have a "form up" time of 1215 for 1230 start at Rowers Park.

We are aiming to place the Land Rovers in groups according to their age. A "story card" pertaining to the vehicle and a list of parts for sale or wanted is encouraged to be put on the windscreen (i.e., no parts at the event). This occasion is more than just for getting Landy Love photos. Enjoy some time to have a chat. Nearly all the vehicles have interesting differences and parts. A common question is "Where'd you find that?" While that is happening the BBQ area is available for lunch and drinks. There is ample grass for children to play and facilities.

The timing fits in with the two KVE organised activities on Friday and all Land Rovers are encouraged to stay until 1350 and to then join the other ex-military vehicles at Corowa on the next activity scheduled to start from Ball Park at 1400hrs.

On Saturday at the Swap Meet in Corowa Showground, REMLR will have a trading site and information desk, so drop by for a chat.



Rowers Park is situated on the opposite side of the road to Ball Park Caravan Park, and next to the river.



Some photos of the initial gathering in 2015.

This year with more notice and encouraging any ex-military Land Rovers to come along, it will be a much bigger get together.

Guest Speakers for 2016

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The Guest Speakers at the 2015 Corowa Swim-In will be Lang and Bev Kidby

Lang is an internationally renowned historic aircraft aviator and adventurer. He was an Australian Regular Army pilot with the Aviation Corps for 14 years, receiving the rank of major, and a Churchill Fellowship. He has lead military and civilians through jungles, owned and run a marine construction company, organised recovery expeditions in PNG and Indonesia, commanded relief convoy trucks in Iraq.

Lang is known around the globe for his work restoring ancient aircraft and retracing some of history's great flights.

To commemorate the 70th anniversary of Bert Hinkler's first solo flight from England to Australia Lang restored an Avro Avian biplane and flew it 40,000 kms through 18 countries. He took part in TV documentaries, inc. "The Greatest Flight", where he and Peter McMillan and their team constructed a replica of the huge Vickers Vimy biplane to recreate the Ross brothers' historic flight from England to Australia.

In 2004, Lang and Bev restored a 1940's Dodge staff car in Australia, shipped it to Aqaba in Jordan, then drove to Normandy to take part in the 60th anniversary of the D-Day landings. A chance meeting in Normandy with another Australian, Warren Brown, (who was taking part in the D-Day tour with the current editor of KVE News), lead to yet another adventure. Lang and Bev, with Warren Brown, recreated the great 1907 Peking to Paris motor race. They gathered the same five makes of 1907 cars (Lang restored a fabulous 1907 ITALA as their own vehicle). Setting off from Beijing, with Lang and Warren leading the group and Bev doing all the administration, they travelled through China and across the Gobi Desert before entering Siberia for a 12,000km adventure all the way to Paris. All five 100-year-old cars made it to the finish!

In 2009, Lang and Bev lead a group of Australians and New Zealanders in military vehicles from Istanbul, Turkey across Europe to end up in Normandy once again to join the UK military vehicle group, MVT in their D-Day Tour to commemorate the 65th anniversary.

