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[Peter & Sandra James Oka 374](#)

Member

Posts: 412

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Oka 374 LT Van

January 10, 2011 at 6:28 PM

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[John & Laura Szkoruda](#)

Member

Posts: 111

We spotted one at Cygnet in Tasmania parked at the Folk Festival, we stopped but by the time we parked the owner was gone. It was Oka 048 (checked the chassis) it has 22.5 tyres on it, multi cab body owned by the Greens party ??? Had greens stickers on it???? hung around for a bit but didn't catch the owners.



--

John & Laura Szkoruda OKA 147

January 16, 2011 at 6:31 PM

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[Andy \(and Deb\)](#)

Member

Posts: 25

[Peter & Sandra James Oka 374](#) at January 10, 2011 at 6:28 PM

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G'day Peter and Sandra,

It was probably me, if it was Saturday 8th Jan, I just flew over to Coffs, and my brother-in-law took me down to Kempsey (nr Port Mac), picked her up and

drove here straight back to WA, trying to beat the floods!

So, this is the first time i've used the forum, as I'm a very new member.
Howz that?

Cheers - Andy and Debbie Russell

January 22, 2011 at 11:43 AM

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Outback Jack

Member

Posts: 381

Hi Andy,

Welcome to the fold. Tell us more about your new purchase? Did you have Robin service it as you went through Coolgardie? He mentioned a vehicle similar to yours.

Cheers

--

January 22, 2011 at 12:12 PM

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Outback Jack

Member

Posts: 381

Not sure about No.48 tyres. But this set up would be the ultimate I think. I would prefer that set up to a bus.

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January 22, 2011 at 12:13 PM

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[Hal Harvey](#)

Site Owner

Posts: 510

Hi Andy and welcome along. Your new acquisition has a page at www.oka4wd.com/apps/wiki/055 , which probably needs some more current pics! Whereabouts in the wheatbelt are you?

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Hal

January 22, 2011 at 2:00 PM

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[Andy \(and Deb\)](#)

Member

Posts: 25

[Outback Jack](#) at January 22, 2011 at 12:12 PM

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Cheers

Hi - 'Soon to be OKA Qld?

Yes Robin was good enough to service it for me on the way through, at short notice - Good Bloke

. I'm going back there next week, to have '055' fixed up a bit more, and Robin is chasing some alloy rims for me also,

Andy and Debbie Russell

January 22, 2011 at 2:00 PM

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Outback Jack

Member

Posts: 381

if no joy with Robin, check with DOC from Newman. He is importing tyres and rims from the US.

What else does 55 need to have fixed up?

Cheers

--

January 22, 2011 at 3:33 PM

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[Andy \(and Deb\)](#)

Member

Posts: 25

Hal Harvey at January 22, 2011 at 2:00 PM

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Hi Hal,

We're in Pithara!.....nr. Dalwallinu.

I'm off to Robin's tomorrow, hopefully to be back by wednesday.

I've looked around this site a little - too much to take in at once, but we'll get there.

Thanks Andy

January 23, 2011 at 10:52 PM

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[joseph baz](#)

Member

Posts: 331

Andy,if it's alloy rims that you're chasing check with Paul Nott,I did speak to him this week and he told me that he just fitted a set to his OKA and the price was'nt bad either.

Cheers

Joe

January 23, 2011 at 11:07 PM

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[Hal Harvey](#)

Site Owner

Posts: 510

Andy, as you're new you probably haven't figured it out yet, but it's tradition for any new owner to invite all the existing owners around for a long weekend, probably during wildflower season up your way. You don't need to do anything, just put on the food, drink and accommodation, we'll look after the rest. 🍷

--

Hal

January 24, 2011 at 12:39 AM

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[Andy \(and Deb\)](#)

Member

Posts: 25

Thanks for the info Joe, and I'll give him a call if I do no good here in WA over the next couple of days.

Okay Hal, everyone is welcome here during the wildflower season, but we may not be back from 'up north' by the time they start - if they do -you need rain for wildflowers, even just a bit, but its still dry here the last couple years. La ninya may help!;) And we'll know closer to the time if we'll be back from our annual 6 month pilgrimage, away from the cold!

see ya Andy and Deb

January 24, 2011 at 10:47 AM

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[John & Laura Szkoruda](#)

Member

Posts: 111

Welcome to the Oka group. As Hal said, when's the Oka warming party, we in Tasmania at the moment, but never too far for a party!!!! Yes the 22.5 tyres on 048 were BIG make even your wheels look small Hal !!.

