

# FIAT focus

THE JOURNAL OF THE FIAT CLUB OF NEW SOUTH WALES Inc. (Est. 1949)



# Notice of Annual General Meeting of the Fiat Club of New South Wales Inc.

Dear Members,

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Fiat Club of New South Wales will be held ON SATURDAY MARCH 19, 2022 (TO BE CONFIRMED) at the Fiat Club's grounds, Ansell Park, at 2 Percival Street, Clarendon, on the corner of Percival Street and Hawkesbury Valley Way. The event will also include the 2021 FIAT Club of NSW Concorso (a little delayed but something for members to look forward to this summer at the glorious Ansell Park grounds). Lunch is to be provided.

Remember that the success of any club is based on its members participation. The Club and Committee are always looking for new people, new committee members, new ideas and an understanding of what you, the general membership, want from the Club.

All members are invited and encouraged to attend.

All committee positions will be declared vacant and nominations for all positions are sought.

Nominations may be sent to the Secretary ([secretary@fiatclub.com.au](mailto:secretary@fiatclub.com.au)) prior to the event, or, be made on the day of the meeting. Nominations must be accepted by the nominee and be seconded by a member.

All members who attend and vote on the day must be a 2021 financial member of the Fiat Club of New South Wales (Note that your current 2021 membership has been extended to June 31, 2022).

Send your nomination (see nomination form below) in now and avoid disappointment.

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	<b>VICE PRESIDENT</b>	<b>SECRETARY</b>
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## Fiat Club of NSW Inc.

### Annual General Meeting 2022

#### Nomination Form for 2022—2023 Office Bearers and Committee

I, (print full name): .....

of (print address): .....

wish to nominate for a committee position with the Fiat Club of NSW Inc. as circled below.

Office Bearers: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Membership Secretary

Specific Committee: Editor, Webmaster, Competition Secretary, Events Co-ordinator

General Committee: A/Competition Secretary, Ansell Park Co-ordinator, CMC Delegate, Librarian,

Historic Plates Registrar, A/Historic Plates Registrar, Merchandise Officer,

Ordinary Member

Appointments: Patron, Auditor and Public Officer

Signed by the Nominee: .....

Proposed by: ..... Seconded by: .....

Please forward your signed nomination form to the club Secretary ([secretary@fiatclub.com.au](mailto:secretary@fiatclub.com.au))

Nominations should be received 7 days prior to the advertised AGM meeting date.

The secretary can arrange for your nomination to be seconded by a club / committee member.

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## **FIATFocus acknowledgements;**

**FIAT Focus** is the monthly journal of the FIAT Club of NSW. **Many thanks to all those who contributed to this edition of Fiat Focus.**

**Cover Photo;** The Lancia Delta is an modern Icon of the Rally scene which came to dominate the World Championship Rally series from the late 1980s to the early 1990s. It is no wonder that around the world they have become very collectible including here in Australia. Five fine examples found their way to the Mastertouch workshops late last year for a little refreshing. If so many of these Lancias can be found at one workshop at the same time, I wonder how many more Deltas exist in this country!

**FIATFocus Magazine is available from the FIAT Club of New South Wales website. If you are after any of the issues from 2019 to the present just go to the club's website at [www.fiatclub.com.au](http://www.fiatclub.com.au), click on the 'Magazine' tab and download the magazine you are looking for.**

**Disclaimer:** The views expressed in advertisements and articles published in this magazine are not necessarily those of the FIAT Club of NSW.

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

**Historic Vehicle Use - always remember to carry the following 4 items; 1. Club Run - carry a "paper, not electronic" copy of the club calendar with the event listed, 2. Personal Use - fill in your RMS log sheet before you leave - as fines & points apply, 3. Certificate of Approved Operations (purple A5 sheet issued by the RMS), 4. FCNSW membership card - to confirm your financial status.**

**All listed events to be confirmed subject to Covid restrictions.**

DATE	EVENT AND LOCATION	Point score
<b>February 2022</b>		
Tues 1st	Oasis Run - details TBC	No
Sun 6th	FIAT Club of New South Wales Picnic Day & Annual General Meeting TBC	Yes
Tues 8th	Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club CANCELLED	
Sat 12th	Gnoo Blas Classic Car, Truck & Bike Show - Orange	No
Sun 20th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Kokoda at Concord TBC	
<b>March 2022</b>		
Tues 1st	Oasis Run - Glenalvon House Campbelltown TBC	No
Sun 6th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Cavalinos at Terry Hills TBC	Yes
Tues 8th	Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club TBC	Yes
Sat 19th	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship Rd 1 - day / night event TBC	Yes
Sun 20th	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship Rd 2 & President's Motorkhana TBC	Yes
Sun 27th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Pasticceria Massimo Papa, Fairy Meadow TBC	Yes
<b>April 2022</b>		
Sun 3rd	Auto Italia	Yes
Tues 5th	Oasis Run - Glenalvon House Campbelltown	No
Sun 10th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - The Grid, Oran Park Town	Yes
Tues 12th	Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club TBC	Yes
Sat 23rd	Vintage Sports Car Club/ Alvis Car Club Gymkhana - Ansell Park	No
Sun 24th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Maggios, Cammeray	Yes
<b>May 2022</b>		
Sun 8th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Benzin Café, Dural	Yes
Tues 10th	Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club TBC	Yes
Fri 13th - Sun 15th	Bathurst 12 Hour Race	No
Sun 15th	National Heritage Motoring Day	Yes
Sun 22nd	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship Rd 3	Yes
Sun 29th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Patio @ Putney	Yes
<b>June 2022</b>		
Sun 12th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Cavallinos, Terry Hills	Yes
Tues 14th	Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club TBC	Yes
Sun 19th	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship Rd 4	Yes
Sun 26th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Kokoda at Concord	Yes
Sun 26th	Huntley Hillclimb - Come & Try day	No
<b>July 2022</b>		
Sun 10th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Break By The Bay, Carrs Park	Yes
Tues 12th	Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club TBC	Yes
Sun 24th	Christmas in July - ENZO's Cucina, Camden	Yes
Sun 31st	Rain outdate for FIAT Club Motorkhana	Yes