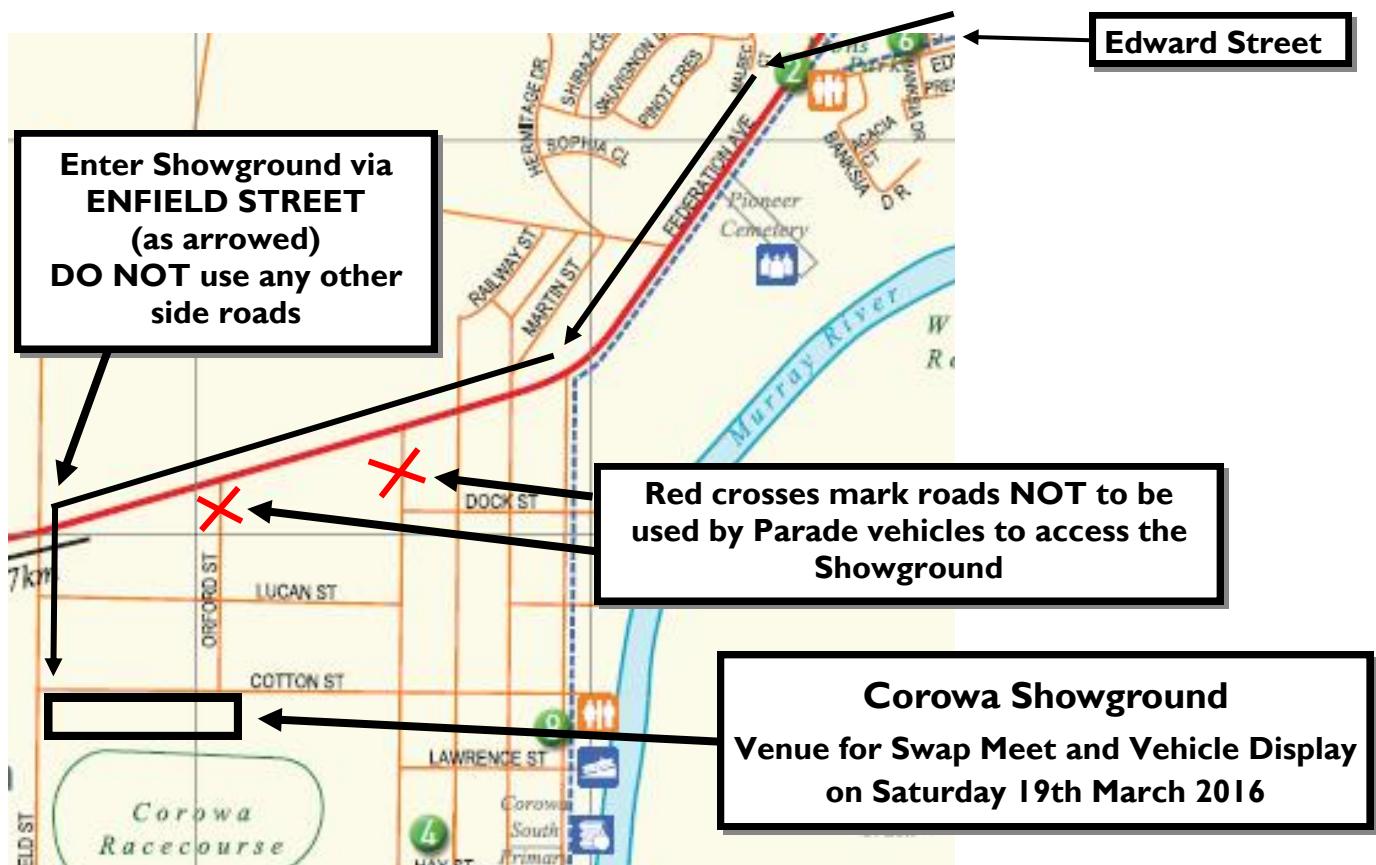
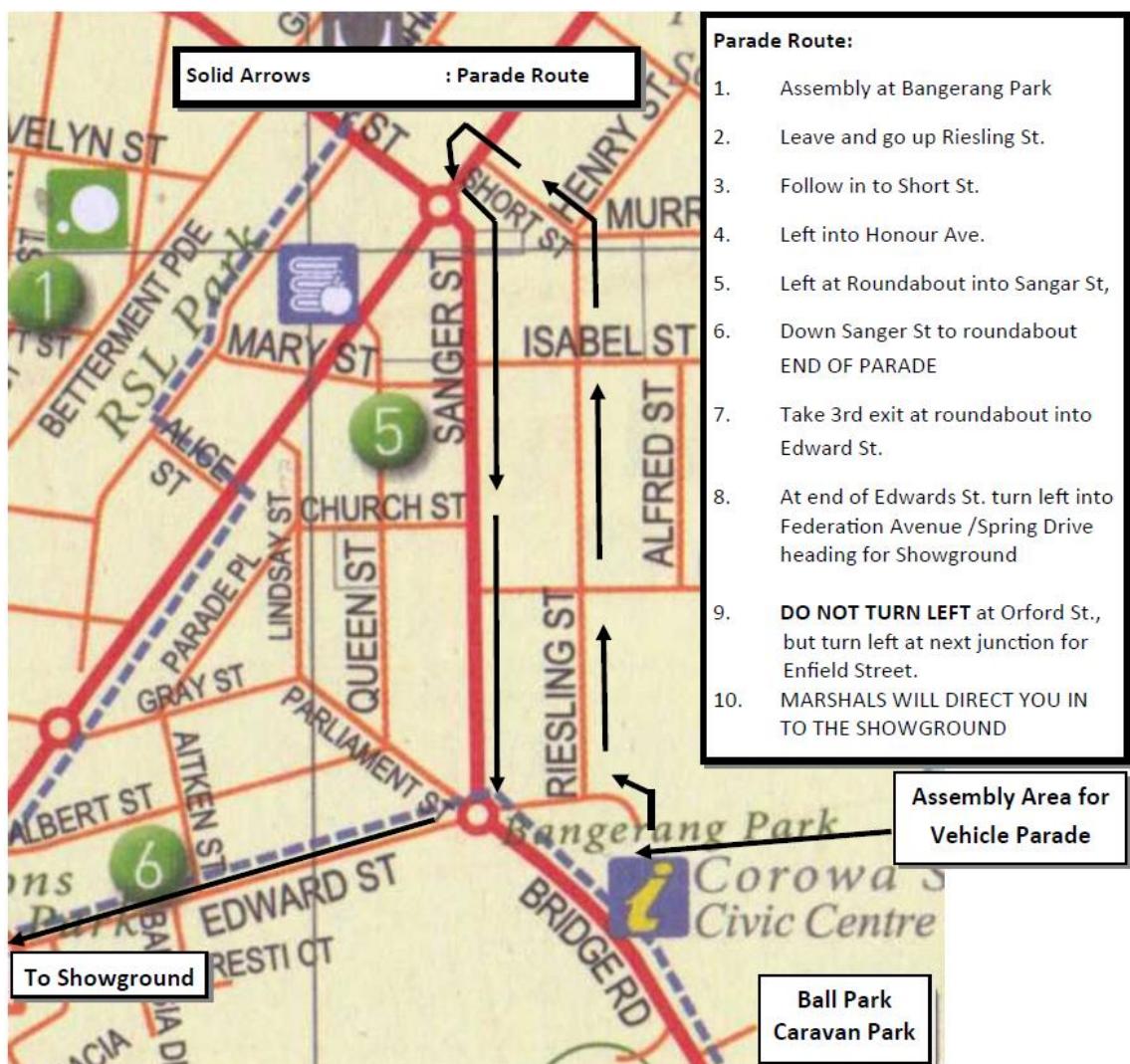
Another trip was around the World in a 1969 Fiat 500 Bambino that is 35,000km in 99 days ! Bev and Lang drove the smallest car ever to do a world circumnavigation from Vladivostok, Siberia to Anchorage, Alaska. There are plenty more stories to tell and I am sure that Lang and Bev will keep us entertained on the Friday night at Corowa Footy club.

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**Corowa Swim-In****Saturday 19th March 2016****SWAP MEET**

The Swap Meet at the Showground will have 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.



Stallholders only, will be able to camp at the showground from Thursday to Sunday, charges will be \$10 per person / per night. Stalls can be open from Thursday to Saturday and charged per day as below.

Stall rates

\$10 for Outdoor site 6 x 6 metres (approx.)

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

Double the rate for 6 x 12 metres (approx.), etc.

Rules which the Showground Trust have requested we abide by:

- Dogs will be allowed and must be on a leash at all times.
- Only Swap Meet stallholders to camp on site.
- Stallholders to remove their own rubbish from site, failure to do so will mean no stall there in at future events.

Stallholders who are camping will be able to use the cold showers and toilets which are owned by the Show Society. The Racecourse toilet block will be opened either Friday night or Saturday morning.

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

**The Booking form is on page 36,
advance enquiries to Jan McKenna as above.**

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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
Yarrawonga & 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	Yarrawonga	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/Leggo	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

Hotels :

The Royal Hotel, 95 Sanger St., Corowa. 02 6033 3760 royalhotelcorowa@westnet.com.au

Hotel Australia, Sanger St., Corowa, NSW 2646 02 6033 1052

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Paperwork

By Mike Cecil, Colbert , WA



There is an old saying that ‘the jobs not finished till the paperwork’s done ...’ and the military appear to be firm advocates of that position. Indeed, the three services in Australia (and elsewhere, most probably, but this is about the Australian experience) have generated veritable mountains of paperwork related to the operation, maintenance, modification and management of military vehicles. As a result, it will be easy for the current owners of ex-military vehicles to obtain a complete history of each and every military vehicle they own, won’t it? The short and unpalatable answer is ‘no’, but before delving into the possible reasons why, we might first look at the range of paperwork an individual vehicle was likely to generate while in service.

At a more general ‘fleet wide’ level during the Second World War and after, once a need was established and a vehicle type chosen, the supplier was provided with a Contract Demand (CD) for the quantity of vehicles required. Each CD had a unique identifying number, and these numbers were issued more or less in numeric sequence. Hence, when looking at CD numbers, the lower the number, the earlier it is likely to have been issued. CDs were issued for all manner of equipment procurement, not just vehicles. Tracking CD numbers can provide a valuable insight into the types and quantities of vehicles (and other equipment) obtained by the services. Although the format changed in the post-war period, the same principle holds true. As with the paper trail generally, there is no magic place to go and look up CD’s, but odd references do crop up in many surviving files preserved by the National Archives. It is then a matter of extracting each snippet of information and compiling it into a useable form, and it is only then that the sequence begins to make some sense. Of course, this is fleet-wide information and does not provide much insight into the history of an individual vehicle.

