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### Monthly meetings.

Monthly Club Veedub Sydney meetings are held at the Greyhound Social Club Ltd., 140 Rookwood Rd, Yagoona, on the third Thursday of each month, from 7:30 pm. All our members, friends and visitors are most welcome.

### Correspondence.

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## **Presidents Report**

Welcome to Australia's premier Volkswagen event, the VW Nationals 2013.

The committee and I hope you and your family have an interesting and entertaining day at our show. This is our twenty fifth year, the VW movement seems to be growing stronger every year We have worked very hard to present the best VW car show in Australia.

It's great to see the influx of water-cooled Volkswagens, covering all types and year models from the 70s to the present day. Hopefully these new recruits to the VW show scene will aspire to a bonding of friends similar to what has happened with the air-cooled generations.

The Super Sprint is on once again at Wakefield Park near Goulburn, approximately 2 hours south of Sydney. This should prove entertaining to the public and spectators alike, and now with CAMS affiliation we hope to attract more members, to enjoy the motor racing side of the Club.

I hope our event appeals to you and your family and you become inspired by the display of vehicles and traders over the weekend.

Once again our major sponsors Volkswagen Group of Australia are supporting our club with sponsorship, and several display vehicles will be on show at Fairfield.

In the centre of this program you will find our event listing for the weekend. We thank Fairfield City for the use of their facilities. The complex is ideal for our show as everything is within easy walking distance. Don't forget to purchase your Nationals regalia from the Club Vee Dub Sydney stand in the car show area. While you're there, enjoy the VW movies on the big TV and purchase some raffle tickets in the Nationals raffle.

This year we will again be using the same judging format for the air cooled VWs that we used last year which is a peer judging system which has been in use by the water cooled cars for sometime. The way this will run is by each

entrant receiving one judging form, they can vote for a car in each category. i air or water cooled.

I hope you have a great time at the VW Nationals 2013.

Steve Carter



## **Canberra Report**

A brisk 'G'day' from Canberra, the temperatures have dropped and the ice is setting nicely. In April the Chapter worked on getting some cars to the new Albury VW carshow 'Veedubs In The Square', unfortunately the turnout wasn't huge, but we did get 3 cars there, hopefully you'll find a report elsewhere in the magazine. Well done to those who went to the show, thanks for flying the club flag, so to speak.

May is VW Nationals month, are you going? We're working on arranging a convoy but most of the contact I have had so far points to people making their own way. We'd love to run a convoy like past years, if you are keen let us know, we'll be emailing everyone on this topic. Don't forget the SuperSprints on Saturday at Goulburn - just down the road from us, go along and have a look. The carshow on Sunday is something that everyone should see, some great cars, and a lot of organisation by the members in Sydney. Its your club, show your support by visiting the show.

In June we are planning another lunch run to Tarago pub, after the big success of the last trip there. July we're planning a local trip to meet up with a charity VW driver, and the plan currently for August is for a bowling night -





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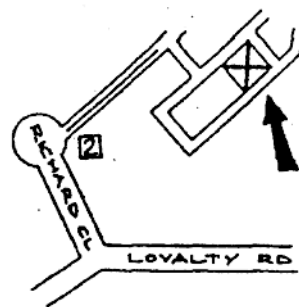
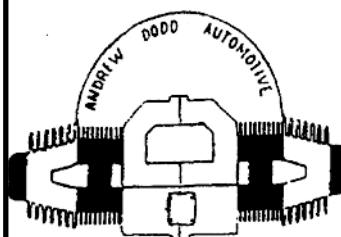
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more to come on all of these. September will be the German Auto Display - 4 months to go! If you have ideas for events, or want to assist us with running events, please let us know. We have a lot of members out there but our events are not overflowing with cars, we need your input and help.

Remember, keep the weekend 25-26 May free and get to the Nationals for an enjoyable visit. All the details will be in the magazine.