# 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 THESE EVENTS MAY BE SUBJECT TO ANY RESTRICTIONS OR RULES THAT ARE IN PLACE AT THE TIME

### Upcoming Events

#### 1 February 2022. **\*CONFIRMED\***

**MEET:** McMahon Park, McMahons Park Rd. Kurrajong. **TIME:** From 10.30am onwards.

**B.Y.O:** Morning Tea. Some seating available but bring a chair.

**LUNCH:** 12.30pm Archibald Hotel, 1349 Bells Line Of Road, Kurrajong Heights.

**\*CAUTION\* OBSERVE ALL SPEED LIMITS**

TBA Details Les Phone 9838 8063., MOB: 0418 973 866, Email: mumspalace@hotmail.com

#### 1 March 2022. **\*CONFIRMED\***

Glenalvon House, 8 Lithgow St, Cnr Carberry Lane, Campbelltown. Arrive before 10.30 am for morning tea and a tour of the Historic Glenalvon House. There is a multi-storey carpark in Carberry lane, opposite the RSL (2 hr free parking). The Parking Station, Glenalvon House & R.S.L. Club are all adjacent to each other. Minimal walking required.

**Lunch:** 12.30pm Campbelltown R.S.L. which is immediately behind Glenalvon **BOOK NOW:** This is a pre-paid event (for morning teas & tour) so I need definite numbers & cash payment in advance.

**NO \$10.00 PAYMENT = NO MORNING TEA = NO TOUR. BOOKINGS CLOSE 15th FEBRUARY 2022**

**NO LATE BOOKINGS, no IOUs, & please no walk in's on the day. DETAILS: Les Watton**

***\*WANTED URGENTLY\* More names for our March outing to Glenalvon House. I only have five names at the moment which is not enough for a group booking. Please book & pay me at the February outing if you are interested in coming.***

#### 5 April 2022. **\*CONFIRMED\***

**MEET:** City Of Canada Bay Museum, 1 Bent St. Cnr. Wellbank St. Concord. **TIME:** 10.00 am.

**\*NO MORNING TEA AVAILABLE\* ADMISSION: FREE.** Generous donations will be gratefully received.

**LUNCH:** Powell's Creek Reserve, Victoria Ave. Concord West. Some seating available

**B.Y.O:** Everything Picnic Lunch. **DETAILS:** Les Watton.

#### 3 May 2022. **\*TO BE CONFIRMED\***

**LUNCH:** Lynwood Country Golf Club, 4 Pitt Town Bottoms Rd. Pitt Town. , **Details:** Murray Irwin - MOB: 0449 896 008

#### JUNE 7<sup>th</sup> 2022 **\*TO BE CONFIRMED\***

**WHERE:** National Studebaker Museum of Australia. **LUNCH:** The Oaks Hotel, 36 John St The Oaks. **DETAILS:** Les Watton

### INVITED EVENTS

First Sunday of each month; Cars 'n' Coffees at St Ives Showground - 8am to 11 am.  
East Hills Charity Car Show - Sunday 6 March 2022.

# CLUB COMMITTEE AND OFFICIALS

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Bank - National Australia Bank (NAB)

BSB 082-067

Account 03 665 7020

Account Name - FIAT Club of NSW Inc.

## SOCIAL MEETINGS

Held at 7:30pm on the second Tuesday of the month at the Bankstown Sports Club, 8 Greenfield Parade Bankstown, NSW, 2200.

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

## Life Members

- Tony Bray
- Steve Gotch
- Pauline Gotch
- Doug Tory
- John Godfrey
- Warren Smith
- Graham Mumby
- Wal Glading
- Alan Steele
- Hank Breen
- Ian Allison
- Kevin Halliburton
- Susan Halliburton
- Tony Studans
- Wayne McGeorge
- Michael McGeorge
- Naomi McGeorge



## Annual General Meeting

Sorry everyone, but the committee has decided that the AGM at Ansell Park should be postponed for a month and will be held in March.

There are several reasons for this with the Covid-19 situation being one of them, but as we are likely to have way fewer members attend the AGM, we want to make sure that all members have a chance to nominate for a position. To that end, you will be getting an email with a Nomination Form attached, which you are asked to fill in with your name and sign, then return this to the Secretary if you intend to stand for any position. If you can also get signatures of a proposer and a seconder, this would be good (must be current club members), but not mandatory (we can arrange those signatories). The form should also be included in this magazine.

We have been checking our Club Constitution for rules covering the situation we are in and have found that a quorum for any club meeting is 5 members. This includes the AGM, so as long as we get all the nominations in at least 7 days before the AGM, we can easily run the election, even if the actual nominees are not present.

You may remember that in January, I asked members via email to reply telling me if they would attend the AGM at Ansell Park in person. Out of 75 replies, there were 10 “YES’s” which I actually thought was encouraging, as quite a lot of the “NO’s” were from seldom seen members.

I’m unsure at the time of writing if we can hold the 2021 Concorso d’Eleganza. With only 10 “YES’s, as mentioned above, it would hardly be worth it!

Also, at time of writing this, we are still waiting to find out if Bankstown Sports Club will again sponsor our Social Meetings as they have done for several years. If we get a knockback this time, we may be looking for another social meeting venue, so if you have any ideas, please get in touch.

Ideas for Club Breakfasts and drive days would also be greatly appreciated, but they must be Covid-19 safe venues - i.e. outdoor areas.

