

FIAT focus

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



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

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.

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.

DATE	EVENT AND LOCATION	Pointscore
June 2022		
Tues 7th	Oasis Run - Studebaker Museum	No
Sun 12th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Cavallinos, Terry Hills <i>(see page 10 for details)</i>	Yes
Tues 14th	Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club	Yes
Sun 19th	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship (CANCELLED)	
Sun 26th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Skyline Drive-In Cinema, Blacktown <i>(see page 10)</i>	Yes
Sun 26th	Huntley Hillclimb - Come & Try day	No
July 2022		
Tues 5th	Oasis Run	No
Sun 10th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Break By The Bay, Carrs Park	Yes
Tues 12th	Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club	Yes
Sun 24th	Christmas in July - ENZO's Cucina, Camden	Yes
Sun 31st	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship (NEW DATE) tbc	Yes
August 2022		
Tues 2nd	Oasis Run - Northern Beaches TBC	No
Sun 7th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Art of Gelato, Carramar	Yes
Tues 9th	Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club	Yes
Sun 14th	Shannons Sydney Classic - Sydney Motorsport Park <i>(see page 12 for details)</i>	Yes
Sun 21st	FIAT Club Coffee Break - The Lobby, Rozelle	Yes
Sat 27th	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship - day / night event	Yes
Sun 28th	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship	Yes
September 2022		
Tues 6th	Oasis Run - Mount Annan Botanical Gardens	No
Sun 11th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Pasticceria Massimo Papa, Fairy Meadow	Yes
Tues 13th	Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club TBC	Yes
Sun 18th	FIAT Club NSW annual Concorso TBC <i>(see page 12(see page 10 for details) for details)</i>	Yes
Sun 25th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Benzin Café, Dural	Yes
October 2022		
Sat 1st - Sun 2nd	AROCA 6 Hour Regularity Race - Winton	No
Tues 4th	Oasis Run - TBC	No
Sat 8th - Sun 9th	Bathurst 1000	No
Sun 9th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Armory Wharf Café, Newington	Yes
Tues 11th	Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club	Yes
Sun 16th	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship	Yes
Sun 23rd	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Sunset Drive-In Cinema, St Ives	Yes
Sun 30th	Norton Street Festival TBC	Yes
November 2022		
Sun 6th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Patio @ Putney	Yes
Tues 8th	Oasis Run - Remembrance Day	No
Tues 8th	Social Meeting, Bankstown Sports Club	Yes
Sun 27th	FIAT Club Coffee Break TBC	Yes

2022-23 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

All 2021 memberships are due for renewal as of 1st July, 2022 (excepting those new members who have joined recently). Membership fees remain unchanged.

When renewing your membership, please ensure that you complete the updated 2022-23 Membership Form which you will find included in this issue of FIAT Focus, or on our website www.fiatclub.com.au. Please email the form to membership@fiatclub.com.au, or mail to PO Box 3034, Bangor, NSW. 2234. Payment is via EFT or cheque. (Payment details are included on the Membership Form. We do not have credit card facilities for payment at this stage.

PLEASE NOTE: Members turning 18

We currently have five types of membership - Full Member, Joint (Family) Member, Junior (12-18 years), plus Life and Honorary Member. *Children under 12 do not need to be a member of the Club.*

In the past Junior members turning 18 were expected to become Full Members (and pay the \$60 fee). Understanding that this age group in general is studying, and usually have very little money, the FIAT Club has decided to allow over 18 year old dependents of a member family to remain within the family group, and renew as a Family Member (at the lesser amount of \$10).

Kind regards

Cheryl Sandrin – Membership Registrar 2022

(Please find a copy of the membership renewal form at the back of the magazine).

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

JUNE 7th 2022 *CONFIRMED* WHERE: National Studebaker Museum of Australia.

MEET: Curry Reserve, Camden Valley Way, Elderslie (Camden) for morning tea, next to tourist information centre.

TIME: Arrive before 10.00 am, Depart 10:15 am.

WHERE: National Studebaker Museum Of Australia. Display Includes Studebaker Cars, Other Cars, Household Items, Cameras, & Other Photographic Equipment, Gramophones & Other Musical Items Including 13,000rpm Records, Vintage Clothing, & Lots Of Other Interesting Items. If Time Permits We Will View The Music Room. Depart 12:15 pm.

LUNCH: The Oaks Hotel, 36 John St The Oaks.

Bookings are now closed

JULY 5th 2022 *CONFIRMED* .

MEET: Wiley Park cnr. King George's Rd. & Canterbury Rd, Wiley Park 10.30am.

LUNCH: 12.30pm "The Peakhurst" Hotel, 705 Forest Rd, Peakhurst.

AUGUST 2nd 2022 *TO BE CONFIRMED* Northern Beaches. DETAILS: Les

SEPTEMBER 6th 2022 Mount Annan Botanical Gardens. DETAILS: Brian Jubb ph: 9602 9591

OCTOBER 4th 2022 *TO BE CONFIRMED* South Coast?

