

NEWSLETTER OF THE WARTIME VEHICLE CONSERVATION GROUP, South Australia.

## **EDITORIAL**



Greetings, and welcome to the new look BARTREAD. This edition is the first from your new editor, and will hopefully provide some interesting reading. In another first, your editor attended the annual military vehicle gathering at

Corowa, and as a first time visitor, was very impressed. Now, I ask you, if one was to choose a photo from this premier event, it would of course feature a superb gathering of the famous "Land Fill", now wouldn't it???

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COROWA , 2015 HELD OVER THE WEEK  $9^{\text{TH}}$  –  $15^{\text{TH}}$  MARCH 2015, A LOOK AT SOME OF THE VEHICLES PRESENT



ANZAC DAY MARCH, 2015 A ROUND UP OF THE MILITARY VEHICLES THAT PARTICIPATED IN THE MARCH

### **ALSO FEATRUED**



UPCOMMING CLUB VEHICLE
INSPECTION DAY



ITEMS FOR SALE, FIND THAT
SPECIAL HARD TO GET PART, OR JUST
DISCOVER A REAL RARCAIN!

"No newsletter editor is at all hours wise, just most of the time ...."

## The 36th Annual Swim In and Military Vehicle Gathering, Corowa

This event's annual theme was "The Year Of the Emergency Vehicle and General Motors" and was attended by some 200 + military vehicle enthusiasts from all across Australia, including several from our own club. Although it was felt that this year's attendance was perhaps down somewhat on previous years, the editor can assure you that this event is definitely one well worth attending! The vast array of

military vehicles on display, the comradeship displayed, the horse trading that went on, and the general atmosphere of the event as a whole was tremendous. If you can spare the week in March, it is certainly worth the drive. There is one newsletter editor that has already booked annual leave for the same time next year! Please enjoy some photos from the event ...

# **COROWA 2015**















### ARMY MUSEUM: BANDIANA

Whilst attending the Military Vehicle Swim in at Corowa, the Editor had the opportunity to visit the Army Museum At Bandiana. Located only 60 km from Corowa, at Albury Wodonga, on the Gaza Ridge Army Barracks, South Bandiana. This museum houses a magnificent display of Australia's rich military history, including some 190 vehicles, field guns, weapons, uniforms, medals, and some rather interesting experimental vehicles that were never accepted for military service.







#### **ANZAC DAY MARCH 2015**

WVCG members were involved in the ANZAC Day march through the streets of Adelaide city on Saturday 25th April 2015, transporting veterans unable to march. Being the 100th anniversary of the Gallipoli landings, the crowds were substantial and were the most appreciative of the veterans efforts to attend. Many WW2 veterans were 90 years of age or older.

The march appeared to run a little smoother this year in terms of vehicle participation, and the drop off area for veterans was somewhat better controlled than previous years. The rain mostly held off, with a light shower later in the march.

As usual, a sausage sizzle was provided for drivers after the march at Bonython Park.

Members participating included Aaron Fell, Adrian Nieckarz, Pedr Horley, Kev Tipler, John Hornibrook, Dennis Mills, and Mick Jenner.

Dennis Mills and Mick Jenner lead the parade with the Navy. The veteran in the front of Mick Jenner's Jeep is 96 years old!

· Mick Jenner





Gallipoli Centenary 1915 - 2015



100 years

Between 2014 and 2018, Australia will commemorate the ANZAC centenary, marking 100 years since our nation's involvement in WW1.

The ANZAC centenary is a milestone of special significance to all Australians. WW1 helped define us as a people .



The centenary program
will encompass all wars,
conflicts, and
peacekeeping operations
in which Australians have
served, giving all
Australians the
opportunity to honour the
service and sacrifice of all
who have worn an
Australian uniform

More pictures over page ...









### INSPECTION DAY AND HILLS RUN

We will be holding the 2015 inspection day on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June, from 12 midday, at the Steamroller Park, Sterling, followed by a run through the hills to the Hagen Arms Hotel at Echunga.

Committee members will be on hand to stamp registrations, and accept membership fees. Tony Van Rhoda JP will be on hand to sign the required statdecs. A sausage sizzle and tea and coffee will be provided.

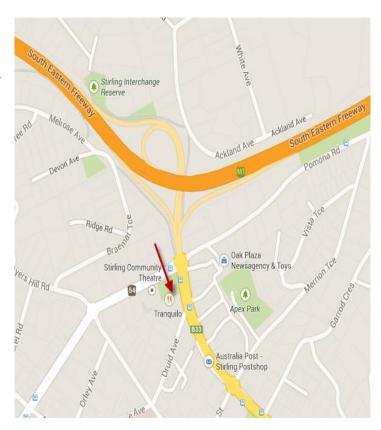
NOTE: Members with historically registered vehicles will be required to have their vehicles inspected by 30th June this year in order to maintain their historic registration. It will not be sufficient this year to just submit a stat-dec. If unable to attend the inspection day members should contact the club inspectors, Aaron Fell or Rick Shearman to arrange and alternative time and venue.

Steamroller park in Sterling has electric barbecues, park benches, toilets, and cover from inclement weather. Off-street parking is available nearby. On entry to Sterling from the South-Eastern freeway, turn right around the first round-about.

- Mick Jenner



The Hagen Arms Hotel at Echunga





The rotunda at Steamroller Park, Sterling.







We have a new style Club Baseball cap for sale to members. They are Khaki in colour with the WVCG logo, and are for sale to club members for the bargain price of \$20 each. These are selling fast, so go on, let a few moths out of your wallet and purchase one! If you are interested, please see our club treasurer, Mick Jenner.

The following items are for sale by Tony Van Rhodda. Tel: (08) 85362627 email: gumbrae@acenet.net.au



New MB or GPW Jeep rear seat backrest, priced to sell at \$60.00



Vietnam era- Full harness 2 basic pouches, 3 water bottles, bum pack on web belt and harness, including olive drab hootchie: \$75-00



Coleman 60 second tent (10 x 9 foot) as new, only used once, includes new rain cover. Plus brand new large heavy duty stretcher – the lot for \$350



Vietnam era – Back pack. Good condition.

Going cheap at \$35.00



Large ammo box. 46 cm W x 22 cm D x 16 cm H. Priced to sell at \$35.00



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