**Warren Smith**  
**2021 President**

## New Members

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

Enrico, Mirella, Christian, Gabriella and Alexia Broletto – 1982 Fiat 124 Spider Convertible

## Competition Calendar

The Competition Secretary has been working hard to secure dates for members to compete in Supersprints, Hillclimbs and Motorkhanas FOR 2022. Sadly, just as we all thought we could get back into the swing of things, new outbreaks of Covid mean that we have to take care of ourselves and others and face the prospect of more events being cancelled. However, if things improve soon enough, we can look forward to the events we may be able to participate in. Please have a look at the **competition calendar** on the next page for a list of events that the FIAT Club has organised or been invited to for this year. *(editor)*

# Competition Calendar

DATE	EVENT AND LOCATION	Point score
<b>February 2022</b>		
Sun 13th	NSW Motorkhana Championship - Awaba TBC	No
Sun 20th	Huntley Hillclimb Rd 1 TBC	No
<b>March 2022</b>		
Sat 5th - Sun 6th	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Rd 1 & 2, Bathurst	No
Sat 19th	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship Rd 1 - day / night event	Yes
Sun 20th	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship Rd 2 including President's Motorkhana	Yes
Sun 27th	NSW Motorkhana Championship - Awaba	No
<b>April 2022</b>		
Sat 9th	NSW Motorkhana Championship - Armidale	No
Sun 10th	Huntley Hillclimb - State Round	No
Sat 16th	Supersprint - SMP, GP Circuit (SSCC)	No
<b>May 2022</b>		
Sun 1st	NSW Motorkhana Championship - Nirimba	No
Sun 15th	Supersprint - Pheasant Wood (SSCC)	No
Sun 15th	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Kempsey	No
Sun 15th	NSW Motorkhana Championship - Nirimba	No
Sun 22nd	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship Rd 3	Yes
<b>June 2022</b>		
Sun 5th	NSW Motorkhana Championship - Nirimba	No
Sun 12th	Supersprint - Wakefield Park (SSCC)	No
Sun 12th	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Grafton	No
Sun 19th	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship Rd 4	Yes
Sun 26th	Huntley Hillclimb - Come & Try day	No
<b>July 2022</b>		
Sun 10th	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Tamworth	No
Sun 24th	NSW Motorkhana Championship - Nirimba	No
Sun 31st	Rain outdate for Club Motorkhana	Yes
<b>August 2022</b>		
Sun 7th	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Ringwood	No
Sun 14th	Supersprint - Wakefield Park (SSCC)	No
Sat 27th	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship Rd 5 - day / night event	Yes
Sun 28th	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship Rd 6	Yes
<b>September 2022</b>		
Sun 4th	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Gunnedah	No
Sun 11th	NSW Motorkhana Championship - Sydney Motorsport Park	No
Sun 18th	Huntley Hillclimb	No
<b>October 2022</b>		
Sat 1st - Sun 2nd	AROCA 6 Hour Regularity Race - Winton	No
Mon 3rd	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Canberra (SDMA)	No
Sun 16th	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship Rd 7	Yes
<b>November 2022</b>		
Sat 5th	Skidpan - SMP (SSCC)	No
Sun 13th	Huntley Hillclimb	No
Sun 13th	Supersprint - SMP, Druitt Circuit (SSCC)	No



# Hello Fiat Club Members

It is that time of year when I'm usually sending you an email reminding you to fill out a current membership form and send your annual payment to the Club.

## **Not this year though.**

This is just a reminder **NOT** to send your annual payment to the Club, yet!

You hopefully recall that the Committee decided some time ago that for those members who were current financial members at the beginning of 2021, that we would extend their membership by 6 months for free. This was in consideration of the fact that due to the COVID-19 restrictions, so many of our Club activities had to be cancelled during 2020/21.

At the same time, we have changed the date to renew your membership. Our membership year will now run as follows:

**Twelve month memberships will now fall due on 1 July each year and expire on 30 June the following year.**

**Six month memberships will now fall due on 1 January to 30 June each year.**

The lead up to Christmas and the New Year is a busy time of year for everyone and the Committee decided on this change of membership year so that members weren't being asked to fill out their form and send their money during the hectic holiday season.

**From now on, you will receive your reminder to renew in June each year.**

Due to this extension of membership until 30 June 2022, we won't be issuing new membership cards to current members, until the new renewal due on 1 July 2022. This will mean that your current membership card will have the incorrect year and expiry date on the back of the card, for the first 6 months of 2022.

This should only affect HVS members and motorsport competitors, who must be able to prove membership of a car club, if requested.

## **HVS MEMBERS AND MOTORSPORT COMPETITORS**

I am happy to send you a separate email, confirming that you are a financial member of the Fiat Club until 30 June 2022, which you can carry in your car, in case you need to prove your membership. I'm sure that this would serve as enough confirmation of membership.

If you have any queries regarding this information, please don't hesitate to contact myself or a Committee member.

Best wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Fiat Club NSW.

Kind regards

**Cheryl Sandrin**  
Membership Registrar 2021

# Microcars Exhibition - Powerhouse Museum, Sydney

Recently, I attended an exhibition of microcars (many of which were available for sale in Australia in the late 1950s and 60s) which is currently on show at the Powerhouse Museum.

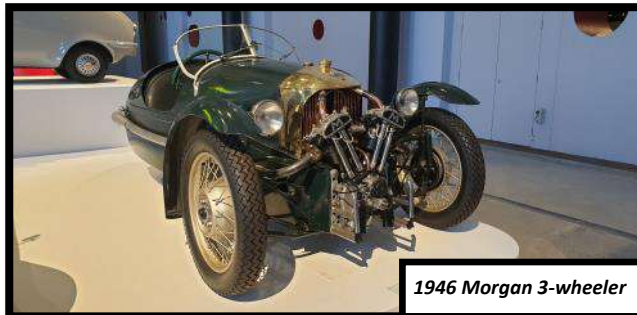
Included in the exhibition are some locally produced vehicles such as the Goggomobile Dart and Van (built by Bill Buckle in Sydney) as well as examples of the Lightburn Zeta Wagon and Sports. Most of the vehicles are restored examples, however, there are a few cars that look to be in original condition.