Bruce

## Club Calendar 2013

All information correct at time of printing but subject to change - events are sometimes altered or cancelled without notice. Check [www.clubvw.org.au](http://www.clubvw.org.au) for the latest information and any changes.

### May

**Thursday 16th:- CLUB VW MONTHLY MEETING** at the Greyhound Social Club, 140 Rookwood Rd. Yagoona (right next to Potts Park). Get the latest VW news and views, plus VW socialising, drinks, raffles, trivia and plenty of prizes. Lots of fun, all welcome. 8:00pm start.

**Saturday 25th:- VW NATIONALS Supersprint at Wakefield Park** circuit, near Goulburn. VW racers wanted! CAMS licence required. Phone Rudi Frank on 0418 442 953 for more information.

**Sunday 26th:- VW NATIONALS 2013 at Fairfield Showgrounds.** Australia's biggest Volkswagen show - 45 show categories, trade stands, swap meet, new VW display, kids rides, entertainment, great food and drink, VW fun all day. Phone David Birchall on (02) 9534 4825 for more information.

**Monday 27th:- Canberra General Meeting** at the Canberra Labor Club, 16 Petrie Plaza, Civic, at 7:30pm.

### June

**Thursday 6th:- Magazine Cut-off Date** for articles, letters and For-Sales.

**Thursday 13th:- Committee Meeting** at the Greyhound Social Club, 140 Rookwood Rd. Yagoona (next to Potts Park).

**Thursday 20th:- CLUB VW MONTHLY MEETING** at the Greyhound Social Club, 140 Rookwood Rd. Yagoona (right next to Potts Park). Get the latest VW news and views, plus VW socialising, drinks, raffles, trivia and plenty of prizes. Lots of fun, all welcome. 8:00pm start.

**Sunday 23rd:- Norm's Fish n Chips Run 2013.** Relaxing family VW cruise to a nice place for lunch! Details to be advised.

**Monday 24th:- Canberra General Meeting** at the Canberra Labor Club, 16 Petrie Plaza, Civic, at 7:30pm.

**Saturday 29th:- Sydney VW Drag Racing at WSID, Eastern Creek. Day/Night 1/4-mile drag racing.** VW bracket racing, stock to pro. Top VW Shootout, Show n Shine, Twilight Cruise, entertainment, plenty of food and drink. Presented by VW Magazine Australia - visit [www.vwma.net.au](http://www.vwma.net.au) for more information.

**Sunday 30th:- Rattle 'n' Hum Car Show** at the Castle Hill RSL, 77 Castle St. Car enthusiasts, families, visitors, classic cars, hot rods and muscle cars. Open to all makes and models. Free breakfast (bacon and egg roll or sausages plus coffee and tea) available until 9am for entrants. Entry \$20 with trophies on offer. Enjoy a sausage sizzle, free children's rides and entertainment. A great family day so come along and enjoy all the day has to offer. For more information call Castle Hill RSL on (02) 8858 4800. Meet at Hungry Jacks @ The Junction, North Parramatta (Windsor Rd opposite Bunning's) at 7:30 am for an 8am cruise to Castle Hill.



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**Thursday 4th:- Magazine Cut-off Date** for articles, letters and For-Sales.

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**Thursday 18th:- CLUB VW MONTHLY MEETING** at the Greyhound Social Club, 140 Rookwood Rd. Yagoona (right next to Potts Park). Get the latest VW news and views, plus VW socialising, drinks, raffles, trivia and plenty of prizes. Lots of fun, all welcome. Tonight is the AGM - all positions are vacant and are renominated / voted on. Why not try your hand at a position? 8:00pm start.

**Saturday 20th:- VW Movie Matinee at the Civic Theatre, McMahon St Hurstville.** Celebrate the 60th anniversary of VW in Australia with some classic Australian VW films - on the big screen for the first time ever! See Land of Plenty and Shape of Quality; Antarctica 1 and Taxi to Rumdoodle, and film of VW's 1-2 finish in the 1955 Redex. Plus lots of 1960s Aussie VW TV ads - all on the big screen! Snack bar open, movies start 2:30pm, with an interval. \$5 adults, kids free.

