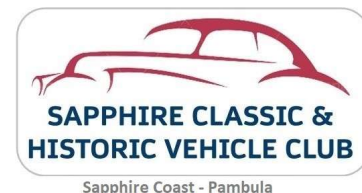


NEWSLETTER

No. 3 - January 2025



General Meeting 6th Feb. 7:30pm

Besides to usual agenda items new Membership joining procedure and new Club Logo will be discussed and approval sought from the attending members.

The rationale for a new Logo and Brand is as follows:

Over the past 12 months, we have shown various versions of the new logo to our members, and the one depicted on the letterhead has been deemed the most popular and practical choice.

The primary goal of updating the logo was to modernize the club's image. We wanted to convey that we are a club for all vehicles pre-1995, not just those with "wooden wheels." Our focus is on both Classic and Historic vehicles, and while it is important to stay relevant and appeal to newer generations of motoring enthusiasts, we also wanted to respect and acknowledge the club's heritage.

By keeping the name, font, and colours similar to the original design, this new logo serves as an updated version rather than a complete departure. This way, we are honouring our past while moving forward.

The updated logo will also make it easier for other clubs and individuals who are already familiar with us to recognize our brand.

It is important to note that we are not changing our club's name or web address - this is purely an update to the logo, which will help better represent who we are.

We understand there were some concerns about removing the "Coast to Classic" phrase. The reason behind this decision was to simplify

the logo and make it clear that we are a Classic & Historic vehicle club.

We feel this change will not cause confusion, as most people outside the South Coast are not familiar with the term "Sapphire Coast." For instance, asking someone from Sydney or Melbourne, many would not know where Sapphire Coast or Pambula is, which is why we believe simplifying it will work.

Additionally, many local businesses (e.g., Sapphire Fire & Safety, Sapphire Marine, Sapphire Plumbing) are using similar naming conventions, so this approach aligns with local branding trends.

In many instances, we will still include "Pambula NSW" or the website address (schvc.com.au) beneath the logo for clarity.

Membership

Please be aware that your membership will expire on Friday the 31st of January and any vehicles you have registered via the Club will become unregistered on that date and cannot be driven on the road. ***We are required to advise Transport for NSW if your membership has expired.***

Please pay your membership today to remain a member of our Club. Payment cannot be accepted after 31 January and a new member application process will be required if you would like to become a member again.

You can pay your membership through the Club's web site (schvc.com.au) using a debit/credit card or PayPal account, or by direct debit to our bank, BSB: 633 000 Account: 1365 98661 - please quote your name in the reference.

To pay via the Club website, simply log in to the site and select 'Pay membership fee' from the 'Members' menu.

For further information and assistance, please contact the Treasurer.

Birthday

Best wishes to **Craig Ruting** and **Alec Percival** on their respective birthdays this month. Wishing you many more and all the best.

Cooma Car Club Invite

The Cooma Car Club are conducting a two-day event in February and thought you would like the opportunity to meet with us or even join us for the two-day road trip - meeting us in Bateman's Bay and leaving us at Tathra the next day?

Trip details are on Cooma's Car website or alternatively phone Phil Turner on 0499 155 046.

Here is the schedule:

DAY 1:

Saturday 08 February 2025 - 1:00pm - JJs at Bateman's Bay

We are booked there for lunch with cars displayed on the lawns out front. Just give them a call and make a reservation - tell them you are joining us.

(Accommodation is at The Harrington, Narooma.)

Saturday 08 February 2025 - 6:00pm - O'Brien's Hotel "Million Dollar View" for "Happy Hour" and dinner. You are welcome to join us.

DAY 2:

Sunday 09 February 2025 - 9:00am - Breakfast at the Surf beach cafe, Narooma; then, 11:00am - Tilba Dairy. At 12:45pm - Lunch at the

Humpback Brewery, Tathra Hotel. We leave there about 2:15pm.

Be great to catch up with you all.

Regards
Phil Turner
PH: 0499 155 046

Ever wondered what to do if you see a snake?



Wildlife Rescue South Coast
0418 427 214 North of Batemans Bay 0417 238 921 South of Batemans Bay

The first reaction of most people is to panic, scream, run away or try to kill the snake. The best practice is to stop, be still and if safe to do so, back away slowly. Give the snake a chance to escape. Most bites occur when people try to catch or kill them, which is illegal as they are protected species in Australia.

The most common snake calls that come through the Wildlife Rescue South Coast (WRSC) hotline are for diamond pythons and red-bellied black snakes. The diamond python is a non-venomous and friendly snake that likes to eat rats and mice, and a great rodent deterrent to have visit.

While the red-bellied black is venomous, it is a shy snake who generally only delivers a serious bite when harassed. They dine mainly on frogs and lizards and watered gardens create a natural environment for their prey. Although they do not set up residence, they do tend to remain within familiar territories.

The eastern small-eyed snake is also local to our area. It is a small black nocturnal snake that is highly venomous and usually grows to about half metre. They are often mistaken for a young, red-bellied black as they have a pink or cream underbelly.

Less common WRSC snake rescues are for tiger snakes and eastern browns. Be respectful of these snakes as they are much more likely to bite if feeling threatened.

WRSC is licensed under the National Parks and Wildlife Service to catch snakes that are injured, sick, displaced or posing a threat. Members who have completed the venomous snake handling course are authorised under the WRSC licence to attend snake rescues.