Once a vehicle was inspected and accepted, it was assigned a registration number. This is a ‘cradle to grave’ number used on just about every reference to an individual vehicle. Knowing a vehicle’s registration number is basic: it was displayed prominently at the front and back of a vehicle, as well as on most paperwork generated in relation to its management and use. Engines, chassis and even complete hulls were treated as replaceable parts, but the registration number remained constant.¹

In Australia, we are indeed fortunate that a public servant in Army’s Logistics Branch way back in the 1970s decided that the books containing the registration numbers issued by the Army under both the uniform Commonwealth registration scheme and the system used by the Second Australian Imperial Force (2AIF) had some historical value, and should be preserved. As the vehicles recorded in them were either disposed of, or the system of recording advanced beyond the manual ledger entry, the books were transferred to the Australian War Memorial (AWM). The result of that decision is that we have access to the registers spanning the period from 1939 when the scheme was started, through to 1972, when the Army introduced a replacement scheme. They are held by the AWM under AWM126, and are viewable in the Research Centre by arrangement.²

The registers contain basic information: vehicle registration number, vehicle type description, engine number, chassis number in most – but certainly not all – instances. Entries may also contain wheel and tyre size, manufacturer’s model and year, and some disposal information. The problem in using the registers is that they are listed in registration number order, which bears no relation to the chassis or engine number, so finding an individual vehicle where only the chassis number is known (as is most often the case with a vehicle acquired for restoration) is akin to looking for a needle in a very large haystack! And if you are the owner of an armoured vehicle, especially a tracked vehicle, don’t waste your time: with a few notable exceptions, these are generally not recorded in the registers.

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But for arguments sake, let's say you have travelled to Canberra and spent the days (literally) poring over the registers. Eventually, a bit cross-eyed, you locate the chassis number of that cab-chassis you dragged home a few months back, full of a restorer's enthusiasm and still not dampened by the looks of horror on your wife's face ('you want to spend our money on that??'). Great: you now know the Army's registration number, what bodywork it had, and what the original engine was. You might possibly learn when it was disposed of, and maybe who to, but not much else. And all that only if the clerk entered the details correctly in the first place – by no means a 'given'. What you don't have – and what AWM126 cannot provide – are any details of the history of your individual vehicle – insight into what we might term the 'big three': who operated it, where did it go and what did it do'.

So let's look at the range of paperwork that was generated by the use of a vehicle while in service, and more importantly for the owner/restorer, what survives.

In the age of paper and manual entries, when a vehicle arrived at the receiving depot from the supplier, three basic forms were generated. The first was the official receipt for the vehicle, which simply recorded the fact that it had arrived in good order and condition and was equipped in accordance with the contract specifications. The second was the Australian Army Form (AAF) G51 Census Card – Mechanical Vehicles. On this card was recorded various aspects of the vehicle – the assigned Army registration number (ARN), the vehicle type and designation, the census code, (such as '6600' for an M113A1 APC), the manufacturer, the chassis or serial number, engine details, and so on. The receiving depot, the number of the receipt issued upon arrival, and the contract or procurement demand number were also recorded on these cards. During the life of the vehicle, these cards were also used as *de-facto* vehicle history cards, recording the distance travelled each year, and inter-unit transfers. The third form generated was the AAF G47 Vehicle History Card. This card was used throughout the life a military vehicle to record inter-unit transfers, major changes (especially of numbered components such as engines), and routine inspections. The common thread between the AAF G51 and the AAF G47 was the ARN. Great, I hear you all say, let's get a hold of these and we'll know all there is to know about the 'who, when, what' of a vehicle's history. Well, sorry to be the bringer of bad news, but these cards were routinely destroyed as the vehicle was disposed of, or when the recording system moved into the computer age. Very, very few have survived.

While the AAF G51 and G47 were being generated and diligently kept up to date by a small army of enthusiastic clerks at Logistic Command level, at unit level it was a whole different suite of forms that were used to manage the everyday use of each vehicle in the fleet. The list of forms and books described in the following paragraphs is indicative of the range of paperwork used at anytime during the Army's history following the more general introduction of mechanical vehicles after the First World War. It is far from a comprehensive list!

AAF-G1: This was the requisition for transport, usually used by the unit transport office to requisition a vehicle from another unit, such as an ordnance depot. It recorded the type required and, when issued, the all-important ARN. (see right for illustration).

Right:

AAFG1 1940: The 1940 version of the 'G1' requisition form.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES. REQUISITION FOR TRANSPORT.		
Unit _____	Date _____	Unit Reference No. _____
Short Description of Service _____		
AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES. REQUISITION FOR TRANSPORT.		
To Officer in Charge Transport _____	Unit Reference No. _____	
Transport required at _____	Time _____	
Date _____ to convey the following from _____	To _____ Distances _____ miles	
Detail of Load and Barrels.		Weight _____ Tons _____ Gms _____ Qrs _____
		Remarks. (If no route etc., instructions, etc.)
Date _____		Signature of Officer requisitioning Transport.
FOR USE IN TRANSPORT OFFICE ONLY.		
Detail to comply and Work Ticket Nos. _____		
Transport Office Reference No. _____		
Date _____		Officer in Charge Transport R.A.M.C. _____ See Notice of Issue of Form _____
To be completed in Transport Office, detached, and sent to the requisitioning authority.		
To _____ With reference to your Requisition No. _____		

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AAF-G2: The Transport Work Ticket. This provided an Army driver with the authority to drive the vehicle from the immediate unit area. It was also required when drawing fuel and lubricants from the POL point. No AAF-G2, no fuel: simple. As can be imagined, tens of thousands of these little forms were generated by the Army each year, and having served their purpose, were generally destroyed 60 days after expiry.

Right: AAFG2 1941: The front of the 1941 version of the 'G2' – every driver had to have one in his possession while driving a military vehicle: no G2, no drive!

ANY SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS TO DRIVER (Route to be taken, etc.)					
TRAVEL JOURNEY INFORMATION					
Report	Date	Route	Actual	Time	Speed
DRIVER'S REPORT. (To include any unusual delay, accident, damage, breakdown, etc.)					
NOTES.					
1. Before issue to the driver full details of the duty must be filled in, or alterations must be made in the present, replete for the alteration.					
2. The maximum speed for this vehicle is _____ m.p.h. and must not be exceeded.					
3. Drivers must vary at all times when on Duty. Driving Licence A.A.F. O.11. Copy of Driving Orders for Drivers of Mechanised Vehicles, and Accident Report A.A.F. O.11.					
4. Other rules of the Road.					

Above: AAFG2 1941 Back:
The rear of the 1941 'G2'.

