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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.

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Presidents Report

Welcome to Australia's premier Volkswagen event, the VW Nationals 2018.

The committee and I hope you and your family have an interesting and entertaining day at our show. This is our thirty first 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 the South Circuit, Sydney Motorsport Park in Western Sydney. So no 2 hour drive between venues this year. This should prove entertaining to the public and spectators alike.

I hope our event appeals to you and your family and you become inspired by the display of vehicles and traders over the weekend, and In sure you will see many fine VWs in the outside car park and wonder why they aren't inside with the rest of the cars, well we wonder the same thing, so short of lassoing the owners and forcing them to enter their cars there is nothing we can do about it.

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, Volkswagen Group Australia has also kindly donated a special VW fridge to auctioned at the show, see page 25 for more information.

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, this form of judging has been in place for many other VW shows in Australia and around the world. The way this will run is by each entrant receiving one judging form, they can vote for a car in each category. air or water cooled. We again have a concourse class this year, for standard vehicles only, more details in the centre section of this magazine.

I hope you have a great time at the VW Nationals 2018.

Steve Carter





Canberra Report

Greetings from Canberra,

School holidays and ANZAC Day have consumed much of our time here in Canberra this month, so organised events were limited and attendance numbers down. However those of us who did get out in our VeeDubs thoroughly enjoyed ourselves and made the most of the very mild weather we are experiencing so far this autumn.

One event happening here in Canberra at the moment is the 50th anniversary of the



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National Library. To help celebrate this occasion, a number of car clubs were asked to participate by providing cars from the era of when the Library opened. These cars have been professionally wrapped with decals promoting the Library's 50th birthday and attend events and cruise the streets of Canberra in this livery for the next few months. Two club members have volunteered their cars for participation, one split window Kombi Camper (Miss October) and one Beetle (Alfred). Please see the pics for the best description.

An event held on late April was a combined



event with the Southcoast Dubbers. A drive to the historic town of Braidwood for lunch and to meet up with other VeeDub enthusiasts, also invited by the Southcoast Dubbers. Please see the article later in this edition for the event report and photos.

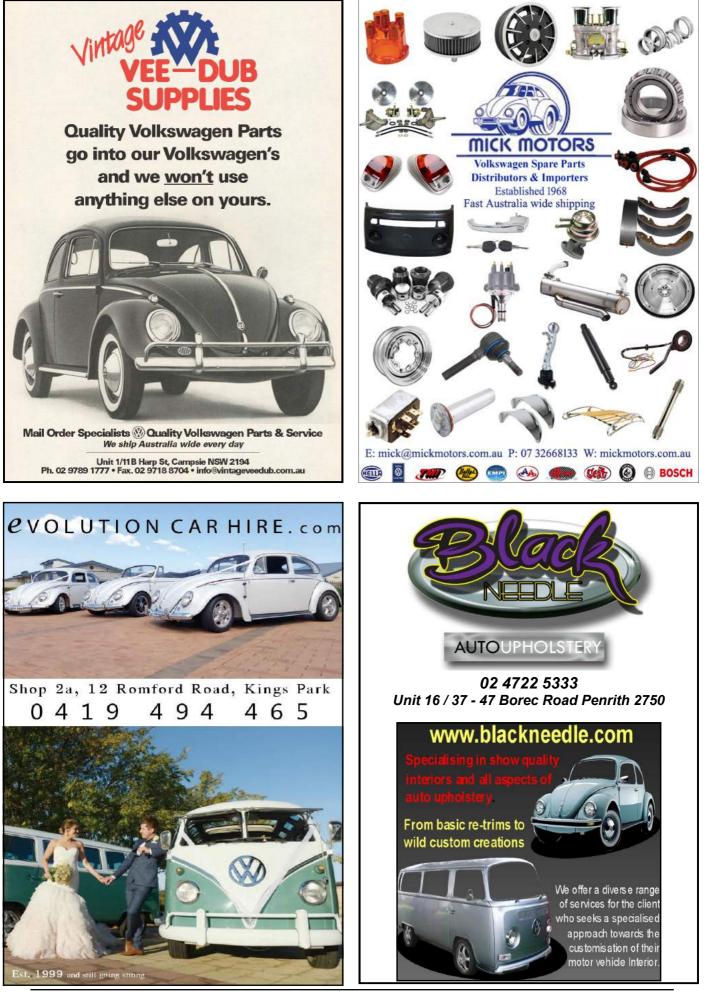
Our biggest event of the year, the ACT German Auto Day (GAD) is now well into the planning. The date is confirmed for 23 Sept 18, so please place it in your diaries and do your best to get along to what promises to be a great day. The venue will once again be Pialligo Estate near the Canberra Airport and this year the Porsche Club are the lead organisers. More details in coming months on what will be a bigger and better show in 2018.