From left to right; Lambretta PLF 175; Heinkel Kabine looks tiny next to the Goggomobile van, itself quite a small vehicle; Messerschmitt KR200

From the Powerhouse Museum exhibition introduction; -

*"Microcars hit their peak popularity in the years directly after WWII when factories in Germany and Italy, no longer making military aircraft, re-tooled to meet another demand: freedom – now cheap and available to the masses. Tiny, economical cars were perfect for this environment. Using scooter engines, and super-light bodies, Messerschmitt, BMW, Heinkel, and Lambretta popularised the microcar. Their appealing (if cramped) aesthetic soon spread across the world: Britain, Japan, and Australia all created versions of the microcar. Most notably in Australia the Goggomobil Dart and the*



1946 Morgan 3-wheeler



*most versatile of microcars, the Zeta Runabout.*

...

*This exhibition will feature microcars from the Powerhouse Collection and a selection of loans from notable Australian collectors. It will also examine contemporary electric and hybrid microcars such as the Renault Twizy and the Smartcar now seeing a resurgence due to the damaging impact large petrol engine vehicles are having on our world." - Taken from the Powerhouse Museum website.*

The exhibition is free and will continue until August 7, 2022. It is held at the Museum at 500 Harris Street, Ultimo.

(by L Aventi)



A pair of Zetas - the Runabout and the Wagon



1964 Scootacar

## Jottings and Gossip

Despite a year or two of limited activities due to the Covid outbreak, the number of **classic FIATs in the club that are registered on the Historic Registration Scheme continues to grow.**

The make up of classic vehicles in the club changes over time, however, it does not surprise to see that most of the classic FIAT models we have are made up the 124, X1/9 and 500. Below is the latest list of HVS cars in the Club which currently stands at 148 vehicles;

MODEL	No.
FIAT 124	45
FIAT 500	35
FIAT X1/9	19
FIAT 131	10
FIAT 850	8
FIAT 600	5
FIAT 2300	3
FIAT 128	3
Topolino	2
1200 Cabriolet	2
FIAT 1500	2
FIAT 1100	1
FIAT 130	2
FIAT 127	1
FIAT 132	1
FIAT Regata	1
Vintage FIAT	2
Niki	1
Lancia	5

Of the 124s in the club, there are 24 Spiders, 15 CC, 2 BC and 3 AC Coupes, and one Special T.

**A couple of FIAT 500s** are up for auction at **Shannons** during February. As has been the case over the past couple of years, this will be a timed auction where the lots on the catalogue will be available to bid on for a week.

One of the 500s is a 1968, F model which looks reasonable but could do with some finishing touches. The other is also a 1968 F model which has had the interior upholstered and is fitted with the larger 650cc engine from the Niki.

A couple of Italian commercial vehicles for sale that may be of interest are two three wheeled tray back utes! One is a 1960 Lambretta, the other is a rather spartan 1950 Moto Guzzi. I remember seeing a similar Moto Guzzi 'truck' some 40 years ago in Italy. It was abandoned in a farm shed, quite worn out but complete including a fully enclosed cabin similar to the Lambretta.



**Lambretta**

To view these and other vehicles up for auction from February 22 to March 1, go to

[Australia's Leading Classic Car & Bike Auction House | Shannons](#)

**Motor Guzzi 'truck' up for auction at Shannons**



**Nominations for the FIAT Club 2022 Committee positions** are required if you wish to participate. A nomination form is included on page 2 of this magazine.

Each year, FIAT Focus reports on the **total vehicle sales in Australia** and you will find an article on this in FIAT NEWS. It is interesting to see that **for 2022, sales of FIAT increase about 36% over the previous year.** Sales were mainly of the FIAT 500 and Ducato van.

Sales of the 500 had hovered around 500 units for the past few years (actually, 520 units for 2020) so it was a bit of a jump to 739 units for 2021, a significant increase of 219 cars (42%) over the past year. Unfortunately the data does not distinguish between the basic FIAT and Abarth models as the statistics do not list Abarth as a separate brand.

Sales of the Ducato van reached 1277 units for 2021.

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## Australia's 2021 new car sales detailed in full -

A smidgen under 1.05 million new cars were counted as sold during a turbulent 2021, up 14.5 per cent. But supply issues are still a factor.

Mike Costello NEWS EDITOR,

(Extract from Carexpert.com.au). For the full article go to [VFACTS: Australia's 2021 new car sales detailed in full | CarExpert](#)

New vehicle sales in Australia climbed 14.5 per cent in 2021 over 2020, despite ongoing supply shortages leading to wait times and limited opportunities for discounts.

The Federal Chamber of Automotive Industries (FCAI) today said 1,049,831 new vehicles were counted as sold for the calendar year, up from 916,968 during the interrupted 2020.

### In brief:

HiLux edges Ranger into top spot.

Toyota top, Mazda second, Hyundai edges out Ford for third.

MG ninth, Great Wall 14th as Brand China grows at pace.

Private sales growing, business fleets far less so.

Electric vehicles up almost 200 per cent.

### Brands

Toyota was the top-selling brand for the 25th straight year, and the HiLux was the nation's top-selling vehicle for the sixth year in a row. Toyota also made the top-selling passenger vehicle (Corolla) and SUV (RAV4) in market.

Toyota has been market leader in 1991-94, 1998, 2000 and every year since 2003. It has also been the leader in commercial vehicles since 1979 – an unbroken run of 43 years.

In fact, Toyota products topped nine different market segments (Small Car, Medium Car, Medium SUV, Large SUV, Upper Large SUV, Light Buses, Medium Buses, Vans 2.5-3.5t, and 4x4 Utes), further showing its dominance.

Second was Mazda, up 18.1 per cent with 101,119 sales, making it the only other OEM to hit above 100,000 annual sales.