NOVEMBER 8th 2022 Remembrance Day Run. Seven Hills R.S.L. Club.

MEET: At At club before 11.00 am for a small memorial service & an inspection of their war museum before we have lunch at the club

DECEMBER 6th 2022 *TO BE CONFIRMED* Christmas Lunch

Les Watton ph: 9838 8063 m: 0418 973 866

INVITED EVENTS

First Sunday of each month; Cars 'n' Coffees at St Ives Showground - 8am to 11 am.
Sydney Classic Bicycle Show, Lidcombe Oval, Sunday October 30, 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

CLUB COMMITTEE AND OFFICIALS

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- ♦ **HONORARY AUDITOR - Rebecca Gallard**
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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

Fiat Club NSW – Social Meeting – April 12, 2022.

Welcome: Bankstown Sports Club.

Susan Halliburton opened the meeting at 7.40 p.m.

Apologies: Adrian & Cheryl Sandrin, Lorenzo Aventi plus quite a few missing in action..

New members & visitors: Ten members present, no visitors

Previous minutes: Accepted. Business arising-nil.

Secretary's Report / Correspondence: no report.

Ansell Park Sub-Committee Report:

AP was inspected recently by Susan & Kevin Halliburton, with Wayne McGeorge – the grounds from the end of the driveway are very slippery (gumboot territory), and there is still standing water in several areas. Not suitable for a clean-up / working bee as yet.

Furniture (tables) have floated around the site.

Competition Report:

Recent Events:

Michael & Travis McGeorge and Martin Gallard competed in the NSW motorkhana championships at Nirimba recently, and there is another round coming up later in May.

Next Events:

FCNSW motorkhanas are on hold till the ground is deemed safe & suitable.

Social Events Report:

Recent Events:

The Pizz-ah night around the heater at Narraweena was well attended with 20+ members & partners - it was the warm up for Mother's Day.

Next Events:

Pizza night at Patio – Putney on Sun 29 May.

Communications Update:

Editor—No report.

Webmaster—no report.

Presidents Report: Nil - Clearly this committee position needs to be filled asap. Please give it your most serious consideration.

A job description is available to identify the tasks required of the president.

There is a team of experienced committee members, responsible for their portfolios, so the role of the president is largely one of overseeing / delegating / coordinating, as well as chairing

the social & committee meetings in conjunction with the secretary.

Remember, normal people can do this job, you don't need to be "gifted"!

Fiat Fixations & ClassiFiats: No report.

CMC Report:

CMC Delegate position is still vacant.

Next meeting is scheduled for late May, these meetings are held in person, but are being "zoomed" as well for the convenience of regional delegates.

General Business:

Warren Smith advised that following the AGM, he has submitted and paid the fee for the annual return to NSW Fair Trading.

HVS / CVS - we understand that at a recent evening car display in Sydney's west, the police apparently blocked the entrance and exit, and went through checking for modified vehicles that were on historic (HVS) plates, and for incorrectly approved modified vehicles that were on classic (CVS) plates. Plates were apparently removed from the non-compliant vehicles on the spot.

Social Meetings - there was a general discussion regarding the low attendance of members at social meetings. It would help the committee review the location / format / facilities, etc. if members could express their reasons, concerns for their reluctance to attend.

Some of the issues / preferences discussed were, having a venue with,

- access to meals prior to the meeting,
- access to tea & coffee in the room to socialise after the meeting,
- access to nearby parking to allow viewing of the cars driven on the night,
- are there preferences for a guest speaker – each meeting, every second meeting (?),
- are social meetings simply losing their interest as a social gathering (?),

Discuss your thoughts with a committee member – it's your club, so tell us what you want.

Guest Speaker - nil.

Meeting closed: 8.25 p.m. with a group gathering downstairs for gelato.

The next social meeting be on the 14th of June 2022 – 7:30pm at the Bankstown Sports Club.

FIAT Club Membership renewals are now due.

Hello,

For your information, it is now approaching the time when your Fiat Club Membership will be due for renewal for the new Club year from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023. Hopefully, everyone enjoyed receiving their membership free for the first 6 months of 2022 and not having to remember to renew over Christmas.

I'll be sending out the normal reminder to renew email in June, for those members who are renewing, however, you are welcome to renew your membership for 2022-23 in the meantime. A membership form for 2022-23 is available on our website www.fiatclubnsw.com.au. Once the renewal form is completed, please email the form to me. Payment information is included on the membership form.

Kind regards

Cheryl Sandrin,

Membership Registrar 2022-23

Editorial

Membership renewals are now due for 2022-2023; Please note that the Club membership year has been changed to run from July to June. This means that membership renewals are now due for the July 2022 to June 2023 year. Our Membership Registrar will be more than happy to receive your renewals and forms as soon as possible. Please do not hesitate to contact her if you have any questions.

