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2025-26 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

All 2024/25 memberships are due for renewal as of 1st July, 2025 (excepting those new members who have joined recently). Membership fees at this stage remain unchanged.

When renewing your membership, please ensure that you complete the updated 2025-26 Membership Form which you will find included in this issue of FIAT Focus, or on our website www.fiatclubnsw.com.au. Please email the form to membership@fiatclubnsw.com.au, or mail to PO Box 3034, Bangor, NSW. 2234. Payment at the moment is still via EFT or cheque. (Payment details are included on the Membership Form. We do not have credit card facilities for payment at this stage.

We are looking into accepting credit card payments, but this is not in place as yet and members will be notified when this happens. Once we are able to accept credit card payments, we will ask only those members utilising this system to pay the credit card fee (possibly \$2.00 extra on their membership fee). Naturally the fee free EFT option is always available.

We currently have four types of membership –

Full Member (\$60 per financial year)

Joint Member (**Partner**) (\$10)

Junior (12-17 years) (\$10)...first Junior only pays. Additional Juniors are Free

Student (18 -25 yr olds studying & living at home with a Full Member of the Club) Free

Life and Honorary Members

Children under 12 do not need to be a member of the Club.

PLEASE NOTE: Members turning 18

The FIAT Club NSW has decided to continue to allow over 18-year-old **dependents** of a Full Member family to remain within the family group, **as long as they are studying and living at home** and to renew as a **Student Member**), with the Club understanding that this age group in general is studying whilst living at home, and usually have very limited funds.. At the age of 25 working adults will need to join the Club as a Full Member (\$60). This is confirming a slight change in who can join under the umbrella of a Full Member and pay just \$10 per financial year.

Kind regards

Cheryl

Cheryl Sandrin
Membership Registrar 2025-26
Fiat Club NSW

URGENT, Editor required

FIATFocus editor required for 2025 and beyond

FIATFocus has been the Fiat Club of NSW's magazine for the past 50 years and is an important in providing club members information on upcoming events, reports on club activities as well as articles related to the Fiat marque.

The new editor will have the assistance of committee members who provide quality monthly reports and articles. The magazine is to be published bi-monthly, only six editions are to be produced each year.

For anyone interested in taking on the role please contact the club President at **president@fiatclubnsw.com**. or any member of the committee and let us know of your interest.

Please consider taking on this enjoyable and rewarding role in the club.

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Cover; Dean Ryan's Fiat 500 Abarth at the Club's 75th anniversary lunch last November.

FIATFocus Magazine is available from the FIAT Club of New South Wales website. If you wish to obtain any of the issues from 2019 to the present just go to the club's website at www.fiatclubnsw.com.au/magazine, 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.

CLUB COMMITTEE AND OFFICIALS

(Please note the new Committee and their new email domain addresses below)

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Life Members

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

Former Life Members

- | | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| • Gladys Channon | • Adrian Phillips | • Peter Minett | • Tom Hay |
| • Margaret McIntyre | • Ted Ansell | • Colin Crampton | • Christopher Davis |
| • George Simmonds | • Nancy Simmonds | • John Braid | • Leonie Steele |
| • Pat Fletcher | • John Maude | • Eric McDonald | |

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	Point score
May 2025		
Sun 4th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Blue Garden Café, Boronia St, Ermington, 8.00 - 10.00 am	Yes
Sun 18th	National Motoring Heritage Day	Yes
Sun 18th	NSW State Motorkhana - Nirimba	No
Sat 24th	2024 Fiat Club NSW Motorkhana Championship Rd3, Day/Night, Ansell Park	Yes
Sun 25th	2024 Fiat Club NSW Motorkhana Championship Rd4, Ansell Park	Yes
June 2025		
Sun 8th	FIAT Club Pizza Break - Da Toto, 292 Great Western Highway, Lawson	Yes
Sun 29th	2024 Fiat Club NSW Motorkhana Championship Rd5, Ansell Park	Yes
July 2025		
Tue 8th	Social Meeting - Magpie Sports Club, 46 Hampton St, Croydon Park, 7.00 - 9.00 pm	Yes
Sun 13th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Armoury Wharf Café - Jamieson St Newington 9-11 am	Yes
Fri 25th - Sun 27th	2025 Fiat Nationals, Queensland (website www.fiatnationals.com)	Yes
August 2025		
Sun 10th	FIAT Club Burger Break - Chubby Buns Burgers, Ryde, 6.00 - 9.00 pm	Yes
Sun 17th	CMC Shannons Sydney Classic, Sydney Motorsport Park	Yes
Sun 17th	Five Dock Italian Festa	No
Sun 17th	2024 Fiat Club NSW Motorkhana Championship Rd 6, Ansell Park	Yes
September 2025		
Sun 14th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Cherry Beans - 62 South St Rydalmere 8.00-10.00 am	Yes
Sun 28th	Fiat Club NSW Concorso	Yes
October 2025		
Sun 12th	FIAT Club Coffee Break - Maggios 144-148 Coxs Rd, North Ryde, 8.00 - 10.00 am	Yes
Tue 14th	Social Meeting - Magpie Sports Club, 46 Hampton St, Croydon Park, 7.00 - 9.00 pm	Yes
Sun 26th	Norton St Festa - Norton St, Leichhardt	Yes

OASIS CLUB 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).

Upcoming Events

JUNE 3rd 2025 MORNING TEA: DAISYS BY THE PARK 28-36 YATES AVE opposite Alexander St. DUNDAS.

TIME: Our booking is from 10.45am to 11.45am for coffee & cakes. The Café is open from 6.00am if you wish to come earlier for breakfast. This is a small family run business so please book in with me so that I can give them our numbers for our booking & seating by Friday May 30th. I already have some names booked in.

Depart 11.45 a.m. Lunch - Vikings Sports Club, Quarry Rd Dundas 12.00 noon

JULY 1st 2025 CHRISTMAS IN JULY LUNCH. Wilberforce? I can't confirm booking until 1st June *I WILL NEED EXACT NUMBERS FOR THIS VENUE PLEASE*

AUGUST 5th 2025 BY REQUEST: LINDT CHOCOLATE FACTORY OUTLET VISIT *CONFIRMED*

16 Hollingsworth Rd. Marsden Park. Plenty of on site parking. TIME: 10.30am

BRING: A cooler bag or Esky for your chocolates. McDonalds nearby at 1 Chiswick Glade Marsden Park, your choice

LUNCH: Plumpton Hotel. *I WILL NEED BOOKINGS PLEASE*

President's Report

President's Report – May 2025 Fiat Club of New South Wales

Dear Members,

I hope this message finds you well and enjoying the onset of autumn and the change of colours. Like our trusty Fiats, I've been the subject of some long-needed maintenance with a knee replacement in the last month and hasn't that been a sackful of fun!!! Unable to drive for at least 6 weeks, the best I can do is fire up the cars every week or so and rely on the good wife to ferry me around to physio. Hopefully with a new ball joint and bushes, and decidedly less negative camber – I should be getting about more briskly soon.

I'm pleased to share some key updates and club news with you.

Club News

The Fiat Nationals will soon be upon us - 25th to 27th July, in Warwick Qld. Please visit then official website below for full details, supplementary regs and registration.