Hyundai snared third with 72,872, just edging Ford (71,380) into fourth. The two brands grew respectively by 12.4

and 19.8 per cent. Rounding out the top five was Kia on 67,964, up 21.2 per cent – meaning the number-two Korean brand got pretty close to knocking off its Hyundai sibling.

Positions six to 10 on the list were occupied by Mitsubishi (67,730, up 16.1 per cent), Nissan (41,263, up 7.7 per cent), Volkswagen (40,770, up 3.8 per cent), MG (39,025, up 155.9 per cent, becoming the first Chinese brand to make the top 10), and Subaru (37,015, up 17.5 per cent).

Knocking on the door were Isuzu Ute (35,735 sales, up 61.6 per cent), luxury leader Mercedes-Benz (33,034 sales, down 8.8 per cent including both passenger and commercials), BMW (24,891, up 5.8 per cent), Great Wall Motor – GWM and Haval – (18,384 sales, up a staggering 251.2 per cent from a low base), and Honda (17,562, down 39.5 per cent in a poor return).

Smaller-volume car makers that grew at a greater rate than the overall market included LDV (up 62.9 per cent), Skoda (up 39.0 per cent), Volvo (up 17.2 per cent), Jeep (up 35.0 per cent), Ram Trucks (up 21.2 per cent), SsangYong (up 70.1 per cent), Peugeot (up 31.8 per cent), and Genesis (up 220.5 per cent).

### Models

Nipping at the HiLux's heels for top spot was the Ford Ranger, in the outgoing model's final sales year head of the new model due during 2022. The Ford's 4x4 sales also topped the HiLux 4x4's haul (45,986 versus 39,587).

Third overall was the Toyota RAV4, about three-quarters of which were hybrids. Even with current wait lists averaging 11-12 months, sales are simply not abating.

Next spots were occupied by two small cars: the Toyota Corolla and its Hyundai i30 nemesis.

Here's a list of the top 20:

Model	Sales
1. Toyota HiLux	52,801
2. Ford Ranger	50,279
3. Toyota RAV4	35,751
4. Toyota Corolla	28,768
5. Hyundai i30	25,575
6. Isuzu D-Max	25,117
7. Mazda CX-5	24,968

8. Toyota Prado	21,299
9. Mitsubishi Triton	19,232
10. MG ZS	18,423
11. Kia Cerato	18,114
12. Mazda BT-50	15,662
13. Nissan Nirvara	15,113
14. Mitsubishi ASX	14,764
15. Mitsubishi Outlander	14,572
16. Toyota L' Cruiser Wagon	14,356
17. Hyundai Tucson	14,194
18. Mazda 3	14,126
19. Nissan X-Trail	13,860
20. MG 3	13,774

### Segments

We can also identify the most popular models in each vehicle segment.

#### Micro Cars:

Kia Picanto (6591), Mitsubishi Mirage (2198), Fiat 500 (739)

#### Light Cars under \$25,000:

MG 3 (13,774), Kia Rio (5644), Volkswagen Polo (5125)

#### Light Cars over \$25,000:

Mini Hatch (1866), Audi A1 (680), Citroen C3 (88)

#### Small Cars under \$40,000:

Toyota Corolla (28,768), Hyundai i30 (25,575), Kia Cerato (18,114)

#### Small Cars over \$40,000:

Mercedes-Benz A-Class (3793), BMW 1 Series (2741), BMW 2 Series Gran Coupe (2072)

#### Medium Cars under \$60,000:

Toyota Camry (13,081), Mazda 6 (1491), Skoda Octavia (1279)

#### People Movers:

Kia Carnival (5862), Honda Odyssey (1143), LDV G10 (1064)

#### Sports Cars under \$80,000:

Ford Mustang (2827), Mazda MX-5 (744), BMW 2 Series (454)

#### Sports Cars over \$80,000:

Mercedes-Benz C-Class (1131), BMW 4 Series (1107), Mercedes-Benz E-Class (337)

#### Sports Cars over \$200,000:

Porsche 911 (428), Ferrari range (194), Bentley Continental (100)

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## Light SUVs:

Mazda CX-3 (12,873),  
Toyota Yaris Cross (7828),  
Kia Stonic (7645)

## Small SUVs under \$40,000:

MG ZS (18,423),  
Mitsubishi ASX (14,764),  
Mazda CX-30 (13,309)

## Small SUVs over \$40,000:

Audi Q3 (5707),  
Volvo XC40 (3687),  
BMW X1 (2986)

## Medium SUVs under \$60,000:

Toyota RAV4 (35,751),  
Mazda CX-5 (24,968),  
Mitsubishi Outlander (14,572)

## Medium SUVs over \$60,000:

BMW X3 (4242),  
Volvo XC60 (3688),  
Audi Q5 (3604)

## Large SUVs under \$70,000:

Toyota Prado (21,299),  
Isuzu MU-X (10,618),  
Subaru Outback (10,490)

## Large SUVs over \$70,000:

Mercedes-Benz GLE (3591),  
BMW X5 (3173),  
Lexus RX (1908)

## Upper Large SUVs under \$100,000:

Toyota Land Cruiser Wagon (14,356),  
Nissan Patrol (3333)

## Upper Large SUVs over \$100,000:

Mercedes-Benz GLS (1110),  
BMW X7 (791),  
Mercedes-Benz G-Class (594)

## Light Vans:

Renault Kangoo (732),  
Volkswagen Caddy (691),  
Peugeot Partner (259)

## Medium Vans:

Toyota Hi Ace (9726),  
LDV G10 (3306),  
Ford Transit Custom (2488)

## Large Vans:

Mercedes-Benz Sprinter (2997),  
LDV Deliver 9 (1840),  
Fiat Ducato (1277)

## Light Buses:

Toyota Hi Ace (2427),  
Toyota Coaster (250),  
Ford Transit (168)

## 4x2 Utes:

Toyota HiLux (13,214),  
Isuzu D-Max (6478),  
Ford Ranger (4293)

