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Presidents Message



Hello Friends,

I hope this messages finds everyone fit and well after a long stretch of hot summer days during February.

Covid continues to play havoc with people's lives and plans.

We needed to cancel our February 15th general meeting due to Covid concerns and restrictions. (Sorry to all for late notice)

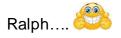
We may need to look to an outdoor setting for our next meeting in March if we see social distancing measures and mask mandates for indoor venues are tightened up.

Our borders are soon to open fully and Omicron is already growing in numbers in WA.

I think we can expect to see some strong measures taken regarding personal space and masks based on WA government's management record. It will be the only few options available to them to manage growth.

Therefore as a club, we need to be agile and able to change plans or cancel events - meetings to ensure we do not put any of our member's health at risk.

We are an older demographic club and need to protect the old guy's like Greg and



We will get through it all pretty quick and be back enjoing our cars / social outings / events pretty soon.

To any of our members with family or friends living in the Ukraine our thoughts are with you.

Folks please stay safe, healthy and happy.

Bob Senn President



Front Cover Photo



The front cover photo this month is of a Hoffman Convertible 2CV. We have had a member request for some information, so it is a good opportunity for a story.

Brief History of how the Hoffman came to be...

Germany had the Volkswagen Beetle as its affordable people's car for the masses after the war and France had the Citroen 2CV or Deux Chevaux as its French equivalent. After going on sale in 1949, Citroen production could barely keep up with demand and by 1952, there was an 18-month waiting list, underscoring the 2CV's underiable popularity.

Although the last 2CV rolled off the production line for the last time in 1990, Citroen never officially offered a convertible version- enter Wolfgang Hoffmann to make the little 2CV go Topless.

Same as the Germans had been doing to the VW Beetle over many years. Converting that to into Cabriolet, Pick Ups, Limo's, Beach Buggies, Kubelwagens etc.

After developing a glass fibre cabrio body to fit the 2CV frame around 1988, Hoffman built convertible 2CV's and went on to sell the body in a kit form to enthusiasts, spawning an entirely new generation of quirky but beautiful 2CV's.

It is believed Hoffman has built around 300 Cabriolet's, plus sold around 2,000 body kits and they are still in production today.

Hoffman are based in Barvaria, Germany and still specialise in 2CV conversions and Body kits for;

- Hoffman Convertibles
- 2CV pick ups
- 2CV Limo's







Hoffman also manufactures a full stainless steel chassis and stainless body panels, plus a range of specialty parts for 2CV's

For those interested this You Tube shows the early Hoffman DYI body conversion process

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vJ-5lokKtow

Also a couple of other videos of interest https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wFWftbSc3hY

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jduk9s7QZUI

A number of other Companies also got in on the act and made Cabriolet conversions and body kits, the "Azelle" is also a popular manufacturer, based in France .

Azelle do the full conversion for clients or sell them the DYI body kit.

Azelle manufactures many 2CV body panels in a lightweight composite material, which is well regarded by 2CV Raider's.

Cabriolet Azelle







https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zm1eZ5wfsrQ

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eRTKoTc_s68





General News



It has been a tough time for the "Raid Australia" organising committee.

Originally planned to take place in in 2020, Covid hit the world stage and created chaos.

Raid Australia has now, been postponed until 2024; details below have been taken from directly from Raid Australia 2020 web site.

Postponement of Raid Australia to 2024

February 11, 2022 By Chris Bennet



Postponed ... again ...

The Raid Australia Committee has just met to discuss the future of Raid 2020, which is currently postponed to August 2022.

The Committee has concluded that there are too many impediments and uncertainties for the Raid to proceed this year.

Such things as State border closures, Australian Visa restrictions and the fact that the Omicron variant if the Covid virus is still spreading rapidly in Australia, were considered.

There was then a discussion as to whether it should be postponed to 2023 or 2024, with the majority of the Committee of the opinion that it should be postponed to August 2024. The main reasons for this are that in 2023 it would clash with the 2CV World Meeting and postponing to 2024 would bring it back into line with the normal 4 year Raid cycle in Australia.

We regret the inconvenience this may cause some entrants and anyone who has entered and does not want to participate in the postponed Raid in 2024 can apply to have their entry fee refunded. The entry fees of everyone else will be preserved in the Raid account for the postponed event.