Regards,

John & Laura Oka 147

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John & Laura Szkoruda OKA 147

January 24, 2011 at 6:51 PM

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[Ewart & Vivian Halford](#)

Member

Posts: 117

Spotted OKA 55 QUOKA traveling south on the new Forest Hyway the sarvo, I was a passenger in a sedan and we over took them, Hi Andy & DEb

March 24, 2011 at 7:58 PM

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[Garry & Chris](#)

Member

Posts: 104

I didn't see them but Chris did I was an hour ahead of her 3 Okas Bairnsdale Good Friday I'd already gone through and was at Lakes Entrance

April 25, 2011 at 6:52 PM

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[Garry & Chris](#)

Member

Posts: 104

Spotted in this months CMCA (Camper and motorhome Club Australia) Mag Oka camper \$95K Looks like a Qld member

May 12, 2011 at 9:28 PM

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[Jeff & Roby OKA379](#)

Member

Posts: 6

Whilst travelling home from Toowoomba today (12/07/11), spotted a white NT heading west on the Warrego Highway between Helidon & Toowoomba. Our OKA was at home & we were in our Nissan Patrol. Tried calling on UHF 40 but did not get a response. Unable to see number plates. Just wondering if they might be members of this site?

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July 12, 2011 at 2:05 PM

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[Garry & Chris](#)

Member

Posts: 104

Spotted in a driveway Main st Buderim 1/8/10

August 2, 2011 at 6:41 AM

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[Chris J](#)

Member

Posts: 56

Spotted this OKA last week along Ross River Road inTownsville, who owns it!

Regards, Chris.



--

Chris and Janice Jones - OKA 166

August 2, 2011 at 8:16 AM

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Nomad

Member

Posts: 30

Chris, You'll find that OKA lives at Saunders Beach, Townsville, and is for sale on "Car Point". Check it out - low K's, lots of extras, looks to be a nice rig.

August 2, 2011 at 10:19 PM



[Garry & Chris](#)

Member

Posts: 104

Garry & Chris at August 2, 2011 at 6:41 AM

Spotted in a driveway Main st Buderim 1/8/10

It's a multicab with a box on tray and a canoe on roof S A plates Parked in motel carpark

August 3, 2011 at 2:41 PM

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[Peter & Sandra James Oka 374](#)

Member

Posts: 412

Met up with another Oka today in Penong SA. Sandy and I are headed east in 374 and Steve was headed west in 391, forgot to take a pic of both parked together.

--

Oka 374 LT Van

August 28, 2011 at 5:52 PM

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[Hal Harvey](#)

Site Owner

Posts: 510

Wasn't this one by chance was it Peter? I found this shot today on the site www.perite.com with the caption "Other travellers at Cloncurry, Steve and Jackie" - it was from 2009. If not do we know who Steve & Jackie are?



--

Hal

August 28, 2011 at 8:41 PM

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[Peter & Sandra James Oka 374](#)

Member

Posts: 412

No it wasn't that one, it is listed in the members list but no pic.

Has a full pop-top camper conversion with the door shifted rearwards to be narrower and just in front of the rear wheel.

I'm still kicking myself for not taking pics ;-)))

--

Oka 374 LT Van

August 30, 2011 at 5:42 PM

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[Nomad](#)

Member

Posts: 30

Maybe this one? Was for sale not long back on "Trading Post" site but has since disappeared, maybe sold?



--

David & Christina Wight - Nomad Refrigeration - OKA267

August 31, 2011 at 9:16 AM

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[Peter & Sandra James Oka 374](#)

Member

Posts: 412

No not that one either, 391 was apparently owned by someone on the southern highlands of NSW before Steve bought it and took it to WA.

--

Oka 374 LT Van

August 31, 2011 at 5:32 PM

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[Hank Onthewater](#)

Member

Posts: 79

Nomad, you have a nice picture of my van. (#428)

Yes, it disappeared from Trading Post because I bought it (May this year).