A.A. FORM G.2 (This model valid to 31 DECEMBER 1942) (Revised September, 1941)				AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES TRANSPORT WORK TICKET				E 419716
Unit		Driver		Reference No.		Vehicle No.		
Date								
Regn. No. A.A.F. G.1	Place of Reporting (Name of Unit, etc.)	Time	Name of Duty (No. of Personnel or Description and Weight of Load)	Converence	To	Time	Service Completed	
				From	To			
RECORDS OF M.T. FUELS AND LUBRICANTS.								
FROM UNIT SUPPLIES				FROM OTHER UNITS OR SOURCES OF SUPPLY.				
Petrol gals.	Type of Lubricants	Qtr. gals.	No. of A.A.F. P.7a	Item	Qty.	No. of A.A.F. P.7b or P.39	Unit of Issue at Supplier	
Out	Engine			Petrol	*			
Drawn	Gear							
In				Engine Oil				
Used								
MILEAGE RECORDS.								
Out	in	Mileage		Signature of Transport N.C.O.				
				Time of return to Lines or Depot (a.m.) (p.m.)				
Above particulars checked and found correct.								
Signature of Driver on completion of duty.								
Transport N.C.O. Entered in Daily Transport Work Sheet Initials								

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES. TRANSPORT WORK TICKET							
Unit		Driver		Reference No.		Vehicle No.	
Date							
Regn. No. A.A.F. G.1	Place of Reporting (Name of Unit, etc.)	Time	Name of Duty (No. of Personnel or Description and Weight of Load)	Converence	To	Time	Service Completed
				From	To		
RECORD OF DAILY RUNNING: VEHICLES IN THIS AREA USE PRO FORMA COVERING WEEKLY OPERATION							
RECORDS OF M.T. FUELS AND LUBRICANTS.							
FROM UNIT SUPPLIES.				FROM OTHER UNITS OR SOURCES OF SUPPLY.			
Petrol gals.	Type of Lubricants	Qtr. gals.	No. of A.A.F. P.7a	Issue	Qty.	No. of A.A.F. P.7b or P.39	Unit of Issue at Supplier
Out	Engine			Petrol			
Drawn	Gear						
In				Engine Oil			
Used							
MILEAGE RECORDS.							
Out	in	Mileage		Signature of Transport N.C.O.			
				Time of return to Lines or Depot (a.m.) (p.m.)			
Above particulars checked and found correct.							
Signature of Driver on completion of duty.							
Transport N.C.O. Entered in Daily Transport Work Sheet Initials							
Defence Print, Sydney							

Right: AAFG2 1942:
A simplified 'G2' dating from 1942.

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Right: AA FG3 1940:

The 'G3' which was a form maintained by the Unit transport office. This example dates from 1940.

Quarterly Annual		INSPECTION REPORT—MECHANICAL VEHICLES (WHEELED)				A.A. FORM G4 (Reprinted May 1943)	
Unit L.H.Q. SCHOOL OF MECH		Type LP3. MARM. HER	Army No.	8297			
Place SEYMOUR.		Make FD.	Mileage	7374.			
General performance as reported by Transport N.C.O.—				Date 3 May 43			
LAST OIL CHANGE. Engine		6861.	Gear Box	5999	Differential	5999	(miles)
Gear Box 6036 Differential 6036							
Inspection to investigate reported defects, examine all assemblies for apparent defects, make a short road test and check records, noting condition and items requiring attention.							
ENGINE and TRANSMISSION		STEERING and AXLES		GENERAL		ROAD TEST	
1. Engine condition	S	7. Steering	C	12. Elec. system	S	19. Gen. performance	-----
2. Cooling system	S	8. Springs	S	14. Body	X	20. Towing ability	-----
3. Carburation	S	9. Front axle assy.	S	15. Chassis and Lub.	S	21. Braking	-----
4. Ignition	S	10. Rear axle assy.	S	16. Cleanliness, etc.	S	22. Steering	-----
5. Clutch	S	11. Wheels	S	17. Tools and equipment	X	23. Vehicle records	-----
6. Gear box, etc.	S	12. Tyres	S	18. Towing attachment	S	24. Petrol consumption	-----
25. C. in W.M. or L.M. outstanding							
LEGEND:-							
Correct	S	Not to be Used	XX	Unit to submit P.D.	B	For attention by	
Remarks below	X	Fair wear	FW	Attention by unit	C	Unit	Workshop
Repairable	R	Not fair wear	NFW	D.V. report to V.R.D.	DVR		
7. Loose 19 steering.							
14. Dent of off side mudguard. No canopy COVER							
N.S. Tool box lid missing.							
19. Chain missing off one end of Tow Rope.							
21. Require Adjusting.							
23. AAB2a incomplete.							
GENERAL REMARKS:-							
14.							
CONDITION OF VEHICLE—Class I.							

AAF-G4: The 'B' vehicle inspection report which was used by the Australian Mechanical and Electrical Engineers (AEME, post war becoming RAEME) 'spanners' for recording technical inspections and for the assessment of accidental damage. They were also used for 'non-technical' inspections by a unit's officers or Non-Commissioned Officers (NCOs). These were routinely forwarded to the Unit Commanding Officer to keep him appraised of the status of the vehicles on issue to his unit, and to order whatever corrective action was required to bring them all to the required operational standard. An AAF-G4A was the equivalent form used when inspecting tracked armoured vehicles such as tanks.

Left:

AAFG4 1942:

A completed 'G4' inspection report for a Ford Marmon-Herrington LP3 artillery tractor operated by the School of Mechanisation at Seymour, Victoria.

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AAF-G5: This was the Monthly Log Sheet, upon which was transcribed the daily entry from the AAF-G2, so a sort of inventory of daily use compiled into a single sheet, rather than a bunch of individual Work Tickets. Again, many thousands generated, and routinely destroyed 12 months later.

Right: AAFG5 1939: The 'G5' monthly log sheet, which, when properly and correctly filled out, showed the trips and consumption for a single vehicle. (form folded to include information across the bottom of the sheet visible in the image)

AAF-G6: The Monthly Vehicle Log Sheet Summary: A form that consolidated the information from all of the unit's AAF-G5's onto a single sheet (the unit transport clerk must have loved transcribing all that information each month!). The G6 was filled out in duplicate to ensure that, should higher command require the G6 to be submitted up the chain of command, a copy would always remain available at unit level.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES. MONTHLY VEHICLE LOG SHEET.											
Unit	Army No.			Make		Type	Month	19			
Day of Month (1)	DAYS			Patrol Used for Month. (2)	Oil drawn, Shouting Gasoline, Engines Oil. (3)	Gear etc., Oil. (4)	Fuel Used (5)	OIL DRAWN	Daily Mileage (6)	Speedo Reading Mph (7)	Remarks (10)
1								Engine oil Gas. (per l.) (8)	Gear oil Gas. (per l.) (9)		
2											TRANFERRED FROM G.2'S
3											TOTALS TRANSFERRED TO G.6
4											
5											THIS RETURN NOT FORWARDED
6											
7											
8											
9											
10											
11											
12											
13											
14											
15											
16											
17											
30											
31											
Total								(a)			(b)
Speedo reading at end of month beginning of month.....											
Average Petrol Consumption, M.P.G. for month (b)+(a)											
Mileage for month Previous total mileage.....											
Total mileage of vehicle to date Printing & Stationery 4 M.D.											
This form, when completed, will be filed in pocket of Vehicle Log Sheet Kit. Officer i/o Transport Inspections will be recorded in Col (3) by letter "I" in red. Types of oils drawn will be shown alongside quantities in Col.(6&7). Issues of grease will be shown in Col. (7).											