## 4x4 Utes:

Ford Ranger (45,986),  
Toyota HiLux (39,587),  
Isuzu D-Max (18,639)

## 2021 Sales by Brand

	BRAND	SALES	CHANGE
1	Toyota	223,642	Up 9.2%
2	Mazda	101,119	Up 18.1%
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15	Honda	17,562	Down 39.5%
16	Suzuki	17,468	Up 12.1%
17	Audi	16,003	Up 0.9%
18	LDV	15,188	Up 62.9%
19	Lexus	9,290	Up 5.0%
20	Skoda	9,185	Up 39.0%
21	Volvo Car	9,028	Up 17.2%
22	Jeep	7,762	Up 35.0%
23	Renault	7,099	Up 2.8%
24	Land Rover	6,459	Up 1.9%
25	Porsche	4,428	Up 4.4%
26	Ram Trucks	4,025	Up 21.2%
27	Mini	3,579	Up 15.3%
28	SsangYong	2,978	Up 70.1%
29	Peugeot	2,805	Up 31.8%
30	Chevrolet GMSV	2,118	Up >999%
31	Fiat	2,016	Up 36.2%
32	Jaguar	1,222	Down 7.8%
33	Genesis	734	Up 220.5%
34	Alfa Romeo	618	Down 15.8%
35	Maserati	560	Up 19.9%
36	Bentley	219	Up 32.7%
37	Ferrari	194	Down 5.4%
38	Citroen	175	Down 13.8%
39	Chrysler	170	Down 22.0%
40	Aston Martin	140	Up 52.2%
41	Lamborghini	131	Up 18.0%
42	McLaren	88	Up 39.7%
43	Lotus	71	Up 20.3%
44	Rolls-Royce	48	Up 14.3%
45	Alpine	28	Up 300.0%
46	Morgan	3	Down 50.0%
47	Caterham	1	No change

