

## **ICCA PRESIDENT REPORT FOR 2024**

The year started as usual with the, Gnoo Blas Classic Car Show in Orange. For the first time in many years, I was unable to attend. This Show is one of the best Car Shows in NSW so I might call on a member to recall of the events of the day. Kevin came away with a trophy!

In March, a few members attended a Cars and Coffee in Earlwood.

These Events are increasing with popularity right around Australia, not only in NSW. FREE COFFEE! That's a first! The Cars and Coffee mornings/days are very enjoyable. Here's Roy & Trienna in North Queensland at their local Cars n Coffee.



In 2019 I started Mudgee Cars and Coffee simply because there was nothing much in Mudgee for motoring enthusiasts. In November a number of members travelled to Mudgee to join in. That meant, of course, there was a dinner too! Both local radio stations and the newspaper chased me up for an interview for

publicity for the January event. In their words "Mudgee Cars and Coffee has become part of the Town's culture".

So find YOUR LOCAL Cars and Coffee Events and get along for a good time! Don't forget to send a pic!



A number of smaller Events were attended in and around Sydney suburbs. In mid May a small number attended the Heritage of Motoring Day, a regular Event each year which is increasing in popularity. In 2025 we will be making a strong effort to increase the attendance encouraging members to take part in a group.

In SA our local members attended a Classic Japanese Car Show then to the "Bay to Birdwood", which is a cruise of roughly 70klms from Adelaide in to the Adelaide Hills National Motoring museum. This is a very enjoyable day. I have personally

been twice having a tour looking through the museum before heading back to our camp site. If you get the opportunity, give it a go!

August came around and we had our second largest group entering the Shannons Classic, held each year at Sydney Motorsport Park.

This year we had Lewis Bolton enter his beautiful PR90 1966 GT 1600 Bellett Coupe' in the Concourse. No doubt you all know Lewis'



car. After extensive evaluation of each vehicle, as the saying goes, <u>Lewis' car</u> <u>missed the prize by thaaaat much LOL</u>. Most of us elected to enjoy the obligatory tour of the track behind a pace car.

We very much enjoy a close relationship with the ACT Gemini Group. Some came along to our National Event in 2023 at Huskisson. For 2025 we are again invited to attend their "Geminats", in 2025.



September saw a good gathering of Victorian, Queensland and South Australian members & enthusiasts in the Yarra Valley, Victoria. Another big event I had to miss this year. No Show n Shine, however, they attended a local Cars n Coffee and as always it was a meet and catch-up with our fellow enthusiasts. Great that there were some new faces there.



Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October several members travelled to the Gemini Track Day at Pheasant Wood in the southern highlands. This Event allows those that wish to test out their cars around a track, trying out their skill.

The last Event of the year was a very relaxing barbeque held at Tom and Julie's home. Held prior to Christmas as a" just to catch up" evening. We had 16 members all enjoying a very social evening and very big Thank you to Tom and Julie for using their home.

Dave Maurice.