Upcoming events; It looks like club members have been enjoying the social catch ups for coffee or pizza, or any event that Giovanni has planned. This month we can look forward to a Lunch Break at **Cavalinos in Terry Hills (Sunday 12 June)**, a popular meeting place for club events. Later in the month we will be attending the screening of **"Elvis"**, the latest film by Baz Luhrmann which will be shown at the **Skyline Drive-In, Blacktown, on Sunday June 26 from 8.15 p.m.**

A good crowd attended the recent gathering in Putney on a Sunday evening just over a week ago. It was a rather cold night, however the room at the restaurant provided a warm atmosphere for everyone to have a meal and share some laughs. Many thanks to the following members who were in attendance; Richard Dalziel (850 Sport Coupe), Domenic Squadrito, Vince Bruzzese (124 BC), Giovanni Ciampa (X1/9), Maurizio Puglisi, Vince Bruzzese (Abarth 595), Andrew Mason (124 Spider), Gavin & Sue Tory (124 Sport CC), Nick Borrelli (124 Spider), Warren Smith (Abarth 124 Spider), David Heyworth (850 Sport Coupe), Dean Ryan (695 Abarth), David Barzan (850 Sedan), Mark Weinberger (X1/9), Peter Stanton (124 Spider), Cynthia Hunter (FIAT 500), Helen Carmichael (FIAT 500), Gino Molinterno (FIAT 500), Tony Carnevale, Tony Studans & Susan Porter (Abarth 500 Esseesse).

The annual **CMC Shannons Sydney Classic car show will be held at Sydney Motorsport Park on Sunday 14 August.** All tickets for the Club display have been claimed. Giovanni and Mark are distributing these out to the members who have paid for them so feel free to contact them if you have reserved a ticket. You can still attend the event by paying the admittance fee at the entry gate. There is plenty of parking for the general public and you can roam around the various exhibits at your leisure. Don't forget to drop in at the FIAT Club NSW display and say hi to some familiar faces.

The **FIAT Club of New South Wales Concorso 'D Eleganza** is back this year and is to be held on **Sunday 18 September** at Gough Whitlam Park, Bayview Ave, Earlwood (near Tempe Station). The event had been cancelled over the past two years due to the Covid outbreak and attempts to run a club only event at Ansell Park earlier this year were dashed by the heavy rains Sydney experienced which caused Ansell Park to be flooded for the second year in a row. Please keep this date in your diary as it is just over three months away as we all look forward to the Club's biggest event of the year.

A recent track day Wakefield Park attracted more FIATs and club members for a speed event that I can recall for some time, though it looked more like a water skiing event than a track day (not surprising given the amount of continuous rain Sydney has received over the year). We hope that there is a renewed interest in supersprints and hillclimbs from club members and that they participate in some of the events that Michael, our Competition Secretary, has arranged over the coming months (please refer to the club competition calendar on page 8). Photos from the day are included elsewhere in the magazine.

Don't forget the Huntley Hillclimb on Sunday 26 June. This will be the Wollongong Sporting Car Club's "come and try" day where newcomers to Huntley can have a few runs at reduced costs. Details can be found on their website;

wollongongsportingcarclub.org/downloads/.

The FIAT Club has run its own motorkhana championship for over 50 years. This is a contest run by the club for its members for which it awards trophies each year for placings in a number of divisions. It is quite an effort for the competition secretary and volunteers to ensure affordable grass roots competition is available to members rather than relying on other clubs to invite us to their competitive events (in fact we are the ones inviting other clubs to come and enjoy our activities at the wonderful Ansell Park). Unfortunately, due to Covid and the devastating floods experienced in Sydney over the past couple of years, our Motorkhana Championship has taken an hiatus while we wait for things to become a bit more *normal*. **Please keep an eye out on the Club Facebook page, website and the FIATFocus magazine for updates on when rounds for the 2022 championship are scheduled so that you can participate in a long running, prestigious and competitive championship that the FIAT Club can call its own.** The next event is scheduled for Sunday 31 July.

From the Editor, Lorenzo Aventi.

New Members

A warm welcome to the following enthusiast:

Warren Nix - 2016 Abarth Spider

Abbie Gallard (Junior)

Competition

NSW State Motorkhana 15/05/22.

Glenn, Michael, Travis & I attended the State Round at Nirimba 15/05, as we continue to dial in our cars. The weather was perfect for some tarmac action. It had been a while since Glenn's rail had come out of the trailer, but a snapped steering component before the day had started saw him jump into the yellow 126 for the day. Prior to the event I spent some time addressing the timing of the car, along with a new starter motor thanks to the team at Fiatorque.