<https://www.fiatnationals.com.au/>

The Fiat Club of Queensland are organising this year's event, and we would like to support them with some solid member participation for the event from the Fiat Club NSW. The event has something for everyone and combines a Show n Shine, Speed event and a tarmac motorkhana. Otherwise just come along for the lovely drive up there and the social element.

Other Coming Social Fiat Club NSW events:

Da Toto Pizzeria, Sunday 8th June 5pm @ Lawson

Member's Meeting, Tuesday July 8th 7pm @ Croydon Park

Armoury Wharf Café, Sunday July 13th 9am @ Newington

Chubby Buns Burgers, Sunday August 10th 6pm @ Ryde

Maggio's Pasticceria Coffee, Sunday October 12th 8am @ North Ryde

Member's Meeting, Tuesday October 14th 7pm @ Croydon Park

Club Christmas Luncheon, Sunday 16th November, details TBA

Member's Meeting, Tuesday December 9th 7pm @ Croydon Park

Chubby Fish, Sunday December 14th 6pm @ Allambie Heights

There are plenty of events for our members to enjoy this year. Mark your diaries now and keep an eye on the Group email or Facebook for more details as the dates draw nearer.

Display Days

CMC Classic Display Day, Sunday August 17th, @ Sydney Motorsport Park

Club Concorso, Sunday September 21st, @ Tempe

Motorsport

Luddenham SuperSprint, details pending

Motorkhana

Round 3, 24th May

Round 4, 25th May

Round 5, 29th June

Round 6, 17th August

Round 7, 2nd November

We had a fantastic turnout for last month's Member's Meeting on the 2nd of April at the Magpie's Football Club in Croydon. 20+ members gathered to share a yarn or two over some delicious pizza. It was great to see such a strong turnout and thank you to everyone who made it such an enjoyable evening. Our next one is on the 8th of July and details of a guest speaker will follow shortly.

Celebrating Our Heritage: The Enduring Spirit of Classic Fiats

Fiat internationally is looking to the future with new electric and hybrid innovative vehicles (think 500e and Grande Panda), and our Club welcomes members with these vehicles as these are part of the Club's future.

Our 'classic' hearts still beat to the rhythm of carburettors, twin cams, and the unmistakable bark of a well-tuned exhaust of an internal combustion engine. Classic petrol-powered Fiats—whether it's a 124 Coupe, a 131 Sport, or a humble Bambino—represent not just history, our Club history but a way of life. Indeed, our historic vehicle owners exemplify this 'way of life', gracing our social and display events with the true beauty of our classic Fiats.

At the Fiat Club of NSW, we remain proudly committed to supporting classic ownership. From advocating for the historic registry scheme or helping members source parts to hosting social days and concourse events, we aim to keep these machines running and relevant. As legislation and environmental standards evolve, we'll continue to advocate for classic car protections and sensible registration options that respect heritage vehicles.

Preserving these cars isn't just about nostalgia—it's about maintaining a living link to design, culture, and engineering that has shaped generations. Whether you drive your Fiat daily or only on sunny Sundays, you're helping keep a legacy alive.

All for now,

See you at an event real soon.

Dave

New Members

A warm welcome to the following enthusiasts:

Christian & Fiona Druminson - 2023 Abarth 695 Competizione

Glen Linards - 1970 Fiat 850 Sport

Wendy Morrissey

Nicolas Todarello - 1972 Fiat 128 sedan

Johana Clarke - 2018 Abarth 595 Competizione

Gary & Debora Armstrong - 1969 Fiat 124 AC

Michael J Parker - 2023 Abarth 695

NOTICE #1 – 25 May 2025 Ansell Park Pty Ltd

Ansell Park Pty Ltd is a **not-for-profit entity**, distinct from the Fiat Club of NSW Inc., and is, by its constitution, **responsible for the management of Ansell Park**—a property of approximately 20 acres near Windsor, NSW. Over 45 years ago, a group of Fiat Club members pooled their resources under a shareholding system to finance the purchase of the land, enabling the Fiat Club to host social and sporting events. It is a common misconception that the Fiat Club of NSW owns Ansell Park.

The ownership and administrative structure of Ansell Park Pty Ltd comprises a complex mix of A-Class shareholders, B-Class shareholders, and directors. The company's Constitution defines the respective roles and powers of each shareholder class and the Board of Directors. However, since its drafting, ratification, and promulgation, Australian corporate law has evolved significantly. As a result, many clauses within the Constitution may require interpretation and potential modernisation in accordance with contemporary legal standards.

Over recent decades, the governance and decision-making capacity of Ansell Park Pty Ltd has diminished due to the attrition of directors and A-Class shareholders as their terms expired or their involvement ceased.

The property holds significant value, and the effective management of the entity requires robust oversight of both risk and solvency. Furthermore, it is essential that the management of Ansell Park Pty Ltd remains entirely separate from the operations and governance of the Fiat Club of NSW.

The Constitution mandates a minimum of two (2) directors and a maximum of six (6). Following a recent recruitment and expression-of-interest process, a new Board of Directors has been formed comprising three (3) individuals. As per the Constitution, the President of the Fiat Club of NSW is an *ipso facto* director of Ansell Park Pty Ltd—this currently being myself, David Filipetto. The other directors are Mr. Gavin Tory and Mr. Peter Jakrot.

The newly appointed Board will now commence work on several key priorities for Ansell Park Pty Ltd, including:

- Reviewing the risk and solvency profile of the property and the Company.
- Verifying the current shareholders of Ansell Park Pty Ltd.
- Contacting verified shareholders to:
 - Update them on the Company's status.
 - Initiate consultation on key governance issues;
 - Seek shareholder approval to proceed with:
 - Engaging professional services to review and potentially modernise the Constitution of Ansell Park Pty Ltd.
 - Obtaining an up-to-date valuation of the landholding.
 - Developing strategic plans for future scenarios.

Call to Shareholders

To initiate this process, the Board of Directors requests that all shareholders of Ansell Park Pty Ltd—or their legal representatives or estate executors—formally confirm their shareholder status by submitting a certified copy of their shareholder certificate. This may be done via one of the following methods:

1. **Email:** Send a scanned copy to: publicofficer@ansellpark.com.au.
2. **Mail:** Send a photocopy to:
Board of Directors – Ansell Park Pty Ltd
PO Box 3034 Bangor NSW 2234

Deadline for submission:

All correspondence must be received by **5:00 PM, Thursday, 31 July 2025**.

Should you have any questions or require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me via email at the above address or by phone at **0423 606 678**.

Sincerely,

David Filipetto, Director, Ansell Park Pty Ltd, President, Fiat Club of NSW

Fiat Club AGM, February 13, 2025

The Fiat Club of NSW Annual General Meeting was held at the Maggie Sports Club in Croydon and was attended by club members and committee. Prior to the meeting everyone sat down for a meal in the Maggies Sports Club restaurant.

Formalities included the President's report on the club's activities for 2024 where after the election of committee members was conducted and Trophies were presented. Details are included in the following pages.

Fiat Club of NSW

AGM 2025

President's Report.

2024 was again a period of adjustment and change for the Fiat Club Committee, with the ongoing and unique challenges of finessing the governance of the Club and Ansell Park entities as well as general club administration and management.