We can also announce an event organised by our largest sponsor and supporter, Lennock Motors for 16 September 18, the VW Drive for the Community event. This event invites all VW owners, both local and interstate, to drive in convoy, supported by the Police who close intersections and control traffic to ensure the line is not interrupted, on a route through Canberra. We finish with a party where food, beverages and entertainment are available for all. Proceeds from the day are donated to the Canberra Hospital Children's Ward where previous years has seen hundreds of thousands raised. Please put this in your calendars and consider coming along to this thoroughly enjoyable event which is for such a great cause.

Our chapter will also be attending the VW Nationals in May, so anyone wanting to attend please get in contact with Mandy so we can organise the best option/s for a convoy to Sydney.

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There are also a number of the chapter members already booked in for the Volkswagen Spectacular at Valla. Once again, if you are considering attending, please contact Mandy so we can organise the long drive up there and back.

For our chapter members; please keep an eye on our Facebook page "Club VeeDub Canberra Chapter" and your email inbox for details on upcoming events. We also post feedback and pics from recent activities on the Facebook page and invite members to also post VW related info. The Facebook page is also a great way to get in contact with the committee with any enquiries you may have.

If you are not receiving emails from the club, please contact us so we can add you to the mailing list; or if you don't want to receive our mail-outs, also please contact us. (vwevents@dodo.com.au).

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Club Calendar 2018 & 2019

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May.

Thursday 17th:- 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 26th:- VW Nationals Supersprint at Sydney Motorsport park, Eastern Creek. We're back at this famous Sydney track, on the south 'Amaroo' circuit. VW racers wanted, air or water-cooled. Stock is OK! CAMS licence and helmet required. Phone David Birchall on (02) 9534 4825 or email david@clubvw.org.au for information on licensing, registration and entry.

Sunday 27th:- VW Nationals 2018 at Fairfield Showgrounds, Sydney. It's Australia's biggest VW show, with 44 peerjudged categories, 2 concours categories (stock and modified) and 3 perpetual trophies. VW trade stands, new car display, VW swapmeet, kids rides, Club shop, German dancing, entertainment, great food and drink, VW fun all day. Phone David Birchall on (02) 9534 4825 or email david@clubvw.org.au for more information.

Monday 28th:- Canberra General Meeting at the Harmonie German Club, 49 Jerrabomberra Avenue, Narrabundah, at 7:30pm.

June.

Thursday 7th:- Magazine Cut-off Date for articles, letters and For-Sales.

Thursday 14th:- Committee Meeting and magazine pack at the Arena Greyhound Sports Club, 140 Rookwood Rd. Yagoona (next to Potts Park).

Thursday 21st:- 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.

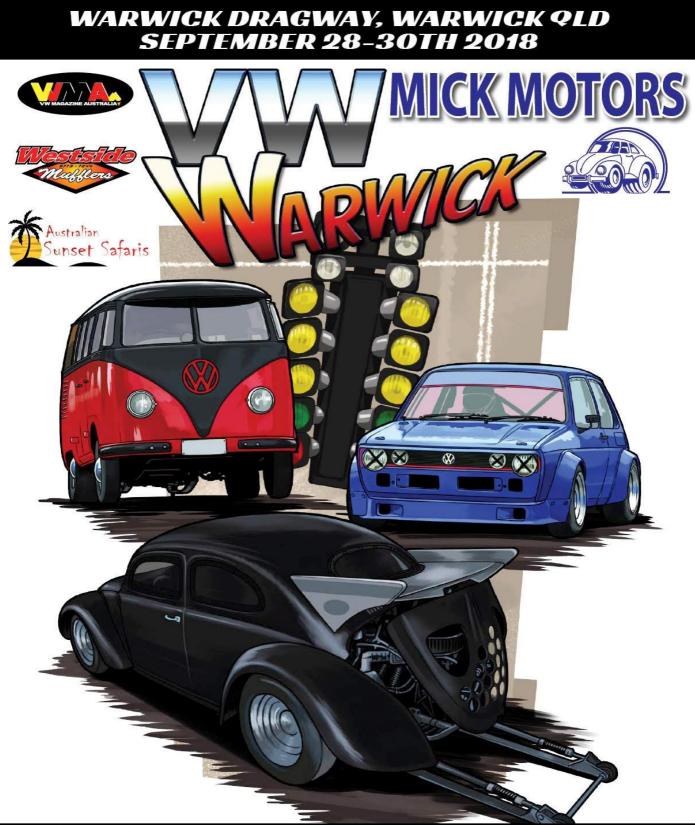
Monday 25th:- Canberra General Meeting at the Harmonie German Club, 49 Jerrabomberra Avenue, Narrabundah, at 7:30pm.