I had hoped the timing would help the engine temp issue, but the car continued to run very hot all day. In fact, it ran so hot it started dropping cylinders, with the engine lid so hot we struggled to hold it removing it and with it removed it was able to finish the day, albeit now a little off the pace. There is still a huge amount needed to get the car running right, with a front mount radiator first on the list before it goes out for another event. The engine bay is like a pizza oven with no airflow getting in to the area, another major issue that needs to be reviewed.

Great to have Glenn join me in the car for the day to continue to push its limit a bit, Glenn actually pipped me in the results for the day to come in 8th place, whilst I came in 9th.

Mic spent the day playing with the suspension settings and tyre pressures on the McFiat 127 Motorkhana Special, gaining some valuable seat time for not only himself, but also Travis as he builds on his experience. The car is very quick with huge amounts of grip, so there is a huge amount of potential yet to be unlocked from this car yet. Mic came home 17th, with Travis 25th. Pretty impressive for a state level event!

Best Regards,

Martin Gallard.

Assistant Competition Secretary.

DATE	EVENT AND LOCATION	Pointscore
June 2022		
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 (Cancelled)	
Sun 26th	Huntley Hillclimb - Come & Try day	No
July 2022		
Sun 10th	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Tamworth	No
Sun 24th	NSW Motorkhana Championship - Nirimba	No
Sun 31st	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship (NEW DATE) tbc	Yes
August 2022		
Sun 7th	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Ringwood	No
Sun 14th	Supersprint - Wakefield Park (SSCC)	No
Sat 27th	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship - day / night event	Yes
Sun 28th	FIAT Club Motorkhana Championship	Yes
September 2022		
Sun 4th	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Gunnedah	No
Sun 11th	NSW Motorkhana Championship - Sydney Motorsport Park	No
Sun 18th	Huntley Hillclimb	No
October 2022		
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	Yes
November 2022		
Sat 5th	Skidpan - SMP (SSCC)	No
Sun 13th	Huntley Hillclimb	No
Sun 13th	Supersprint - SMP, Druitt Circuit (SSCC)	No

Photos from the Wakefield Park Track Day - May 28

(or, waterskiing by FIAT!) Photos by Mark Weinberger and Kirralea Smith.



Upcoming Events!

Lunch break....northside!

come join like minded FIAT enthusiasts over lunch



this month's location

When: Sunday 12th June 2022

Where: Cavallino

Cnr McCarrs Creek Rd & Yulong Ave,
Terrey Hills NSW 2084
[plenty of on-site free parking]

Time: 12:00 noon - 2pm



Move night....drive-in!

come join like minded FIAT enthusiasts enjoy a movie at a retro Drive-In.



this month's location

When: Sunday 26th June 2022

Where: Skyline Drive-In

Cricketers Arms Road,
Blacktown NSW 2148

Movie: ELVIS

Time: 8:15pm (please arrive earlier to settle into car spot)



X1/9

AUSTRALIA



Please visit our website
www.x19.com.au
TO REGISTER YOUR
X1/9

join others on the Facebook group
 **Australian X1/9s** or Email
 register@x19.com.au

Optional Return to Melbourne Tour

For those so inclined an opportunity to explore a little further.

Sunday afternoon travel East through Nagambie and Euroa to overstay in Bonnie Doon

Monday we head off on a leisurely and interesting route back to Melbourne through the Black Spur.

These days are just about enjoying the cars and seeing the sights. We know you won't be ready to say goodbye.

The talk of the touring days will be the planning to meet up again for Fiat 125 in 2024 in NSW and the big one in 2026 when we travel to Perth for the drive back East in the footsteps(?) of the 1926 FIAT Club of WA adventure.

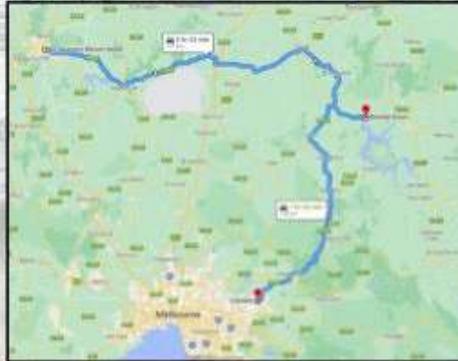
See you there

Payment details:

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Acc. No 30369100
Ref: Surname (Please email details)



Tour Overview



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FIAT 123 Anniversary Rally

A Social Gathering of FIAT Enthusiasts

Featuring

Dinner and "Parade Under Lights"



Bendigo Victoria

10-13 November 2022



Program

Thursday 10th:

- Afternoon Registration at the All Seasons Resort
- Evening Catch up with Friends

Friday 11th:

- Morning Run to Maldon
- Evening Dinner and Parade Under Lights at Bendigo Harness Racing Club

Saturday 12th:

- Bendigo National Swap Meet or
- Day Run to The Great Stupa Buddhist Temple
- Evening Run to Castlemaine and BBQ Dinner

