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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy New Year!

Welcome back to another year of fun activities for club members to enjoy and the introduction of our new club magazine **The Grille**.

Many of you would recall that we held a naming competition late last year asking for suggestions for our proposed magazine. We received many worthy titles and eventually we decided to adopt Michael Keen's submission "The Grille."

The twin kidney grilles have been a distinguishing and recognizable feature of BMW cars since the 1930s. The title makes a strong connection between our club and the BMW marque.

The term grill is also associated with hard hitting journalism so please feel free to contact our editor with your articles.

The committee has been wanting to establish a regular publication for some



CRAIG FLORANCE
Club President

time now, so I would like to thank Wayne on behalf of all club members for his commitment to the launching of it.

FROM THE EDITOR

Welcome to the first edition of The Grille, the magazine of the BMW Drivers club of South Australia.

It is envisaged that the magazine will be published quarterly, to update members about local issues and events on everything relating to the Club, and BMW vehicles.

Being our first edition there is much to discover and to learn, so I hope you enjoy the experience. Any feedback or future article suggestions can be forwarded directly to the editor by email: editor@bmwdcsa.org.au



WAYNE WILLIAMSON Editor

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS – NOVEMBER to DECEMBER 2021

David Auricht – 1988 BMW E30 325Ci

Thomas Blackman - 1990 BMW E30 318i

Kym Jeffries – 2000 BMW E36 Z3

Henry Baker – 1984 BMW E30 323i

Tarek Diab – 1983 BMW E30 323i

Albert Parrella – 1988 BMW E24 635CSi

William Blackman – 1990 BMW E30 318i

Andrew Doe – 1990 BMW E30 318i

Ferenc & Josiane Vekas – 1986 BMW E30 325e

Patrick Brown – 1985 BMW E30 318i



As of December 2021, the Club currently had **269** active, financial members with memberships rates progressively growing, despite the current COVID situation.

BMWDCSA - LIFE MEMBER AWARD

The BMW Drivers Club of South Australia has, under its constitution, the right to award a life membership for any Club member, who in its opinion, deserves it, by virtue of their services rendered to the Club.

In 2021 **Nipper (Brian) & Levene Fechner** became the Club's first Life Members.

This was for supporting & promoting the BMW marque and as founding members of the present Club in 1986, with continuous membership since then.

50yrs ago, in 1969, Nipper bought his first BMW and has continuously owned many different BMW models since then - currently a 1M.

Nipper's first BMW was an Orange 2002 bought from McDonald Motors in Adelaide. After reading the 2002 road tests in overseas car magazines he decided, he needed/wanted one!

He didn't even have a test drive – what a great customer!



BMWDCSA - LIFE MEMBER AWARD (cont'd)

Two new Orange 2002's had been imported & were in Sydney to be used as demonstration cars – so without delay, Nipper paid his '10-pound' deposit for the one with the Black interior & had it freighted to Adelaide!

With encouragement and help from John Comino, from the BMWDCNSW Nipper,

Dave Williams & Phil Hocking formed the BMWDCSA in 1986.

Also, there from the Club's beginning, Levene, who currently drives an X3, attending National & local Club events from their home in Tanunda in the Barossa Valley.

Congratulations to them both.

COMMITTEE NEWS

The last Club committee meeting was held on 17 November 2021 before breaking for the Christmas/New Year Period. The committee focus at this time was directed to finalising the Club merchandising, planning for the annual dinner (now to be held on 5 March 2022 at the Pier Hotel, Glenelg), approving the format of the new club magazine (including choosing a name) and ensuring the 2022 'Events' calendar was being advanced.

The next committee meeting will be held at the Austin 7 Clubrooms, 262 Tapley's Hill Road, Seaton from 6.30 pm on Wednesday the 16 February 2022. The committee currently has a couple of vacancies, and the Club is always seeking members to assist with the many proposed activities.

If you can spare some time, why not join us at a committee meeting and see where you think your services could be best utilised.



Some of your committee at work

CONDITIONAL HISTORIC REGISTRATION UPDATE

In July 2017, the South Australian government granted a "new" conditional historic registration scheme (Club Registration) for vehicles on a 30+ year rolling age group.

This is 'conditional registration' and applies to a range of motor vehicles which, according to their use or construction, require only limited access to, and use of the road network.

These vehicles are not for everyday use.

In recognition of their limited use, being a maximum 90 days per annum, reduced fees are payable.

Before applying for Club Registration you will need to be a financial member of the Club.



MIKE SUMMERS CONDITIONAL REGISTRATIONS MANAGER

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CONDITIONAL HISTORIC REGISTRATION UPDATE (cont'd)

Registration allows for up to 90 days conditional use per year with your logbook requiring revalidation annually, where it is checked, signed, and stamped at the renewal of your Club Membership by a Club Conditional Registration Officer at a meeting or event.