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES. MONTHLY VEHICLE LOG SHEET SUMMARY. (MECHANICAL VEHICLES.)												
Unit	Month			19	Station							
Class Letter and Army No.	Make.	Days.			Oil drawn, Shouting Gasoline, Engines Oil. (6)			Mileage for Month. (9)	Average M.P.G. for Month. (10)	Total Mileage. (11)	Remarks.	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(7) gals.	(8) pts.	(9) pts.	(10)	(11)	(12)		
12												
Digest of G5.												
SUMMARY OF VEHICLE OPERATIONS												
ONE LINE PER VEHICLE.												
This return only to be forwarded to A.D.S.T.												
to reach H.Q. not later than 10th each month.												
SECRETARY, MILITARY BOARD, FORWARDED _____												
Commanding _____ Date _____												
Officer i/o Transport.				Secretary, Military Board, Forwarded _____								
Date _____ Printing & Stationery				Commanding _____ Date _____								

Left: AAFG6 1940: The 'G6' summary sheet, which listed all the vehicles held by a Unit, together with the distances travelled in that month, average consumption, and so on. (sheet folded to show lower edge in image)

AAF-G11: The Army Driving Licence. These were issued to those who had passed the required competency test for a particular vehicle category. Licences were issued with a vehicle type code letter or letter/number indicating which vehicles the license holder was legally able to drive, and there was room on the licence for inserting more vehicle types as a driver passed tests on additional vehicles. If stopped, just having an Army driving licence was not enough: the code letter on the licence had to match the vehicle being driven. There was also an AAF-G11a – a Temporary Driving Licence which was issued with restrictions such as not being able

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to carry ammunition, fuel or other personnel unless endorsed by an officer. The GI1a was only valid for 120 days for a Regular Army driver, and 18 months for CMF personnel. The driver's licence was a stiff card, bound with dark brown cloth on the outside, and folded into three in the 1940s and 50s, and in half during the 1960s.

No. 194151		Australian Military Forces ARMY DRIVING LICENCE		A.A.F., G.II. (Revised March, 1942)
ARMY No. VX 42705		NAME (in full) DOIG WALTER GEORGE, FREDERICK		
RANK LIEUT.	UNIT 5/11	TRANSFERRED TO (UNIT)		
Having passed the prescribed tests is hereby authorised to drive the following types of vehicles within the Commonwealth of Australia and its Territories.				
(1) VEHICLE TYPE *		(2) † TYPE GROUPS		SIGNATURE OF DRIVER
Jap		1A 3B		N.G.7 Doig
		(3) DATE	(4) Signature of Testing Officer	
		6-2-45	Mr. Repair Sgt.	
VEHICLE TYPE GROUPS				
1A. Cars & Vans (synchromesh gear boxes) 1B. Vans (plain gear boxes)				
2A. Ambulances; Trucks, 15-cwt.; Lorries, 30-cwt. & over; excluding Trailers & F.W.D.'s 2B. Lorries with Trailers or Semi-trailers, excluding F.W.D.'s				
3A. Wheeled A.F.V.'s & Scout Cars. 3B. Tractors, wheeled; Tractors, Arty.; F.W.D.; W.D. Type Trucks; Recovery Vehicles and Transporters, including Trailers. 4A. Tractors, tracked.				
B. Carriers, M.G., Mortar, or Gun, Aust. 5A. Motor Cycles, solo. 5B. Motor Cycles with Sidecar or Trailer. 6A. Producer Gas Units (additional to vehicle licence). 6B. Compression-Ignition Engines (additional to vehicle licence). *Enter name of tank or vehicle not grouped in this column. †Rule through space on line of entry to prevent unauthorised insertions.				
†Licence group 6A or 6B does NOT entitle the holder to drive any particular vehicle but merely to operate special equipment.				

Above: AAFGII-1: A Second World War vintage GII Army driver's licence issued to Wally Doig. Wally was authorised to drive vehicles in Group 1A – cars and vans, and Group 3B: tractors, wheeled, in this case a jeep, which has been classed as a 'tractor' as it towed a trailer. Note the use of the unit sign to identify the unit Wally belonged to: who can identify it?

N- 21973		Military Forces	ARMY DRIVING LI		AAF Reprinted Aug.
Army No. <u>352203</u>	Rank <u>WO II</u>	Name (in full) <u>CAVE EDWARD</u>			
Having passed the prescribed tests is hereby qualified to drive and operate the following types of mechanical vehicles.			<u>W/O IT G E M C ave</u>		(Signature of Driver)
Code letter of vehicle qualified to drive	Date	Signature of Transport Officer/NCO	Unit	Signature of Issuing Officer	
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Above: AAFG11-2: A post-Second World War G11 licence issued to Eddie Cave, a Warrant Officer Class 2 serving with 2nd Field Regiment, based at that time at the Army Depot in Batman Avenue, Melbourne. Eddie had been a gunner during the Second World War, and continued to serve post-war in this CMF unit. Note that the post-war licence folded in half, while the Second World War licence folded into thirds.

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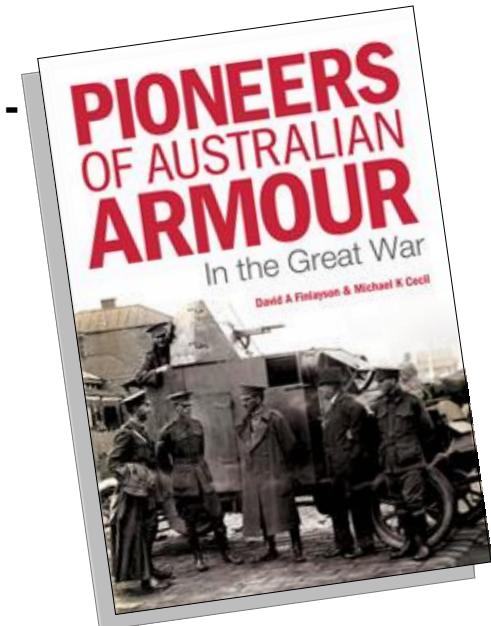
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¹ There are some exceptions, such as LP carriers where the whole fleet was withdrawn from the Commonwealth and AIF schemes, and assigned the hull number as the registration number, and the vehicle transfers between registration schemes. But in all cases, the successive registrations were linked and the sequence was traceable.

² Unfortunately, the same cannot be said of the RAAF registers, which were misplaced by RAAF Logistics Command in the late 1990s, or the RAN, who don't appear to have retained a central register of their vehicle fleet at all or at least, not one that has survived.