Sunday 13th:

- "Coffee and Cars" display at Downtown Bendigo

Sunday 13th / Monday 14th:

- Optional Tour returning to Melbourne

The Event

- 3 Days (Optional 5 Days) of Organised Events including Drives, Displays and Socialization
- 2-Course Dinner with Friends at The Bendigo Harness Racing Club
- BBQ Dinner in Castlemaine on Saturday evening.
- Unique Evening Car Display
- "Parade Under Lights" with Commentary
- Participants Showbag
- Awards and Presentations
- Event Merchandise

Event Cost

Driver and Vehicle	\$100
Additional Adults	\$70
Children (U13)	\$40
Early Bird Registration (by 1st August)	
Driver and Vehicle	\$90
Additional Adults	\$60
Children (U13)	\$40

(Friday 2-Course Evening Dinner and Saturday evening BBQ included)

Accommodation

Accommodation will be at a premium due to other events in Bendigo including the Bendigo Swap Meet.

We have been able to reserve 40 rooms close by at

The All Seasons Resort,
171 McIvor Hwy
Bendigo.
Phone (03) 5443 8166.

Please book directly with the Resort and quote the FIAT 123 Event for a cost of \$149.

The City is well served by accommodation providers including Hotels, Motels and private options from all the regular providers.



Cabin and Camping Options.....

Big4 Bendigo Parklane (03) 5449 3335 Big4 Bendigo Ascot (03) 5448 4421

Cancellations will be accepted for covid or like reasons.

The accommodation providers have their own standing policies and should be checked upon booking.



CMC Shannons Sydney Classic

Sunday 14th August 2022

Sydney Motorsport Park, Ferrers Rd, Eastern Creek NSW 2766

The FIAT Club of NSW would like to invite
all members to bring their FIAT's
(of all models road or race)
to this years CMC Shannons Sydney Classic
(cars of any standard welcome)

limited tickets available per club
[only 15 spots + 5 pit lane spots allocated to FIAT Club of NSW]
cost per ticket **\$25**

please RSVP and pay for your ticket as soon as possible
contact: Giovanni Ciampa (events@fiatclub.com.au)

cars to be on display by: **10:00am**



Concorso d'Eleganza

Sunday 18th September 2022

Gough Whitlam Park, Bayview Ave, Earlwood NSW 2206

The FIAT Club of NSW would like to invite
all members to bring their FIAT's
(of all models road or race)
to this years Concorso d'Eleganza
(cars of any standard welcome)

NOTE: Featured Model this year is the FIAT X1/9

entry **free** for club members

cars to be on display by: **9:30am**

judging commences: **10:00am**

trophy presentation: **2:00pm**



pizza break (write up)

7th May 2022

Pizzaah @ Narraweena



Pizzaah at Narraweena was a late change of venue, date and time because the original event was a coffee break and would of fallen on Mother's Day. The event was brought forward a day and held on a Saturday night.

'Pizzaah' is a slightly different take on the traditional take-away pizza places we all have come to know. This place provides authentic Italian style pizza for take away with a really cool out door alley-way atmosphere vibe...just next door...incase you can't resist the urge to eat your pizza before getting home.

A great turn out of club members and their partners and friends turned up and enjoyed the night...for all you can eat pizza for \$20!

A big thank you to Lido and his son and their team at Pizzaah for their hospitality and patience. They worked so hard that they set off the smoke alarm and had the fire brigade arrive to cool things off!

See you all at the next event.

Ciao Giovanni Ciampa
(social events co-ordinator)
FIAT CLUB of NSW Inc



FIAT fanatico

www.fiatclub.com.au



pizza break (write up)

29th May 2022

Patio @ Putney



Patio provided a great warm place to sit back and relax with fellow club members on a very cold Sunday night.

A good mix of both male and female members turned up. In total 22 people with 16 FIAT's were on display.



The highlight was seeing Dean's Abarth neatly park where most cars couldn't. It was funny when we noticed that the street parking actually allowed him to do it!



All in all it was a great night with lots of laughs. Thanks to all who came along.

See you all at the next event.

Ciao Giovanni Ciampa
(social events co-ordinator)
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Fiat poised to end petrol car sales Australia to follow UK as Fiat abandons petrol and goes full EV.

By Neil Dowling.

Premium.goauto.com.au

FIAT parent Stellantis has confirmed that it won't sell petrol or diesel Fiats from July 1 in the UK and that its EV models will launch in Australia in the first half of next year.

It will replace the 500 with an electric model

in the UK, followed by electric versions of the 500X crossover and Tipo hatchback.

In Australia, Stellantis spokesperson Tracie Stoltenburg told GoAutoNews Premium that an EV Fiat will be launched here in the first half of 2023. She said pricing and specifications would be available closer to the launch.