Motor Vehicle Registration will cost approximately \$90 per year (Renewal can be for 12, 24, or 36 months) plus your Club membership subscription if you are not an existing member.

THE PROCESS:

As the car owner you need to present the car, the registration details certificate, your driving licence, your Club membership card at either:

- a: Club Meeting: check upcoming events for next date, time, and venue.
- b: Coffee + Club Rego meeting: There are three cars and coffee meetings over most calendar months.

Check upcoming events for next date, time, and venue.

- Coffee and Cars
 Unley Shopping Centre
 204 Unley Road, Unley
- Barossa Cars and Coffee Artisan Bean, 30 Tanunda Rd, Nuriootpa
- Coffee + Club Rego
 D.OSE Coffee 808 Marion Road,
 Marion

Note: No payments can be accepted at Club or Coffee + Club Rego Meetings.

On review of the car, registration details, drivers' licence, and membership, a MR334 form will be completed, which can then be presented at a Service SA facility.

After you have attended Service SA to changeover the vehicle registration to "Conditional Historic", you must then present a copy of the "Registration Details Certificate" (RDC) to the Club, confirming the changeover, after which the new or replacement logbook will be issued.

The Club Registration Logbook will then be issued on receipt of RDC & payment for the logbook.

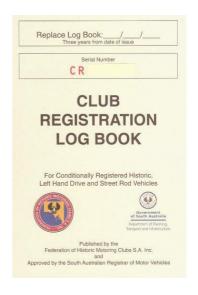
Remember, you cannot drive the vehicle until the Club Registration Logbook is received as it needs to be signed for each day it will be used.

NOTE:

If your Club membership lapses, your car is unregistered and uninsured (even if you have filled in the logbook!)

See the Club website for full details of the "code of practice" and "process advice" to help with your application

www.bmwdcsa.org.au/club-registration



MOTORSPORT UPDATE

Following on from the shortened (due to Covid-19) but successful 2020 BMWDCSA NANKANG Motorsport and Classic BMW Cup Series, the Club planned another nine Round BMW Cup series for 2021. The new season was to consist of a combination of five Super Sprint Rounds, three Regularity rounds and a cross border challenge against the BMWDCM Melbourne Club.

The season began in **February** with the first round being a Super Sprint at The Bend West circuit with 10 drivers entering.

The Round 1 results at the end of the day were 1st Andrew Baohm in his CV8 Monaro, 2nd Craig Florance in his BMW E30 325i and 3rd Michael Myllynen in his BMW E30.



CRAIG FLORANCEMOTORSPORT MANAGER

In **March**, Round 2 of the series was a Regularity event back at Mallala the home of SA motorsport, with 11 drivers entered. Again, we saw "Mr Consistency" Andrew Baohm comfortably take 1st place, followed by "Mr Sideways" Tony Hixson in his BMW E28 528i in 2nd place and Craig Florance 3rd.





We all had to wait until **May** for the next round to be held at Mallala and we had some extra entries totalling 13 competitors for the day. The Round 3 regularity saw Scott Hilditch make a return for 2021 in his BMW E36 and rookie Michael Keen debut in his BMW E36 320i joining the squad. Winner of the round was Andrew Baohm, 2nd place was Paul Ray-Johnson in his Mazda MX-5 and 3rd place Tony Hixson.

In **June** we were all feeling confident that we would get to compete in all the rounds for the 2021 series without any Covid cancellations.

After only 3 rounds however some drivers were already dealing with mechanical issues and only 8 drivers made it to Mallala to compete in the Round 4 Super Sprint.

Winner of the round was Tony Hixson; 2nd Place was Andrew Rogers in his Renault Megane and in 3rd place, Paul Ray Johnson.

In **July** we returned to The Bend for the Club's first Super Sprint on the International Circuit, and we ran two separate groups on track for BMW Cup Series Competitors and Track Day Drivers.

The view of the circuit blanketed with fog was amazing and at the same time confronting. It looked eerily calm and serenely peaceful, but all that was about to change quickly once the BMW Club hit the track.

MOTORSPORT UPDATE (cont'd)

The day started early with fog covering the circuit which fortunately lifted and burnt off in time for our first scheduled session with perfect weather for the rest of the day allowing us to get an extra session on track.

The atmosphere too, amongst the drivers was one of high excitement and expectation with a measured amount of nervousness also known as "shitting your pants," taking on the fast-flowing International Circuit.

The speed and challenging turns would prove too much for some drivers, like Peter Renton in his BMW E92 335Ci, losing control at turn 10.

There was a consolation for Peter, he was able to set the fastest lap time of the session in only 3 laps proving he is one of those 'all or nothing' types of drivers, also known as "Fearless Pete".

