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BEACon March 2022

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Burrawang Village Hotel **9/02/2022**

Chris Brangwin

The day dawned with the brightness and promise of summer. At last a good weather day for our BEAC Run to Burrawang Village and the old village pub for lunch, the run being arranged by Ros and Kevin Bell.

The promise of miles of green bright Southern Highlands lanes and minor roads to enjoy (not to mention the potholes!). Past fields and green and shaded lanes, even ordered woods and gardens and dry stone walls interspersed with gum trees, rolling paddocks and even a wombat to stop traffic on the road.

It was a perfect warm day and many turned out in their gleaming cars at our Osborne Street meeting place.

Two newly acquired cars were being given their 'first blood' at this outing; their owners, old hands as Club members, but with new cars. Phil Davis arrived in his immaculate Bentley, the paintwork of which seemed to be as rich as cream and as vibrant as a paint job could possibly be.

Phil is pleased with his purchase and looks forward to future motoring with the Club. His 1986 Mulsanne Bentley is the last model fitted with carburettors before fuel injection systems were introduced.

Members Jim and Marilyn White have purchased an MGB L 1971. For a long time Jim has been encouraged by Geoff Wood and others to own an MGB and Jim and Marilyn have taken the plunge. They own a number of vintage vehicles and have for many years been involved in restoring numerous vehicles including an MG TF and a Singer. Another MG; great to see the old marque being so well represented in our Club.

Jim and Marilyn with their new MGB

Tony Proctor-Broughall's MGC GT and Peggy Pollock with her Mercedes CLK180

L to R: Kevin Bell, Graham Stratham, Robert Stenvert, Brian Cox, Richard Holmes, Fred Edney

Fred Edney and his Triumph- TR7.

Marilyn Cox, Judy Statham and Sue Edney

L to R: Lucille Covino, Jim Geddes, Mark and Bob Covino

Welcome to Lucille and Bob Covino who are visiting their son. They live in Florida, USA.

BORRAWANG VILLAGE HOTEL

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CLUB CALENDAR – March and April 2022

- **Runs start at 10 am at Cnr. Osborne Road & Moss Vale Road, Burradoo unless otherwise noted.**
- **Please Note: all PDF files and links are available on the club's Events Web Page**

March 2022

Wednesday 9 March 2022 | Berrima Run

• Venue | Schmokin, 1 Market Place, Berrima
• Meet at 10 am, Cnr. Moss Vale Road & Osborne Road, Burradoo
• Download Run Sheet | BEAC Berrima Run PDF
• Organisers | Ros & Kevin Bell | m | 0421 029 900
e | events@beac.org.au

Saturday & Sunday 25 to 27 March 2022 | Invitation Event | Kurri Kurri Nostalgia Festival

• Bookings required, full details on the information flyer.
• Download Information Flyer | Kurri Kurri Nostalgia Festival PDF
Visit website | http://www.kurrikurrinostalgiafestival.com.au/

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ENTRY FEES: $10 PRE-ENTRY OR $20 ON THE DAY

CRITERIA

CUT-OFF DATE 1978 (NON-RESTRICTED)
GROUP PARKING FOR CAR CLUBS - MUST ARRIVE TOGETHER

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APRIL 2022

Wednesday 20 April 2022 | BEAC Annual General Meeting
• Venue | Bargo Hotel, 225 Great Southern Road, Bargo
• Meet at 10 am, Cnr. Moss Vale Road & Osborne Road, Burradoo
• Lunch will be available at the hotel bistro.
• Contact | Anne Wood | m | 0408 026 422
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Proposed 15 day Tasmanian Tour

From say 25th Feb to 12th March 2023.

It has been suggested to me we repeat the 2015 Tasmanian Tour that went so well.

On that tour we left on a Saturday and stayed overnight in Albury and went for the afternoon sailing of the Spirit of Tasmania (*which will leave from Geelong from January 2023*) the next day.

