

# FIAT focus

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*Norm Mitchell's FIAT 2300 at  
the Fiat Club of NSW Picnic  
Day, Ansell Park.*



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## **New Members**

**A warm welcome to the following enthusiast:**

John, Marianthy & Dimitrios Lahanas - Fiat 131 Superbrava, Fiat Ritmo Sport

Grahame Hatton - 1989 X1/9 Bertone

Nunzio (Michael) Gulino - 1973 Fiat 124 1800 Sports Coupe

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DATE	EVENT AND LOCATION	HVS code	Pointscore
<b>March 2021</b>			
Tues 2nd	Oasis Run - Benzin Café, Dural	CE123020	No
<b>Tues 9th</b>	<b>Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club</b>	<b>CE123090</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Sun 14th	Coffee Break - The Lobby, Frazer Street, Lilyfield (then drive to Ansell Park)	CE123041	Yes
<b>Sun 14th</b>	<b>FIAT Club NSW Motorkhana Rd 1, President's Motorkhana</b>	<b>CE123041a</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Sun 28th	Burger Break - Superior Burger - Bulls Road, Wakeley	CE123082	Yes
<b>April 2021</b>			
Tues 6th	Oasis Run - Wollondilly Heritage Centre & Museum	CE124060	No
Sun 11th	FIAT Club Coffee Break	CE124011	Yes
<b>Sun 11th</b>	<b>Auto Italia Canberra</b>	<b>CE124011</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Tues 13th</b>	<b>Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club</b>	<b>CE124031</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Sat 25th	FIAT Club Coffee Break	CE124052	Yes
<b>May 2021</b>			
Tues 4th	Oasis Run - Holroyd Gardens Nature Reserve	CE125040	No
Sun 9th	FIAT Club Coffee Break	CE125090	Yes
<b>Tues 11th</b>	<b>Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club</b>	<b>CE125011</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Sun 16th	National Motoring Heritage Day (various venues)	CE125061	Yes
Sat 22nd	FIAT Club Coffee Break	CE125022	Yes
<b>Sun 23rd</b>	<b>FIAT Club NSW Motorkhana Rd 2</b>	<b>CE125032</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>June 2021</b>			
Tues 1st	Oasis Run - Mountain High Pies, Wentworth Falls	CE126010	No
Sun 6th	FIAT Club Coffee Break	CE126060	Yes
<b>Tues 8th</b>	<b>Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club</b>	<b>CE126080</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Sat 19th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Northside	CE126019	Yes
<b>Sun 20th</b>	<b>FIAT Club NSW Motorkhana Rd 3</b>	<b>CE126002</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>July 2021</b>			
Sat 4th	FIAT Club Coffee Break	CE127040	Yes
Tues 6th	Oasis Run - CHRISTMAS IN JULY Nepean Rowing Club (TBC)	CE127060	No
<b>Tues 13th</b>	<b>Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club</b>	<b>CE127031</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Sun 18th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Northside	CE127081	Yes
<b>August 2021</b>			
<b>Tues 10th</b>	<b>Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club</b>	<b>CE128001</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Sun 15th</b>	<b>Shannons Sydney Classic TBC</b>	<b>CE128051</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Sun 29th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Northside	CE128092	Yes

**SOCIAL MEETINGS** are held on the second Tuesday of each month at the Bankstown Sports Club, 8 Greenfield Parade, Bankstown, starting at 7.30 pm.

**ANSELL PARK** is the Club's Motorkhana Grounds located at 2 Percival Street, Clarendon, on the corner of Percival Street and Hawkesbury Valley Way.

## OASIS RUN DETAILS

The OASIS runs occurs on the first Tuesday of each month (note that there is no run in January and the November run occurs in the second week of the month to avoid clashing with the Melbourne Cup festivities). Details are not usually available until just before each event, however, consult the Club's magazine or website for the HCRS permit number applicable to the event.

### ALL SUBJECT TO ANY RESTRICTIONS THAT MAY BE IN PLACE

**WANTED: NAMES & BOOKINGS A.S.A.P. FOR 6th April** outing to Wollondilly Heritage Centre & Wallacia Hotel. Numbers are needed for both venues for catering & possibly for any Covid restrictions.