In fairness as I recall Peter wasn't the only driver to experience a bit of off-track exploratory action, with some drivers pirouetting off to the outfield or ploughing short cuts across the infield all in the name of good fun!

Winner of Round 5 and fastest lap of 2 mins 14.037 secs was Andie Xu in his BMW F82 M4, 2nd Place Andrew Baohm 2 mins 19.827 secs and 3rd Place Peter Renton 2 mins 22.245 secs.

In **August**, we found ourselves having to make some changes to the series calendar after V8 Supercar rescheduling at Bend took priority; so, for Round 6 we went to Mallala competing in the Mallala 60yr Anniversary Super Sprint. This event was promoted and run by "The Bend" in celebration of 60 years of the Mallala circuit and was open to all car clubs and the public. It was great opportunity for the BMWDCSA Motorsport Group to compete in an event in front of a large audience of motoring enthusiasts and let them know that BMW is back at the track.

In **November** we went back to Mallala for the Round 9, Regularity, and final round of the BMW Cup Series.

The series championship points ladder was close, and 4 drivers were still in contention for the outright win.

It was a dramatic day and a mixed bag of fortunes for the series leader struggling to hit his nominated times and the 2nd placed driver succumbing early to mechanical failure.

The Round 9 winner was Rookie Cameron Langley, only second time out in his BMW E46 325i, 2nd place Craig Florance and 3rd place Stephen Drury, first time out for the year in his new built V8 Toyota Supra. The Round 9 winner was Rookie Cameron Langley only second time out in his BMW E46 325i, 2nd place Craig Florance and 3rd place Stephen Drury, first time out for the year in his new built V8 Toyota Supra.

MOTORSPORT UPDATE (cont'd)



Congratulations go to this year's club Champion Tony "Sideways" Hixson Winner of the 2021 BMW Cup Series. In 2nd place Craig Florance and in 3rd place Paul Ray-Johnson.

The Club already has another BMWDCSA Cup Series in place, as part of our Motorsport activities for 2022.

Pos	#	Driver	Car	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Rd 7	Rd 8	Rd 9	Tota
1	84	Tony Hixson	BMW E28 528i	27	29	28	30		25		28	27	194
2	57	Craig Florance	BMW E30 325i	29	28	27	27		24		26	29	190
3	18	Paul Ray-Johnson	Mazda MX-5	23	27	29	28		30		29	21	18
4	20	Andrew Rogers	Renault Megane	22	22	23	29	RD	27		27	25	17
5	88	Phil / Alex Martin	BMW E36 Ti	-	25	21	26	AWARD	29		23	22	14
6	77	Andrew Baohm	Holden CV8 Monaro	30	30	30	-	A	-		30	::	12
7	21	Julie Pfennig	BMW E21	-	21	24	25	SEPERATE	-		20	20	11
8	62	Michael Myllynen	BMW E30	28	26	19	_)ER	-		24	-	9
9	4	Tony Pascoe	BMW M4	24	-	22	-	SE	23		-	26	9
10	7	Peter Renton	BMW E92 335i	21	20	20	23	0	-	ED	-	-	8
11	13	Mario Fiore	BMW E36 Ti	-	-	-	-	NOT INCLUDED	28	CANCELLED	25	23	7
12	818	Cameron Langley	BMW E46 325i	_	-	12	2	5	-	NC	22	30	5
13	3	Graham Patterson	BMW E30	-	-	26	-	Z	-	S	-	24	5
14	66	Phil Scadding	Toyota MR2	26	-	-	-	10	-		19	-	4
15	36	Michael Keen	BMW E36 320i	-	-	18	-	1	26		-	-	4
16	24	Stephen Drury	Toyota Supra	-	-	-	-	Ξ	-		-	28	2
17	55	Nick Metcalfe	BMW 2002	25	-	-	-	SPRINT	-		-	-	2
18	70	Scott Hilditch	BMW E36	-	-	25	-		-		-	-	2
19	79	Jo Comber	BMW E30	-	24	-	-	BEND	-		-	-	2
20	121	Geoff Quinn	BMW E92 335i	-	-	-	24	-	-		-		2
21	26	Peter Myllynen	BMW E30	2	23	: <u>#</u>	-		=		-	S=1	2
22	822	Bram Portas	Mazda MX-5	-	-	-	-		-		21	-	2

BMWDCSA CUP SERIES

Competition Calendar 2022

Rd 1: 20 March – MSCA Super Sprint – Mallala

Rd 2: 03 April – TTM Regularity – Mallala

Rd 3: 19 June – MSCA Super Sprint – The Bend West Circuit

Rd 4: 24 July – TTM Regularity – Mallala

Rd 5: 14 August – MSCA Super Sprint – Mallala

Rd 6: 25 September – MSCA Super Sprint – The Bend East Circuit

Rd 7: 30 October – TTM Regularity – Mallala



In addition, for anybody interested in entering a team for this year's Peter Hall Memorial 6 Hour on 01 May at Mallala, please contact the Motorsport Manager.