Part 2 will cover the remainder of the various forms generated at Unit level and what they were used for. This should be in the June 2016 issue of KVE News (No.24)

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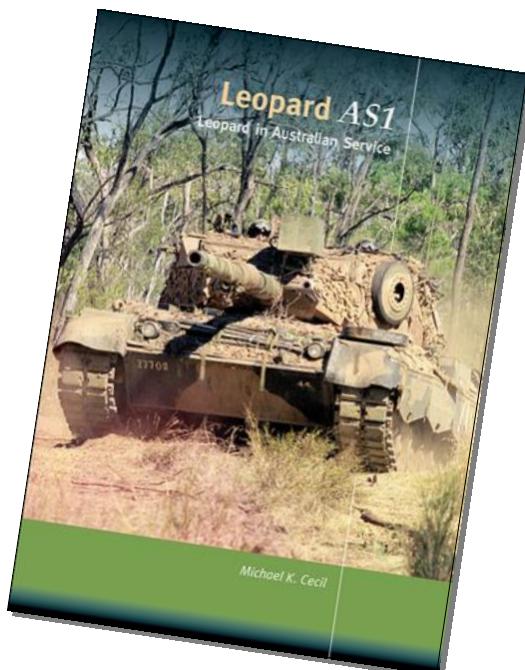
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New Military Vehicle event in NSW

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MENANGLE MILITARY MUSTER

16th & 17th July 2016

Campbelltown Steam & Machinery Museum is hosting a gathering of all things military at our Museum, 86 Menangle Rd, Gilead, NSW 2560

The muster will be a chance to show off all of our unique military displays to the public on the grounds of the museum.

The idea is to gather together all military clubs for a unique weekend. We are keen to share ideas and keep the weekend fun, we are seeking contacts from any interested clubs to co-ordinate their member's attendance and act as spokesperson for their club.

As this is the first time we have run an event like this we are seeking ideas to make our event special. Let us know anything you would like to see at a Sydney based event and we will see what we can do.

Camping costs will be \$10.00 per head and we will collect donations from the public as they visit us and look over the displays. Our intent is to cover costs to the museum and then donate some money to "Legacy" (the more we raise the more we can donate).

Please let us know if your club is willing to attend and who your contact will be.

Contact:- Russ Johnson on 0438 130 641

Email: csmm.info@gmail.com website: www.csmm.com.au



Military Vehicles at a recent event at the Steam Museum

THE KHAKI KENWORTH

by John Belfield

Truck, Heavy Wrecker, M1 & MIAI

The forerunner of Kenworth was founded in Portland, Oregon, USA during the First World War by the Gerlinger brothers who produced trucks powered by six cylinder Continental engines and sold under the trade name of GERSIX.

In 1916 the business moved to Tacoma, Washington and in 1917 was bought by a Mr. Kent and a Mr. Worthington. They continued using the Gersix name until 1923, when the company was renamed Kenworth, a combination of the two business owners names. At the time Kenworth was only a small company and later built buses, fire trucks and other special vehicles. It was a typical small concern that used proprietary components such as engines, gearboxes, diffs. and axles.

In 1941 the small firm of Kenworth had a great boost to production when they received a military order for 300 wreckers model 570 and soon followed in 1942 as model 571 which was basically the same vehicle. Initially these wreckers had power winch front and rear and a Gar Wood crane which was hand operated - pity the poor recovery mechanics lifting up to 10 tons by hand! At the same time Ward La France, another relatively small company was making a similar wrecker which varied mainly in the cabin, controls and front mudguards.

The rest of the truck was similar with a six cylinder Continental ohv petrol engine 501 cu.in. (8.2 L) developing 145 bhp. A five-speed overdrive Fuller gearbox drove into a two-speed transfer case and then into the two rear axles, and driven front axle, all made by Timken. Brakes were Bendix Westinghouse full air mechanical with a hand operated hand brake on the back of the transfer case.

In 1943 the US Ordnance Dept decided to standardise the two different models made by Kenworth and Ward La France with a powered crane by Gar Wood and standard flat front guards and a military type soft top cabin. So both factories turned out the same configuration with only very minor differences. These machines served the military well and were used world wide before and after World War 2. Many were used during the D-Day landings and throughout the European campaign against the Germans until the Victory of 1945.

Identification of different models is difficult but chassis numbers on right front chassis near the spring hanger will tell whether it is a Kenworth or Ward La France - All M1 and MIAI wreckers in preservation in the UK and Europe are called Ward La France but that is not correct. In reference to this I would recommend you to read Bart Vanderveen's Wheels & Tracks No.3, pages 34 to 37 titled aptly as the "Identity Parade" - M1 and MIAI wreckers. Using this information I have been able to identify my MIAI wrecker as a Kenworth.

There were approx. 5,000 units built by Ward La France and approx. 1,850 Kenworths. So it stands to reason that for every 5 Ward La France wreckers there are nearly 2 Kenworths. Anyway "Down Under" in Australia we had a mixed bag of about 15 wreckers with only about 4 remaining in private ownership. I have seen photos of several MIAI wreckers in Alice Springs and some in the Northern Territory in 1943.

John Belfield's memories - cont'd

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There is a fair gap of 20 years when the Australian Army used these wonderful machines but I haven't seen photos of them working as yet. However I served as a Recovery Mechanic in the Royal Australian Electrical & Mechanical Engineers (RAEME) with the 4th/19th Prince of Wales Light Horse Regiment from 1962 to 1988 as a Citizen Military Forces part time soldier. It was a lot of fun and we used Kenworth, Ward La France, Diamond T, M543, M816, Macks and Mk.5 Inters.

In 1964 they issued me with a Kenworth MIA1 heavy wrecker so that I could lift tow 13 ton Staghounds and anything else that broke down and they were many and varied and as I said, it was all good fun. The crane was too long for lift tow so we put a sling through the lattice crane with a snatch block and used the bog winch for lifting Staghounds.

The Kenworth was a delight to drive for a new Recy Mech and faster than our 969 Diamond T. Our first job was to escort the regiment to Mt. Skene up in the Southern Ranges. The Stags were getting very old and unstable and I had to help tow about six back to Heyfield and load them onto the train from the passenger platform. It was pretty scary coming down the long mountain logging road with no brakes on the 13 ton Stag pushing us down - a bit scary on 20 year old brakes. Anyway, all this is heading somewhere and the other important point to the story is that I took quite a few photos. The next 24 years was also a lot of fun but that's another story.

Fast forward to 2010 and one of my spies told me about an old wrecker up near Forbes, Central NSW. It's only 300+ miles so what do you do when you receive this sort of exciting news? Well you grab some money off the money tree, hop in the car and away you go. It was easy to find, it was on the front lawn looking very restorable. It belonged to a crusty old fellow and had been used for years as a crane in a black marble quarry. On enquiring he said he did not want to sell it now way. Next he says he wouldn't sell it under X dollars. Sounded OK to me.