I anticipate travelling the same basic route and using the same accommodation where it proved satisfactory. That is from Devonport to Launceston for two nights. Then on to Swansea for a further two nights. From there we would head for a three night stop in Hobart. Giving us a chance to visit the Salamanca markets on the Saturday.

From Hobart we would head north up to the west coast to Strahan and another two night stay before heading further north to Smithton on the north coast for a further two nights. Its then on to Devonport to catch the boat back to Geelong and the mainland, where we head for home. It is intended to stop over around half way home for a farewell dinner and drinkie.

We anticipate the total cost of boat and accommodation would be around $3000.00. fuel and food etc. would of course be extra.

We need to limit the number of entries to 10 cars as many in Tasmania towns accommodation is not large and we want to get all entrants in the same hotel/motels.

If this sounds like something you would enjoy, please contact me to register your interest. Once we have a full compliment of entries, we will hold an information meeting to discuss accommodation, points of interest and such.

Yours, Fred Edney 0400040088

Friendly Hotel **23/02/2022**

Line up of the British and European Automobile Club – honestly!

The summer of showers and thunderstorms rolls on, and unfortunately on this occasion dampened BEAC members' enthusiasm for what turned out to be a very enjoyable run to Friendly Inn Hotel in Kangaroo Valley put together by Chris and Jenelle Brangwin (of Kombi overland fame).

It was a very frowsy (I like that word) outlook weather wise at Burradoo.

Of course hesitancy over the ever present COVID could also have reduced numbers, but the fact that many members opted for the comfort and security of modern vehicles seems to indicate the weather was the main concern.

So in the end there were just three classic/sporting cars in the mix. The first was the Alfa of Geoff and Anne Wood. I think it slightly puzzles Geoff when I refer to it as a 'shopping trolley', but compared to the other cars in the Woods' stable, it does get used for more domesticated purposes.

Geoff was keen for me to photograph it as it is just back from repairs to the front driver's side guard after someone tried to use it as an obstacle course and drive over the top of it! It did look very good – pity that the conditions on the road today were going to muck up the shiny look.

The second classic was Tony Proctor-Broughall's MGC GT – a very well-known car in BEAC circles

The third classic was another very well-known vehicle with an enviable record of attendance at BEAC events – Ken Davis's Volkswagen Super Beetle, unmistakable in its bright yellow livery.

We gathered in the corner of the car park to hear President Geoff pass on the news that Events Co-ordinator Ros Bell has decided to step down. Ros has done an outstanding job in the role, but it is time to move on. Geoff took the time to remind us that the purpose of the role is to co-ordinate runs organised by BEAC members, and if members don't step up to organise runs, there won't be any!

Geoff telling it like it is, with Ros Bell and Sue Edney in attendance.

At least Peggy Pollock can find a smile in the soggy conditions.

Geoff also announced that the date, time and location for the 2022 AGM have been decided – see the Club Calendar in this edition.

Fred Edney called for expressions of interest in a trip for say 10 couples to Tasmania early next year. If it is anything like as good as the one the club held a few years ago, it will be well worth doing.

A couple of lovely ladies – Pam Payne and Jenny O'

So we headed off along Nowra Road and down Barrengarry Mountain, with its shroud of fog and cloud half way down, to the village of Kangaroo Valley and the Friendly Inn Hotel (which still has the well-known statue of Marilyn Monroe out the front). We were scheduled originally to go into a marquee outside in the beer garden, but because of the rain ended up in one of the rooms which the club occupied on two previous visits there.

The food was good pub style fare (at least my Chicken Parmigiana was) and everyone soon settled in to enjoy good companionship. It might have been partly due to the soggy, gloomy conditions outside making us enjoy the company of friends inside even more, but it seemed to me that the level of conversation and interaction there equalled the best of BEAC runs over the years that I have been a member.

Brian Cox (striped top) seems happy I haven't cut his head off in the photo this time.

A big thank you to Chris and Jenelle for organising this enjoyable outing.

Phil O'

HISTORIC VEHICLE SCHEME

• For members with BEAC Primary Historic Vehicle Registration, on a club run you must keep either a Club BEACon Newsletter or BEAC Events Web Page print-out in the car to justify the use.