It all started with just a few modifications and wanting to make my car drivable and more dependable. Four years later I was driving a brand-new BMW E21 323i.

Back in 2014, when the E21 was still a relatively cheap car to buy, I had an idea to buy a project car with some character and street credibility. I had my eye on vintage BMWs, Datsun's, Ford Escorts or Cortina's.

Eventually the search was narrowed down to only BMWs and after looking at a couple of E30s and one totally rusted out 2002, (which car was beyond repair as it had rust in almost every panel including the roof. While chatting with the owner he mentioned that he had

another E21 which was not for sale. It was a **Reseda Green Metallic** 323i, auto, 1978 series 1.

At the time, I only caught a glimpse of the car which was parked in the corner of a larger garage.

The car looked to be in a much better shape than the one I was inspecting but the owner was adamant it was not for sale and that was that. So, I left.

The car stayed on my mind, so I remained in touch with the owner texting and negotiating for its sale.

Two weeks later he decided to sell, and I agreed to buy the car for \$3,500 without even inspecting it properly.



It had a tired black cloth interior, faded paint, rust coming through in several places, fuel leaks, overheating issues and worn suspension.

Despite all these things, I was happy with my purchase.

My love for BMW's commenced when a friend took me for a drive in his silver E21 323i one day, and I remember noticing that the side mirrors had a blueish colour, the car felt very refined and the sound of the M20 engine along with the feel of the interior cabin, gave the car a very distinct feel and character.



My first two cars were Ford Cortina's but after that drive, I knew that BMWs were on another level. I've had BMW's ever since and this car was to be my second E21.

Right from the start I didn't have a clear plan of what I wanted to do with this car, and I had very little experience in restoring cars. My skills went as far as servicing and keeping them clean. Initially after buying the E21, I just wanted to drive it in its totally original state.



Eventually after fixing all the mechanical issues including fuel and oil leaks, I drove it in its original condition for about a year. After this time, I decided to do a manual swap to make it more interesting to drive and this is the point where I knew I needed help.

Lucky a mechanic friend of mine was able to help me with the transmission swap and the car became a manual 5 speed.

I drove the car like that for the following year, playing around with different wheel sets, few different suspension springs set ups and rebuilding the rear brakes.

The interior was average, the engine was tired, and the body was rusting away. Spending time with my mechanic friend whose skills were on another level to me and seeing him rebuild engines, transmissions, make exhausts and do suspension work, really got me thinking about restoring my car.

We coined the phrase: "there is nothing like putting new parts on an old car."

This sums up my passion for cars.

From 2016 onwards the car was no longer my daily drive and the restoration started to take shape. The engine was changed to M20b25 out of an 89 E34, 3.91 LSD was added, and the interior received RECARO front seats. I was tired of trying to get that perfect ride height with different springs, so I included coil overs all around.

Next were 'Willwood' brakes front and rear and a new set of 15" Alpina wheels and tyres. Exterior of the car was changed to match the series 2 look and a new twin stainless-steel exhaust was added next.

Rust areas were repaired, and several new panels replaced. It received fresh paint inside and out and a new black underbody.

The engine, transmission and the diff were rebuilt, and the suspension was completely restored with fresh bushes and every component powder coated.

The reassembly of the car was a very enjoyable experience; everything is new from the sound deadener, brake lines, carpet, headliner, complete wiring, door trims and seats. Suspension went on next, followed by the complete drive train and exhaust, wheels, chrome trim, glass, lights, grill, bumpers and finally the wheels. The first test drive was a very nerve wrecking experience as I've never driven a car that I totally assembled by myself.

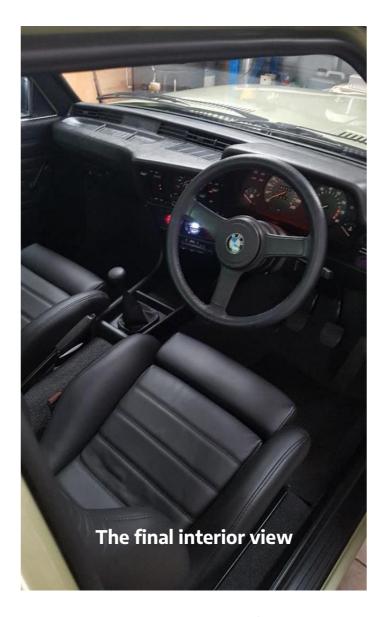
From this point on I decided to tackle the body requiring the entire car to be disassembled. In other words, I decided to go all the way with the restoration.