**Monday 29th:- Canberra General Meeting** at the Canberra Labor Club, 16 Petrie Plaza, Civic, at 7:30pm.

### August

**Thursday 1st:- Magazine Cut-off Date** for articles, letters and For-Sales.

**Friday 2nd to Sunday 4th:- VW Winter Break 2013 at Sawtell.** Participate in activities or just veg out! Bookings for cabins and campsites need to be made ASAP. Phone the Caravan Park on 1800-729835 to make your booking - tell them you are with the VW people. All VWs welcome! Phone Ray Vanderkly on (02) 6658 4422 (ah) for more info.

**Thursday 8th:- Committee Meeting** at the Greyhound Social Club, 140 Rookwood Rd. Yagoona (next to Potts Park).

**Thursday 15th:- CLUB VW MONTHLY MEETING** at the Greyhound Social Club, 140 Rookwood Rd. Yagoona (right next to Potts Park). Get the latest VW news and views, plus VW socialising, drinks, raffles, trivia and plenty of prizes. Lots of fun, all welcome. 8:00pm start.

**Friday 16th:- German car clubs bowling night** 8pm start at Mascot Superbowl. More details soon

**Sunday 18th:- Shannons Eastern Creek Classic 2013 at Eastern Creek Raceway,** organised by the CMC. The largest gathering of classic cars (1,900+) in NSW. Double-decker bus rides, trade stands, historic race cars, parade lap of the track. Club Veedub will again have a Volkswagen display, and our club has 20 spaces booked this year. Contact Dave Birchall on 0415 957030 to reserve your spot.

**Monday 26th:- Canberra General Meeting** at the Canberra Labor Club, 16 Petrie Plaza, Civic, at 7:30pm.

### September

**Thursday 5th:- Magazine Cut-off Date** for articles, letters and For-Sales.

**Sunday 8th:- Car boot sale for German cars** 9.30 am start at Canadian club car park Canada Bay. More details soon

**Thursday 12th:- Committee Meeting** at the Greyhound Social Club, 140 Rookwood Rd. Yagoona (next to Potts Park).

**Sunday 15th:- Burwood Spring Festival Classic Car Show at Burwood Park.** Car show is part of the park festival, with stalls, food, rides and entertainment. Vintage, veteran and classic vehicles. Club Veedub will have a Volkswagen display (\$10 entry) but you must pre-book to enter. Phone Rhonda Sclanders (Burwood Council) on (02) 9747 2757, or email show.n.shine@bigpond.com. Say you are with the Volkswagen group.

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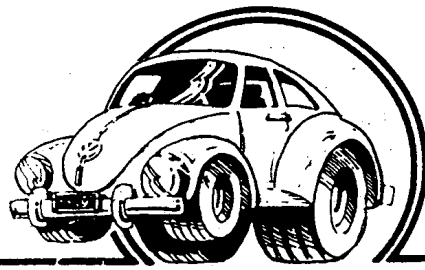
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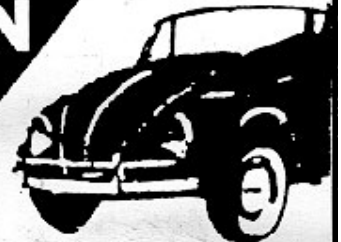
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**Sunday 23rd:- Shannons German Auto Display** All German marquees will be on display. Watch the magazine and email for more details. Drip trays must be used for all vehicles (regardless of engine condition), all displaying cars are to register and pay – club members \$10, non-members \$15.