July.

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

Sunday 8th:- Bugs and Buses By the Bay 2018. See page 18 for more information. NEW VENUE! Toronto Lions Park, Anzac





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Thursday 19th:- 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.

Monday 30th:- Canberra General Meeting at the Harmonie German Club, 49 Jerrabomberra Avenue, Narrabundah, at 7:30pm.

August.

Thursday 2nd:- Magazine Cut-off Date for articles, letters and For-Sales.

Saturday 4th - Sunday 5th:- VW Spectacular 2018 at Nambucca Heads. See page 16 for more information. These are the main activity days but events are on the whole week before. Local VW sightseeing cruises and activities; movies, markets, go-kart racing. Saturday giant convoy and street parade at Nambucca Heads; racing at Raleigh Raceway; fund-raising charity dinner and auction. Sunday car show at Macksville (NOTE NEW VENUE) with Top 10 Shootout, swap meet, traders. VW activities all week. Pre-bookings and deposit are a must. Contact Donna Pell on 0427 695203, or email her at vwspectacular@gmail.com. Visit the website www.volkswagenspectacular.com for more info and the essential booking form.

magazine pack at the Arena Greyhound Sports Club, 140 Rookwood Rd. Yagoona (next to Potts Park).

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:- Kombi Bistro dinner get -together. For anyone who is looking for something to do on the Saturday night prior to the Cruise, we will be meeting at The Vineyard Hotel, cnr Windsor Rd and Boundary Rd, for a feed & get together from 6.30pm.

Sunday 26th:- Split-window Kombi Winter European Cruise to Mt Wilson in the Blue Mountains NSW. Meet at McDonalds McGrath's Hill (Windsor Rd & Groves Ave) from 8am for breakfast. Cruise departs at 9:30am. Coffee stop at Fruit Bowl, Bilpin. Photo stop at Mt Tomah Rest Area. Arrive at Cathedral Reserve, Mt Wilson, at 12pm for BYO picnic lunch. Trophy presentation at 1:30pm. A free event in which all VWs are welcome but split Kombis will lead the cruise! Sponsored by Andrew Dodd Automotive and Forty-Horse products. Please ensure your VW is full of fuel, food and drink before cruise departure as there is no fuel or food available at Mt Wilson (there are public toilets on site). Contact Simon at kombis2u@gmail.com for more info.

Monday 27th:- Canberra General Meeting at the Harmonie German Club, 49 Jerrabomberra Avenue, Narrabundah, at 7:30pm.

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A Mk1 GTI is way out of the budget, as they were never sold here new and any you find will likely be a rusty UK import. Aussie LS Golfs are getting very thin on the ground and had poor build quality even when new. The Golf 1 diesel was German and better-built than the Aussie Golf, but had dismal performance by today's standards.

The later Golfs such as the Mk3 GL and VR6 are well worth seeking out but will be over our \$3,000 budget.



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Sunday 27th May

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7:30 am - General admission gates open 8:00 am - 3:00 pm - Car Show assembly &



Swapmeet

10:30am - Car Show Entry Closes
11.00 am - First Raffle Draw
11.30am VW Fridge Auction (see page 25 for more information)
12:30 pm - Peer Judging Forms CLOSED
1.00pm Final raffle draw
3:00 pm - Trophy Presentation
Slot Car racing all day, \$2.00 for 5 minutes. Track supplied by the Slot Shop

General Admission: \$10.00 Children under 16: Free Swapmeet sites: \$50.00 (includes 1 adult show entry, additional entry tickets may be purchased on the day if needed)

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Entries to all categories close at 10:30 am sharp.