Hank

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*May fair winds be behind you, sun above, clear waters below, and a safe port ahead.
And when in OKA van: replace "clear waters" with "firm ground".*

August 31, 2011 at 6:58 PM

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[Nomad](#)

Member

Posts: 30

That answers that question for me. Congrats, it certainly is a top notch vehicle and ready to go. I was after a multi cab myself and have had to settle for one that requires "**some**" TLC. First thing to do is the list of things to do. I guess it's our adventurous nature that draws us to an OKA in the first instance though huh?

--

*David & Christina Wight - **Nomad Refrigeration** - OKA267*

September 1, 2011 at 8:18 AM

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[John & Laura Szkoruda](#)

Member

Posts: 111

Spotted an Oka this morning Boat Harbour Dve, in Hervey Bay, Dual Cab ute with a box on the back tray and a red canoe on the roof. Didn't get the number plate or a photo was in the shopping centre carpar loading car when we saw him drive past , up the main street, thought we saw him about 2 weeks ago also, but was a long way in front of us couldn't tell from that distance if it was an Oka, but think so. Sounds like the same one Gary & Chris saw on the Sunshine Coast on the 1st August.

John & Laura

September 5, 2011 at 3:07 PM

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[Hank Onthewater](#)

Member

Posts: 79

I was 'spotted' this morning.

When I pulled over at a fuel station in Albany, a guy comes up to me, and said he had been following me for a while in his Landcruiser and was waiting for me to stop.

He told me that he just bought an Oka in an auction in Perth, the van being a fire emergency vehicle on some mine site. The pump and tank unit will be removed this week. Mick plans to convert the cab chassis to a camper.

He invited me to his place, we had a coffee, and checked each other's vans, as one does.

His Oka is # 236. Took a photo, but can't get that here in this posting; how does

that work?

Hank

September 11, 2011 at 3:48 PM

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[joseph baz](#)

Member

Posts: 331

I was at the auction and that is not a bad bus, low kms just a bit of tidying up and she will be a beauty, good buy for the conditions and you can also put out some fires, lol

Cheers, Joe

September 11, 2011 at 8:51 PM

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[Hank Onthewater](#)

Member

Posts: 79

Photos of OKA # 236:





Hank

September 11, 2011 at 9:02 PM

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[Moose2367](#)

Member

Posts: 110

Just had a look at OKA 206, in Katherine, the owner is from Hervey Bay up here working, ex RAAF fire unit he has converted into a pop top camper. Only got 122K on it, also said e was thinking of selling it but wants around \$60k. Not a bad looking unit from my very limited experience.

September 12, 2011 at 7:30 PM

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[Hank Onthewater](#)

Member

Posts: 79

Spotted an OKA in Bunbury yesterday, parked near the beach. Left a note for the owner under the windscreen wiper.

Glenn later joined me for lunch. His # 371 is a great sensible unit. He came via the Anne Beadell highway/track to WA and is now on his way back via the South coast.



Hank



September 24, 2011 at 8:19 PM

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joseph baz

Member

Posts: 331

I have seen Glen's unit before and it's a superb job,k will love to catch with him in Perth,Glen if youre coming this way give me a call and we can have a beer!!

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Cheers,Joe

September 24, 2011 at 8:44 PM

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[John & Laura Szkoruda](#)

Member

Posts: 111

Spotted an Oka !!!! Friday 7th Oct at Lipson Cove in SA on the Eyre Peninsula David & Marilyn in their new NT Oka #6002 . Stopped and said hi spent a couple of days camped there as well.

Cheers John & Laura

--

John & Laura Szkoruda OKA 147

October 10, 2011 at 2:12 PM

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[Dandj](#)

Member

Posts: 367

Met with Peter and Rae, Oka 173, in the Woolies car park at Port Augusta today. They are on their way across to WA so keep a look out for them you Sandgropers.



They'll probably report that they saw us as well.

--

David and Janet Ribbans, Oka 148

October 17, 2011 at 7:54 PM

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hoon behaviour
caught on camera
can anyone identify
the culprit?

