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A PUBLICATION OF THE VOLKSWAGEN DRIVERS CLUB OF QUEENSLAND



New member Amanda Bourbouras 1966 1300 Deluxe Beetle
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VWDCQ inc. Club Objectives:

- 1) To foster the good fellowship and further the interest of Volkswagen owners and drivers.
- 2) To promote the club
- 3) To co-operate with other motor vehicle clubs

Visit us at: www.vwdcqinc.org.au

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Meet with us at: The Old Church, Mt Gravatt Showgrounds, 1644 Logan Road Mt Gravatt Qld 4122 on the 1st Wednesday of the month (except January) at 7.30pm. Visitor's and prospective member's welcome.

The Volkswagen Drivers Club of Queensland Incorporated

ABOUT US

The Volkswagen Drivers Club of Queensland was founded in 1982 to give the drivers and devotees of the rear-engine Volkswagen 'Beetles', Karman Ghia's, Transporters and Kombis, together with the then 'new' front wheel drive Volkswagens, an opportunity to share their enthusiasm in mutual rewarding activities and to demonstrate to the public generally the goodwill and fellowship that these vehicles engender in their owners and drivers.

This is summarised in the original objectives of the club which are:

- To foster the good fellowship and further the interests of Volkswagen owners and drivers.
- To Promote the club
- To co-operate with other motor vehicle clubs.

Membership is now also open to owners of any Volkswagen Group Vehicles such as Audi, Porsche, Skoda, and Seat. Lamborghini, Bentley and Bugatti are also now in the VW Family.

Whichever Volkswagen or VW derivative you own or drive, as a member of the VWDCQ, you will be sure to meet people with an extensive knowledge of all types and be able to enjoy activities including friendly club fellowship and public road club runs and also opportunities for off-road activities such as circuit racing, hill climbs and rallies.

Club Membership can also offer those whose vehicles are only used irregularly access to reduced Qld Transport registration, subject to certain conditions. Club officials can advise on these requirements and the restrictions that accompany club registration.

All Volkswagen drivers are welcome to join our club and enjoy the club comradeship and family atmosphere that started with the Volkswagen 'Beetle' and continues with the ownership of the Volkswagen Group motor cars of today.

Club Meetings are held in the **Old Church, Mount Gravatt Showgrounds, 1644 Logan Road, Mount Gravatt** on the **1st Wednesday of each month** (excluding January) starting at **7.30 pm**. In the grounds there are several car parks available close to the Hall. These are well lit in the evening and security cameras monitor the site.

Prospective new members and Visitors are welcome to attend these meetings.

Andrew Weyer
Secretary VWDCQ Inc



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Editorial

I don't think anyone was sad to see the end of March with its incessant rain making outdoor activities unpleasant to say the least.

At the time of writing the Easter long weekend is upon us and hopefully the rain will stay away. At least for most of the time.

Our VW get together at the Chillax Café on Saturday 30th March had to be cancelled as being the Easter long weekend and many regulars away it was not viable to stay open and mine host took the opportunity for a well-earned rest. We will see them again on Saturday the 27th at 8am.

My thanks to new member Amanda Boubouras for the photo and information on her daily driver.

There must be many of you with similar photos and stories to tell about your daily drivers, new or old or with experiences, good and bad, with your Volkswagen, so don't be shy, send 'em in

To be honest, without your support I am running out of ideas to keep the magazine informative and viable and after all it is your magazine not the Mel Cheal promo tome!

Mel Cheal Editor

Events for 2024

1st Saturday of each Month (early!) Turbo Cars Turbo Drive Coorparoo.

1st Saturday each month 3pm Joes diner car meet Kingsford Smith Drive Eagle farm

Wednesday mornings 7.30 – 8.00am for meet for breakfast at Jacobs Well. Further Info from Barry Browse 4378 882 245

Wednesday 3rd April 2024 Club Meeting 7.30pm Mt Gravatt Showgrounds.

Weekend 12th, 13th, 14th April

Combined Gold Coast Dub Club and VWDCQ inc. meeting at O' Reilly's Camp Ground at Lamington National Park.

Details of campsite etc at [O'Reilly's Campground | O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat \(oreillys.com.au\)](https://oreillys.com.au) or phone 5502 4911.

If staying overnight be sure to make a booking!

Mount Cotton Hill Climb

13th 14th April

Chillax Café Chatswood Road Daisy Hill

8am Saturday 27th April

Wednesday 1st May 2024 Club Meeting 7.30pm Mt Gravatt Showgrounds.