Ballots MUST be returned to the Club VW judging area no later than 12:30 pm.

Car Show Categories

Air cooled

1 Beetle - up to 1957 - Standard 2 Beetle - up to 1957 - Modified 3 Beetle - 1958 to 1967 - Standard 4 Beetle - 1958 to 1967 - Modified 5 Beetle - 1968 onwards - Standard 6 Beetle - 1968 onwards - Modified 7 Kombi T1 - up to 1967 - Standard 8 Kombi T1 - up to 1967 - Modified 9 Kombi T2 - 1968 to 1979 - Standard 10 Kombi T2 - 1968 to 1979 - Modified 11 Transporter T3 - 1981 to 1992 - All 12 Type 3 and Type 4 - Standard 13 Type 3 and Type 4 - Modified 14 Karmann Ghia - All Years - Standard 15 Karmann Ghia - All Years - Modified 16 Factory Karmann Cabriolet - All Years - All 17 Factory Off-Road - Air-cooled - All 18 Non-factory Off-road and Buggies, Trikes - All 19 Aussie Convertibles and Kit Cars - All 20 Best engineered/race - Air-cooled - All 21 Rat class - All Years - All 39 Peoples Choice Air Cooled 41 Volkswagen Group Car of the Day 42 Concours de Elegance (Air Cooled & Water Cooled)

22 Polo, Up! A All Years 23 Golf 1 - 1976 to 1983 24 Golf 2 - 1984 to 1992 25 Golf 3 - 1993 to 1997 26 Golf 4 - 1998 to 2003 27 Golf 5 - 2004 to 2008 28 Golf 6 - 2009 to 2012 29 Golf 7 - 2013 onwards 30 VW Convertible - (Golf Cabrio, Eos) - All 31 VW Sports (Scirocco, Corrado) - All 32 VW Sedan (Vento, Bora, Jetta, Passat, New Beetle) - All 33 VW SUV (Tiguan/Touareg/Amarok) - All 34 VW Commercial (Transporter/Multivan, Caddy) Crafter) - All Years 35 Audi - All Years 36 SEAT - All Years 37 Skoda - All Years 38 Best Engineered / Race Water-cooled Vehicle 40 People Choice Water Cooled

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So that left me with a Golf Cabriolet! The later Golf Mk₃ cabrios are still common but I think are a little bit boring (sorry to anyone who drives one).

Now this is the way to go – a Mk1 Golf cabriolet.

They were sold here from 1990 to 1994, with the classic Mk1 body shape and an additional body styling kit. It came with the same 1781cc engine as the Australian-spec Mk3 Golf GTI of the time, with 70 kW for the Cabrio and 77 kW for the GTI. This makes it virtually a GTI.

These Cabrios were fun to drive and built to last, with their galvanised bodies and their wax flooding. They were assembled by Karmann of Osnabuck.

If you can find one in somebody's yard, chances are it's got low kilometres and next to no rust, even if the roof leaks.

I always loved the colour Paprikarot (Paprika Red), having owned many Golf cabs. It's such a

nice, deep red. Being me (the sniffer), I knew one less than 10 km from home.

I drove down and bought it for \$400 delivered. The owner was a tow truck driver! Only 132,000 km on the clock, but hit a little too hard in the rear and left in the paddock a bit too long. Still good for spares though. I started to wonder about another I knew of in Penrith, but it was gone.

So back to Ebay and Gumtree. A quick search found a red 1990 model for \$3,000. The pictures were poor and the car didn't look much better than the paddock car I already had; I figured no one is going to call this guy. So I did.

I told him I'll come around tomorrow. When he said goodbye he said God bless you Ash – and I knew it was the car from Penrith (as he had bought a roof from me years ago). The next day I saw the car but told them I can only pay \$1,400. A deal was done and a tow truck called. At home cleaning began and work started.

This car was in a lot better condition and only



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needed a few things from the first car.

It took less than three weeks to restore, and was one of the easiest projects ever. Given that it can be on vintage rego in a year or so, it could come in way under budget. It would be just over budget with full rego and bomb insurance.