### March 2<sup>nd</sup> , -

**MEET:** Benzin Café, Unit 1/242 New Line Rd. Dural. This is a car friendly café.

**TIME:** 10.00am, **DEPART:** 11.00am

**LUNCH:** Colo Riverside Café 1826 Putty Rd. Colo (we will travel via Maroota)

**DETAILS:** Murray Irwin m: 0449 896 008

### April 6<sup>th</sup> - Its on, wet or fine.

**Meet:** Wollondilly Heritage Centre & Museum 43 Edward St. The Oaks 2570

**TIME:** Arrive by 10.30am for morning tea & Museum Inspection

**COST:** \$10.00 per person

**DEPART:** 12.00 noon

**LUNCH:** 12.30 pm Wallacia Hotel 1590 Mulgoa Rd. Wallacia

#### **BOOKINGS REQUIRED FOR CATERING**

Bookings & Museum Les ph: 9838 8063 m: 0418 973 866

Wallacia Hotel Enquires Brian Jubb ph: 9602 9591

### May 4<sup>th</sup> - Holroyd Gardens Nature Reserve, Duck Pond, & Historic Brickworks Ruins.

**MEET:** From 10.30am onwards. **WHERE:** Walpole St, Entrance Gate, Cnr. Pitt St. Merrylands  
More details closer to event.

### June 1<sup>st</sup> - BY POPULAR DEMAND WE ARE RETURNING TO MOUNTAIN HIGH PIES .

**MEET:** Wentworth Falls Lake, Sinclair Cres. Wentworth Falls (New toilet block has been built.

**TIME:** Anytime from 10.30am onwards. Bring your own morning tea, chairs etc.

**DEPART:** 12.00 noon.

**LUNCH:** Mountain High Pies 293 Great Western Hwy Wentworth Falls

### July 6<sup>th</sup> - CHRISTMAS IN JULY Nepean Rowing Club (Subject to any conditions)

### August 3<sup>rd</sup> - St. George area Hotel Lunch. To be confirmed.

### September 7<sup>th</sup> - MOUNT ANNAN BOTANICAL GARDENS. Details Brian Jubb ph: 9602 9591

### October 5<sup>th</sup> - T.B.A.

### November 9<sup>th</sup> - REMEMBRANCE DAY RUN. Details Les Watton: ph: 9838 8063 m: 0418 973 866

### December 7<sup>th</sup> - CHRISTMAS LUNCH. To be confirmed.

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I must say I was pleased with the turnout of members at our Ansell Park AGM last month!

The weather was very kind to us and sitting under the trees after the meeting having lunch and gelato and catching up with friends was very pleasant. A big thank you to all the people who made it happen, as well as congratulations to our 2 new committee people. Martin Gallard has been on committee before and has now been elected to the same position as in 2006 when he was Assistant Competition Secretary. However, we now have a total newbie to the Committee with the election of Murray Irwin to the position of Vice President. I hope you guys enjoy the next 12 months, but Murray probably doesn't thank me because I have thrown him into the deep end for the March Social Meeting as I will be away in Tassie at that time!

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Speaking of the March Social, I sent out an email last week asking for responses if you are intending to come. Bankstown Sports Club have asked for expected numbers for setting up our room.

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We are about to get back into competition on March 14, with our first motorkhana for a very long while. The grass at Ansell Park has recovered beautifully after an extended period of non-use, so why not come out and give it a go?

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The CMC Display Day at Sydney Motorsport Park was cancelled in 2020 due to Covid, but it is set to come back in 2021. We have applied for 20 tickets for the event which will be held in mid August. Five of the tickets will be for our cars on pit lane

and I would love for these to be Fiat 127's if we can get enough of them to celebrate the model's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Please contact Giovanni if you want one of the 20 tickets.

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Looking ahead a little, Auto Italia in Canberra is now to be held on April 11<sup>th</sup> (formerly slated for the 18<sup>th</sup>), and won't actually be held in Canberra. The organisers worried that lower attendance levels would mean they couldn't afford the EPIC venue, so it is now to be held in Queanbeyan Park in Queanbeyan. Entry fee for cars is \$15 with spectators free. Entrants can pre-register online, but it's also possible just to arrive and pay cash at the gate, but a place cannot be guaranteed if you do this. More info and registration form here... <https://www.autoitaliacanberra.com/exhibit-2021.html>

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FYI, we had our first Committee Meeting via Zoom in February, which I believe was relatively painless and allowed more members to join in, so it may happen regularly in future.

Warren Smith  
2021 President.