It was also a year of great celebration marking our 75 th Birthday, we are one of the oldest Fiat Clubs in existence with a significant tradition and history that was well earned and celebrated. The Committee experimented with different avenues of improving member value by offering different types of events, and to be honest with mixed success.

The focus areas of the 2024 Committee were:

To improve the administration and governance of the Fiat Club NSW.

Continue to work with the newly established Board of Directors of Ansell Park Pty Ltd in the separation of the management and financial recording of both.

Continue to operate with prudence in fiscal control while balancing new and exciting member value options.

The progress made with both the Fiat Club of NSW and Ansell Park Pty Ltd has been substantial with a clear air gap between both entities. This AGM does not include a report to the Shareholders of Ansell Park Pty Ltd. - but for the benefit of Fiat Club NSW Members — a small Board of Directors has been established for AP Pty Ltd. and is going through initiation phases with the achievement of insurance, ASIC responsibilities and separate bank accounts being put in place.

Repeating last year's objectives - Ansell Park Pty Ltd must continue to stand on its own two feet, it is to remain solvent in its own right (through continued leasing's and rentals). Club money will not be used to subsidise Ansell Park in any way, with the requisite formal agreements to be established between the Fiat Club of NSW and Ansell Park Pty Ltd to ensure this continues.

I'd like to commend and thank the Committee of 2024 for continuing to work diligently to this end in the separation of both entities, and Club Members can take confidence that this will continue in 2025 with both entities now operating totally independently of each other.

More to the Club side now, I would like to emphasise at the end of my 2nd year as president that the Fiat Club of NSW continues to be a very well run and administered Club that provides excellent value to all Members and their vast array of Fiat interests.

The large number of events and opportunities provided to Members to participate in during 2024 were enormous and rivalled any year in the past. From pizza and gelato runs, club meetings, Concorsos / displays, other sporting, and social events —there was something for everyone, including our historic registration group.

We had a crack at some speed events with mixed results, but we gathered some learnings from that, and we will look to recoup those losses during the course of 2025.

The 75th Anniversary of the Fiat Club of NSW and the event that celebrated this milestone at Le

Montage in November was indeed well received and an exceptional birthday party celebration. On top of this we also hosted the 60th Anniversary of the Fiat of Italy Cup, an interstate (state of origin) motorkhana event with a proud and rich history. The motorkhana, the presentation dinner and the display day held concurrently with the CMC day was an outstanding achievement and again well received by our members and those visiting from interstate.

I'd like to sincerely thank the Committee of 2024 for their tireless and selfless work over the past 12 months. Not many members can truly appreciate the work done behind the scenes by these volunteers, who commit so much time and effort to make each members club experience unique and special.

Yours in Fiats

Dave Filipetto,

2024 President Fiat Club NSW.

Fiat Club AGM

Presentation of Trophies: After the President's report, clubman trophies were presented to those winners who were present. The following awards were won by members.

George Simmonds Trophy (Clubman of the year): 1st - Kevin Halliburton, 2nd - Susan Halliburton, 3rd - Ross Di Bartolo

Dot Tory Trophy: 1st - Susan Halliburton, 2nd - Sue Tory, 3rd - Haley McGeorge

The final act for the evening was to elect the committee for 2025. Congratulations to those members who were elected.

The following office bearers were elected.

President - David Filipetto

Vice President - Domenic Squadrito

Secretary - Kevin Windsor

Treasurer - Richard Dalziel

Membership Registrar - Cheryl Sandrin

The following Committee Members were elected.

Competition Secretary - Michael McGeorge

Editor—Vacant

Webmaster - Adrian Sandrin

Social Event Coordinator - Giovanni Ciampa

General Committee person - Adrian Sandrin

The following Sub-Committee members were elected.

Assistant Competition Secretary - Vacant

Merchandising - Kevin Halliburton

Historic Plate Registrar - Richard Dalziel

Assistant Historic Plate Registrar - Maurizio Puglisi

CMC Delegate - Domenic Squadrito

Ansell Park Coordinator - Michael McGeorge

FIAT Club of NSW 2024 Competition Champions

Earlier this year at a motorkhana at Ansell Park, trophies were awarded to the competition winners for 2024. Awards were presented by Michael McGeorge. Quite a few new names appeared on the trophies which included a fair share of Juniors.

The Fiat Club congratulates all winners and participants on their efforts for 2024. Good luck to you for the 2025 Fiat Club NSW competition year.



Driver's Champion (Eric McDonald Trophy)

1st	Travis McGeorge	46
2nd	Michael McGeorge	33
3rd	Martin Gallard	30

Motorkhana Champion (The Ted Ansell Trophy)

1st	Travis McGeorge	37
2nd	Michael McGeorge	31
3rd	Martin Gallard	25

Ladies Motorkhana Champion (The Leonie Steele Trophy)

1st	Hayley McGeorge	30
2nd	Naomi McGeorge	15
3rd	Abbie Gallard	9

Junior Motorkhana Champion (The Ansell Park Trophy)

1st	Travis McGeorge	40
2nd	Hayley McGeorge	33
3rd	Luke Bailey	27

Motorkhana SWB RWD Class A Champion (The Fred 1 Trophy)

1st	Peter Jakrot	40
2nd	Adrian Sandrin	9

Motorkhana FWD Class C Champion (The Vernon Stedman Memorial Trophy)

= 1st	Phil East	29
= 1st	Chris Stevens	29
3rd	Luke Bailey	27

Motorkhana Specials Class D Champion (The John Maude Trophy)

1st	Travis McGeorge	46
2nd	Michael McGeorge	33
= 3rd	Martin Gallard	30
= 3rd	Hayley McGeorge	30

Competition

The cold of winter might be upon us, but there is still plenty of red hot club motorsport for you to participate in coming up.

Unfortunately, the motorkhanas scheduled for Saturday May 24th and Sunday May 25th have been cancelled due to the heavy week of rain in Sydney and the North Coast. However, round 5 of the championship will continue on Sunday June 29 out at Ansell Park for a standard Day Motorkhana. Perfect opportunity to take your car for a drive and stretch its legs!

June 15th will see the next round of the NSW State Motorkhana Championship at HAMS Nirimba (Quakers Hill). A much faster collection of cars will be competing, with several FCNSW members tackling the championship.

June 22nd is ladies day at the Huntley Hillclimb thanks to the Wollongong Sporting Car Club. Several FCNSW members will be attending the event, I can think of no better low pressure introduction to a Hillclimb event than this one! Head to <https://wsc.org.au/> for all the details, or check out posts on the Wollongong Sporting Car Club's Facebook page.

June 29th will see us back out the Ansell Park for a club Day Motorkhana.

July 25th – 27th is the big one, the 2025 Fiat Nationals QLD. Its time to blow the cobwebs off, and come have a blast with your club and interstate friends at this awesome event. Head to www.fiatnationals.com for all the details, or check out posts on the FIAT Club's Facebook page.