In Europe, the new 500 EV comes as a hardtop, convertible and the new 3+1 version that adds two small rear-hinged doors (think Mazda RX-8 or BT-50 'Freestyle' ute) for easier rear-seat access.

Ms Stoltenburg would not confirm that the EV would coincide with the cessation of the petrol models (as in the UK) or if the two would be sold alongside each other.

Fiat makes an EV version of the 500 that it terms a "third generation" of the model and which is built on a "ground up" specific EV platform. This model, now available in some European markets, is not related to the 500e that was sold in the US in 2013.

The latest 500 EV was Europe's top-selling EV in April.

In the UK, Fiat and Abarth UK managing director Greg Taylor told Automotive Management that: "This step in Fiat's history marks a pivotal point in our commitment to

providing affordable and sustainable mobility solutions for all of our customers.

"The move lends itself to our vehicles which are suited to urban areas, spearheaded by the popularity of the New 500."



The new Fiat 500 EV comes with 23.8kWh (180km range) with a 70kW motor and 0-100km/h time of 9.5 seconds.

There is, for an extra cost, a 42kWh battery option. This has a maximum driving range of 320km in the WLTP program and does the 100km/h sprint in 9.0 seconds.

The drivetrain has a 70kW electric motor and a pedal set-up that allows a single-pedal mode, the same as the latest Nissan Leaf.

The UK currently sells the second-generation 500 and the Panda, both of which have seen their 1.2-litre petrol engines replaced by a new 1.0-litre unit mated to a 12-volt mild hybrid system.

The 500X Hybrid and Tipo Hybrid are also mild hybrid vehicles, mating a 1.5-litre petrol engine to a 48-volt starter generator and 15kW battery pack.

By Neil Dowling

Fiat 500e confirmed for Australia

Tiny Italian electric mini-car is due Down Under in the first half of next year, details TBC

By Callum Hunter. Carsales.com

Australia can add yet another reborn icon – and another EV – to its list of inbound models, this time in the

form of the 2023 Fiat 500e.

The pint-size electric car has now been confirmed for release Down Under in the first half of 2023, but the local arm of Fiat parent company Stellantis won't be drawn on any other details and says all will be revealed closer to launch.

Revealed back in early 2020, the all-electric Fiat 500e has been available in Europe and other key markets for more than two years now and has since been joined by a four-door version dubbed the 500e 3+1.

The all-new Fiat 500e, meanwhile, is powered by an 87kW/220Nm electric motor and either a 24kWh or 42kWh lithium-ion battery pack yielding an effective range of up to 320km.



Well down on power but with a superior driving range, the Fiat 500e won't go toe-to-toe with the MINI Cooper SE Electric; instead occupying a more niche corner of the market and likely to come with a lower price tag to match.

At this stage there are no direct rivals for the 500e offered in Australia in terms of electric micro-cars, but the inbound GWM ORA Good Cat will be the closest thing to it when it lands here later in the year.



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And internal combustion rivals will be limited to the Kia Picanto, given the Mitsubishi Mirage was shown the door late last year.



Fiat Panda and Tipo Garmin special editions arrive (UK)

Alastair Crooks. Autoexpress.co.uk



GPS manufacturer Garmin and Fiat have worked together to create new special 'Garmin' edition versions of the Tipo hatchback and Panda supermini.

The Tipo and Panda Garmin both offer a new livery, made up of exclusive 'Foresta Green' paint and orange detailing. The models are based on the slightly more rugged Cross trim level and there's a new matte paint finish for the front skid plates, wing mirrors and side mouldings.

The Panda Garmin gets 15-inch matte black alloys and the Tipo Garmin retains its black 17-inch wheels. Both cars get plenty of orange touches inside and out with the black fabric seats featuring orange stitching and Garmin branding.

As standard the Panda Garmin receives automatic air conditioning, a DAB radio and a 7" touchscreen with Bluetooth, Apple Carplay and Android Auto compatibility. The Tipo Garmin offers a larger 10-inch touchscreen.

There are further colours available on the Tipo with Gelato White, Colosseo Grey, Maestro Grey and Cinema Black all on the options list. Both Garmin editions also offer a smartwatch that will monitor your fitness levels through heart rate, stress levels and sleep quality data.

The powertrains for the Panda Garmin and Tipo Garmin remain unchanged with a 1.0-litre 70bhp hybrid petrol engine for the Panda and a 128bhp 1.5-litre T4 48-volt hybrid engine for the Tipo Garmin. Expect prices for the Panda Garmin to be

around the same as for the similarly equipped £15,765 Panda Cross (RED). The Tipo should start from around the same price as the £23,605 Tipo Cross (RED).

Irmscher Has Somehow Made The Fiat Ulysse And Scudo Look Stylish.

By Brad Anderson. Carscoops.com



Irmscher has unveiled tuned variants of the passenger-focused Fiat Ulysse

and the commercial-oriented Fiat Scudo vans, giving the duo some added style.