HISTORIC CONDITIONAL REGISTRATION - 60 DAY LOG BOOK SCHEME
A reminder that it is a condition of the 60 Day Log Book Scheme to sign off on your RMS Log Sheet **BEFORE** making a non-club run journey. Severe penalties apply.
Members with cars registered under the Historic Vehicle Scheme are expected to attend a minimum of **four** Runs / Events per year.

Additional information covering the Historic Vehicle Registration 60 Day Log Book Scheme can be found on the BEAC website https://www.beac.org.au/historic-vehicle-scheme/historic-vehicle-scheme-60-day-log-book-scheme/

Please note: if you sell a car that is noted on the BEAC Member's Register, please inform our Membership (and Historic Plates) Registrar of the sale. If in doubt whether the car is on the Register, tell him anyway at registrar@beac.org.au (he won't be offended)!

Volkswagen Karmann Ghia

Phil O'

A few years ago now, I ran a series of articles in the newsletter about cars that I would like to see in the BEAC line-up. It was a very successful series, in that in at least two cases, no sooner had the article appeared than an example joined our club (two in the case of the Alfa GTV).

I had cause to think of that series the other day, when Jenny and I were out on the front porch for morning tea, watching the world go by, when lo and behold a bright yellow Karmann Ghia convertible drove past. This sight took me right back to the start of my working life, in 1964. I left school not really knowing what I wanted to do, so I took a job locally while I sorted out my future. The job was with Fletcher Jones (remember them?) in their store in the newly opened Miranda Fair. My first manager there was a Dutchman called Arie Vandenberg, and he had a Karmann Ghia. It was probably the first one I had ever seen, or at least taken notice of, and I was very impressed with it. Seeing the yellow one the other day brought it all back, and also the thought that it would be nice to have one in BEAC.

Anyhow, I thought I might give you a thumbnail sketch of the creation of the car, taken from the ever reliable Wikipedia.

A Wikipedia photo of a beautiful KG, taken at a Shannons gathering at Eastern Creek.

The **Volkswagen Karmann Ghia** is a sports car marketed in 2+2 coupe (1955–1974) and 2+2 convertible (1957–1974) body styles by Volkswagen. Internally designated the **Type 14**, the Karmann Ghia combined the chassis and mechanicals of the Type 1 (Beetle) with styling by Italy's Carrozzeria Ghia and hand-built bodywork by German coachbuilding house Karmann.

American industrial designer Walter Dorwin Teague included the Type 14 Karmann Ghia in his list of the world's most beautifully designed products.[4]

Three companies and numerous individuals came together in the history of the Karmann Ghia. In the early 1950s, Volkswagen was producing its Volkswagen Beetle, and as post-war standards of living increased, executives at Volkswagen were at least receptive to adding a halo model to its range, if not proactive. Luigi Segre was committed to expanding the international reputation of Carrozzeria Ghia. And Wilhelm Karmann had taken over his family coachbuilding firm Karmann and was eager to augment his contracts building Volkswagen's convertible models.

Wilhelm Karmann and Luigi Segre often encountered each other at international automobile shows, and after an initial discussion prompted by Wilhelm Karmann, Segre secretly obtained[5] a Volkswagen Beetle to use as a basis for a prototype[6] – the Type I's were difficult to come by and Gian Paolo, Mario Boano's son, purchased one in Paris and drove it back to Turin.[7] Ghia customized its platform, designed the initial prototype and in five months constructed the model. Segre secretly presented the model to Wilhelm Karmann one year after the initial discussion — late in 1953, in Paris, at the Societé France Motors factories (Volkswagen's dealership for France and the exclusive European dealer of Ghia-built Chrysler models).[8] When Wilhelm Karmann saw the coupe, Karmann said, "I'd like to build that!"[9] As the head of Ghia, Segre singularly directed the project through conception and prototyping, delivering a feasible project that Willhelm Karmann both wanted to and could practically build — the project Willhelm Karmann would in turn present to Volkswagen.