**Monday 30th:- Canberra General Meeting** at the Canberra Labor Club, 16 Petrie Plaza, Civic, at 7:30pm.

### October

**Thursday 3rd:- Magazine Cut-off Date** for articles, letters and For-Sales.

**Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th:- VW Warwick**, round 2 of the VW drag racing series.

**Sunday 6th:- German Oktoberfest 2013** at the Hubertus Country Club, 205 Adams Rd Luddenham, from 10:00am. German food, beer, Oom Pah Pah band, slap dancing. Market stalls, kids' rides! Club Veedub will have a Volkswagen display in a prime reserved position, plus a reserved table. Camping on ground permitted. Einen wunderbaren tag! Phone Raymond on 0408 207228 for more info. Prosit!

**Thursday 10th:- Committee Meeting** at the Greyhound Social Club, 140 Rookwood Rd. Yagoona (next to Potts Park).

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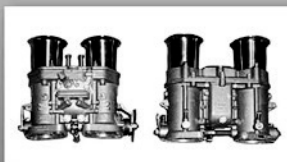
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## VW capped price servicing

Volkswagen has become the latest mainstream car brand in Australia to give buyers the transparency of capped-price servicing.

The company had trialled the idea with the recently released Up! and Beetle – both of which launched with fixed dealer service costs – but has now rolled the program out across its entire new passenger range.

The deal covers all new passenger vehicles sold since January 1, 2013, not just those sold from this month.

All future models will be covered from launch as well, starting with the eagerly awaited new Golf 7 range that went on sale at the end of April.

Volkswagen's commercial vehicles – the Caddy, Transporter, Crafter and Amarok – will miss out for now, although VWGA general manager of communications Karl Gehling said it was being considered for them as well.

The scheme sets a consistent, standard dealer service cost for the first six years or 90,000km



of ownership. Considering Volkswagen's service intervals are 12 months apart, this means six scheduled dealer visits are covered.

Volkswagen's program includes the regular replacement of oil filters, engine oil and sump plug washer at each service interval, as well as the standard replacement of the air filter (at 45,000 km and 90,000 km) and spark plugs (every 60,000 km).

Many of Australia's top-selling automotive brands – including Toyota, Holden, Hyundai, Ford, Nissan and Mitsubishi – now offer capped-price servicing. Volkswagen's six-year coverage matches Ford and Nissan, although the latter pair are covered for more kilometres.

The company has previously said such a plan would help change the perception that its cars were too expensive to service.

With this in mind, the company also recently established a new in-house customer care centre overseen by senior company management.

Volkswagen was Australia's fastest-growing full-line vehicle brand in 2012 with sales growth of 22 per cent over 2011, while sales are up a further 7.0 per cent so far this year. Such rapid growth has stretched its resources, both in dealerships and at company headquarters.

The German company could manage only 12th place in last year's JD Power customer service index rankings – down seven points year-on-year and 34 points behind the industry average.

Pricing over the full six years ranges from \$1874.50 for the Up (with each service costing



between \$280 and \$369.50) to \$4091 for the top-spec Touareg SUV (with each service costing between \$477 and \$1153 – the latter for the 60,000km job).

## **Amarok and Crafter Runners**

Two new Volkswagen Runner special editions have been released, expanding the brand's local commercial vehicle line-up.

Priced at \$26,990 drive away, and limited to 90 vehicles, is the Volkswagen Amarok Runner special edition.

The 4x2 single cab Volkswagen Amarok Runner features the 118 kW/300 Nm turbocharged 2.0-litre petrol engine and six-speed manual transmission from the Amarok TSI300, but adds an accessory alloy tray and unique 'Runner' signifiers.

At \$39,990 drive away, the Volkswagen Crafter Van Runner special edition sees hard-wearing 'Runner' trim and 'Runner' badging added to the base 80 kW/300 Nm 2.0-litre turbo-diesel-powered six-speed manual Crafter 35 with standard roof, and is limited to 100 units.

While payloads between the Crafter Van and Amarok vary – 1537 kg to 1303 kg respectively – both receive electronic stability control, hill hold control, 'climatic' air conditioning, daytime running lights and are covered under Volkswagen's three-year unlimited kilometre warranty.