Alterations start at the front end where Irmscher has fitted a revised lip that makes the fascia look much more aggressive but without being overbearing. This lip is painted in the same color as the rest of the bodywork but can be optioned with a bright red accent in the center.

Styling tweaks continue down the sides of both the Ulysse and the Scudo and include extended side skirts. Rounding out the modifications made to the body of the Fiat vans include the fitment of a large roof-mounted spoiler, a revised rear bumper, and two available black graphics packages.

Eye-catching wheels have also been developed. These wheels have a 'Heli Star' design, are available in 18-, 19-, and 20-inch sizes and are finished in black and can be equipped with red center caps. Rounding out the upgrades are aftermarket springs that drop the ride height by 30 mm (1.1-inch) and give the vans a much sportier look.

Fiat unveiled the new Ulysse and Scudo back in October last year. The two vans are essentially rebadged versions of the Peugeot Expert/Traveller, Citroen Jump/SpaceTourer, Opel/Vauxhall Vivaro/Zafira Life, and the Toyota Proace/Proace Verso, meaning they share the same EMP2 platform.

The duo are offered in diesel and all-electric configurations. The electric models, known as the E-Ulysse and E-Scudo, feature a 134 hp electric motor that can be coupled to either a 50 kWh or 75 kWh battery pack. The EVs can charge at speeds of up to 100 kW, meaning it takes approximately 30 and 45 minutes to charge the 50 kWh and the 75 kWh pack respectively to 80 per cent.

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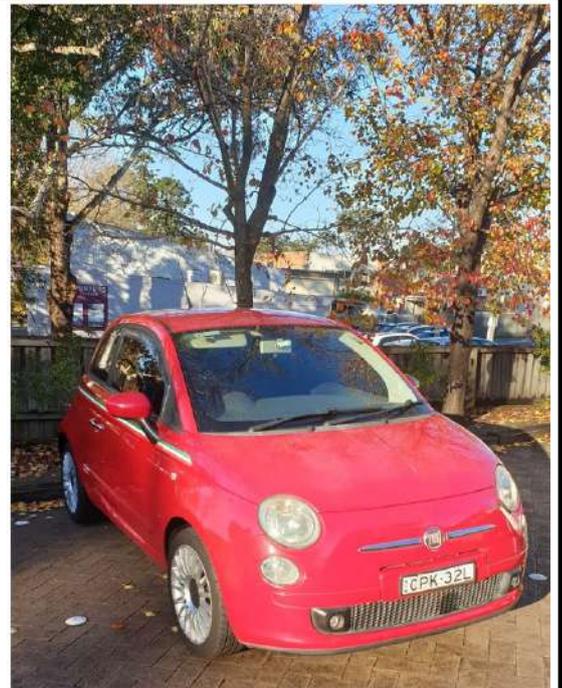
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FIAT 125 hubcaps for steel rims, 2 Solex carbies for 125S, 4 door rubbers – used but good condition, diff brake hose NOS, side blinkers NOS, gearbox mount NOS.

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The FIAT Club of New South Wales social media sites can now be accessed by scanning the QR code shown below instead of typing the address.