Best Regards,

Martin Gallard

2025 Fiat Club NSW Competition Calendar

DATE	EVENT AND LOCATION	Point score
May 2025		
Sun 4th	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Kempsey	No
Sun 4th	NSW State Motorkhana - Nirimba	No
Sun 18th	NSW State Motorkhana - Nirimba	No
Sat 24th	2024 Fiat Club NSW Motorkhana Championship Rd3, Day/Night, Ansell Park	Cancelled
Sun 25th	2024 Fiat Club NSW Motorkhana Championship Rd4, Ansell Park	Cancelled
June 2025		
Sat 7th	Inter Club Supersprint, R2, One Raceway, Goulburn	No
Sun 8th	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Grafton	No
Sun 15th	NSW State Motorkhana - Nirimba	No
Sun 22nd	Huntley Hillclimb - Come & Try	No
Sun 29th	2024 Fiat Club NSW Motorkhana Championship Rd5, Ansell Park	Yes
July 2025		
Sun 20th	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Tamworth	No
Fri 25th - Sun 27th	2025 Fiat Nationals, Queensland (website www.fiatnationals.com)	Yes
Sun 27th	NSW State Motorkhana - Nirimba	No
August 2025		
Sun 10th	NSW Hillclimb Championship - Ringwood	No
Sun 17th	2024 Fiat Club NSW Motorkhana Championship Rd 6, Ansell Park	Yes
September 2025		
Sun 14th	Huntley Hillclimb	No
October 2025		
Sat 4th - Sun 5th	AROCA 6 hour (Winton, Vic)	No
November 2025		
Sun 2nd	2024 Fiat Club NSW Motorkhana Championship Rd 7, Ansell Park	Yes
Sun 9th	Huntley Hillclimb	No
Sun 16th	Inter Club Supersprint, Druit Circuit, Sydney Motorsport Park	No

Competition

Motorkhana results so far for 2025. Note that the next motorkhanas for this year's championship will be held at Ansell Park on Saturday 24th (day/night) and Sunday 25th of May.

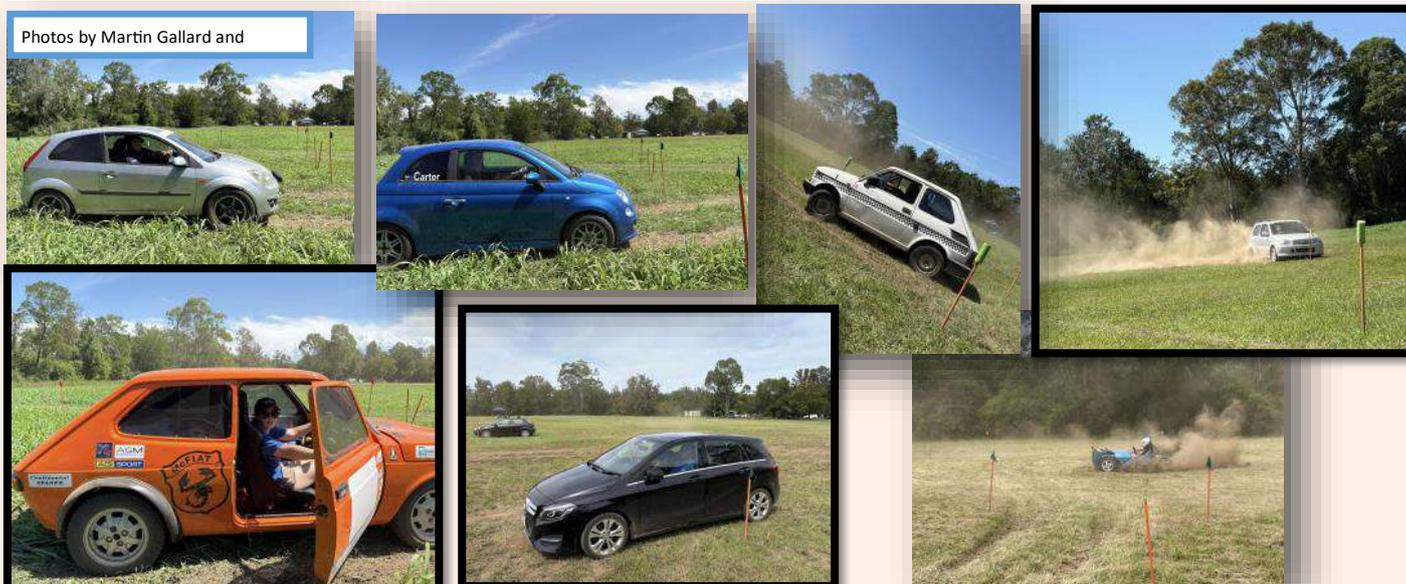
Provisional Motorkhana Results 23rd February 2025 FIAT Car Club NSW

O/R	Class	#	Entrant	Club	Class	Double Hat Adj time	Tee Slalom Adj time	Crazy Square Adj time	Bandit Adj time	Pine tree Adj time	4 Leaf Clover Adj time	Pine tree #2 Adj time	Top Hat Adj time	Total
1	1	14	Glenn Smith	FCCNSW	D	35.34	19.87	22.69	29.91	24.29	33.06	23	25.91	214.1
2	1	12	Phil East	FCCNSW	C	32.56	22.13	23.56	28.25	25.63	34.84	23.75	25.79	216.5
3	2	3	Travis McGeorge (J)	FCCNSW	D	34.84	23.66	23.44	28.03	25.00	36.57	23.5	28.03	223.1
4	3	1	Michael McGeorge	FCCNSW	D	36.95	22.82	24.47	28.91	24.53	35.47	24.84	26.81	224.8
5	4	9	Martin Gallard	FCCNSW	D	35.75	22.79	25.62	30.22	27.28	37.16	25.41	27.78	232
6	2	15	Ben Brown	WSCC	C	36.16	22.62	27.50 G	30.47	26.35	36.47	24.37	35.59	239.5
7	3	10	David Hussey	FCCNSW	C	37.9	24.69	26.50	30.28	28.78	36.00	24.6	31.19	239.9
8	4	6	Roger Malcolm	FCCNSW	C	38.63	23.91	26.00	31.47	31.84	40.22	27.78	29.38	249.2
9	5	7	Austin Carter	FCCNSW	C	40.78	24.84	26.79	38.00 F	26.69	37.5	24.85	31.53	251
10	5	2	Abbie Gallard (J)	FCCNSW	D	40.93	25.02	25.97	34.37	27.65	39.22	28.31	32.28	253.8
11	1	11	Peter Jakrot	FCCNSW	A	39.37	26.22	26.90	35.06	28.00	39.5.0	26.44	36.72 F	258.2
12	6	4	Hayley McGeorge (J)	FCCNSW	D	42.25	25.57	30.16	33.18	27.96	42.81	26.88	34.53	263.3
13	7	8	Adrian Sandrin	FCCNSW	D	39.97	30.78 G	32.96 F	32.50	28.69	37.47	37.41 2F	42.78	282.6
14	8	5	Ella Gallard (J)	FCCNSW	D	55.94	34.68	33.59	41.18	38.75	56.03	35.87	38.25	334.3