This is a cool car and not a bad investment. Not only that, I have spares to last a lifetime.

Scale: 1/18 Code: OT637 Colour: PHOENIX RED L32K Material: resin Notes: LIMITED 2000 ITEMS





Ashley Day

The Toy Department

Following on from last month's edition when we featured the Otto mobile 1/12 release of the T2 bus I thought we may as well see what else Otto mobile have in their range – first up is the 1974 beetle Jeans 2.

Although in 1/18 Scale the detail again is very good and in phoenix red colour and with





production limited to 2000.

This nice 1990 1/18 Golf MK2 County in metallic green almost identical to the Matchbox release earlier this year. By the way Harz translated to English is resin.

Masstab:: 1/18 Code: OT143 Farbe: GREEN MET Material: Harz





Golf MK1 GTI Scale: 1/18 Code: OT027 Colour: RED Material: resin For the current range and what's in store ahead visit www.otto-models.com

Tony Bezzina



Canberra Chapter Braidwood Bakery lunch run – 29 Apr 18

The Canberra Chapter's event for April was a cruise out to the historic town of Braidwood to meet up with the crew from Southcoast Dubbers at the Braidwood Bakery for lunch. Our numbers were down a bit due to many people indicating they will be attending the Berry Blast from the Past event the following weekend and could only get the one leave pass. After meeting up at Old Parliament House, we set off for the hour and a bit run to Braidwood along the Kings Hwy. Both air-cooled and



water-cooled VeeDubs joined in, led by event coordinators, Dave and Billy Cook in their bay window panel van. No issues along the way, except for a Tiguan we lost in Canberra and didn't see again until Braidwood.

We met up with the crew from the South Coast and made our way to the bakery in the middle of town. The bakery was very busy, which is normal on a Sunday with Canberran's making their way back from the coast. We secured a table in the rear courtyard and settled in for pies, coffee, chocy milks and many yarns. After lunch we gathered all the cars at the Lions Club Park and told more yarns, took photos and then slowly dispersed. Some staying to look through the own, others getting back on the road and a few of us headed off to the Braidwood Model Cars shop. A couple of VW models were purchased; however it was great just wondering through and seeing the thousands of different models on display and for sale. If you're ever passing through Braidwood, this shop is well worth a visit.



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The trip home was uneventful - I didn't spot any VeeDubs on the side of the road so presume everyone got home again safe and sound. All in all, a great day out with other VeeDub enthusiasts and a visit to a beautiful little country town.

Willie Nelson

VW38/31

Towards the end of the VW38 model run Porsche produced several cars for very high ranking officials in the government. One such



was car 38/31. It was a full convertible – the first of its kind from the VW38 series. It was presented to Hitler as a gift on his 50th birthday on 20th April 1939. Car 31 is one of only three VW38 cars that has survived to this day. It is often confused with car V303/3 which took part in the cornerstone laying ceremony of the new factory at Fallersleben on 26th May



1938. Car 31 was one of only two Volkswagens that officially belonged to Hitler the other being VW38/14 the Kübelwagen prototype. It never received a Stuttgart registered number



plate but a Berlin plate IA-148564.

Construction wise it was made by Reutter probably using the same bucks and tools as the V303 cabriolet. It was purpose built



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convertible body with a distinctive windscreen frame. The rear of the body was not quite as elegant and unique as the V303 but still looked well designed. There were 25 air-slots per side as opposed to 24 on regular VW38s. The extra slot must have been added to compensate for decrease in the slot length. Porsche engineers were concerned about air flow to the cooling fan.

One theory I'd like to propose is that the construction of body for car 31 must have commenced at the same time as for cars 25 or 26. Clearly car 31 is a post-facelift model with rounded corners on the engine lid, new design dashboard and the redesigned doors with icepick door handles but it still has the early type front apron. It is likely that the rear apron also was the early type. The original has long been replaced with a post-war part but looking at the surviving engine lid we can see a concave bulge in the lower brace panel indicating it was supposed to match the larger bulge of the early apron. Recently discovered photos of car VW38/27 show that it had the new design front apron. This indicates that construction of car 31 commenced in late 1938 and finished in of the early months 1939. This is understandable as it would take longer to build a full convertible.