[Alan Bajada & Jo-Anne Allchin](#)

Member

Posts: 15

Green twin cab with canvas back, travelling north nar Pinjarra Sunday morning, I think it was Dave & Pauline, I spotted the OKA from afar and flashed my lights

as I was going south to Collie for a car club event in Jo's green Torana XU-1.
Regards Alan

November 1, 2011 at 12:28 AM

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[Dave and Pauline Gray](#)

Member

Posts: 84

Hi Alan

That was us we had been to a Derby reunion at an old friends farm in the Capel area and in true Kimberly tradition had finished up with a headache ,pity you didnt pull us up I could have done with a walk around.

Cheers Dave and Pauline

November 1, 2011 at 8:45 AM

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[John & Laura Szkoruda](#)

Member

Posts: 111

Sorry this is a bit late. On the 19th October 2011 at Corryong in the Victoria High Country we were stopped for lunch when we spotted & were spotted by Oka 399.



John & Silky are the owners - from Tasmania but work/run??? the Swagman Chalet at Perisher in NSW Snowfields in the winter months Oka used to transport guests, they were on their way back to Tasmania, catching Spirit of Tasmania that night so didn't have time to chat for too long. They bought 399 from tour operator in Cairns.

We were also spotted the next day on NSW south coast by Oka 080 (Quigleys), not in their Oka, in work car.

--

John & Laura Szkoruda OKA 147

November 22, 2011 at 4:06 PM

[Hal Harvey](#)

Site Owner

Posts: 510

It looks like 399 has alloys on it now too... this pic is from the Swagman Chalet website...



Laura also sent me through a pic from the Coolgardie to Perth stretch that she and John did back in September. They helped me out greatly when I was needing to get #260 back from Coolgardie, and they were driving past anyway...



So Laura drove their #147 and John drove our #260 through to Scarborough for a home delivery! Thanks again guys.

--

Hal

November 22, 2011 at 6:32 PM

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[John & Laura Szkoruda](#)

Member

Posts: 111

Hal,

Yes 399 has black alloys 17" with Mickey Thompson Tyres bit bigger than

ours, but not quite as big as yours.



It was our pleasure to pick up your Oka we were going that way anyway, so going to Scarborough before going to Rockingham was no problem. Beside we got TWICE as many looks with two Oka's. hahaha.

Cheers

Laura & John

--

John & Laura Szkoruda OKA 147

November 23, 2011 at 11:30 AM

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[Ewart & Vivian Halford](#)

Member

Posts: 117

Spotted an OKA in Australind at 4.50 pm today, twin cab with tonneau cover on the tray, OKA looked dark green or black, may have had WA plates.

Ewart

December 14, 2011 at 9:02 PM

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[Hal Harvey](#)

Site Owner

Posts: 510

On Christmas Day, West Coast Drive in Marmion, a white multi cab with a canvas back, rego 1BSD-060 and heading south while we went north to mum's for lunch. No idea who that was.

--

Hal

December 27, 2011 at 2:31 AM

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[Nomad](#)

Member

Posts: 30

Spotted an OKA just before 9am today, a couple of k's south of Port Douglas heading North. Unfortunately didn't have time to chase it down. White with barn doors on the rear and looked like southern plates. Not sure who this was?

--

*David & Christina Wight - **Nomad Refrigeration** - OKA267*

December 29, 2011 at 1:21 PM

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[Chris J](#)

Member

Posts: 56

Yes Nomad that same OKA was spotted twice by my wife and once by a work mate in Townsville a few days ago, looks like he is heading north.

regards, Chris

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Chris and Janice Jones - OKA 166

December 30, 2011 at 9:27 AM

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[John & Laura Szkoruda](#)

Member

Posts: 111

spotted an Oka, Wednesday 21st Dec in Victoria 2km west side of quarantine inspection station at Yamba (just outside Berri) on the Vic / SA border. They were headed East we headed West, it was a dual cab with ??? a canopy of some sort on the back , had a logo on the side, but couldn't read it. Tried to call on CB but no answer.

John & Laura 147

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John & Laura Szkoruda OKA 147

December 31, 2011 at 10:29 AM

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[Tony Lee](#)

Member

Posts: 539

OKA236 has featured in posts here - by a friend of the owner.