Provisional Motorkhana Results 16th March 2025 FIAT Car Club NSW

O/R	Class	#	Entrant	Club	Class	Straight Slalom Adj time	Open Slalom Adj time	Butterfly Adj time	Reverse Lazy 8 Adj time	Fleur-de-lis Adj time	Crazy Square Adj time	Reno Diamond Adj time	Diamond Slalom Adj time	Total
1	1	12	Phil East	FCCNSW	C	26.16	30.09	30.78	28.80	23.81	23.25	43.63WD	29.78	236.3
2	1	3	Travis McGeorge (J)	FCCNSW	D	23.34	37.00	28.87	38.54WD	23.25	23.31	27.69	35.38	237.4
3	1	8	Ben Brown	WSCC	B	27.31	32.41	32.72	30.66	26.86	25.44	30.53	31.66	237.6
4	2	1	Michael McGeorge	FCCNSW	D	32.31WD	32.63 F	38.60WD	31.81	24.31	22.81	28.63	30.63	241.7
5	2	11	Mitchell Brown	WSCC	B	25.35	32.90	31.81	32.44	27.94	31.19WD	30.13	33.32	245.1
6	2	6	Roger Malcolm	FCCNSW	C	27.19	34.13	33.60	33.54	28.62	25.91	30.60	31.72	245.3
7	3	9	Martin Gallard	FCCNSW	D	29.65 F	33.94	31.91	31.81	24.56	26.19	38.63	33.00	249.7
8	3	7	Austin Carter (J)	FCCNSW	C	26.50	36.79	32.10	36.31	25.91	26.22	38.50	36.53	258.9
9	4	4	Hayley McGeorge (J)	FCCNSW	D	29.75	34.84	36.28	33.09	26.72	27.03	36.43	36.19	260.3
10	5	2	Abbie Gallard (J)	FCCNSW	D	34.28 F	36.19	40.13	35.81	33.49 F	29.97	35.19	38.79	283.9
11	6	10	Cody Cheal (J)	Guest	D	28.06	56.93	35.59	41.75	48.35 FF,G	27.09	35.35	34.91	308
13	7	5	Ella Gallard (J)	FCCNSW	D	39.84	46.43	45.56	36.75	31.50	30.78	46.78	54.22	331.9
12	3	13	M'Jay Keane (J)	FCCNSW	B	44.54	48.05	46.53	38.40	35.37	31.65	42.69	45.09	332.3

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Competition

The 2024 completion year finished off with a motorkhana at Ansell Park on Sunday November 3 and was attended by a good number of competitors including seven juniors. Fine weather and good conditions (though it got a little dusty later in the day) greeted the participants. Congratulations to Glenn Smith for achieving first place and to Travis McGeorge for second and first junior.



Thus ended the competition year on a high note. Due to the Covid epidemic, it has taken many Car Clubs some time to get members back into participating in events and this last motorkhana for the year was a fitting end to a competitive year.

Many thanks to all those who participated and to Michael McGeorge and his ban of helpers to run a successful CHAMPIONSHIP for Fiat Club members and welcomed guests.

Please note that this is a stand alone champion event that is easily accessible to grass roots motorsports participants and officials and is as friendly as a Sunday BBQ. Few clubs can offer such a competitive outlet for its members., so don't be shy, **be part of the 2025 Fiat Club of NSW Motorkhana Championship!** LA



Provisional Motorkhana Results 3rd November 2024 FIAT Car Club NSW

O/R	Class	#	Entrant	Club	Class	Accordain Adj time	Gable Slalom Adj time	Butterfly Adj time	Tee Slalom Adj time	Star Adj time	Pentagon Adj time	Double loop Adj time	Total
1	1	14	Glenn Smith	FCCNSW	D	37.03	38.61	27.62	21.94	24.88	24.06	28.94	203.1
2	2	3	Travis McGeorge (J)	FCCNSW	D	40.22	39.50	27.53	21.21	31.00 F	25.97	29.06	214.5
3	3	32	Phil East	FCCNSW	D	40.63	39.81	28.81	23.06	26.07	26.87	30.56	215.8
4	4	33	Michael McGeorge	FCCNSW	D	43.94	40.63	26.10	22.50	25.72	32.50	32.88	224.3
5	1	2	Luke Bailey (J)	FCCNSW	C	44.50	44.87	30.00	24.07	28.15	26.97	34.62	233.2
6	1	27	Cameron Brown	WSCC	F	47.94	43.75	31.78	24.16	28.93	28.84	33.25	238.7
7	2	15	Ben Brown	WSCC	C	45.19	42.94	32.75	23.38	29.5	34.94	32.22	240.9
8	1	11	Peter Jakrot	FCCNSW	A	53.87	46.00	34.50	24.37	28.84	31.75	35.47	254.80
9	3	5	Grahame Bailey	FCCNSW	C	43.63	43.82	32.28	24.72	28.70	48.12WD	33.56	254.8
10	5	28	Martin Gallard	FCCNSW	D	49.06	45.00	28.12	40.69DNS	43.03DNS	25.12	38.66	269.7
11	6	4	Hayley McGeorge (J)	FCCNSW	D	49.68	56.69	35.28	26.28	37.47	31.32	37.50	274.2
12	4	10	David Hussey	FCCNSW	C	50.47	77.22 wd	30.03	24.03	30.07	26.72	35.88	274.4
13	5	30	Greg Jones	WSCC	C	47.15	47.47	39.34 G	40.69DNS	30.97	30.31	42.81 F,G	278.7
14	6	6	Roger Malcolm	FCCNSW	C	47.94	46.37	34.19	40.69DNS	43.03DNS	33.72	36.15	282.1
15	7	7	Austin Carter (J)	FCCNSW	C	48.84	54.16 F	40.53	38.47 G	33.03	33.60	36.84	285.5
16	2	29	Adrian Sandrin	FCCNSW	A	44.04	77.22 wd	34.88	40.69WD	30.12	29.19	38.84	295
17	8	13	Mitchell Brown (J)	WSCC	C	74.06 wd	49.37	30.13	26.35	32.72	48.12WD	38.19	298.9
18	12	25	Kevin Halliburton	FCCNSW	C	47.09	48.16	52.20 WD	40.69DNS	43.03DNS	48.12DNS	54.44DNS	333.7
19	9	8	Jack Malcolm (J)	FCCNSW	C	61.03	59.50	52.20 WD	40.69DNS	43.03DNS	38.47	57.58	352.50
20	10	9	Jasper Lumsden (J)	FCCNSW	C	64.53	77.22 wd	45.25	40.69DNS	43.03DNS	48.12WD	53.06 F,G	371.90
21	11	1	James Hill	VSCC	C	74.06 wd	77.22 wd	69.25	35.69	43.03WD	43.15	49.44	391.8



ENTRIES FOR THE NATIONALS 2025 CLOSE 11TH JULY
Please direct all inquiries to fiatnationals2025@gmail.com
Website link to Supp Regs and event information
www.fiatnationals.com.au

Schedule of Events

24th July 2025 THURSDAY Travel and setup at Morgan Park

Setup and register with Morgan Park for SPRINT ACCOMM details for night of 24th at Warwick - Coachman's Inn phone motel on (07) 4660 2100 for Nationals discount and reservation.

25th July 2025 8AM till 2PM FRIDAY FIAT NATIONALS SPRINT

8am Morgan Park, Warwick Lunch available at track canteen Afternoon travel to Ivory's Rock ACCOMM Details for IVORY'S ROCK <https://www.ivorysrock.org.au/> ring campground on (07) 3077 9668 for discount and Nationals reservation.