Car 31 was used around Hitler's Obersaltzberg residence, often by his partner Eva Braun. It likely led a different life compared to other VW38 cars and somehow survived the war and the early post-war years. The car was purchased as a low mileage car by it's second owner an engineer from Heppenheim in June 1945 after the US forces had requisitioned it at Obersaltzberg. He drove it for about 250,000 Km. The car was sold on to its third owner and driven another 180,000 Km between 1951 and 1954. A car dealer then purchased and restored it before selling it to the fifth owner who travelled Italy and Austria with it. A sixth owner drove it another 80,000 Km before trading it in at a VW dealer in Munich in April 1956. After that car 31 went to the Volkswagen museum where it has remained since. This is a fascinating story and makes me think at what point it was discovered that this car had once belonged to Hitler. What had the previous owners thought if they had known this? Also I wonder how it was officially registered as a Volkswagen or a Porsche?

Despite undergoing a "restoration" in 1954 where some of the original details were lost, the body is still in very good shape and provided invaluable reference at time when VW38/06 was being restored. Although there are numerous small differences between the early and late VW38s the information it provided was essential.

Car 31 is an important link in the history of the Volkswagen, an improbable survivor and invaluable reference. It is a car that may be seen as controversial by some because of its fist owner, but after all it is only a motor vehicle. It is part of history whether we like it or not because history cannot be changed but we certainly can and must learn from it.





Rest of the world VW Beetle badging explained

This article is mainly aimed at European Beetle models, Australia had pretty boring badging. Our 1200s never had badges. Our 1300s had '1300', '1300 Deluxe' or 'VW 1300' depending on the year. The '68-70 Beetle had 'VW 1500' or 'VW Automatic' for the semi auto. Our 1600 Superbugs only had 'Volkswagen S' or 'Volkswagen L' and the '76 Beetle didn't have any deck lid badges? So flat screen Super Beetles are known as 1302 in other parts of the world and the curved screen Super Beetles were as 1303 in other parts of the world.

In Australia our Volkswagen S (1302) and Volkswagen L (1303) came with 1600cc motors and front disc brakes which would have gained them an "S" classification.

VW parts were listed in books in the early days, in the 1970s they went onto a Microfiche which is a clear plastic sheet with very small drawings and spare part numbers listed, these are read in a special microfiche reader which illuminates and also increases the size of the drawing and spares parts list. In VW spare parts terms early Beetle parts microfiche slides were 1200/1300 Beetle and then for Super Beetles it was 1302/1303.

It should also be noted that our 1966 and 1967 1200 & 1300 Beetles were an Australia only model and were basically 1965 models, our production models stalled until 1968 with the introduction of the 1500 Beetle. We missed out on Beetles with odd to Australia fittings like ball joint front suspension front mudguard rds with upright headlights and horn grilles, these cars also had push button door handles not used on our early or late Beetles.

Standard European production VW Beetle badging 1970 -1979 explained first:

In mid-1970 Beetle engine lid badging was straightforward.

With the exception of a brief period around the time of the introduction of the 1300cc Beetle

for the 1966 model year the 1200 model was unbadged. These first Beetle engine lid badges were simple "1200" and "1300" scripts.

On both saloon (sedan) and cabriolet (convertible), the 1300cc model was soon rebadged "VW_1300" and the 1500cc followed suit badged "VW_1500".

In August 1970 with the introduction of the 1302 (Super Beetle) for the 1971 model year things became far more complex. A complexity that lasted until August 1975 and the introduction of the 1976 model year. The most complex period of model badging coinciding therefore with most intense period of SEB production.

What changed in August 1970 was the introduction of the significantly reengineered 1302 with a substantial number of technical revisions including the use of McPherson strut front suspension. (1302 Super Beetles)

To denote this significant new model Beetle Volkswagen introduced new model badging in the form of "VW_1302": badging that did not sit easily with the US importers and hence the start of the widening divide between "inland" and "export" models. In Europe this new model was called a Super Beetle in advertising and sales literature but badged on the engine lid "VW 1302". Its counterparts destined for USA and Canada were described in advertising and sales literature as Super Beetles or Super Bugs and badged on the engine lid "VOLKSWAGEN".

In addition August 1970 saw the replacement of the 1500cc engine with the 1600cc unit. So as to avoid confusion with the established typ.3 range known universally as the VW_1600's Volkswagen choose not to badge Beetles with the new more powerful engine logically as 1600 in the way the 1300 and 1500 had been. Instead a suffix system was introduced to indicate if a car had the 1600cc engine.