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## **Beetle is niche only**

While Volkswagen is hoping that the latest Beetle will lure buyers into VW showrooms with its reinterpreted retro style, it is not expecting the Golf 6-based four-seater coupe to sell in volume numbers in Australia.

VW Australia managing director Anke Koeckler said the Beetle will probably achieve a similar set of sales as its predecessor, which found more than 1,320 buyers in its first year on sale in 2000, but then averaged only about 730 units a year before being discontinued here in 2011.

To help keep buyers interested, Volkswagen is set to release a series of limited-edition models – already begun with the Fender, and expected to also include the GSR unveiled at the Chicago motor show earlier this month.

“We are not actually pushing for volume with the Beetle,” Ms Koekler said at the launch of the latest model in Brisbane in February.



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“The Beetle for us is an iconic model and one that helps us talk about the brand. It is part of our 60 years in Australia.

“It would probably do a similar number to what we sold before, maybe a little bit more, maybe a little bit less.

“In the beginning we see more people go for a new car like this because they fall in love with design, and after a couple of years we see a drop-off.”

Volkswagen pulled off a surprise at the launch by mentioning the Beetle Fender, a special edition for the US market that celebrates the famous guitar-maker, which may also come to Australia.

“We might work on some special editions, and we should be creative like we have been already with the Fender edition, as an opportunity to keep people’s interest in the model alive,” said Ms Koeckler.

The Beetle GSR is an example, using a 155 kW/280 Nm 2.0-litre four-cylinder petrol engine from the Golf GTI, as opposed to the regular 118 kW/240 Nm 1.4 TSI Twincharger unit. This helps the Beetle GSR to reach 100km/h in 7.3 seconds, on the way to a 229 km/h top speed.

Painted yellow with black stripes, just 3500 will be produced for global consumption later this year, and Australia is rumoured to be on the destination list.

The ‘R’ high-performance flagship is also a likely starter for Australia if Volkswagen gives it the production green light.

“There is a proposal for the Beetle R, but I can’t tell you how far the project is,” said Ms Koeckler.

“But I can assure you if there is an opportunity to get close to the Beetle R we will look at it, because Australians like R models, but only if the price is right and the package is as well.

“For the time being, it is too early to confirm its existence. There isn’t even a car in existence for me to have a look at, but we will keep on asking for it.”

Eventually the Beetle Convertible should make its way to Australia, although Volkswagen says it has enough drop-tops to sell with the ageing Eos (launched in 2006 and face lifted in 2011) and Golf 6 Cabriolet (released in late 2011).

When the Eos is discontinued in about two years, Volkswagen may import the Beetle Convertible, although a Passat cabriolet has been proposed as a replacement for the Eos.

## Golf 7 wins World Car of the Year



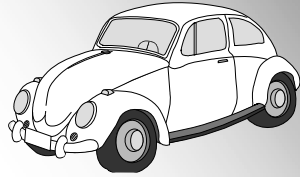
The seventh-generation Volkswagen Golf has claimed the title of World Car of the Year (WCOTY) for 2013, VW’s second consecutive win after the Up! won last year.

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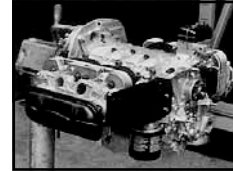
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With the 2012 triumph by the Volkswagen Up!, and past wins by the Golf 6 and Polo in 2009 and 2010 respectively, Volkswagen has now won the award four times since they began in 2005. Volkswagen Chairman Martin Winterkorn, said to win the award again shows the Golf is, and remains, in a class of its own all around the world.

“This car sets new benchmarks again and again, not least in terms of efficiency and environmental credentials. Soon, for instance, the Golf will also be launched as a plug-in hybrid and as a 100 per cent electric car.”

In announcing its ultimate winner for the ninth year, the WCOTY jury – comprising 66 automotive journalists from twenty-three countries – said the Volkswagen Golf is as close to the perfect hatchback design as any car company has come yet.