FRIDAY DINNER after the SPRINT

Friday Night at Ivorys Rock, Pizza van at Camp Ground Nationals by the Camp Fire

26th July 2025 Harrisville Pub 10AM

SATURDAY FIAT NATIONALS Show n Shine

Car Show on lawn of Harrisville Pub Lunch in Pub

SATURDAY Dinner after the Show n Shine 26th July 6pm

Casual Hamburgers back at Ivory's Rock Campground Nationals by the Camp Fire

27th JULY 2025 8AM SUNDAY FIAT OF ITALY CUP Motorkhana

Motorkhana Qld Raceway Carpark 133 Champions Way, Willowbank QLD 4306

SUNDAY NIGHT PRESENTATION DINNER SUNDAY 27th July 6PM

Presentation Dinner at the Ivory's Rock Campground Conference Room. End the weekend with the final "weekend debrief" for Nationals 2025 by the campfire.

Accommodation

Warwick Motel for night of 24/07/25

One Night (night of 24/07/25) stay in Warwick being the night before FIAT Nationals SPRINT on 25/07/25. Ring motel on (07) 4660 2100 to use FIAT Nationals discount booking rate.



Ivory's Rock CAMPGROUND

For the NIGHTS of 25th to 27th of JULY. All FIAT Nationals Activities for the rest of the weekend will be based here. Ring Camp ground on (07) 3077 9668 to use FIAT Nationals discount booking rate.

2024 FIAT Club of NSW - CONCORSO D'ELEGANZA

One of the remaining events on the Club's 2024 calendar was the rescheduled Fiat Club NSW Concorso held on Sunday October 20 at Gough Whitlam Park, Tempe.

A crisp fine morning was followed by a sun filled day, just perfect for a car show with hundreds of Italian vehicles on display. Some very nice cars from the four invited clubs, Alfa Romeo Owner's Club, Lancia Motor Club, Italian Made Social Club and of course our own Fiat Club of NSW.

Near 30 cars from the Fiat Club were on show, a little down on previous years but not down on quality with some new entrants participating this time round. Some of the newcomers included John and Antonio Di Bella with a pair of Fiat 500s, Natalie Polito and her "Carabinieri" Punto, Claudio Casacchia and his lovely blue 128 and Dean Ryan bringing along his recently refurbished 500 Abarth. The work completed on this little car is a credit to Dean's hard work and he was rewarded with the out right Concorso trophy for 2024.

As usual, a great day was had by all and congratulations go out to all the trophy winners for this year. We look forward to this year's concorso scheduled for Sunday 28 September. LA.



2024 CONCORSO D'ELEGANZA RESULTS

Outright Winner - Dean Ryan - FIAT 500 Abarth

CLASS	PLACE	ENTRANT	CAR / MODEL	TOTAL SCORE
SEDANS	1 st	Claudio Casacchia	Fiat 128	178
	2 nd	Saul Sher	126	160
	3 rd	Luca Bartolomei	Fiat 600D	154
CONVERTIBLES	1 st	Ian Sinden	Fiat X1/9	151
	2 nd	Adrian Sandrin	Fiat 124 Spider	146
COUPES	1 st	Kerry Moroney	Fiat 850 Coupe	161
	2 nd	Joe Auciello	Fiat 124 CC	149
	3 rd	Gavin Tory	Fiat 124 CC	147
HISTORICS	1 st	Dean Ryan	Fiat 500 Abarth	170
	2 nd	Saul Sher	Fiat 600	157
	3 rd	Antonio Di Bella	Fiat 500D	155
MODERN	1 st	Natalie Polito	Fiat Punto	
MODIFIED	1 st	Daniel Sullo	Fiat 850 Coupe	157
	2 nd	Andrew Calla	Fiat 1500	146
COMPETITION	1 st	Martin Gallard	Fiat 126	



2024 FIAT Club of NSW - CONCORSO D'ELEGANZA



*Above; Claudio Casacchia's 128 sedan, David Barzan's 850 sedan and Andrew Calla's 1500.
Below; The Fiat 600s of Johnathen Sher, Luca Bartolomei and Ross Di Bartolo.*



Above; The Fiat 850 Coupes of Kerry Moroney and the highly modified version belonging to Daniel Sullo; Two wonderful examples of the Fiat 500 belonging to John Di Bella and Antonio Di Bella.



2024 FIAT Club of NSW - CONCORSO D'ELEGANZA

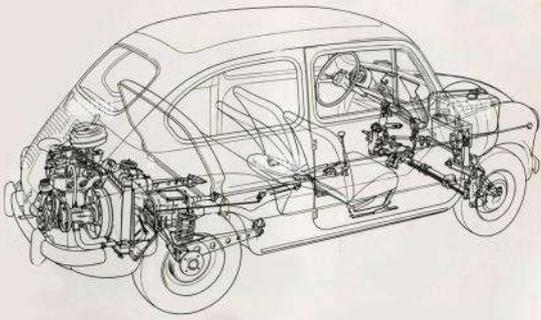


Above; Bruno Napoli's 131 Superbrava Mk 3; Robert Polito's 131 Superbrava Mk 1; The 124 AC Coupe of Tony Halcrow and the 124 CC Coupe of Joe Auciello. Below; Ian Sinden's X1/9, Diran Fabricatorian's X1/9 and Adrian Sandrin's 124 Spider.



Above; Saul Sher's Fiat 126 (Nikki); Martin Gallard's similar but highly modified 126 Motorkhana Completion Special and Gavin Tory's immaculate 124 CC Coupe. At right is Graham Chegwidden's Abarth 695 "Edizione Maserati". Below; Some of the moderns on show was the Halliburton's 500X, Natalie Polito's trophy winning Punto and Dave Filipetto's 124 Abarth.





Concorso d'Eleganza

Sunday 28th September 2025

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 celebrating an anniversary is:

FIAT 600 (70yrs)

entry free for club members

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

judging commences: **10:00am**

trophy presentation: **2:00pm**



UPCOMING EVENTS

Pizza Break!

come join like minded FIAT enthusiasts enjoy authentic Italian pizza.



When: Sunday 8th June 2025

Where: Da Toto Pizzeria
Shop 9 / 292 Great Western Hwy,
Lawson NSW 2783

Time: 5:00pm - 9:00pm



Coffee Break!

come join like minded FIAT enthusiasts enjoy a coffee/breakfast catch up.



When: Sunday 13th July 2025

Where: Armoury Wharf Cafe
Blaxland Riverside Park,
Jamieson Street, off Holker Street
Newington NSW 2127

Time: 9:00am - 11:00am



Members Meeting!

come join your club committee in a casual members meeting to have your say about all things FIAT club related...



When: Tuesday 8th July 2025

Where: Magpie Sports Club
46 Hampton St,
Croydon Park NSW 2133

Time: 7:00pm - 9:00pm
(free pizza for members on the night)



Burger Break!

come join like minded FIAT enthusiasts enjoy a burger n fries catch up.