Finding a professional who does rust repair and paint in Adelaide wasn't easy. I received some wild quotes but eventually settled for the business that was able to quote each area of the car separately.

The paint and rust repair took 6mths to complete with the body being media blasted to bare metal and painted in epoxy primer.

The whole process was a fantastic experience, and I will definitely attempt something like this again

On my next project I would like to learn how to do bodywork by myself as I feel that a large chunk of money went towards that with this E21



I really loved the entire journey of the project and I think I almost enjoyed the process more than actually having a finished car.

My advice for those out there considering restoring one of these, I say go for it! E21 Parts are hard to find, requiring you to search worldwide and become a great international parts hunter, but you'll be left with a unique and great driving car.



I don't think the current value of these cars is very clear, but it has increased in the recent years. It's crazy to think that the car I bought for \$3,500 is now worth upwards of \$30K.

The car is officially finished, but there is always something to improve and change on it. Right now, I just love driving it, and keeping it clean.





Sunday 17 October 2021 saw the Club hold its second annual Picnic and 'Show & Shine' day on the grounds of the National Motor Museum, Birdwood. This, now yearly, event saw a total of 64 members and guests arrive to these picturesque grounds on a perfect spring day to enjoy the interaction between members and to admire some perfectly detailed BMW's.

A total of 23 vehicles were registered for the official 'Show & Shine' with six different classes being judged on the day. The huge task of judging these vehicles, fell to a selected team consisting of:

JUDGING TEAM

Exterior 1: Kevin Hawes

Exterior 2: Travis Stoneham

Interior & Boot: Steve & Louisa Sanders

Engine: Steve Mahlo

Vehicle Basics: Josh Tester & Taylor Ebbs

Scoring: Julie Patterson & Allyson Duncan

S&S Admin: Peter Duncan

Senior Judge: Graham Patterson. (also

assessed other judges' cars)



The standard of detailing this year, on all vehicles entered was exceptional, making the judging a challenge. With improved judging sheets and able assistance from the judging team, the scores were able to be quantified and the winners announced at the end of the event.

Planning for an occasion such as this starts with the committee members discussing and implementing plans well in advance of the main event.

Building upon the previous years'



A Day at the Museum (cont'd)

Experience, the Committee agreed that the venue at the National Motor Museum, was a good fit for the club, and re-booked the venue again, albeit a month earlier.

A large marquee was hired for the day to provide additional shelter for the members and a new caterer engaged to supply the lunch. A coffee cart and additional seating were provided this year along with a printed program.

Like all events, its acknowledged that further improvements can be made such as ensuring that club merchandise is available for sale, including activities for children and perhaps some background music to provide a better atmosphere.

Any feedback or suggestions for this year's event can be provided directly to any committee member by simply emailing any of the committee members of the contacts page on page 4.



Pictured: Class Winners - Wayne Williamson, Peter Boehm, Craig Florance, Michael Allen, Petar Farago and Rob Short

Volunteer Committee members worked the day prior to the event to help erect a smaller marque, tables and chairs and ensuring that able bunting and signage was provided to ensure ease of access to the event.

The Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank the many members involved in establishing this event and hope that it can continue to grow to be one of the club's signature experiences each year.

The 'Show and Shine' event saw 23 vehicles line-up to be judged in six separate classes. All participants were issued with a 'Guideline Sheet' prior to the event to familiarise themselves with the various rules and instructions.

(The Guidelines are available from the Club Website).

The variety of vehicles on display ranged from Michael Allen's 2018 BMW M2 to the earliest vehicle being Mike Greenings 1969 BMW 2000C Coupe.

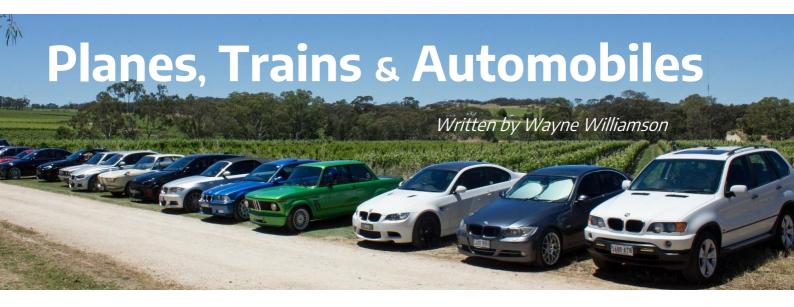
A Day at the Museum (cont'd)

The standard of vehicles was outstanding with there being no certainty in picking a winner until the class leaders were announced later in the day.

The official trophy presentations will be made to all class winners at Club presentation dinner in March 2022.