Photo by Vince Bruzzese

Vince  
BRUZZESE



## 2021 FIAT Club NSW Annual General Meeting. President's Report for 2020 Club Year.

Thanks everyone for coming along today to ensure that your club continues to function smoothly even in these trying times.

Firstly, let me say that this is a very historic day in the history of the Club. It is the first time that an AGM has been held outdoors and we're probably the ONLY club in Australia who can say we've done it on our own land. So thank you Murray Irwin for suggesting it.

I also need to thank our 2020 Committee who have done the job required of them under trying circumstances, especially the Fiat Nationals committee members, who have had the unique task of cancelling venues and refunding money to all the entrants for last year's postponed event, as well as rebooking the venues for this year, which wasn't an easy or straightforward task. Thanks Michael and Susan who shouldered most of this work.

Also a big thank you to Giovanni for keeping the club ticking over with his organisation of the twice monthly Coffee Mornings. I'm sure all who attend appreciate your efforts.

Because of the Coronavirus pandemic, competition events were virtually non-existent, so your Committee decided that we would not award any of our competitive trophies as basically the only events were coffee mornings. However, a late decision was made to still award 2 of our trophies because they have nothing to do with competition, the first being the Patron's Award which is given to a member who the Committee decide has given outstanding help during the year. Justin Matthews is the worthy winner for his help with Ansell Park, especially with the recent building of the shed roof extension over the BBQ and sink.

The second trophy is just a bit of fun and is The Wooden Spoon, also known as the Stirrer's Trophy, given to a member by the previous recipient, because of consistent silly behaviour and comments during the year.

I'll close now and wish you all a happy and healthy 2021 and hope you can make it to some of our events, especially the Nationals in September.

Domenic Squadrito then presented the Wooden Spoon to the 2020 stirrer, Dean Ryan.

Warren Smith  
2020 President.



Photo by Vince Bruzzese

# Secretary's Report

## Fiat Club NSW – Social Meeting - Ansell Park – Sunday February 7, 2021

**Welcome:** Warren Smith opened the meeting at 11:15 a.m. and welcomed members and newcomers to Ansell Park.

### Apologies:

- Peter Armstrong, Nick Tozzi, Bob Lipa, Robert McDonald, Joe Vardenega, Vince Bruzzese, George Paspalas, Colin McDiarmid, John Elchaar, Dimitrie Marsala, John Carruthers, Tony Todarello, Derrick De Silva, Adel Omar, Roger Malcolm, Graham Chegwiddden, Steve Gorman, Martin Gallard, Rebecca Gallard.

**Previous Minutes – Business Arising:** Nil.

### Correspondence:

Received the following magazines; The Pugilist from the Peugeot Car Club and Amatori Alfa magazine.

From the Membership Registrar, membership was 351 at the end of 2020.

From the Historic Plate Registrar, there are 197 vehicles in the club on historic registration.

### Ansell Park Report:

A working bee was conducted during the week (Wed 3rd Feb) to prepare Ansell Park for today's meeting. Grounds in very good condition and looking well.

### Competition Report:

Competition year is just starting up. Looking to continue with the junior clinic this year. A Toyota Echo has been donated to the club for the junior clinic.

### Next Events:

Huntley Hillclimb to be run on Sunday 28 February.

Round 1 of the Fiat Club's Motorkhana Championship will be held at Ansell Park on Sunday 14 March.

### Social Events:

This year's social events have gone well with two events that were well attended. Giovanni is on the lookout for, and would also like to be advised of any possible venues to visit that can provide a large car park and outdoor dining facilities.

### Next Events:

Benzin Café Dural, Sunday 28 February.

### Communications:

The editor referred to the club library that has many books, including workshop manuals, available for loan to club members. A list of books is included on the club's website.

### President's Report / 2020 Nationals Update:

The President noted that this was an historic day for the club as it is the first time it has been held outdoors and at the club's grounds at Ansell Park. The full President's report will be included elsewhere in the March edition of FIAT Focus.

### General Business:

Trophy Presentation for the 2020 Club year; As the 2020 club social and competition year had been severely disrupted, there most awards were not contested for the year. Two awards, however, were able to be decided on. These were –

**The Patron's award to Justin Matthews** for his great contribution and work he has put into Ansell Park

**The Stirrers Spoon** was presented to **Dean Ryan** and graciously accepted by him. This was well received by all those who were present.