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While the Golf won the trophy for overall top honours, the Porsche Boxster/Cayman was deemed the best of the best for enthusiasts, being named World Performance Car. Pipping the Ferrari F12 Berlinetta and the combined entry of the Toyota 86/GT 86/Subaru BRZ/Scion FR-S, the sports car’s win is the German marquees second in succession with the Porsche 911 winning last year.

The Jaguar F-Type beat the Mazda 6 and Aston Martin Vanquish to take out World Car Design of the Year, while the Tesla Model S was voted 2013 World Green Car ahead of the Renault Zoe and the Volvo V60 Plug-in Hybrid.

## Passat diesels upgraded

The local Australian range of diesel-powered VW Passats have benefited from an upgrade to their TDI engines.

The Volkswagen Passat sedan, Passat wagon, Passat Alltrack and CC have all received a new upgraded engine, with more power, more torque and reduced fuel consumption.

The 2.0-litre four-cylinder turbo-diesel engine now comes with 130 kW and 380 Nm – an increase of 5 kW and 30 Nm. Fuel consumption has altered on some models too, with the Passat wagon and CC reducing their combined cycle fuel consumption figure by 0.3 litres to 5.4 L/100 km, while the Passat sedan now consumes 5.6 L/100 km, down 0.1 litres.

Emissions of 142 grams of CO<sub>2</sub> per kilometre for the wagon, 143 g/km for the CC and 147 g/km for the sedan also come with the changes.

The Volkswagen Passat Alltrack achieves figures of 6.3 L/100km and 166 g/km.

Prices across the four models have also been revised, now listed at \$44,490 for the Passat 130TDI sedan, \$46,490 for the Passat 130TDI wagon, \$47,790 for the Passat Alltrack, and \$55,490 for the Volkswagen CC 130TDI.

All upgraded vehicles are now available locally through your local Volkswagen dealer.

## New Scirocco?



Volkswagen’s design chief says he is currently in the process of reinventing the Volkswagen Scirocco, and claims that an entirely new body style is not out of the question for the upcoming fourth-generation model.

Speaking at the New York auto show following the recent unveiling of the US-spec Golf 7, Volkswagen Group head of design Walter de

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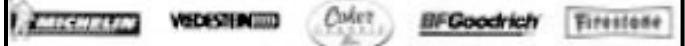
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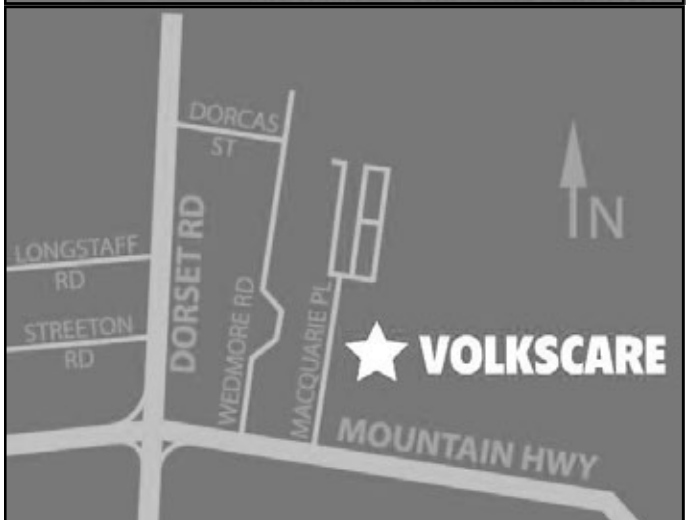
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Silva said it was his desire to revolutionise the next Scirocco, which is due to launch around the middle of this decade.

“It must be completely different. Completely,” de Silva said.

“We don’t want to repeat the body style of the Scirocco, we want to change that.”

The lead stylist admitted the new Volkswagen Scirocco was still in the design phase, and said that – while confirmed for production – few specifics of the car had been signed off at this stage.

“At the moment it’s only a studio [project],” he said. “It’s not defined at the moment.