POSIT	ION											
OVERALL	T	NAME	CAR MODEL	CLASS	REGO	SECTION						TOTAL
		CLASS B				1	2	3	4	5	LY	
1	B1	Michael Allen	F87 M2	В	XX804E	98	95	112	95	30	0	430
2	B2	Hans Palm	F30 330i	В	S649BZT	96	85	111	93	33	0	418
3	B3	Steve & Louisa Sanders	F20 M140	В	YY041Y	78	87	109	98	39	0	411
4	B4	Levene Fechner	F25 X3	В	535535	83	69	99	95	38	0	384
		CLASS C				1	2	3	4	5	LY	
1	C2	Rob Short	E92 M3	С	MV8	97	98	102	98	39	0	434
2	C1	Mike Summers	E93 335i	С	BMW757	96	82	100	84	59	0	421
3	C3	Josh Tester	E92 335i	С	S600BBH	75	79	107	79	68	0	408
4	C4	Michael Milanese	E82 1M	С	MI1251	78	65	88	78	84	0	393
		CLASS D				1	2	3	4	5	LY	
1	D1	Peter Boehm	E46 325i	D	BB623S	99	82	107	83	57	0	428
2	D2	Craig Florance	E46 M3	D	CHF	93	87	100	86	60	0	426
		CLASS E & F				1	2	3	4	5	LY	
1	E1	Wayne Williamson	E36 M3	Е	XX043E	92	89	92	82	86	0	441
2	E4	Alvin Chua	E31 840C	Е	818828	98	85	102	77	62	0	424
3	E5	Andrew von Niedermueller	E34 540iLE	Е	S259CEO	81	75	81	74	89	0	400
4	E2	Ben Jordan	E38 740iL	Е	CC737R	87	71	60	81	87	0	386
5	E3	Martin Blanchard	E38 750iL	Е	BOND07	81	70	56	64	86	0	357
		CLASS G & H				1	2	3	4	5	LY	
1	G2	Petar Farago	E21 323i	Е	E21978	92	97	103	92	92	0	476
2	G6	Mike Greening	Typ 120 2000 C	E	BMWC68	89	90	90	71	111	0	451
3	G1	Kevin Hawes	E23 735i	Е	OUR735	86	87	81	88	100	0	442
4	G3	Travis Stoneham	E24 635CSi	Е	XA657V	92	83	70	78	108	10	421
5	G4	Graham Patterson	E28 M535i	Е	XBC586	81	79	71	69	105	0	405
6	G5	Terry McPharlin	E28 528i	Е	22845	80	72	60	65	107	0	384
		CLASS R				1	2	3	4	5	LY	
1	R2	Craig Florance	E30 325i	R	UKV097	81	62	24	68	43	0	278
2	R1	Julie Pfennig	E21 323i	R	NO	75	60	29	52	49	0	265



Sunday 21 November witnessed the last club cruise for 2021 and what a picture-perfect day it happened to be. The cruise commenced at 9.30am from the Tea Tree Gully Hotel carpark on Northeast Road, Tea Tree Gully and made its way northward where members experienced the long sweeping roads through 'One Tree Hill' and 'Hum Bug Scrub' (Para Wirra Conservation Park) before emerging in the picturesque Barossa Valley.

The cruise had a respectful 19 vehicles, and 40 members and guests participate in this event that included a coffee stop near Tanunda and a rolling photo opportunity along Seppeltsfield Road, Marananga. Many thanks to Tim Dixon for arranging this photo opportunity and hopefully this may be a regular fixture for most club cruises.

The cruise then meandered its way to the Greenock Aviation Museum where the members and guest were treated to a display of mostly presecond world war aircraft collected by Lincoln Nitschke.

The highlight was the start-up of an original Rolls Royce Merlin V12 engine (used in the second world war in various aircraft) that initially had members running or ducking for cover.



Hans Palm & 'Abbie'



The event concluded with a long lunch at the Greenock Tavern.

Thanks to Darren Lochert the Clubs Event Manager, for organising this.

The 2022 Event calendar is now available for your planning (see page 32/33), with some different and perhaps more challenging cruises being planned.

If you have any suggestions of 'roads less travelled' or event destinations, please drop Darren an email.

events@bmwdcsa.org.au

GENERAL CLUB BUSINESS

Now available to all members of the BMWDCSA is a range of 'Guys and Girls' clothing. It has been sometime since the club has been able to offer a range of club specific clothing with an expanded range and variety of products to be added in the near future.

If you haven't yet purchased your unique piece of BMW Club clothing, then please visit the store to place an order.