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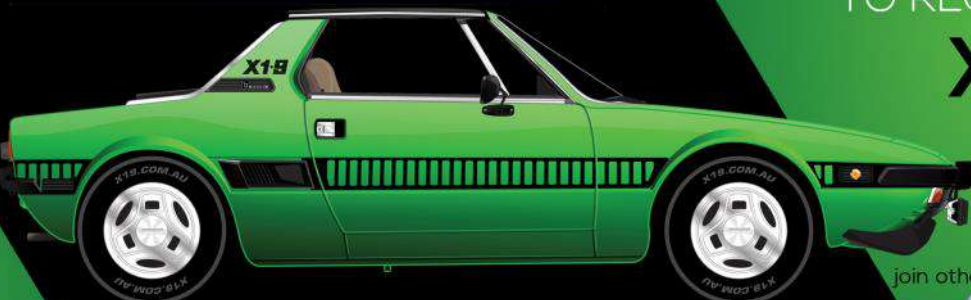
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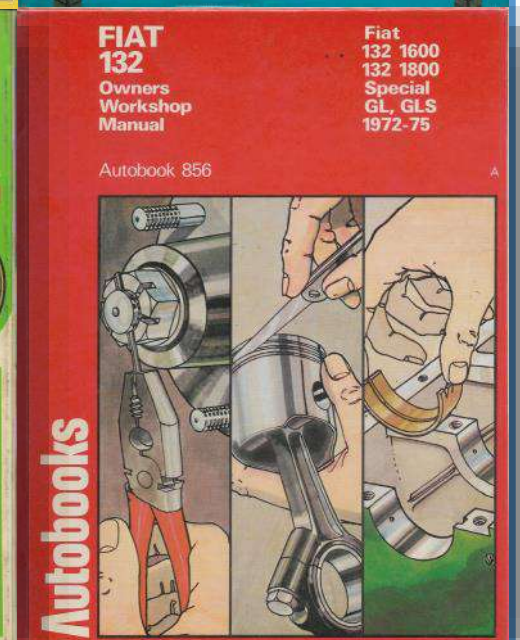
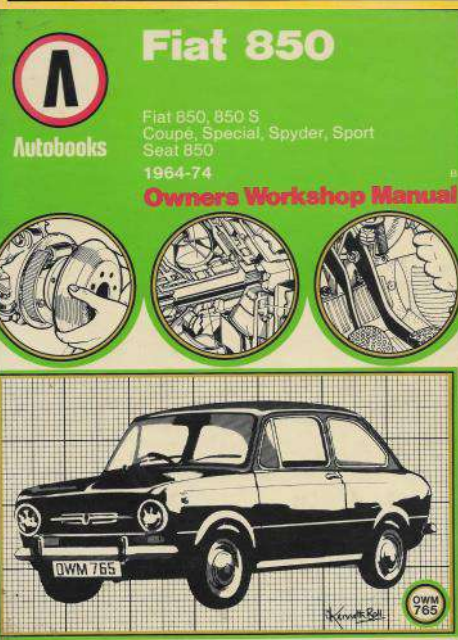
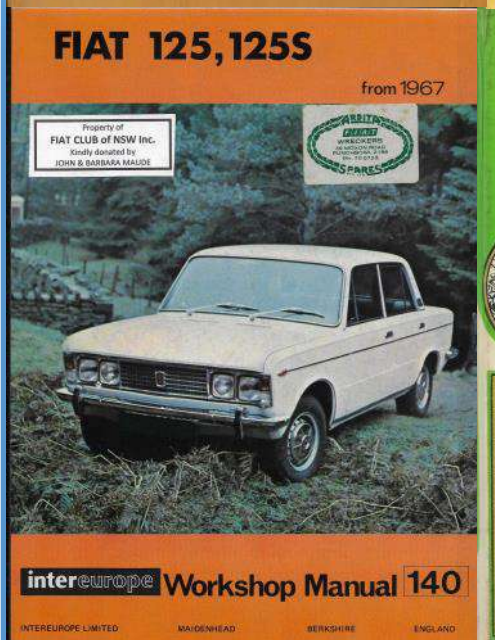
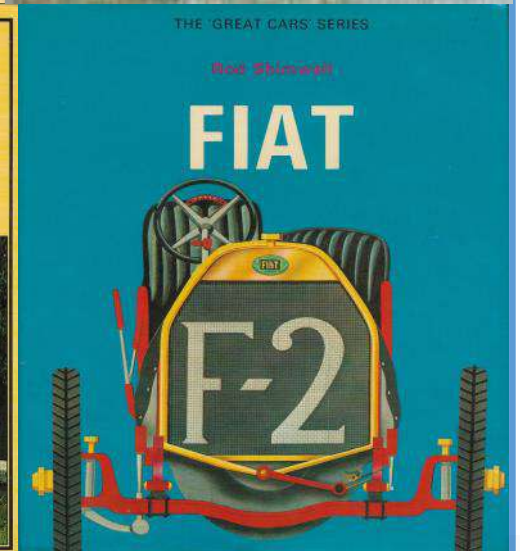
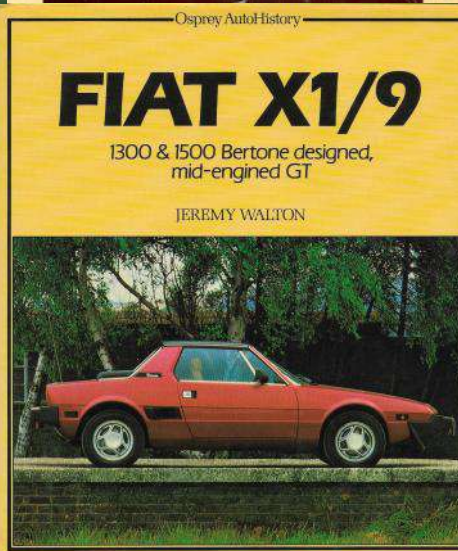
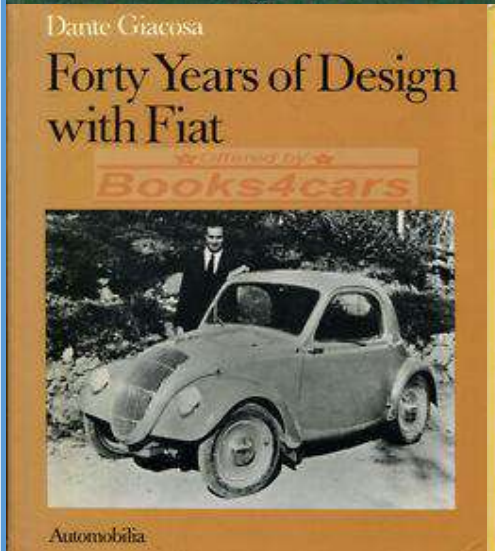
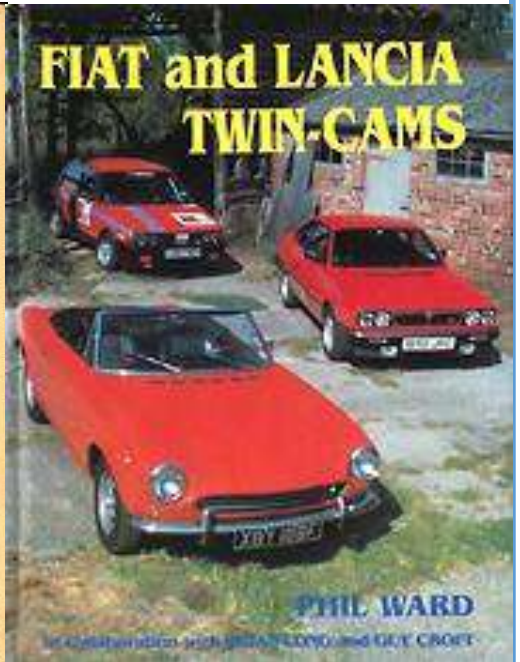
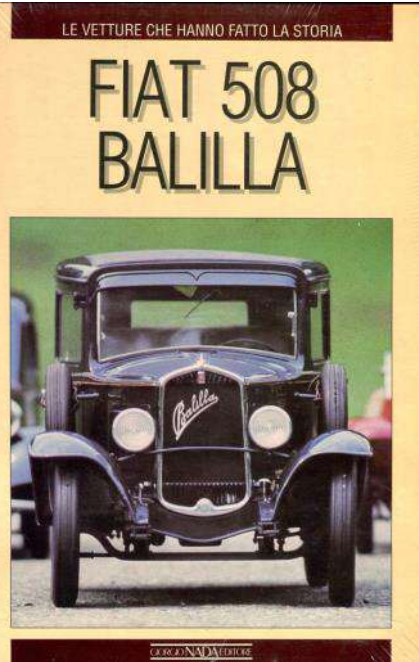
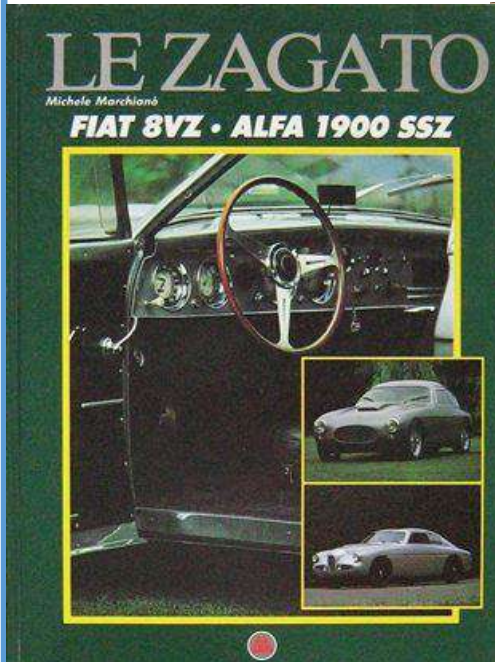
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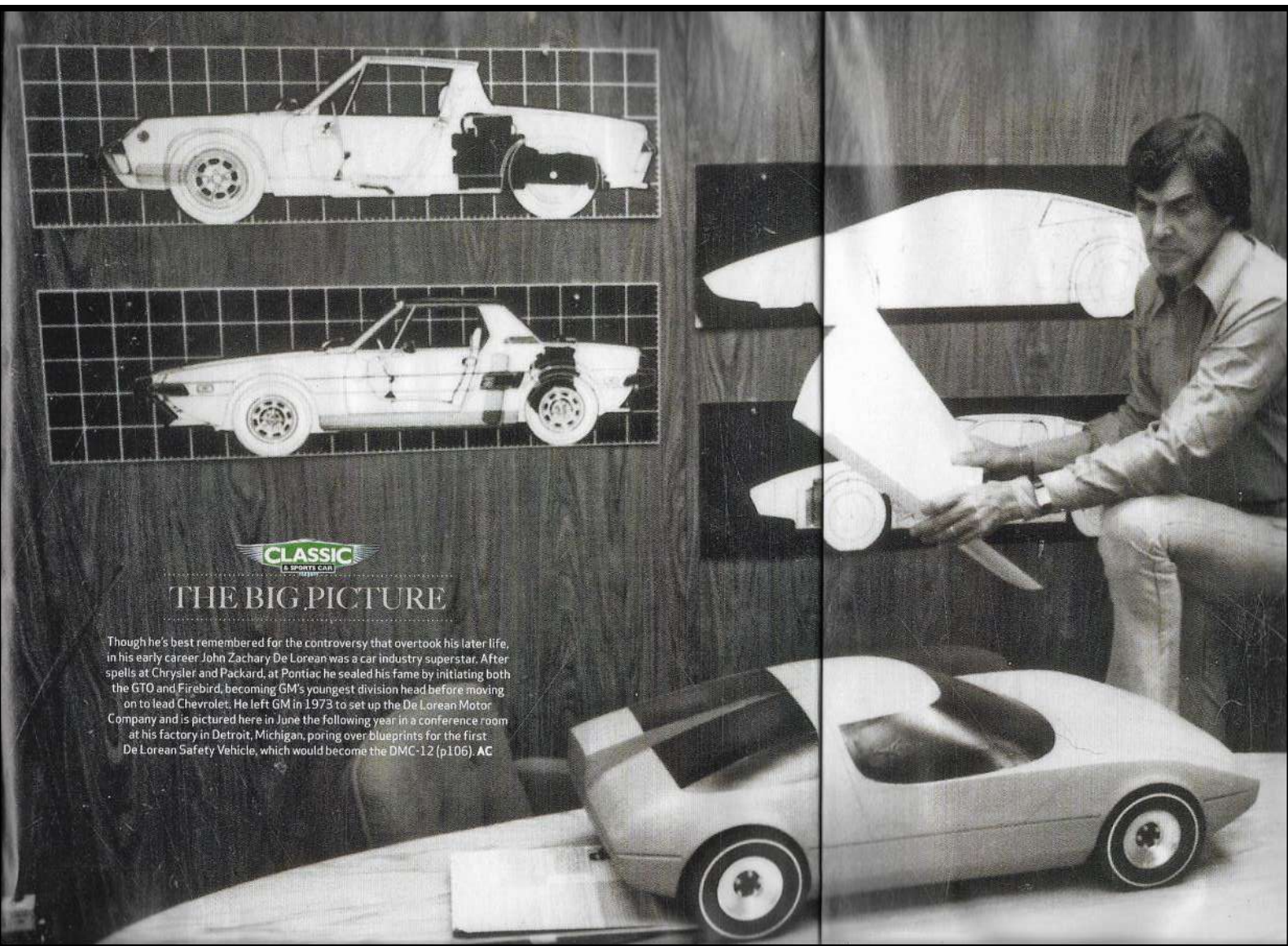
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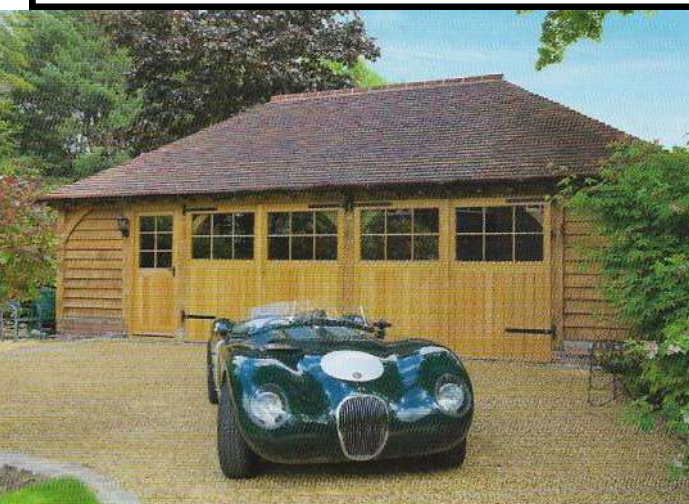


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### THE BIG PICTURE

Though he's best remembered for the controversy that overtook his later life, in his early career John Zachary DeLorean was a car industry superstar. After spells at Chrysler and Packard, at Pontiac he sealed his fame by initiating both the GTO and Firebird, becoming GM's youngest division head before moving on to lead Chevrolet. He left GM in 1973 to set up the DeLorean Motor Company and is pictured here in June the following year in a conference room at his factory in Detroit, Michigan, poring over blueprints for the first DeLorean Safety Vehicle, which would become the DMC-12 (p106). AC

The story of John DeLorean, his motor company and his premature death is often referred to and reported. However, he did distinguish himself as a car designer of note with some major motor companies in Detroit. The above photo shows him in his office exhibiting some obvious considerations for his proposed mid engine super-car that was to become infamous. (taken from *Classic & Sports Car (UK) magazine*, February 2021 edition)



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