I wanted to hear it run and with the help of a mechanic friend of his it started up and ran well. So I offered him his X dollars and we did a deal. I didn't want to drive it home at 2.5 miles per gallon and arranged for it to be transported home. Great thrill when it arrived as I drove it off the low loader. So straight into the workshop and start the restoration which meant remove and repair the transfer case, renew winch drive shaft, remove all the old quarry crane modifications, locate a crane slewing winch drive and modify it. Fuel pump repair and chase up fuel starvation problems - three goes at that and finally gave up and fitted an electric fuel pump. 11 new tyres, well good s/h bar tread 12.00-20, new hood and seats, new tray sideboards., all electric wiring for legal rego purposes, all new winch cable fitted and a new coat of paint.

So where am I going with this story? Well as I mentioned previously when I drove a MIA1 heavy wrecker in 1964 in the mountains I took plenty of photos and decided when I finished restoring this new acquisition that I would just put the 1964 Army registration number on it - both side of the bonnet and all the RAEME and 4/19 PWLH unit tac signs all beautifully done by my old friend, ex-Vietnam recovery mechanic Dave McCallum.

We're nearly there! We contacted Mike Cecil, author and historian, with the chassis and engine numbers and after careful research he was able to tell me that I had restored my old wrecker that I drove and loved 50 years ago - so how good does it get - I love it !

John Belfield



Classic Restos at Corowa - DVD order form

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2015 Corowa Swim-In New DVD out now!



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The themes of the event for 2015 were Year of the Emergency Vehicle and Year of General Motors, with many of these featured as well as a LP2 Carrier and the Canadian Radar Trailer, now serving as the KVE Site Office.



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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. 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.

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. 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.

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2012 - Year of the 6X6

The Corowa "Year of the 6x6" 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 and talk to KVE President Rick Cove and organiser Jan Thompson. A highlight is excerpts of the talk given by John Belfield about his decades of rescuing and restoring military vehicles.

2013 - Year of the Trialed Equipment and Armoured Vehicle

The Corowa 2013 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 a range of other vehicles including the only running SCI 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.

2014 - Year of WWI - Year of the Ford

The 'Year of' series of videos has been produced since 2002. In 2014 the twin themes of World War One and Ford vehicles made for an interesting gathering of types, many of which are profiled on this DVD through interviews with the owners, restorers and helpers. 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 WWI Dodge recreation and Perentie and many more. There is the spectacle of the parade of vehicles led by Rick Cove's WWI Albion, as well as the swap meet and display, and action on the Murray River. This program gives a real insight into the places, people and vehicles that go to make up the Khaki Vehicle Enthusiasts annual Corowa Swim In.

LATEST DVD : 2015 - Year of the General Motors and Emergency Vehicle DVD \$35

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. The spectacular parade through the town of Corowa was enhanced by the full use of both sides of the road and with the camera viewpoint set right in the centre the viewer is right among the sights and sounds, with a cacophony of emergency sirens.

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' LPI machine gun carrier.

There's coverage of the action along the river as well as the parade, swap meet and Michael Cecil's excellent talk on his lifetime's experiences with military vehicles.

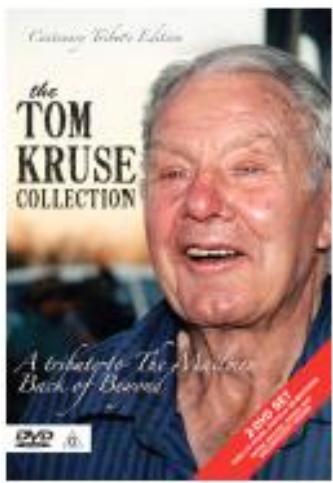


Some stills from the new 2015 DVD



More DVD's for Sale

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The Tom Kruse Collection DVD from Keith Webb, see previous pages

The 1954 Australian film classic **The Back of Beyond** introduced Tom Kruse and his 1936 Leyland Badger mail truck to a generation of Australians. Most never forgot the extraordinary images of the man and his battered truck doing battle each fortnight with sand and isolation along the Birdsville track - outback Australia's toughest mail run.

The Mailmen Back of Beyond is a result of 28 years of research by producer Ian Doyle. Ian and co-producer Keith Webb gained unprecedented access to the significant photographic collections of the Kruse, Heyer, Ding, Crombie and Teague families. In addition to the stills collections (available online at www.tomkruse.com.au), the documentary airs for the first time elements of movie footage filmed by the filmmaker and adventurer Colin Wagener. Colin is 96 years old and lives in the Adelaide Hills. He filmed in colour a trip he took on the Marree to Birdsville mail run with driver Monty Scobie in 1953 and again when the Cooper Creek flooded in 1956 and 1963. Tom Kruse was the key figure in the Australian docudrama **The Back of Beyond** directed by the Shell Film Unit's John Heyer. It was shot in black and white and remains one of the most critically acclaimed and awarded films ever produced in Australia.

The Mailmen Back of Beyond is one of two discs in **The Tom Kruse Collection DVD**

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.

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.



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 Organisers of the Annual Corowa Swim-In & Military Vehicle Gathering

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

Mailing Address: P.O Box 221 Gladesville NSW 2111 Contact : John Gordon Phone No: Mob. 0411 868 745
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 Dates of Meetings: 2nd Wednesday of the month Locations of Meetings: Ashfield RSL at 8pm
 For collectors and enthusiasts of ex-military vehicles

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

Mailing Address: Contact : Chairman Brian Thompson Phone No: 08 9257 3910
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 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: Darren Witty Tel: 0412 071 422 Email: Secretary@mjcqinc.com
 Dates of Meetings: 2nd Wednesday of the month
 At Rocklea Showgrounds, Ipswich Rd, Rocklea, Brisbane, Qld. Website: www.mjcqinc.com
 Dedicated to the preservation of the WW2 Jeep and other military vehicles.

Australian Military Equipment Collectors Limited. (AMEC Limited)

Address: Secretary, Australian Military Equipment Collectors Ltd, 13 Knox Close, Carwoola, NSW 2620
 Contact person: Mark Sierant Phone No: 0419 259 069 Email: sierant@tpg.com.au
 Dates of Meetings: As required Locations of Meetings: As Required
 Website: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aussiemecs/>
 'To encourage the ownership, preservation and use of historical military vehicles and equipment'

Victorian Military Vehicle Corps (VMVC)

Address: PO Box 1209, Kensington, Vic 3031
 Contact : Gordon Edwards Phone No: (03) 93768208 Email: 42ausjeep@hotmail.com
 Dates of Meetings: 1st Tuesday of each month Locations of Meetings: 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.

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Wartime Vehicle Conservation Group SA Inc. (WVCG)

Contact: Rick Shearman Mobile No.: 0408 835 018 Email: rickshearman@bigpond.com

Dates of meetings: 1st Tuesday of every month Location of meetings: Tower Hotel, Magill, SA

Organisation dedicated to preservation of military vehicles.

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

Mailing Address: PO Box 174, Salisbury, SA 5108

Contact: Dave Carmen (President) 08 8285 3011 Email: secretary@military-vehicle-museum.org.au

Dates of meetings: Last Tuesday of Month except December No Meeting. AGM in July.