The postponed Raid is still expected to have the same route and format, but we will advise you nearer to the event if there are any changes.

Those who have entered will be advised by email shortly.

Cheers,

Chris Bennet



Author: Chris Bennet

Raid Leader for Raid 2020



Proposed Future Events.



With the postponement of Raid Australia until now 2024, many people have had Raid ready and prepared cars for past 3 years now looking for some Raid action.

Proposal is at hand for a RAID WA from Perth to Kununurra and maybe then onto Darwin as a second finish destination. Time frame is during August and September when it is nice days and cool nights up north. (Start date 22nd August has been proposed)

The Ace Raiders are planning to replicate Raid Australia 2008.

Shayne Harris created this 2008 Raid and they will be looking, I assume to travel that same route.

Four weeks to finish at the Lake Argyle stage. Additional second finish is Darwin a further 800km. (add + 1 week)

This is a Western Australian Raid. Organised by ACE

Below are some pictures of a very recent get together at Ralphs toy shed, where planning was underway.











Further Raid WA details to follow next month.



Rest in Peace



It is with sadness we report the passing of Doug McClure on 25th January 2022.

Doug had been a member of ACE since 2019 and enjoyed getting out with his partner Gillian in their beautiful 1986 2CV.

Our condolences, thoughts and best wishes to Gillian and all extended family members.



A note from the Editor.



A great club magazine is one with plenty of member participation, stories, requests and personality. Members please advise of any car shows or car swap meets in 2022 or anything thing else that you wish to see in your magazine.

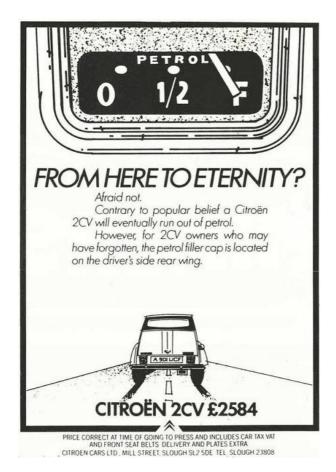
ACE Members please send in your stories, let us know of any rebuild project or raid preparation projects, so we can do a news story and share the experience.

In addition, any for sale/give away/swap/ wanted ads please submit in word format with some photos in a separate email. Also any good maintenance stories or helpful tips to share with other members.

Many technically experienced and knowledgeable people in the Club are willing to provide good service and maintenance advice So if you need help or have a maintenance question?

"Ask an expert", send your question or problem to the editor and we will see if we can source and publish the answer for you.

Why has it stopped?





Upcoming Car Shows of Interest



1/ Classic Cars & Coffee Sunday March 6th

This is a monthly event and well worth going along to. Great way to start a Sunday morning.

The \$10 entry fee supports a great cause, The Prostrate Cancer Foundation.

Take your car to give it a good run & show it off in this casual atmosphere with other friendly car people.

Then go somewhere nice for Sunday brunch....

The weather is coming good so drive along the coast or the river; there are some fantastic places for a feed on Sundays....



WELCOME

Come, park, drink great coffee, chat and head home with a smile.

Cars & Coffee events are a worldwide phenomenon and welcomed by enthusiasts of all interesting cars as a new kind of easy-going motoring event.

Just two hours, a huge variety of cars and friendly owners in a completely relaxed atmosphere. We appreciate the passion of every car enthusiast and we welcome all as visitors. To display cars however Classic Cars and Coffee is

specific to a certain set of cars so please carefully read the Conditions of Entry as we do not want to say no on the day to a fellow enthusiast. We have a very active Facebook page – have a look, like and follow us.

Cars welcomed: Classic and vintage cars, exotic and rare cars, luxury and prestige marques

Cars not suited: Heavily modified, customised, modern everyday or recent

Australian and Asian cars

All Classic Cars & Coffee events are approved for bringing Concessionally Licensed cars to.

If you know of any car events in the coming months please advise the editor so we can publish the details.

Classic Cars and Coffee is also doing a drive day from UWA to Swan Valley on 20th March, details below



You are invited to the inaugural Swan to Swan event, the first of what we hope will be decades more to come.

The exclusive event will see just 150 cars travel in convoy from the Swan River (UWA) to one of the most beautiful wineries in the Swan Valley, Nikola Estate.