After Volkswagen approved the design in November 1953, the Karmann Ghia debuted (at the 1955 Paris and Frankfurt[11] auto shows and at the Kasino Hotel in Westfalia, Germany, on July 14, 1955)[15] and went into production, first at Ghia[9] and then in Osnabrück — ultimately to reach a production over 445,000, running 19 years virtually unchanged.[3]

The KG Convertible.

BEAC 2022 AGM Statutory Notices

BRITISH & EUROPEAN AUTOMOBILE CLUB (SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS NSW) INC.

Reg. No. INC9885185

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of

The British & European Automobile Club (Southern Highlands NSW) Inc.

will be held on **Wednesday 20 April, 2022, 11.30am**

at The Bargo hotel, 225 Great Southern Rd Bargo

By Order of the Committee.

Anne Wood, Secretary.

18 February, 2022

Agenda.

1. Apologies.

2. Receive and adopt the Minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting.

3. Receive and adopt the President's Report.

4. Receive and adopt the accounts for financial year ended 31 March 2022.

5. Election of Committee for year ending 31 March 2023.

6. Motion required to authorise the signing of the Annual Statement to the Office of Fair Trading.

7. Motion required to appoint Auditor.

8. Any other business

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NOMINATION FORM FOR 2022-2023 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

WE _____(print name & address)

AND_____(print name & address)

wish to nominate -_____ (name of nominee)

for a Committee position of the British & European Automobile Club (Southern Highlands NSW) Inc.

as circled below (if more than one please indicate preference 1,2,3,….etc)

President
Secretary
Treasurer
Membership Registrar
Editor
Events Co-ordinator
Webmaster

Proposer signature…….. Seconder signature…….....

***I consent to this nomination*……..**.....**nominees signature
_____date

***Important - please note**:-*

● *All nominations to be lodged with the Secretary either in person or by mail to the club's PO Box 1020, Bowral 2576, no later than 18 April 2022.*

● ***Only financial members as at 1st April, 2022 are entitled to nominate and to vote**.*

● ***Nominations from the floor at the meeting will be accepted ONLY where no valid nomination in writing for the relevant Committee position has been received.***

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FOR THE INFORMATION OF NOMINEES

OUTLINE OF COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES
- ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING -

The Committee meets a minimum of three times per year to discuss and administer the Club. The President chairs these meetings and minutes are kept. In between there is a constant flow of emailed correspondence and information. The following roles form the duties of Office-Bearers and members of the committee.

President. The President chairs general meetings when held as well as the committee meetings. The President is the spokesperson for the club and keeps an eye on strategic issues. The President is responsible for publicity, promotion and relationships with other clubs and bodies.

Secretary. Responsible for the accurate recording of the minutes of general meetings as well as the committee meetings. Also produces and distributes the committee meeting agenda. Responsible with the Treasurer for rendering the annual return to the State Government.

Treasurer/Public Officer. Manages and records the flow of funds and works closely with the President to maintain control over budgets. Maintains the club's bank account. Currently the role of Public Officer sits with the Treasurer which means he is the responsible officer for the club's statutory affairs.

Membership Registrar. Maintains the membership records for the club. Provides an electronic mailing list to the webmaster each month. Sends material to new and prospective members.

Editor. Our BEACon Newsletter is the work of the editor who compiles the Newsletter and emails it to the Webmaster for electronic distribution to all members with an email address. The editor is responsible for content of the Newsletter.

Events Co-ordinator. Responsible for the coordination of the various events held throughout the year, based on personal familiarity and knowledge of the Southern Highlands.

Webmaster. Maintains the club's website to inform members and non-members of the club's activities, and distributes the monthly Newsletter, BEACon, by electronic distribution to all members with an email address.

● **Please note: All BEAC documentation is maintained electronically. It is essential that all Committee members have experience with Word and Excel Spreadsheets, together with access to the Internet and email.**

MOTORING MIRTH

Thank you to all contributors to this edition.