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In of the 1960's and 1970's "S" in the German motor industry stood for "Super", "stärkerer Motor" (more powerful engine) or, colloquially, "Schnell" (German for 'fast' as in when you want something to be done quickly). The term "Super" as used by PORSCHE must not however be confused with Volkswagen's use of the term "Super Beetle".

In Volkswagen nonclementure, the "S" denoted that the car carrying that suffix to its model badging had a 1600cc 50PS engine.

An "L" suffix had previously been added in August 1969, for the 1970 model year, to denote that the car was equipped with a "Luxus" (luxury) trim package. This was the culmination of a series of changes to the way Volkswagen marketed the "extras at extra charge" options for the Beetle.

Way back in the 1950's and 60's a growing list of factory orderable options had been available for the Beetle that included the famous Eberspächer stationary heaters for cold climates, flip opening rear side quarter vent windows for hot climates and alternative upholstery fabrics. In that era, these orderable extras were not generally listed in the main brochure but in supplementary literature, prices lists and the factory "M" options list.

Major changes came in August 1967 with the introduction of the significantly revised "new Beetles" the development of which had been largely prompted by increasing legislative requirements in the USA and Canada. Those requirements influenced both the substantive bodywork and mechanical changes for the European produced 1300 and 1500 Beetles for the 1968 model year onwards as well as the equipment fitted to them dependent on the recipient market. One of the most visible examples of this was the new padded dashboard cover and high back seats which were obligatory on Beetles bound for North America but then offered as an orderable option in most other LHD markets. (Another good, pre-August 1967, example of this practice was the "towel rail" bumpers introduced to meet US requirements but similarly offered as an orderable option in most other markets and

listed in the UK price list as "American bumpers")

For 1968 the German, and some other European "export" market, Beetle brochures offered two packages of optional "extras at extra charge" which directly mirrored the new fittings required as standard in North America: Special equipment package I:

Hazard warning lights, Padded dashboard, Control lamp for dual circuit braking system, Reversing lights, heated rear window (not convertible)

Special Equipment Package II : Hazard warning lights, Padded dashboard, Control lamp for dual circuit braking system.

By the following year – the 1969 model year – the brochure listings for Germany (and in variations of the options in other non-North American markets) increased to comprise of:

"Extras at extra charge: Steel sliding roof, While wall tyres, Radial ply tyres, Hinged Complete quarter windows, radio set. Leatherette seat covers Head restraints for the front seals. Twin backup lights, Electrically heated rear window, Stationary and auxiliary (Eberspächer) heater, Lock for glove compartment lid, Day-night interior mirror, Special corrosion protection for exhaust unit, Laminated windscreen, For VW1300: disc brakes up front.

Also the following special equipment packages:

l-Brake circuit failure tell-tale. Electrically heated rear window. Additional instrument panel padding (not for R.H.D models) Twin backup lights.



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ll – Brake circuit failure tell-tale. Additional Instrument panel padding (not for R.H.D models)."

Then one year later again in August 1969 for the 1970 model year this was consolidated into an orderable "L" package that was publicised on introduction with it's own single A4 page leaflet to supplement the information about orderable extras in the main Beetle brochures printed in Germany for non-US and Canadian market distribution. The leaflet front photo showed the rear of a Beetle with "VW 1300L" badge on the engine lid and on the flip side a series of detail photos and multilingual texts proclaiming:

"L is luxury you can afford. An advantageous equipment package for VW 1300 VW 1500. (1) An anti-glare rearview mirror. (2) Make- up mirror in the passenger sun visor. (3) Padded dashboard, dual-circuit brake warning lamp, and lockable storage box. (4) Second ashtray in the rear. (5) Second door pocket. (6) Carpet (the driving position with rubber pad). (7) Two reversing lights. (8) rubber strips on the bumpers."

By 1971 and the introduction of the 1302 series Beetles the main brochure carried a double page spread of photos showing some of the these orderable options and a note to close the list of "extras at extra charge" listings in the back pages with the additional item "Schriftleiste mit zusätzlichem "L" "- Title bar (engine lid badge) with additional " L ".