Event description

Be part of an exciting new and exclusive Drive Day event aimed at classic cars, modern rare luxury and prestige vehicles. **Numbers strictly limited!**

Swan to Swan will take you on octane-induced journey from the Swan River to the Swan Valley.

Leaving from the home of Classic Cars & Coffee at UWA (Carpark 9 for this one) we will spend an hour admiring the cars before we "start the engines" and depart UWA via a stunning drive that ends at one of the Swan Valley's most beautiful wineries; Nikola Estate, for a stunning display among the pines, picnic lunch, entertainment & a great variety of fine wines and beers.

What do I need to know?

Cost: Entry fee is just \$20 per vehicle (plus booking fee with **100%** going to children's charities), with hampers available and purchased separately as hampers for one or two.

Hampers: That's right, these high quality hampers will feature continental rolls, frittatas, 2 cheeses, quince paste, olives, seasonal fruit and assorted crackers (Gluten Free & Vegetarian available). Simply purchase your hamper at the same time you get your entry fee.

For full details; https://www.classiccarsandcoffee.com/ or FaceBook



Where do we sit? This is a picnic style event so please bring a comfy chair for all guests.

Can I bring my own food and drinks? You are welcome to bring your own non alcoholic drinks but you cannot BYO any alcohol as this is a licensed venue. You can not bring food in

also but a food truck will be available along with a coffee van if you don't want the hamper option.

Covid policy: This will be as per government directives at the time but all will be required to check in at both venues via the SafeWA app and also prove double vaccination status at Nikola Estate. This will be checked as you enter and a condition of entry to both the venue and the event itself.

How long are we at UWA? Arrive by 9:30 with a 10:30 departure time. Coffee vans will be on hand.

Where will we drive? Well that will be revealed to registrants the day before, we like a bit of mystery! We can tell you it will be a relaxed drive and suitable for vehicles of all vintages. It will not be a race and can be driven at your leisure.

How long are we at Nikola Estate? The aim is to arrive by 12 at the latest with the event officially closing off at 3pm. You are of course more than welcome to spend more time in the stunning grounds of Nikola Estate.

How many can we have in the car for the \$20 entry fee? As many as you like, the fee is per vehicle, and not per person.





Cit in Cowra NSW



It is great to see that CITIN Cowra is now getting close after 2 years of frustrations & cancellations due to Covid related issues.

It has been difficult for anyone from WA to book and firm up any interstate travel plans in the past few years, with our tough border restrictions.

However with WA borders opening up and quarantine restrictions to be relaxed from next month, there is still time for anyone wishing to go to CITIN NSW, to register.

I believe final registrations will cut off around end 1st week March, details below.



The links below on Citroen Car Club NSW contain detailed info.

http://citroencarclub.org.au/cit-in/cit-in.html#register

http://citroencarclub.org.au/cit-in/cit-in.html#pre_tour

http://citroencarclub.org.au/cit-in/cit-in.html#post_tour

Bonjour Denis!

Welcome to Cit In Cowra (2022).

Final call for Cit In Cowra Registrations - we have just 5 weeks to go.

Registrations for this event close today. If you have not registered, now is the time to do so!

With the easing of Covid 19 Restrictions, we are at full steam ahead for the event and want to make it an event to remember. The event will still be run within the Covid 19 guidelines set out by the NSW Government

See you there.

Sincerely,
CCCNSW Cit In Cowra Committee

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ACE GENERAL MEETING



MARCH 2022 GENERAL MEETING AGENDA:

- 1. Present, Guests and Apologies
- 2. Amendments and Acceptance of minutes of previous meeting
- 3. Business arising from previous minutes
- 4. Secretaries Report
- 5. Treasurers Report
- 6. New Members
- 7. Past Events Report
- 8. Future Events
- General Business
- 10. Request for motions for next meeting

ACE members, guests and visitors meet on the third Tuesday of each month. The setting is casual to allow for positive interactions between members before and after the formal meeting. The meeting now starts at 7.30 p.m. at the Mighty Quin Tavern, Tuart Hill most members arrive from 6.00 p.m. to have a meal from the bistro, or a drink with friends.

Friends and guests are always welcome.

Next Meeting

February Tuesday 15th 2022 Mighty Quin Tavern (CANCELLED)

March Tuesday 22nd 2022 Mighty Quin Tavern

April Tuesday 19th 2022 May Tuesday 17th 2022 June Tuesday 21st 2022 July Tuesday 19th 2022

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