Turned up here at the Gunbarrel Lager a couple of days ago in company with one of the Chamberlain tractors (first of about 8 that arrived tonight)

Still work in progress inside the box but it is a pretty mean looking machine from the outside.

Have photos and will post them as soon as google unfreezes my picasa pages

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Tony

<https://picasaweb.google.com/114611728110254134379>

July 7, 2012 at 2:22 PM
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Tony Lee
Member
Posts: 539







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Tony

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July 8, 2012 at 8:27 AM

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[Outback Jack](#)

Member

Posts: 381

Wonder who made the back? Looks like a tidy rig.

--

July 8, 2012 at 8:42 AM

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Hal Harvey

Site Owner

Posts: 510

I know this is a poor effort without a pic, but the photo I took with my phone last night didn't work - sorry.

Not an OKA but I was amused to see a small white bus, like a HiAce or similar, at a Carnarvon fuel stop yesterday. It was built to the hilt with snorkel, spare on the bullbar, all the campervan accoutrements, but the thing that particularly grabbed me was the stickers on both front doors, just below the wing mirrors where we have ours - his said "MiniOKA".

--

Hal

July 8, 2012 at 1:43 PM

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Dandj

Member

Posts: 367

Spotted Oka 134 (XT Dual Cab towing a caravan) at the visitor centre in Exmouth. In fact they (Dave and Janine Smith from Coramba NSW) spotted us. They are not Owners Group members so I gave them all the details. They reckon they might lay claim to being the longest private Oka owners, having bought 134 new from Oka in 1993.



--

David and Janet Ribbans, Oka 148

July 9, 2012 at 3:39 PM

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[joseph baz](#)

Member

Posts: 331

I had spoken to David and Janine about two weeks ago in Halls Creek, also spotted the Wilderness Challenge NT fuelling at Halls creek.

Cheers, Joe

July 9, 2012 at 8:16 PM

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Outback Jack

Member

Posts: 381

Back in your old stomping ground Joe?????

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July 9, 2012 at 9:19 PM

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Tony Lee

Member

Posts: 539

Outback Jack at July 8, 2012 at 8:42 AM

Wonder who made the back? Looks like a tidy rig.

Hank Onthewater posted info on Mick's OKA236 some time ago.

<http://www.oka4wd.com/apps/forums/topics/show/7562139-up-and-away>

Mick admits to being something of a computer luddite but after us spending a few days at the same campground, he seems to be developing an interest in getting on-line to see what we get up to..

Mick has put all new springs and with the monstrous tyres he has I could just about drive my OKA under his without touching the transfer case. One downside is large angles on his driveshaft. Forget what tyres they were but he said something about being off an armoured personnel carrier and being "bullet proof" Time will tell if that is the same as rock and stake proof but they look pretty mean.

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Tony

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July 10, 2012 at 12:56 AM

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[Outback Jack](#)

Member

Posts: 381

Cheers Tony

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July 10, 2012 at 7:57 AM

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[joseph baz](#)

Member

Posts: 331

[Outback Jack](#) at July 9, 2012 at 9:19 PM

Back in your old stomping ground Joe?????

Yes Jack, spend a month upthere visiting my brother
cheers, Joe

July 10, 2012 at 12:44 PM

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[Greg #210 and Dean #366](#)

Member

Posts: 58

Have spotted a crew cab yesterday in Narooma and today in Moruya NSW have not been close enough to talk to or get a pic any ideas who it might be.

--

July 13, 2012 at 2:10 PM

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[Ewart & Vivian Halford](#)

Member

Posts: 117

Had a brief talk to Chris & Shirley in OKA 096 at Newman today.

Sorry Chris, I could not find the email I sent about the cost of my turbo/ inter cooler upgrade cost. I can find it when I get home next week.

Hal, I think it was you that I sent it to, if so do you still have it?

Cheers

Ewart

July 21, 2012 at 3:34 PM

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[Hal Harvey](#)

Site Owner

Posts: 510

Ewart, I've had a good look but no email about intercooler at this end.

We were also in Exmouth earlier this month and as we were fuelling up to leave we came across #118. I didn't get the owner's name in the last-minute rush, but did snap off the pics below. He knew about the site, had been on the road for nearly a year, had owned the OKA for 14 years but as far as I can see, isn't registered here.