The screenshot shows the website's navigation menu with links for Home, Magazine, The club, Memberships, Events, Car registration, Motorsport, and Contact us. Below the menu, it states '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'. Below this is a collage of images including car interiors, exterior views of various Fiat models, and a group of people at an outdoor event. At the bottom, there are logos for sponsors: FIAT FORGE, Bankstown Sports, 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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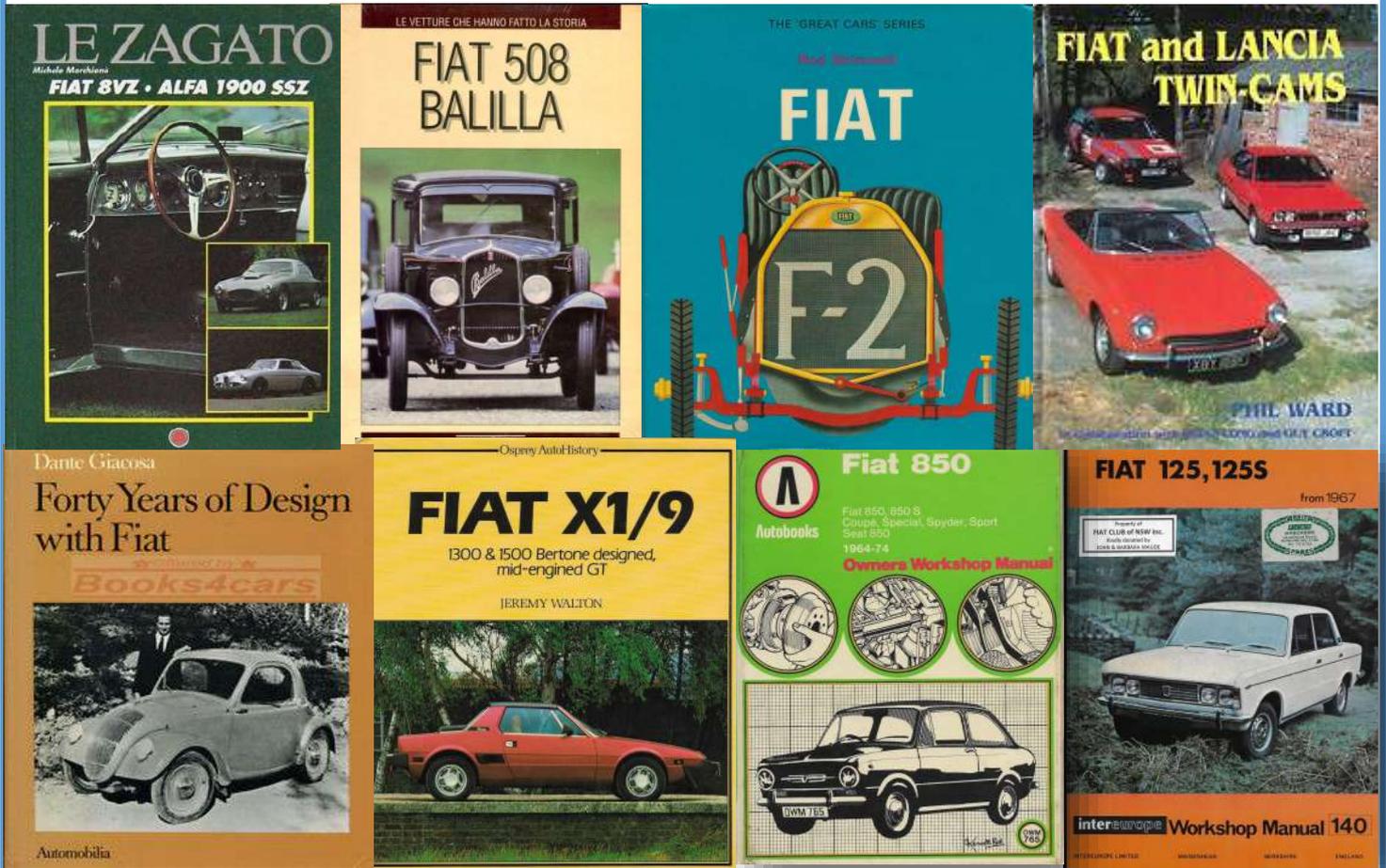
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The Back End - Bold Predictions ...

Have you ever wondered about those "breaking news" snippets in motoring magazines and blogs where a brief news scoop is published but then never proven to be factual! Below are two such scoops that *Wheels* magazine included in two issues in 1976. Can any members recall seeing these and also whether there was some veracity to what they predicted?



FIAT'S GOLF-BEATER?

FIAT IS rushing ahead with development of its 128 replacement although it has just released a face- and interior-lifted 128. The new car – to be called the 129 – is destined to be a rival for the VW Golf and will follow the general layout of the 128 but will have a hatchback rear door as standard. Introduction date is expected to be late '77 but it could well run into '78. While the 128 is still an excellent little car it tends to be forgotten in the rush to the Golf that seems to have swept – not only Australia – but a great many other countries in recent years.

The 'FIAT 129' - from *Wheels* magazine, August 1976

FIAT 131 COUPE



FIAT FANS who shed tears at the passing of the Fiat 124 coupe will be pleased to know that a replacement is on the way and should be released later this year at the Turin motor show. Based on the 131 mechanicals, the new coupe will be a two plus two with all-new styling that was done in-house by Fiat, rather than by one of the Italian coachbuilders. Polyurethane bumpers front and rear will be standard and the American version will probably get circular headlights in place of the rectangular design shown here.

The 'FIAT 131 Coupe' - from *Wheels* magazine, September 1976

The Alfa Romeo (Renault) Dauphine



Here is something interesting that I only became aware of recently, the Alfa Romeo Dauphine!

In the early 1960s, Alfa wanted a small 4 door economy car and therefore built and badged the Renault under license for sale in Italy.

Admittedly not a Fiat, this is still an interesting fact that I doubt many Italian car enthusiast knew about!

DAUPHINE ALFA ROMEO



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To assist with organization, we request that all European clubs wishing to participate pre-register their interest. Please email me, Ian Ashton at iashton7@bigpond.com prior to the event with approximate numbers of vehicles attending, no later than 12th June 2022.

A \$10 vehicle display fee will be payable on entry with the event commencing at 8.30am and finishing at 1.30pm. Coffee, food and drinks will be available on site and a raffle will be held.

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MG Car Club Hunter Region is looking forward to your participation in Euro Motorfest 2022, on Sunday 19th June at Newcastle Foreshore Park.

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