MOTO 4M Shirt Navy/Black Members Price: \$55.00



Ladies Contrast Polo Navy/White Members Price: \$45.00

Visit the Club Website store for more info on sizing and availability



Adults Bell Polo Aqua/White Members Price: \$50.00



Mens Jacquard Polo Navy/White Members Price: \$50.00

UPCOMING EVENTS

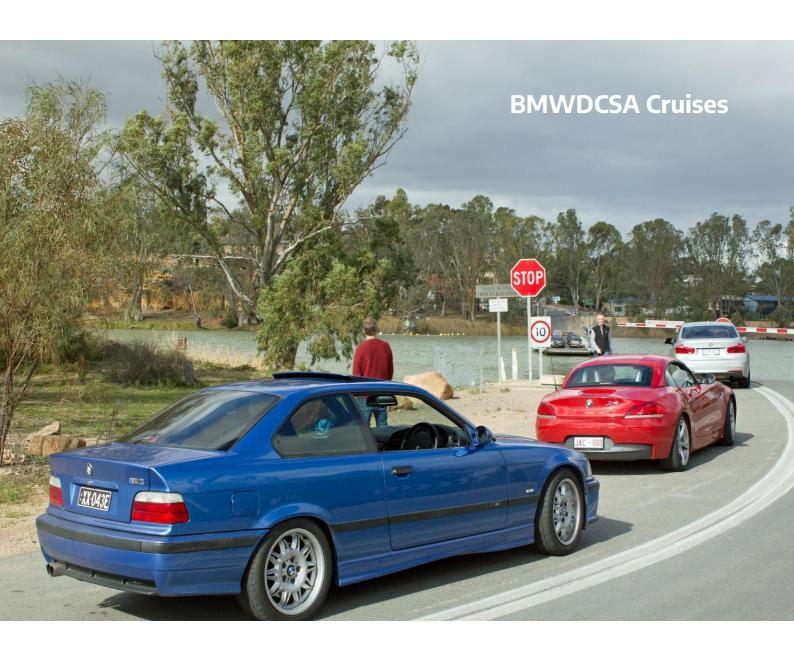
A variety of club social events and cruises are planned for 2022 as outlined in the events calendar (P32). Some highlights include the BMW Nationals to be held in Canberra in March, a weekend away trip on the June long weekend, a paddle boat cruise at Murray Bridge in August, a cruise to Anlaby Station near Kapunda in September and a day long trip to the Jamestown Airshow (yet to be confirmed) in October.

It is highly recommended that all members familiarise themselves with the events calendar and ensure that you plan in advance to avoid any conflict with pending personal activities.



DARREN LOCHERT EVENTS MANAGER

www.bmwdcsa.org.au/upcoming-events



UPCOMING EVENTS (cont'd)

The events calendar is continually evolving, especially within this COVID environment, so please ensure that you review it regularly to avoid disappointment.

The Club will forward event registrations emails to all members well ahead of any forthcoming planned events.

Registration of your intended participation at these events via the 'Events page' on the club's website assists the committee with catering requirements, so please register in advance where possible.

SATURDAY EVENING CRUISE:

The Club kicked off the year with its first event for 2022 on **Saturday 29 January** with an evening cruise from Blackwood. A short an interesting evening scenic cruise ran that concluded at the Mitcham Reserve, where a BYO picnic was enjoyed.

Some 35 members and guests took part on a perfect evening (until the wind came up). The drive from Blackwood to Mitcham was indeed interesting, although a bunch of the group managed to miss a couple of turns, but all ended up at Mitcham Reserve on time. A great night.



HILL CLIMB CRUISE

A cruise is planned for **Saturday 19 February** with the event concluding at North Adelaide where members can partake in an evening meal. Further details for this event are being planned and maybe subject to change due to COVID restrictions, so please monitor the 'Events' page of the club's website.

UPCOMING EVENTS (cont'd)



Postponed from January due to COVID restrictions was the Clubs Annual Dinner and Presentation night. The dinner is now to be conducted at the **Pier Hotel, Glenelg on Saturday 5 March**. Registrations for this event are open and members are urged to book via the clubs 'Events' page. This should be a highlight for the year and a great opportunity for new members to acquaint themselves with the variety of characters within the club.



BMW NATIONALS BMW Clubs Australia will hold its bi-annual 'Nationals' event between **11 and 14 March** in Canberra. With members converging from all States into the nation's capital, this event promises to provide something for everyone. The agenda and registration for the four-day event can be found below and members are urged to book early to ensure suitable hotel accommodation is available. It is highly unlikely the event is to be cancelled due to COVID restrictions.

The Club is planning a cruise for those members interested in attending this event, departing Adelaide on the 10 March, and staying overnight in Echuca, Victoria before arriving in Canberra late on Friday 11 March.