### Meeting Closed / Next meeting TBA:

Social meeting suspended for AGM and election of the new committee. Closed at 11.30 a.m.

## Fiat Club NSW – Annual General Meeting – Ansell Park – 7 Feb 2021

### Welcome:

Tony Studans and Wayne McGeorge opened the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

### Apologies:

As per the social meeting.

### Election of Office Bearers. Refer to Committee Nomination and Election form.

The following members were elected;

**Club Patron** - Mr Nat Zanardo OAM

**President** - Warren Smith

**Vice President** - Murray Irwin

**Secretary** - Lorenzo Aventi

**Treasurer** - Susan Halliburton

**Committee person** - Adrian Sandrin

**Competition Secretary** - Michael McGeorge

**Assistant Competition Secretary** - Martin Gallard

**Editor** - Lorenzo Aventi

**Webmaster** - Mark Weinberger

**Merchandising** - Kevin Halliburton

**Public Officer** - Warren Smith

**Historic Plate Registrar** - Richard Dalziel

**Membership Registrar** - Cheryl Sandrin

**Social Event Coordinator** - Giovanni Ciampa

**CMC Delegate** - TBA

**Honorary Auditor** - Rebecca Gallard

**Ansell Park Coordinator** - Michael McGeorge

### Meeting Closed:

AGM closed at 11:54 a.m. with election of the new committee.

*Members then partook in the sausage sizzle & gelato.*



# Historic Vehicle Scheme (HVS) news

## Historic Vehicle Scheme (HVS) Update –

March 2021

In October 2020, Transport for NSW (TfNSW – formerly the RMS), issued a defined list of Period Options, Accessories & Safety Items, which are items acceptable for inclusion on historic (unmodified) vehicles. This list is available from the RMS website and is or will be available from the FCNSW website.

The CMC, while not consulted regarding the original list, have advised that one suggested restriction on retro-fitting a CD player (or later audio technology) to an HVS vehicle is excessive, and is actually acceptable in their opinion. So common sense has prevailed.

### What does it mean for FCNSW members and their vehicles?

The list is quite extensive and is mostly reasonable, however there is one item, to which **we need to pay particular attention, and that is changes to wheels.**

Wheels and tyres need to comply with two RMS documents,

VSI.06 - which identifies modifications which require an engineer's certificate, and those that do not. If the modification is effectively bolt on, and does not require a certificate, the vehicle can go on HVS. If it needs an engineer's certificate, then the vehicle needs to go on the classic vehicle scheme or CVS (the scheme for modified vehicles). The benefits and costs are essentially the same – an extra annual fee of \$25 applies to CVS. Item 13 addresses changes to wheel and tyre diameters.

VSI.09 - which specifically addresses changes to vehicle track width and wheel offset.

Many of our historic vehicles were supplied with 13" rims, but 14" or 15" rims may have been available as options, or available throughout the production period for the series.

It is perfectly acceptable to fit larger diameter rims, as long as the (sidewall) profile is reduced to compensate, to maintain the original outside diameter (or rolling diameter). Outside tyre diameters can be varied by a maximum of (plus or minus) 7%. It is usually not hard to select a suitable larger rim diameter tyre with a lower profile to comply with this VSI.06 condition, typically within 2-4%.

To comply with VSI.09, any increase in track width and wheel offset (combined), must not exceed 12.5mm per side (25mm in total), with regard to the maximum specified by the vehicle

manufacturer for wheels on the same axle. Wider rims are not an issue if the track width is not increased beyond this limit.

Vehicles manufactured since 1973 were required to be fitted with a tyre placard, which identifies the largest diameter wheel & tyre size combinations recommended by the manufacturer. Track widths are available from vehicle handbooks, workshop manuals and manufacturers specifications.

However, an issue which has been highlighted by the latest TfNSW list is compliance with "period correctness", yes, the other PC!

With regard to wheels, this document states that any new wheels need to be "period type", i.e. available when the vehicle was manufactured, or during the series production run. This may be an issue for some existing members.

Wheel styles can be original manufacture or replicas, but a style from say 2015 would be technically non-compliant for HVS, and require the vehicle to transfer to CVS at the next registration renewal.

It is important to realise that wheels are highly visible to any motorist, and many HVS users are self-appointed protectors of the scheme. As such, when they see a vehicle which does not appear to comply with HVS, they will report it to TfNSW or the CMC, which means the club needs to do an investigation for compliance.