Location of meetings: National Military Vehicle Museum, 10 Sturton Road, Edinburgh Parks, SA 5111

Website: www.military-vehicle-museum.org.au

The Military Vehicle Preservation Society of South Australia Inc., and National Military Vehicle Museum. Our Society has been in service for 37 years, and our Museum celebrated 20 years in August 2013.

Land Rover Owners Club of Australia Sydney Branch Inc.

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 172 Concord West NSW 2138 Contact email: Secretary@LROC.com.au

Date of meetings: 4th Wednesday each month from 8-9pm (exc. Dec)

Location of meetings: Denistone Sports Club Ltd., 59 Chatham Rd., Denistone, NSW 2114

Website: www.lroc.com.au

Description of the club: The Land Rover Owners Club (LROC) was formed in 1966 by a group of enthusiasts who shared an interest in four wheel driving and the great outdoors. It caters for all models from Series I.

Australian Armoured Vehicle Association

Mailing address: Australian Armoured Vehicle Association Inc., ASIC Registration NSW Y2413247, PO Box 41, Newport Beach, NSW 2106 Contact: Mal French 0415 635 519

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.

Military History Group Inc.

Mailing address: PO Box 6, Dallas, VIC 3047 Contact: Tony Jordan (President) (03) 9359 4687

The MHG Inc is based in Victoria and is an organisation dedicated to the restoration and preservation of military vehicles and their heritage. The MHG attends various events throughout Victoria and NSW and welcomes new members.

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

Website: www.remlr.com

Forum: www.remlr.com/forum

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

There are 3 levels of joining REMLR:

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

Tailpiece

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One of the rarer Dodges.....
 Shown on the left is a Dodge WK-60 3 ton 6x4 Breakdown Gantry, built to a British War Office order. The body was a standard pattern used on British 3 ton 6x4 chassis', the Dodge being more powerful than the Leyland Retriever, Crossley, etc.
 Later an Austin version came into service on the K6 6x4 chassis.

Notice to Clubs and Event Organisers:**Australian Military Vehicle Events Calendar**

It has been suggested to the KVE Committee, that our organisation's website would be the ideal portal for a countrywide military vehicle events calendar. This would not necessarily be confined to military vehicle only type events, but also vintage and steam events, etc. where military vehicles are invited.

KVE will not be the point of contact for enquiries, we receive the information and contact details from organisers or clubs, enter it into the calendar on the www.corowaswim-in.org website. The viewer can click on the entry to reveal all the information and make contact with the organisers direct.

The calendar is live on the website now, and a direct link to the page is here:

<http://www.corowaswim-in.org/#!show-and-event-calendar/tikmb>

If you organise an event of this nature and would like to be included on the calendar, go to the above link and fill the online form in, it will come straight to KVE. We look forward to receiving the event details. This is a great opportunity to promote your events. If you need help or have problems with entering the details, please email to: kve.editor@btinternet.com

Richard Farrant - Event Co-ordinator for KVE website

N.B. KVE reserve the right to accept event details at their discretion

**KVE Inc**

Khaki Vehicle Enthusiasts Incorporated

Entry forms can be sent to the following address:

Jan Thompson

9/1 Millett Rd, Mosman, NSW, 2088

Phone: 0423 943 010

E-mail: kveinc@optusnet.com.au

KVE Incorporated

Organisers of the Annual Corowa Swim-In

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

Please visit our website for more info:

<http://corowaswim-in.org>

Also see us on Facebook - corowaswimin

Submissions for this newsletter can be emailed to:

kveinc@optusnet.com.au

See you at Corowa in 2016.

Booking Form for Swap Meet stall

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COROWA PASTORAL, AGRICULTURAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY INC

POSTAL ADDRESS:
P O Box 190
COROWA NSW 2646

SECRETARY:
Jan McKenna - (02) 6033 1148
0427 331 148

APPLICATION FOR TRADE SPACE AT THE
2016 COROWA SWIM-IN & MILITARY VEHICLE GATHERING
TO BE HELD AT COROWA SHOWGROUND ON SATURDAY 19TH MARCH 2016
(Swap Meet organised on behalf of Khaki Vehicle Enthusiasts Incorporated)

Business Name:

Contact Name:

Address:

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Phone No: Mobile No: Work No:

Email address:

Description of Goods or Services intended to sell or display

.....
 Costs: \$10 per day, for Outdoor site 6 x 6 metres (approx.)
 \$20 per day, for Undercover site 6 x 6 metres (approx.)
 (Double the rate for 6 x 12 metres (approx.), etc.)

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

Any queries, contact Jan McKenna on (02) 6033 1148 or 0427 331 148

or email: janandfrankmckenna@bigpond.com

Camping at Showground for Stallholders only, from Thursday to Sunday
 Camping fee is \$10 per person, per night.

COST FOR YOUR SITE: (To be paid before Show Day)

Camping @ \$10 per person/per night

Space @ \$10.00 per 6 x 6 metres (Outdoor).....

@ \$20.00 per 6 x 6 metres (Undercover).....

Total Cost for Site.....

Signed by Applicant

Dated

Entry Fee can also be paid straight into the **Hume Bank** cheque account for:

"Corowa PA&H Society" BSB: 640000 Account No. 568163516

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

Ref:	Date:	Amount \$
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Please ensure your name and the word "Swap Meet" is on the Bank Deposit/Transfer form so we can easily distinguish who has deposited the money and **post or email this Entry Form to the address at top of form**.



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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM 2016-2017

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

FULL NAME OF APPLICANT.....

RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

MAILING ADDRESS ..
 (if different from residential address)

TOWN/CITY STATE POSTCODE

CONTACT TELEPHONE NO (H) (W)

MOBILE EMAIL

..... hereby apply to become a member of KVE Inc.
 (occupation)

As a member of KVE, I agree to be bound by the rules of the Club at the time being in force.

KVE Membership Fee \$ 30 per year
Family Membership Fee \$45 per year

Amount Paid

Signature of applicant Date

Nominated by Seconded by

Membership period runs from 1st March 2016 to 28th February 2017

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, 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 Club members from time to time.
Please indicate if you do not wish your details to be disclosed.

Scott Rough
PRESIDENT

Jan Thompson
SECRETARY

Neville Smith
VICE PRESIDENT

37th Annual Corowa Swim-In & Military Vehicle Gathering

Monday 14th March to Sunday 20th March 2016

Year of the Tank & Year of the Chrysler 2

Held annually at Corowa, NSW

All ex-military vehicles and enthusiasts are invited to attend

ENTRY FORM



Khaki Vehicle
Enthusiasts Inc.

Entrant/Driver

Name.....

Address.....

Number of extra Packs required at \$20 each:	Names of those, other than Entrant, requiring Packs:
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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.....

DECLARATION

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.....

ENTRY FORMS TO ARRIVE BY 29th FEBRUARY 2016

Entry Fee is **\$20** per Entrant enclosed with Entry form

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