Those members who have registered an interest will be contacted closer to the event to discuss further logistics.

www.bmwclubcanberra.org.au/BMW-Nationals-2022

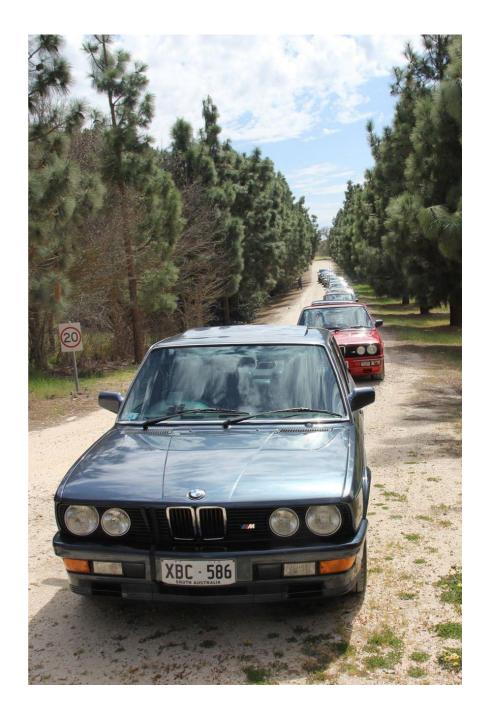
UPCOMING EVENTS (cont'd)

LONG AND WINDING ROAD

The last club event for March is to be yet another Saturday cruise, departing mid-morning from Carrick Hill, Springfield before winding its way through the picturesque Adelaide Hills and concluding at Gilberts Motor Museum, Strathalbyn.

Here members can enjoy a leisurely experience of motoring history, veteran, vintage and classic cars, motorcycles and motor sports vehicles and then dinning at the 'Hammer & Tongs' Café in the heart of Strathalbyn.

Event planning is still in progress, so watch the 'Events' page of the club website for further details and register via the 'Events' page.





CLUB EVENTS CALENDAR

February

06 Cars and Coffee Barossa

13 Coffee & Club Rego Marion

16 Club Committee Meeting

19 Hill Climb Cruise

20 Cars & Coffee Unley

25 BCCM Team Live from Munich

March

05 Annual Club Dinner

06 Cars and Coffee Barossa

11 to 14 BMW Nationals Canberra

16 Club Committee Meeting

20 Cars & Coffee Unley

20 Rd1 BMWDCSA Cup Series

26 Strathalbyn Run

April

03 Rd2 BMWDCSA Cup Series

10 Coffee & Club Rego Marion

13 Members Night (tbc)

20 Club Committee Meeting

May

01 Swan Reach Run

08 Coffee & Club Rego Marion

15 Cars & Coffee Unley

18 Club Committee Meeting

June

05 Cars and Coffee Barossa

11-12 Weekend Trip away Trains & Automobiles

15 Club Committee Meeting

19 Cars & Coffee Unley

19 Rd3 BMWDCSA Cup Series

July

03 Cars and Coffee Barossa

07 Members Night
Port Museum & Social Dinner

10 Coffee & Club Rego Marion

17 Cars & Coffee Unley

20 Club Committee Meeting

24 Rd4 BMWDCSA Cup Series

29 Karts & Pizza Night

CLUB EVENTS CALENDAR (cont'd)

August

07 Cars and Coffee Barossa

14 Coffee & Club Rego Marion

14 Rd5 BMWDCSA Cup Series

17 Club Committee Meeting

20 Murray Bridge Run

21 Cars & Coffee Unley

September

04 Cars and Coffee Barossa

11 Analby Station Drive

18 Cars & Coffee Unley

21 Club Committee Meeting

25 Rd6 BMWDCSA Cup Series

October

02 Cars and Coffee Barossa

09 Coffee & Club Rego Marion

15 Planes & Automobiles Jamestown Airshow

16 Cars & Coffee Unley

19 Club Committee Meeting

30 Rd7 BMWDCSA Cup Series

November

06 Cars and Coffee Barossa

13 Coffee & Club Rego Marion

16 Club Committee Meeting

20 Cars & Coffee Unley

20 Annual Club Picnic Show & Shine – Birdwood

December

04 Cars and Coffee Barossa

11 Coffee & Club Rego Marion

18 Cars & Coffee Unley

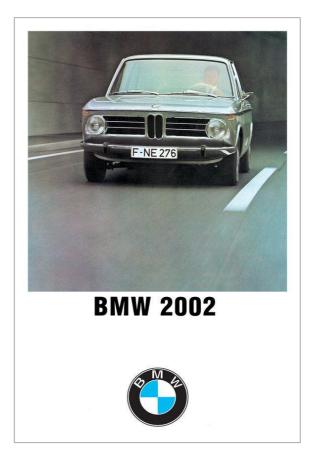
Keep a check on the Club Website for further detailed information and to register your participation

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