When: Sunday 10th August 2025

Where: Chubby Buns.
48 Victoria Road,
Ryde NSW 2112

Time: 6:00pm - 10:00pm



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When: Sunday 14th September 2025
Where: Cherry Beans
 62 South Street,
 Rydalmere NSW 2116
Time: 8:00am - 10:00am



When: Sunday 12th October 2025
Where: Maggio's Pasticceria
 Shop 8/144 Coxs Road,
 North Ryde NSW 2113
Time: 8:00am - 10:00am



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coffee break (write up)

4th May 2025

Blue Garden Cafe @ Ermington



A great turn out of FIAT Club of NSW members and their cars on this very sunny May morning. This venue is very popular with our members as it provides a great opportunity to park our cars directly in front of the cafe. It looked like a mini car display or as someone called it... 'an Italian Car Yard'. All that was missing were the For Sale Signs.

Many members brought their partners and families. Nice to see so many more ladies and children attending these social catch ups.

The highlight was seeing so many cars, of different shapes, colours and styles in the one location. A feast for your senses!

We look forward to seeing many more at the next social event

Thank you to all our members for making these social catch ups so much fun!

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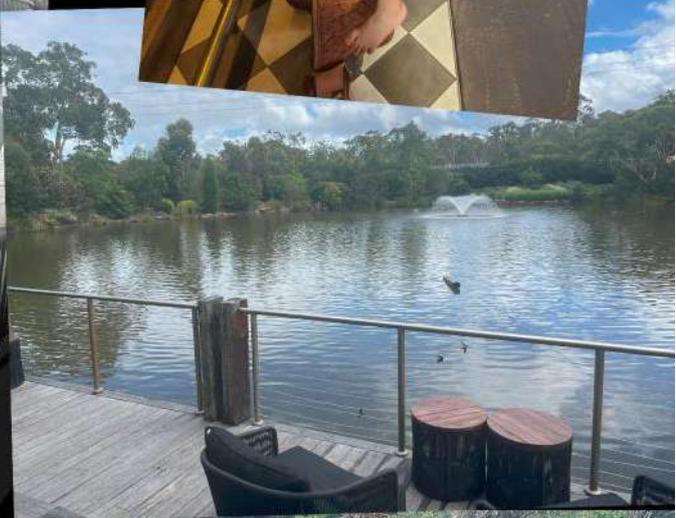
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coffee break (write up)

9th March 2025

Saddles @ Mount White



The 2nd social event for 2025 saw the FIAT Club of NSW members drive to Mount White to a very picturesque venue called Saddles. A tranquil family friendly place with plenty of parking. Great to see a variety of cars turn up from our members. Doesn't always need to be Italian!

The alfresco dining was really relaxing while overlooking the beautiful lake. It was a great way to enjoy the company of fellow club members.

We thank all our club members that attended and appreciate them bringing along their families and friends. It really added to the enjoyment of this club catch up.

We look forward to seeing you all at the next social event.

Ciao **Giovanni Ciampa**
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gelato break (write up)

12th January 2025

Gelato Messina HQ @ Marrickville



The first social event for 2025 saw the FIAT Club of NSW members roll up for gelato at Messina HQ in Marrickville. A great family friendly venue. Plenty of parking and seating to enjoy italian gelato.

Our cars provided additional italian flavour to the venue, with our mix of old and new FIAT models.

We thank all our club members that attended and appreciate them bringing along their families and friends. It really added to the enjoyment of this club catch up.

We look forward to seeing you all at the next social event.

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Fiat Club Members Take Home Trophies From This Year's Auto Italia

April 13, 2025, Auto Italia celebrated its 40th year having been first held in 1985. There was a much nostalgic sentiment for those who have been attending this event for many years, some being at the first Auto Italia.

There were a number of club members who ventured to Auto Italia in Queanbeyan this year and a few of them did very well by winning best car in class. As you will see from the photos below, the owners put a lot of work into preparing their Fiats, a couple of them having been rebuilt or restored over the past few years.

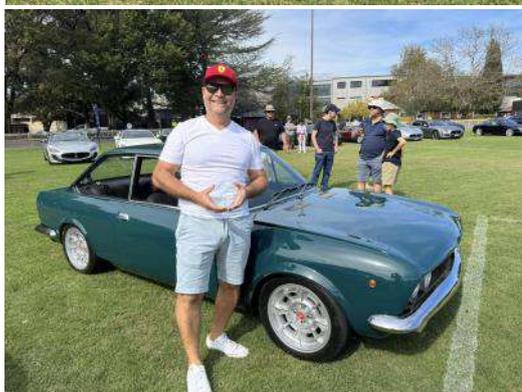
Congratulations to the winners.



Best Fiat Spider/Targa/Roadster;

1st place - David Heyworth, Fiat 2300S Coupe.

The 2300 Coupe has become a most appreciated classic and David proudly owns a stunning example, one of a few of this model in the club.



Best Fiat Coupe;

1st place - Daniel Sullo, Fiat 124 Coupe.

This was the debut showing of the 124 after years of restoration work. Daniel is no stranger to working on and modifying Fiats. His highly modified 850 Coupe is an example of Daniel's years of work that he puts into his cars which is also evidenced by the numerous trophies that he wins.



Best Fiat Sedan;

1st place - Frank Vasile, Fiat 131 Stradale.

Another example of what years of work can produce when you want your dream car that would otherwise be unobtainable. The effort put into this 131 was obviously recognised by the organisers in awarding first prize to Frank and his Stradale!



Vale - Margaret Davis

The Fiat Club is sad to hear of the passing of Margaret Davis. Margaret was the wife of Christ Davis, a former club President who himself passed away in 1999 after a short illness. Margaret and Chris were very involved with the club with their Fiat 127 and later their Ritmo Abarth. As well as club activities, Margaret and Chris ran a café in Summer Hill where they occasional hosted committee meetings. After Chris's passing, Margaret attended the occasional event including the club's Christmas function.

The Fiat Club offers its sincere condolences to Margaret's Family.

Fiat Club NSW 75th Anniversary Lunch

The club celebrated this milestone event on Sunday November 24, 2024, at La Montage in Lilyfield. Over 80 club members attended this wonderful occasion and enjoyed some fine food and the company of fellow club members.

On display to celebrate the event was Dean Ryan's recently restored Fiat 500 Abarth along with a new Abarth 500e supplied by McCarrols Motors. After meals were served, speeches by club Patron, Mr Nat Zanardo and club President, David Filipetto recounted what the Fiat Club has achieved in the many years of its existence and what the club meant to them. There were thanks to all those volunteers over the 75 years who had contributed to the club's well being for the prosperity of its members.

A table displaying club memorabilia going back to the 1950s as well as various model cars that showcased the early years of Fiat. A souvenir programme was handed out for members as a keepsake from the day.

A wonderful day was had by all and thanks go to Giovanni and the committee for working hard to make this event successful.