While we can justify "period correct" rim changes up to 15" diameter, and potentially to 16" for some of the 1980 vehicles, which were specified with the short lived 390mm (15.35") rims, most HVS users know that 17" and larger rims did not come into general usage till the 1990s, which makes them non-compliant for 1970-1980 HVS vehicles, as do excessively wide rims, which may not meet track width compliance limits.

There are around 56,000 cars on HVS, which potentially means 35,000 sets of eyes that could see your car on the road, at a display or on social media, so sooner or later, someone is likely to question your vehicle if it appears to be non-compliant.

If you have changed your wheels and tyres since establishing your HVS, or want to, or are concerned with what you already have fitted, then give me a call and I will work through the process with you.

It may be OK, or simply mean changing to CVS at the next registration renewal.

**Contact: Richard Dalziel – FCNSW Historic Plate Registrar – 0412 709 228**

# Competition

## RETURN TO MOTOTRSPOET IS HERE

Hello all,

It's been a while but I can report the rumours are true. On this past weekend (Sunday 28 February) the Huntley hill climb returned to the calendar, and what a brilliant day in terms of weather and motorsport it was.

The event had 30 entrants, 3 of them being FIATs. Graham Bates was in his super fast 850 sports and the mighty 127s with Marty Gallard and myself taking the 127s for a shake down at the hill climb. We had no major problems with the 127s but we did stay on the cautious side of things as the first 2 rounds of the state hill climb championship begins at Bathurst next weekend. We did not want to be repairing our cars before then.

While Graham had to fight with is fuel pump after the 2<sup>nd</sup> run he was still able to put down the fastest FIAT time of the day.



So looking forward , our next event is the first round of our FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship, on Sunday 14th of March. We will also be running a junior clinic but this will have to be capped to a maximum of 8 juniors. **If you want to compete please get your entries in before the event via email.** (Email me if did not receive entry forms via club email group)

Also a big thank you to the guys at Mastertouch Automotive as they have come on board to sponsor the clinic by giving our club cars a full service to ensure they are ready for use at the clinic.

The cars have had a lot of

work done to them to get them ready for the year ahead.

We are also on the lookout for a car to replace one of our dual controlled vehicles. If you can help out that would be great. Just please contact me.

Thanks, Mic Mac.



# Competition Calendar

DATE	EVENT AND LOCATION	HVS code	Pointscore
<b>March 2021</b>			
Sat 6th - Sun 7th	NSW Hillclimb Championship Rd 1 & 2 - Bathurst	CE123060	No
Sun 7th	State Round Motorkhana - Awaba	CE123070	No
<b>Sun 14th</b>	<b>FIAT Club NSW Motorkhana Rd 1, President's Motorkhana TBC</b>	<b>CE123041a</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Sun 28th	State Round Motorkhana - Nirimba	CE123082a	No
<b>April 2021</b>			
Sat 10th - Sun 11th	State Round Motorkhana - Armidale	CE124001	No
Sun 11th	NSW Hillclimb Championship Rd 3 - Huntley	CE124011a	No
<b>May 2021</b>			
Sun 2nd	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Kempsey	CE125020	No
<b>Sun 23rd</b>	<b>FIAT Club NSW Motorkhana Rd 2</b>	<b>CE125032</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>June 2021</b>			
Sun 6th	State Round Motorkhana - Nirimba	CE126060a	No
Sun 13th	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Grafton	CE126031	No
<b>Sun 20th</b>	<b>FIAT Club NSW Motorkhana Rd 3</b>	<b>CE126002</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Sun 27th	Huntley Hillclimb - come and try day	CE126072	No
<b>July 2021</b>			
Sun 18th	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Tamworth	CE127081	No
Sun 25th	State Round Motorkhana - Nirimba	CE127052	No
<b>August 2021</b>			
<b>Sun 1st</b>	<b>FIAT Club NSW Motorkhana Rd 4</b>	<b>CE128010</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Sun 8th	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Ringwood	CE128080a	No
<b>Sat 21st</b>	<b>FIAT Club NSW Motorkhana Rd 5 - Day Night Motorkhana</b>	<b>CE128012</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Sun 22nd</b>	<b>FIAT Club NSW Motorkhana Rd 6</b>	<b>CE128022</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Sun 29th	State Round Motorkhana - SMP	CE128092a	No



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# FIAT Club Social Meeting at Ansell Park

A historic first for the Fiat Club occurred on Sunday February 7 when a social and Annual General Meeting was held at the Club's grounds at Ansell Park for the first time. A big thanks to the many members who attended for the big day and thanks to Vince Bruzzese, Mark Weinberger and Lorenzo Aventi for the photos.