What to do if a snake frequents your property? Keep pets inside and wait for it to move on. Catching or killing a snake can incur a fine up to \$10,000. If you need help or advice, call the WRSC 24-hour hotline on 0417 238 921.

Marita Reynolds



We wish you safe classic vehicle travelling over the last weeks of the Silly Season and look forward to more great feedback from you all in 2025.

Ugliest & Coolest Sports Cars

Below find ten of The Ugliest Sports Cars and ten of The Coolest



Covini C6W

Do you know what cars do not need? Six wheels. Unfortunately, no one told Covini Engineering and instead, we got this confusing sports car—one that caught a lot of dissension when it was first released in 2004. It may have had a 4.2 L Audi V8 engine and topped out at 310 km/h, but nothing saved the look.



Jetstream SC250

This strange vehicle looked like a cross between a dune buggy and a go-cart, and its stunning red colour was not enough to make sense of the design. It was not exactly fawned over and only made a few headlines in 2008, quickly fading into obscurity.



Mitsuoka Orochi

You would think a car named after a legendary eight-headed dragon would look cooler. The Orochi hung around between 2006-2014, undergoing several cosmetic changes in the process, but it still could not escape the title of “world’s ugliest car.”



Marcos Mantis

Not only did this model not sell very well, but it is also frequently touted as an unattractive sports car. However, the Mantis remains a rare vehicle with Marcos Engineering only making thirty-two of them between 1970-71. A handful were made in the '80s and '90s, but you will only see this little weirdo at car shows.



Donkervoort D8 GTO

Complete with butterfly doors and an elongated hood, production for the Donkervoort lasted surprisingly long—despite the aesthetics. The originals made their first appearance in the '90s with the GTO hitting roads between 2013-22, but barely anyone wanted to shell out A\$400,000 for a car that looked like that.



Chevrolet SSR

The Chevy SSR flew a little too close to the sun on this one. Part pickup truck, part sports car, part convertible, this bizarre vehicle missed the mark on every count. Production did not last more than a few years, which is for the best



Plymouth Prowler

Love them or hate them, the Prowler caught a lot of dirty looks back in the '90s. While some admire the unique look, others quickly dismiss it as a failed hot rod with too much junk in the trunk and a Batmobile-esque hood.



Caparo T1

We have all wanted to steer a Formula 1 car, but not everyone wants to spend A\$500,000 for the privilege. Though this car was technically

road-legal, it also had a crazy design and several problems. Caparo planned to sell about 25 a year but only clocked in 15.



Audi Quattro

It is hard to get excited about such a boxy sports car, even if it performs well. The 1985 Sports Quattro looked like any '80s hatchback and though 2010 and 2013 brought some new concepts to the floor, those styles were not any better.



Lamborghini Veneno

2013 was a rough year for Lambo enthusiasts. Edmunds crowned the Veneno, a sleek model with admittedly mismatched angles, as the ugliest car that year. That said, plenty of petrolheads vehemently disagree with the title.

Now that we have gone through some of the worst, it is time to relish in some of the best.



DeLorean DMC-12

How could we leave this classic car off the list? This two-passenger sports car looked great without Doc and Marty behind the wheel (though that certainly upped its popularity). Gull-wing doors and a stainless-steel exterior quickly marked it as one of the coolest cars around.



Chevrolet Camaro

The DeLorean might be a classic, but it is the farthest thing from the only beloved beauty. Camaros turn heads wherever they go, and Chevy's first-gen models from the '60s have done it for decades. They are still in production, but our hearts belong to the original model.



Austin-Healey 3000

It is retro, it has a sleek design, and it is like something out of a 007 flick. The Austin-Healey 3000 is a popular boy, the best-known from the Big Healey models, and a cherished sight from the '60s.



Porsche 911

This little number's been around since the '60s and still garners attention today—despite forgoing the traditional look of today's sports cars. Whether it is a newer model or an original one without all the bells and whistles, the 911 withstood the test of time.



Alfa Romeo Spider

We loved seeing Dustin Hoffman behind the wheel of this baby, but the Alfa Romeo Spider

was cool before *The Graduate*. It had a good run between the '60s and the '90s, and though it maintained old-school cool, we are forever fans of the original model.



Jaguar E-Type

You know a car's special Enzo Ferrari allegedly called it the "most beautiful" one in the world. It is hard to disagree! Jaws dropped over this coupe when it first hit streets back in the '60s, and we have not stopped fawning over it.



Lamborghini Diablo

All right, we will admit it—the original interior shocked us too. Everything from the dash to the hideous airbags that juttied out of it almost knocked this Lambo off the list. However, the exterior has always been amazing, and after a facelift, the interior soon matched.



Shelby Mustang GT350

Who does not love a good Mustang? Better yet, who does not love a reliable supercar equipped with knockout racing stripes? First gen models were released in the '60s (the ones we love best) with today's versions still boasting impressive paint jobs and those signature stripes.



Aston Martin DB5

If we are going to talk about gorgeous cars, you know we are going to talk about James Bond's car. Not only has this model appeared in several films, but it has also become synonymous with 007. Some days, we are not sure which is cooler.



Ferrari 458 Italia

How could we omit Ferrari from the list? While we had dozens to choose from, there is just something about the 2010 Ferrari 458 Italia that gets our motor running. It is the sleek design; it is the naturally aspirated V8 engine—or maybe it is simply one of the best-looking cars around.

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