“We are still working ... but we are looking 360 degrees.”

De Silva said he was determined to enhance the sportiness of the Volkswagen portfolio with Scirocco – in his words, following the lead of sister brands Audi and Seat.

Despite his desire for change, de Silva refused to give any hints to what form the Scirocco could take if it was to move away from its traditional three-door coupe body style.

Volkswagen launched the original Giorgetto Giugiaro-designed Scirocco in 1974 and followed it up with the second-generation model in 1982 (neither of these were ever sold in Australia). After lying dormant for 16 years, the Scirocco re-emerged in 2008 as a low-slung coupe based on the Golf 5 and continues in that form to this day.

While available overseas with a full range of petrol and diesel power plants, Australia – which finally received the car belatedly in 2011 – gets only the high-performance Scirocco R variant that is priced from \$47,990.

Volkswagen Group Australia has previously said it has no plans to expand its Scirocco line-up in the model’s current lifecycle, but will consider all options when the new model arrives in the coming years.

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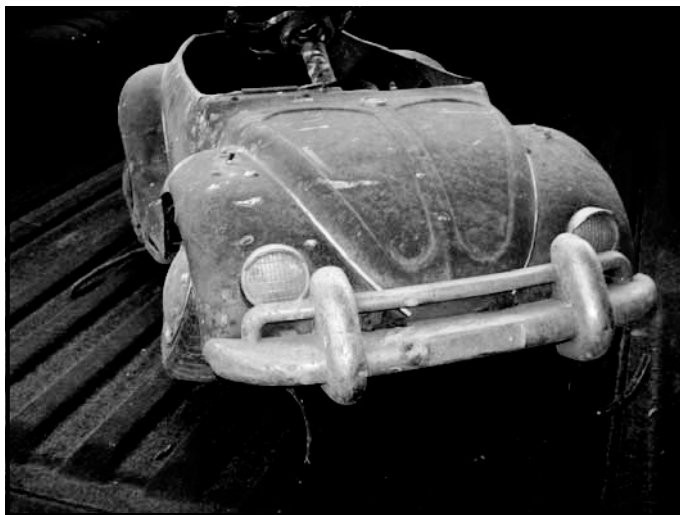
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was hard on little legs.



They also made a metal and a plastic version, the metal being heavier to pedal.

The range of colours from memory was candy apple red, Black, blue and yellow. The pedal version would set you back about \$200 or for an extra \$100 you got the battery version. I bought one for my daughter Holly before she



was born in fact 7 months before she was born and before we (I) even set eyes on a pram. It would be another 3 years before she could reach the pedals.

Today these are selling for good money in antique shops and on line some have been very run down but are still selling for the original market prices and some people have even gone a long way to restore some of these to their original condition.

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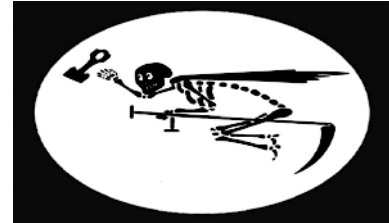
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A very successful event, which was well organised and run, will undoubtedly see many of this year's entrants return in 2014!

By Mandy Conway

outnumbered the air cooled but both types attracted equal attention from townsfolk and visitors.

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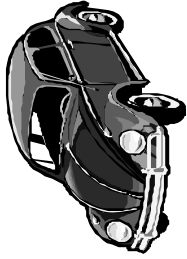
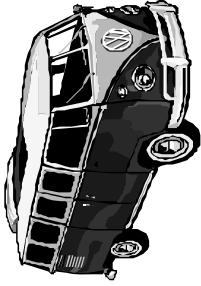
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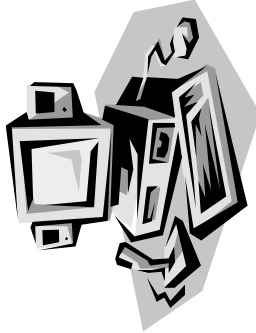
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