

CLASSIC & COFFEE Run

Thursday, 26 June 2025 @10:00am - 11:00am. Meet at Bemboka Pie Shop

Finally, a Justifiable Reason to Abandon Your To-Do List!

Do you own a classic car, bike or commercial vehicle that's been sulking in the shed since last century? Or maybe you're one of those mysterious "members" we've only ever seen for rego renewal? This one's for you!

Join us every Thursday at 10am at a rotating selection of scenic coffee spots (check the app – yes, it works!) for a relaxed caffeine fix followed by a thoroughly unstructured, mildly thrilling drive through the region's finest twisty bits. There's no set route home – just good company, questionable jokes, and your engine humming happily beneath you.

Whether your classic is showroom-perfect or barely hanging on with zip ties and good intentions, this is your moment. And yes, modern cars are welcome too (we're not that snobbish).

So, dust off the cobwebs – from your car and yourself – and come for the coffee, stay for the drive, and leave with a smile and a vague idea of where you are.

Everyone's welcome.

No logbook needed – it's a sanctioned club event, so you're officially off the hook.

Reminder

General Meeting Thursday 3rd of July at 7:30 pm, Working Bee on Saturday 5th of July at 9:00 am. Mayor Russel Fitzpatrick will also be attending giving an insight into Bega Valley council's activities.

This is from SJASC

A call out for drivers who can volunteer time to help our community learn to drive.

Through the Eden Access Centre, a programme has started with two new cars to ensure that we can mentor new drivers.

Should you be able to offer an hour or two let Mick Brosnan at SJASC know.
(email: annmickbrosnan@gmail.com)

Should you know someone who might have time, chat with them please.

Mick will then explain further and link you to the programme facilitator Mel Page who is the coordinator of this Bega Valley L2 drive programme.

New member

Received a quick thank you to the club from new member Mike Jones:

“The '57 Bondwood is now officially registered in my name as a vintage vehicle!

I've also ordered a sticker for the van with her new name: **Elly May.**”



57 BONDWOOD CARAVAN

Big shout-out to Mike for his generous \$150 donation for the use of the workshop - it's great to see the club and its facilities so well appreciated!

Thanks also to John Turbet and Craig Ruting, who gave Mike a hand relocating the axle and taking care of a few other minor repairs on his 1957 Bondwood Caravan. Great teamwork all round!

Will soon see “Elly May” displayed at the Club!

As seen at the Bega Rally on 7th and 8th of June



Eden Marine High School Mentoring



The Mentoring program is in full swing and very much appreciated by the High School. The mentoring group has been established for over 20 years and is a cooperative approach between our SCHVC and the Eden Marine High school.

Over the years a number of ambitious projects have been undertaken, including the complete resurrection of a two-seater Citroen 1920's vehicle, an electric Morris Minor, and a model T Ford.

Six pupils travel by bus from Eden to Settlers Rd. each Tuesday of the school term. There is a waiting list and high demand from the students not just for a day away from school, but a real interest in learning practical skills.

Various engines and other items of mechanical interest have been donated for the students to work on and a group of club members operating as Mentors

endeavour to keep the students busy.

A number of projects have been accomplished recently including building work benches, tool "shadow boards" and restoring a ride-on mower, but the main project currently is a VW Country Buggy.

It was donated by a farmer at the Riverina, and has been out in the weather for some time, so it will be quite a challenge to bring it back to a useable vehicle. It is an Australian design, based on a VW beetle engine and chassis and is one of only 1,000 made and one of the few still in existence.

The Volkswagen Country Buggy is now a rare collector's item, with only a few hundred known to survive. It has gained a cult following for its rugged simplicity and unique Australian character. The vehicle is notable for its use of off-the-shelf parts, straightforward design, and adaptability for rural use. Production took place from July 1967 to late 1968, with a total of 1,956 units produced.

The mentoring group has come into its own this year thanks to the allocation of two spaces in the Autohaus, and tools and equipment donated by club members, together with the generosity of Pambula Mitre 10 and Merimbula Total Tools.

Any member wishing to undertake mentoring, can contact, Rod Newman, Cliff Richard, or Alec Percival at the Club.

Recently visited Car Museum

One lucky member of the SCHVC had the opportunity (second time already) to visit the Franschhoek Motor Museum situated in the South African Cape. The setting is spectacular.

The Franschhoek Motor Museum boasts an extensive and diverse collection that exceeds 220 vehicles, ranging from an 1898 Beeston motor tricycle to modern supercars like a 2003 Ferrari Enzo. At any given time, more than 80 exhibits are on display across four dehumidified halls, totalling 2,700 square meters of exhibition space.

This allows the museum to present a comprehensive chronological journey through automotive history, with vehicles rotated regularly to showcase the breadth of the collection. The museum also features motorcycles, bicycles, and automotive memorabilia, further enriching the visitor experience. The wine estate and museum is owned by the Rupert family.







BUGATTI TYPE 35B



JAGUAR D TYPE



Rolls Royce 1936

AUSTRO-DAIMLER BERGMEISTER



Bentley 1929



AJS 1926