--
Hal

July 22, 2012 at 11:51 PM



[travis](#)

Member

Posts: 57

I saw this bloke when I was in Broome 2 months ago and told him about this forum. Good to see he is still going. When I saw him he was heading back to do the gibb after getting to the Pentecost and turning back because of depth.

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Oka Performance Turbos, Intercoolers and exhaust Upgrades

0421678926

July 26, 2012 at 9:43 PM

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[Hank Onthewater](#)

Member

Posts: 79

Spotted 2 OKAs in town, eh.... in a shed, same owner.



#241 is for sale as a cab-chassis and advertised on Gumtree.



The other one is #304 and Tony is fitting out the busbody as a camper.

That makes 4 OKAs in a small town like Albany!

August 10, 2012 at 6:32 PM

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Tony Lee

Member

Posts: 539

Wyndham in WA probably had the highest concentration of OKAs in Australia today



DOES NOT
PLAY WELL
WITH OTHERS

OKA 69



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Tony

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August 13, 2012 at 9:53 PM

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OKAPETE Peter and Sharon Furlong.

Member

Posts: 33

Hi Tony, Got any build/VIN #'s for these? Thanks Pete.

August 13, 2012 at 10:22 PM

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[Tony Lee](#)

Member

Posts: 539

Guess the playground bully has his VIN on his number plate - 69. Guess there aren't too many black OKAs around and I think it has appeared before. The other two are mine (123) and David and Janet Ribbans

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Tony

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August 14, 2012 at 1:13 AM

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[Hal Harvey](#)

Site Owner

Posts: 510

No, probably not, 69 was a dual cab in NSW - this is a bus body from Qld. If you get the chance for a closer look...

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Hal

August 14, 2012 at 7:47 AM

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Tony Lee

Member

Posts: 539

David struck him a couple of times and had a chat so may have more info,

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Tony

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August 14, 2012 at 10:51 AM

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Nomad

Member

Posts: 30

Familiar indeed! OKA 212 unless I'm mistaken? With a colour change...

--

*David & Christina Wight - **Nomad Refrigeration** - OKA267*

August 14, 2012 at 12:26 PM

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Dandj

Member

Posts: 367

Yes we did meet Wayne and Belinda (with their beloved dog Tizer) a few times in the Kimberley and their Oka is indeed vin 212. It was originally white (as in [their photo album](#)), but has since had some body work done and a colour change. The pop top is still white.



We met them first in Broome and then a couple of times on the Gibb River Road and then we passed on the Wyndham road. We also met Tony and Betty in Wyndham, but you know that already. Here's another view anyway.



We spent an hour or so crawling over each other's Oka's during a lunch stop.

--

David and Janet Ribbans, Oka 148

August 14, 2012 at 7:24 PM

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Outback Jack

Member

Posts: 381

Lucky Buggers, travelling around. Cant wait to get 169 on the road again

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August 14, 2012 at 8:07 PM

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Tony Lee

Member

Posts: 539

"with their beloved dog Tizer)"

Dog is jet black and clashed with the white OKA. hence the respray
A few more days and it will be getting warmer than I like, so time to wend our way slowly south - hopefully to time it better than last time when we escaped from the heat in the north only to freeze in Perth.

--

Tony

<https://picasaweb.google.com/114611728110254134379>

August 14, 2012 at 9:16 PM

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James & Usha (THEByleDuct)

Administrator

Posts: 161

Tony,

Any chance you passing through Karratha on the way? If you are and you need a place to park up for a few days you are welcome to park up on the gravel out the front of our place.

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OKA #072

August 14, 2012 at 9:38 PM

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Tony Lee

Member

Posts: 539

Outback Jack at August 14, 2012 at 8:07 PM

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August 14, 2012 at 11:52 PM

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Tony Lee

Member

Posts: 539

James & Usha (THEByleDuct) at August 14, 2012 at 9:38 PM

Tony,

Any chance you passing through Karratha on the way? If you are and you need a place to park up for a few days you are welcome to park up on the gravel out the front of our place.

Thanks. Still have the Mitchell Falls and the Gibb River Road to do and then we will be heading down past you.