75th Anniversary Lunch



Concorso Trophy Recipients



FIAT SHORTS

Since its inception in 1899, Fiat has produced and sold over 100 million vehicles globally. In 2023 alone, Fiat sold approximately 1.35 million cars worldwide, marking a 12% increase from the previous year. This performance solidified Fiat's position as Stellantis' best-selling brand globally. [.Stellantis Media+1Coolest Gadgets+1Carscoops](#)

Fiat's extensive product lineup has contributed to this impressive sales figure. Notable models include the Fiat 500, which has been a cornerstone of the brand's success. Additionally, Fiat Professional's Ducato van has been a leader in the light commercial vehicle segment in Europe. [.Stellantis Media](#)

The brand's global reach is evident, with Fiat leading markets in Brazil, Italy, Turkey, and Algeria. In Brazil, Fiat achieved a 21.8% market share, while in Italy, it held a 12.8% share. Turkey and Algeria also saw Fiat leading sales in their respective markets. [.ClubAlfa.it+4Carscoops+4Stellantis Media+4Stellantis Media](#)

Fiat's enduring popularity and significant sales figures underscore its pivotal role in the global automotive industry.

International Fiat News



Globally, Fiat continues to make waves with the unveiling of the **2025 Fiat Grande Panda**. This retro-inspired SUV merges 1980s charm with modern hybrid and electric drivetrains. While it's not confirmed for Australia just yet, Fiat's leadership has expressed strong interest in making it a world car—so we're keeping a close eye. If it does arrive, it could become one of the most affordable EV options on the Australian market.

Meanwhile, the **Fiat 500e** is quietly gaining traction in Australia. Its compact size, elegant Italian design, and zippy electric motor make it an ideal city car. For the thrill-seekers among us, the **Abarth Nuova**

500e is also on its way—a faster, feistier EV that promises performance without petrol.

Stellantis Group: Navigating Challenges and Strategic Shifts

Stellantis, the automotive giant formed from the merger of Fiat Chrysler Automobiles and PSA Group, is undergoing significant restructuring in 2025. The company has announced plans to cut up to 200 jobs through voluntary exits at its Termoli plant in central Italy, part of a broader strategy to rejuvenate its workforce. This follows earlier similar announcements affecting other Italian facilities. Despite these reductions, Stellantis emphasizes Italy's central role in its strategic plans, including the setup of a production line for electric Dual Clutch Transmission (eDCT) gearboxes at Termoli. Stellantis remains committed to innovation and is investing heavily in electrification, including the development of next-gen transmissions and global EV platforms. [Reuters](#)

Financially, Stellantis reported a 14% decrease in net revenues for Q1 2025, totalling €35.8 billion, primarily due to lower shipment volumes and adverse regional mix. Consolidated shipments were 1,217 thousand units, a 9% decrease compared to the same period in 2024. The company is focusing on stabilization in 2025, aiming to return to revenue growth and positive cash generation.

Sales Decline and Market Position

Fiat's market share in Europe has experienced a downturn, with the brand holding just 2.5% of the market and ranking around 15th among car manufacturers. In the first quarter of 2025, Fiat registered 6,825 electric vehicles across Europe, marking a 44% drop compared to the previous year. Notably, the Fiat 500e, once a leader in the electric city car segment, no longer ranks among the top 25 electric vehicles sold in Europe. [.ClubAlfa.itItalPassion+2ItalPassion+2gt-automotive.fr+2](#)

Strategic Shifts and New Models

In response to declining sales, Fiat is introducing the Grande Panda, a new electric model aimed at revitalizing the brand's presence in the European market. This model is expected to play a crucial role in Fiat's strategy to regain market leadership. [.ItalPassion](#)

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FIAT SHORTS

Additionally, Fiat plans to launch a new hybrid version of the Fiat 500e, produced at the Mirafiori plant in Italy. This move aims to address slowed sales of fully electric vehicles and to meet union requests for new high-volume models to boost output at the plant. The hybrid model is anticipated to start production no earlier than late 2025, with an annual output target of 200,000 units, including 125,000 hybrids. [Reuters+1ItalPas](#)

Australian New Car Sales for 2024

Australian new car sales hit a new record in 2024 of 1,237,287 vehicles compare to 1,216,780 sales of cars in 2023 (up 1.7%). Despite this the Federal Chamber of Automotive Industries noted a decline in sales in the second half of 2024 which is expected to continue in 2025 (so far for the year this does seem to be the case).

Sales were down for petrol (-10.1%) and diesel (-2.5%) fuelled cars while sales were up for hybrid (+76%), plug in hybrid (+100.2%) and electric (+4.7%) vehicles

Top selling model was the Ford ranger, again, sales of 62,593, followed by the Toyota RAV4, 58,718 and the Toyota Hilux, sales of 53,499.

Toyota topped the sales lists at 241,216 vehicles to Ford's 100,170. Tables showing the top ten model sales and sales of all brands for 2024 are included below.

Sales of Fiat vehicles dropped by 57 from 2062 in 2023 to 2005 sales in 2024. 527 Fiat 500s were sold in 2024 (down from 755 in 2023). *For more information, go to **VFACTS 2024: New vehicle sales hit record high...***

Top 10 model sales 2024

1	Ford Ranger	62,593
2	Toyota RAV4	58,718
3	Toyota HiLux	53,499
4	Isuzu D-Max	30,194
5	Mitsubishi Outlander	27,613
6	Ford Everest	26,494
7	Toyota Corolla	24,027
8	Mazda CX-5	22,835
9	MG ZS	22,629
10	Kia Sportage	22,210

	Brand	2024 sales	YoY difference
1	Toyota	241,296	12.10%
2	Ford	100,170	14.10%
3	Mazda	95,987	-4.00%
4	Kia	81,787	7.40%
5	Mitsubishi	74,547	17.40%
6	Hyundai	71,664	-4.70%
7	MG	50,592	-13.30%
8	Isuzu Ute	48,172	6.20%
9	Nissan	45,284	15.00%
10	GWM	42,782	17.50%
11	Subaru	40,604	-11.90%
12	Tesla	38,347	-16.90%
13	Volkswagen	36,480	-16.80%
14	BMW	26,341	0.60%
15	Mercedes-Benz	24,831	-13.90%
16	Suzuki	21,278	24.60%
17	BYD	20,458	64.50%
18	LDV	16,022	-24.80%
19	Audi	15,333	-19.50%
20	Honda	14,092	2.60%
21	Lexus	13,642	-10.20%
22	Isuzu	13,402	-1.90%
23	Chery	12,603	114.00%
24	Volvo	8898	-20.00%
25	Land Rover	7910	-6.10%
26	Porsche	7029	16.10%
27	Renault	5556	-30.80%
28	SsangYong	5393	-9.60%
29	Hino	5077	-14.10%
30	Skoda	5015	-37.30%
31	Chevrolet	4303	16.20%
32	Mini	3982	-7.20%
33	Ram	3852	-43.60%
34	Jeep	2456	-48.70%
35	Cupra	2339	-39.00%
36	Fiat	2005	-2.80%
37	Peugeot	1896	-24.60%
38	Polestar	1713	-30.30%
39	Genesis	1400	-26.90%
40	Jaguar	743	27.90%
41	Alfa Romeo	561	-21.60%
42	Maserati	377	-40.90%
43	Lamborghini	273	13.30%
44	Ferrari	246	14.40%
45	Bentley	183	-20.10%
46	Lotus	155	-15.30%
47	Aston Martin	154	-1.90%
48	Citroen	147	-35.50%
49	McLaren	95	11.80%
50	Foton Mobility	68	-4.20%
51	Leapmotor	64	N/A
52	Rolls-Royce	54	10.20%
53	Dodge	6	N/A

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