Mount Cotton Hill Climb 1st/2nd June 2024.

Keep an eye on the website or minutes for other events.

Picture Gallery:



1966 1300 Deluxe Beetle

New member Amanda Boubouras writes:

‘Thought I’d share, Betty, my 66, 1300 Deluxe bug I bought as my first car back in 1985. She has been my daily driver ever since.

As a defence force family Betty moved around Australia with us and has been lovingly serviced by Andre at Scorpio Motors ever since. Our two daughters learned to drive in Betty (and whilst the clutch was a little worse for wear) they are both excellent drivers. Thrilled to share such a beautiful part of my life. Regards Amanda.

A corner of the editor's model railway 'Bricliff' which is set in the South Easter Region of British Railways circa 1950-1969.



A consignment of VW's awaits delivery to Volkswagen Dealers in the Bricliff Area of South East England.

Bricliff's Volkswagen Dealer is on the busy Main Street





A VW Beetle being unloaded from rail for delivery across the road.



From The Bookshelf

There is a new Volkswagen Magazine available in Newsagents now although you may have to ask for it if not on display.

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Hayburner is a British magazine devoted to the Volkswagen scene and is published every 3 months. Like most British magazines delivery here is 1 or 2 months after it hits the UK shelves. Cost is \$14:00 per copy.

The magazine features a lot of advertising by VW suppliers (interesting in themselves) and also many articles and photos of VW events, mainly in the UK and Europe although the USA and South America, also feature along with articles on owners' pride and joy!

This edition also has an interesting article on Hazet toolboxes accompanied by many photographs. This alone makes this edition a 'must buy' for Volkswagen enthusiasts. I for one had no idea how many genuine types were produced and it will help identify forgeries too!

VolksTorque.

Club VeeDub Sydney's magazine "Zeitschrift" has an interesting piece by regular contributor Ashley Day on the Federal Governments recent legislation criminalising public displays of Nazi symbols and banning trade in memorabilia featuring them.

The legislation appears to be open to an interpretation that could impact those enthusiasts who collect pre-WWII and immediate post war Beetles and their variants that incorporate Nazi inspired badges, insignia and symbols or who create dioramas at shows displaying their vehicles in pre war or WWII situations. An example would be a Kubelwagen in Africa Corps livery with, or without, models or crew in Africa Corp uniforms.

Who decides if this is the allowed “artistic and academic use” or is promoting Nazi ideology?

Will the Kubelwagen (below) in the National war museum in Canberra now be banished to the basement along with the German aircraft, BMW sidecar outfit and V1 and V2?



With ANZAC day now embracing participation by one-time enemies will they now have to ride in US Jeeps rather than the Kubelwagens that started to make an appearance with wartime animosities now buried at the bar of the RSL?

What about those of us with post WWII Beetles? If you own one you are doubtless aware of its origins in Nazi Germany and Hitlers enthusiasm and input into Dr Porsche’s design.

When the Beetle was winning rallies and trials all over Australia in the '50's & 60's it was commonly referred to as 'Hitlers Revenge' – a German car beating the Aussies in their own country and, sometimes, also a reference to its swing rear axle's tendency to 'jack up' the rear end and to instigate a roll over if driven too 'enthusiastically' and with sometimes dire consequences to its occupants!

As for those driving the increasing popular 'Rat look', complete with eagle, iron cross with proud acknowledgement of Beetle origins, are they now in fear of transgressing?



Will your editor be jailed if he tries to sell his 1/12 scale Kubelwagen or show it publicly?

Can we expect a visit from the spooks if we dare to talk about our car's origins and history in future? Sounds daft but with hastily drawn legislation, who knows?

Club members can advertise for sale or wanted items in this magazine for free.

Last date for inclusion in the next magazine is the second Saturday before the end of the month. **Maximum time is 3 editions unless otherwise arranged.** Please notify editor immediately an item is sold or withdrawn.

Non-members can advertise for a \$10 donation on the same terms as members.

Contact the Editor melvync@optusnet.com.au Photos of events, members cars and profiles also welcome for the magazine.

FOR SALE or WANTED

VW Caddy diesel and a VW Crafter diesel contact Patrick Tuckwell 0409 262 306 for more information.

Andrew Seymour is still after a 2011 or later VW Kaddy Max 0413 949 985

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