For the 1302 (and later for the 1303) series the "L" pack could be also ordered in conjunction with the "S" option hence the appearance of the "VW 1302 LS" (and "VW 1303 LS")

The use of "A" was used in the literature but never on badging for the base or austere models also known as "spartan" or "economy". This system applied throughout the life of the 1302 and 1303 Beetles and their contemporaries.

The only other variations were :

"VW_Automatic" fitted to Beetles with the Saxomat and semi auto transmission ("AUTOMATIC_StickShift" on some US and Canadian models),

"FUEL_INJECTION" to later US, Canadian and Japanese market Beetles 1975 -1979 and "VOLKSWAGEN" to US and Canadian bound Beetles 1968 -1974 and most 1303 Cabrio's for 1979.

With the rationalisation for the 1976 model year "inland" and "export" 1200's went unbadged even though there were 4 versions for most markets – the 1200cc and 1600cc each in "N" (basic) and "L" (Lux) trim.

Having said all of this Beetles exported to Japan were something of an exception to many Simplistically they were outwardly rules. European specification models rather than US/ Canadian specification models fitted with USstyle specification engines because of increasingly stringent environmental legislation. Given that Japan was one of the very small number of European production export markets during the period 1970 – 1979 that required RHD models there are outwardly many general similarities between Beetles sold in Japan and the UK. One difference, however, was in the badging. Late series 1200's for Japan had 1600cc fuel injected engines which given the themes of Volkswagen badging described above made them VW 1200 LSE Beetles drawing on the badging used on the series of "E" and typ.4 for typ.3 "Einspritzer" (German meaning of injection) denoting fuel injection in addition to the "L" and "S". Engine lid badging for late series Japanese market models glossed over this by using the simple "FUEL_INJECTION" script as used on most US and Canadian Beetles (See 1978 Glory Beetle). Japanese market sales literature however used "VW 1200 LE" and reference on some very late sources "VW 1200 LSE".

One other aspect of standard European production VW Beetle badging 1970 – 1979 was unique to Japan. The importers Yanase & Co.Ltd., detailed Beetles with, and made available as an official accessory for the Japanese home market, a vinyl side trim decor





set very similar to the ones fitted by support restoration work on this particular SEB Volkswagenwerk to all three of the 1974 – 1975 series. "Jeans" series Beetles. This decor trim had the word Beetle in a unique typeface showing on The 1974 and 1975 "Jeans" series' were the the rear side bodywork panel.

European production VW SEB badging 1970 – stylised typeface on the engine lid. This stylised 1979:

Most European production SEBs of this period Contemporary with the first series' of "Jeans" carried badging of the standard, contemporary, Beetles the "1303 City", "1303/Big" Beetles and model on which they were based.

The notable exception was the 1973 GT Beetle "1303 City" Beetles carried that description in series for the Republic of Ireland and UK which their side trim but not all of the "1303/Big" arrived at the importers badged "VW_1300_S". Beetles did. Certainly "Big" Beetles sold in the As part of the sales promotion package these UK had a simple black line decor set for the cars were intended to have replacement whole length of the bodyside like the one on the "GT BEETLE" badges installed by the selling Luxus Käfer. dealerships. These replacement badges were far more fragile than the normal series production Taken from http://www.sebeetles.com alloy VW badges and consequently were far less robust, durable. More higher quality, aftermarket, replacement versions have been manufactured in recent years by enthusiasts to

exception to the norm of 1200 Beetles being unbadged. They all carried a black vinyl logo in logo was repeated in a vinyl side trim decor set.

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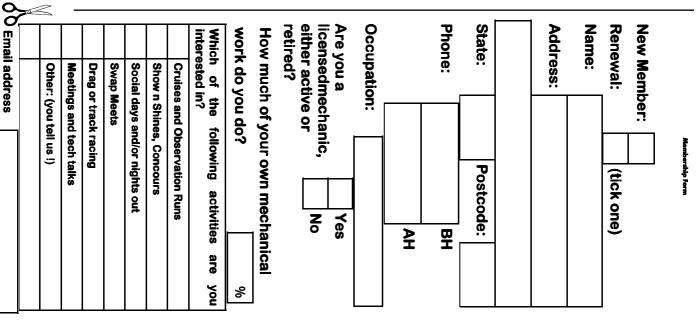
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Multivan Kombi 70

The good old days ride again with the Kombi 70 Multivan.

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