I thought anyone in your town with a bit of ground to spare would have it rented out and have half a dozen dongas sitting on it.

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Tony

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Outback Jack

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Thats a bit harsh Tony.....

My biggest hold up yet has been parts. I am waiting for parts to finish off Cab and Suspension.

In the meantime I have stripped in down to give it a fresh lick of paint.

The 200 amp alternator would be good, somehow I think it would suck a little to much HP from the Perkins.

I thought the Airdog was a good idea??? Get rid of the Perkins lift pump and also have more filtering???

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August 15, 2012 at 7:30 AM

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Member

Posts: 367

Jack, a 200 amp alternator will suck only the power from the engine that you demand from it.

See my comments on your [alternator post](#).

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David and Janet Ribbans, Oka 148

August 15, 2012 at 8:54 AM

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[James & Usha \(THEByleDuct\)](#)

Administrator

Posts: 161

Tony - we're in the enviable position at the moment where the Pluto construction phase is over and for the first time in many years Karratha has more houses for rent than for sale. Only just. Of course it is only a temporary lull as we are projected to double the population in the next 5 years. We're out of town at the end of Sept beginning of Oct but otherwise we're around.

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Oka #072

August 15, 2012 at 9:16 AM

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Tony Lee

Member

Posts: 539

"I thought the Airdog was a good idea??? Get rid of the Perkins lift pump and also have more filtering???"

I didn't comment on how good either idea was, just that some people get so into a project that they never actually finish it and so never get to enjoy the fruits of their labour.

But since you asked. When I bought the OKA Robin warned me not to get into the trap of even starting to modify and upgrade anything because he reckoned it was pretty good as it was.

If it can be demonstrated that lousy fuel quality into the engine was causing reduced engine life, then of course fix the problem - but then you introduce a question of is the electric pump more or less reliable than the mechanical pump. No-one here can answer that one.

Alternator? Is 85 amp enough? If not then fit a larger one or an extra one.

Is a cruising speed of 90 to 100 enough. If not then fit a big V8

Is your left knee buggered like mine seems to be? Then fit an automatic.

I guess that all of us run the risk that the journey (of enhancing the vehicle) gets to be so all-consuming that we never get to the destination - which in this case is having the vehicle in good enough condition so we can really go on a proper journey to reach a proper destination. If that makes sense.

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Tony

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Outback Jack

Member

Posts: 381

Tony, All valid points and understand where your coming from.

I had heard some have put a electric fuel pump in for some reason.

I need to replace alternator as the Turbo has been leaking, so thoughts was I might as well put at a 120a back in it.

I want 169 to finished today. However the hold up is parts.I have ordered replacement parts for the coffin panels etc etc. Just waiting for the to arrive.

I need to have 169 by 20th Sept, so I do have a dead line.

As 169 has worked all its live, I wanted to make sure when I take the family away, I minimise any potentiol problems. This is why its getting a bit of a birthday,

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August 15, 2012 at 2:19 PM

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Tony Lee

Member

Posts: 539

Yes, I've heard that people put an electric fuel pump in to prime the system when they run out of fuel - and if you just plumb it in in series with the lift pump then if the mechanical one fails, you can just switch the priming pump on.

Supposedly the mechanical one will just suck through the electric one with no problems.

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Tony

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August 15, 2012 at 8:00 PM



Chris J

Member

Posts: 56

Tony Lee at August 15, 2012 at 8:00 PM

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Hi Tony,

I put a squeeze bowl primer on my fuel line / tank, Simple, cheap and works a treat.

Regards, Chris.

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Chris and Janice Jones - OKA 166

August 16, 2012 at 8:20 AM

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Member

Posts: 58

Had my three OKAs in the Goldfields over the weekend & spotted [I think] no

134 with caravan on Hyden Yellowdine road.

August 16, 2012 at 11:49 AM

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[Tony Lee](#)

Member

Posts: 539

OKA 020 Owned since new by the one couple.

Met them near the junction of the King River Track and the Gibb River Rd

Started out as a work vehicle, but now just for pleasure



Today camped at March Fly Glen and mid morning an OKA went past heading west - towing a large trailer with tinny, kitchen sink and most of the rest of the house.

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Tony

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