Above; there was a good roll up of members for the club's Picnic day / AGM! Below; Dean Ryan proudly walks away with the Stirrer's Spoon.

Above; Susan Halliburton delivers the treasurer's report. Below; Tony Studans and Wayne McGeorge were the returning officers this year for the election for the committee.



# FIAT Club Social Meeting at Ansell Park - Photos



Above left is Lorraine Doel, Dean Ryan and Wayne McGeorge. Above right; Inez Mitchel, Susan Halliburton, Norm Mitchell and Richard Dalziel enjoy catching up after a year where many club activities were postponed or cancelled.



Clockwise, above left to right; Richard Dalziel & Warren Smith present Maurizio Puglisi with the official Club stamp for HVS paperwork; Tony Studans and Maurizio Puglisi admire the engine bay of an immaculate Coupe; Michael McGeorge and Giovanni Ciampa looking over Michael's recently completed FIAT 127 motorkhana special; 500 Abarths, old and new; Cheryl and Adrian Sandrin with Iain Shannon.



## FIAT Club Social Meeting at Ansell Park - Photos



Above; Michael McGeorge unveiled his new FIAT 127 motorkhana Special. It looks very similar to his track car, however, this one has a rear mounted 2000 cc Lancia Motor! Below, Norm Mitchell's 2300 with a couple of Abarths in the background.



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# Coffee Breaks for March 2021

## Coffee Break!

come join like minded **FIAT** enthusiasts over breakfast and a coffee...



this month's location



**When:** Sunday 14th March 2021

**Where:** The LOBBY Cafe

38 Frazer Street  
Lilyfield NSW 2040

**Time:** 9:00am - 11:00am



HSV code: CE020101



## Burger break!

come join like minded **FIAT** enthusiasts enjoy a burger at sunset...



the location

**When:** Sunday 28th March 2021

**Where:** Superior Burger

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**Time:** 6:00pm - 10:00pm

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# coffee break (write up)

31st January 2021

The Grid Cafe @ Oran Park



The Grid Cafe out at Oran Park has provided our club with a great outdoor venue to meet up for breakfast and socialise around our cars in a COVID safe way.

A great variety of old and new model FIATs were on display. Some in original spec and some not so original, showing various stages of personal modifications.

The highlight for me was listening to club members talk so passionately about their cars and sharing their plans for modifications or new project builds to start or close to being completed!

The weather held off just enough before we all decided it was time to leave.

To all our FIATfanatico's thanks for coming, keep safe and see you at the next event.

Ciao Giovanni Ciampa  
( social events co-ordinator )  
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# coffee break (write up)

28th February 2021  
Benzin Cafe @ Dural



Benzin Cafe provided a great location for our end of month coffee break and combined with COVID restrictions relaxing, we had a bumper turn out!



Regretfully I wasn't able to attend but I was told by Mark that the high light of the morning was the very rare and immaculately restored X1/9 Abarth Stradale.

A big thank you to Mark for taking and sharing his photos...and a massive appreciation to all club members and family, friends who attended on the day.



We hope to see many more cars and members at the next event.

Ciao Giovanni Ciampa  
(social events co-ordinator)  
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The screenshot shows the website's header with navigation links: Home, Magazine, The club, Memberships, Events, Car registration, Motorsport, and Contact us. Below the navigation is a status bar indicating 'All Fiat Club events suspended' and 'Latest wright up' with social media icons. The main content area features the text: 'FIAT Club of New South Wales Website: [www.fiatclub.com.au](http://www.fiatclub.com.au)'. Below this is a grid of images showing various Fiat cars and club events. At the bottom, there are logos for sponsors: 'LIFTORQUE', 'BankstownSports', 'X1/9 AUSTRALIA', and 'MASTERTOUCH AUTOMOTIVE'. A small copyright notice at the bottom left reads '© 2020 Fiat Club of New South Wales Inc.' and a date 'Updated 08/04/2020' is at the bottom right.

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