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DAGSÊ VRIENDE / GOOD DAY FRIENDS

Vir my is dit lekker om deel van die klub te wees. En ek glo julle sal met my saam stem. Ons het verlede Saterdag so lekker by Blue Barley gekuier. Dit was 'n gesins uitstappie waarin almal kon deel. Die kos was ook heerlik. Die selfde gesellige atmosfeer heers ook by ons ander uitstappies. Ek kan ook sê dat daar nie een vervelige oomblik is in die klub nie. Dis lekker om ook die lede se vrouens en kinders te ontmoet en om almal saam in die prê te deel.

Ons as klub wil ook net vir Duimpie en Hannelie sterkte toe wens met Duimpie se operasie en ons hoop en bid vir julle sterkte toe vir dit wat voorlê.

I know most of you will agree with me, that it is nice to be part of the club. We had a lovely Saturday at Blue Barley with big steaks and the whole family could enjoy it. Nice to meet the members' wives and children as well.

Greetings – Dircolene

Jaarprogram /Yearprogram

06 February – Monthly Social Meeting

15 February – Reitz Bieliemielie Festival

06 March – Monthly Social Meeting

07/08 March – Maluti Motor Show - Mean Machines

Gelukwensings /Congratulations

Verjaarsdae/ Birthdays

01/02 Wessel Naude

11/02 Marchelle de Beer

12/02 Louis Botha



17/02 Duimpie Swart

18/02 Leon Badenhorst

23/02 Francois van Niekerk

Baie geluk aan die volgende lede wat verjaar. Mag julle 'n vreugdevolle en geseënde jaar hê! Ons wens elkeen van hierdie persone sterkte toe vir die jaar wat voorlê en verseker hulle van ons deurlopende ondersteuning!

The Blue Barley Lunch Run - by Richard Lewis

On Saturday 18 January, the Club had the pleasure of enjoying a discounted lunch at the Blue Barley (Old O'Hagans) organised through Miemie- thank you Miemie. 26 of us were there and enjoyed the lunch together on the veranda of the restaurant with a good bird's eye view over the club cars parked in front which made for a nice show all parked in a row.

It was good to see Ralph's Wolseley there from Clarens- she has been missed at recent functions. We also had the pleasure of Wessie and Miemie's grandchild Francois who had come all the way from Harrismith in his Toytoa 86 "go play". We are hoping he will join our club!!

It was a hot day but a cool time together.

Regards - Richard Lewis



Good to have Piet van Wyk all the way from Kestell joining us!!

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The good days

When a Ford Zephyr was everyone's dream car...

And people went *steady*, No one ever asked where the car keys were because they were always in the car, in the ignition, and the doors were never locked.



Ken Mekaar

Paul Botha het baie goed gevorder met sy bakkie. Ons hoop ons gaan hom die jaar op die skou al te siene kry.

Charles Botha

Hy ry huidiglik... Met 'n Crysler 300C SRT 8.

Sy slegste kar wat hy gery het... was 'n Ford Granada.

Gunsteling kleur... Rooi.

Karre wat hy al verkoop het... Valiants, Chryslers, Dodges, VW Kewers, Pontiacs, Buicks, Isuzus, Toyotas en BMW's.

<i>Karre tans in besit:</i>	1955 Dodge,	1966 Valaint, Barracuda V200,
1972 Chev Elcamino,	1978 Chryslers SE,	2002 BMW 320,
2008 Isuzu DK 300,	2009 Chryslers 300SRT 8.	

Rex Whitehead

Beste motor wat hy bestuur het...Jaguar XJ6 4.2 series 3

Slegste motor wat hy bestuur het...1949 Ford Prefect

Gunsteling kleur... Silwer Metallic en Grys

Karre al verkoop...1970 Jaguar XJ6 en 1969 Jaguar 420G

Karre wat hy huidiglik besit... 1960 Wolseley 1500, 1977 Jaguar XJ6 series II,

1983 Jaguar XJ6 Series III

Onthou / Remember!!!



Paul Roux Village Festival

Saturday 5 April 2014

Festival 10am - 2pm
Street Braai 6pm
Dance 7pm

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Karaoke Competition
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Beer Venue
Dance

Sunday 6 April 2014
9:30 am - Centenary Service/
Ecupees N.G.K Paul Roux
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SAVVA Technical Tip 81 – Earth straps

So often engines are removed and the earth straps are discarded and not refitted. The starter motor draws a considerable amount of current via the heavy lead that connects to the positive terminal of the battery to the starter via the starter relay. One must keep in mind that a similar conductor/path must take the negative current back to the batteries negative terminal from the starter motors body.

The problem with the return path is that the engine is invariably electrically isolated from the chassis by the rubber engine and gearbox mountings. To overcome this problem a heavy braided strap is connected somewhere between the engine or gearbox and the chassis. The braided strap pictured is typical of those that fit across one of the engine mountings allowing a heavy current to travel between the engine and chassis.

So often these straps are discarded when an engine is removed and replaced and the consequences can be extremely dangerous. If the earthing strap has been discarded or broken and the starter motor operated, the current will take whatever route is available back to the battery. If a proper path has not been provided it will find it's own way back. This could be via a choke cable, accelerator cables or even worse, a metal fuel line. In extreme cases the current will have to travel from the engine to the gearbox along the drive shaft via the universal joints to the back axle, then, up through the spring shackles, shock absorbers or hand brake cable to the chassis where the battery is earthed.

If the starter motor is sluggish – before buying a new battery or replacing the starter itself, check the negative route back to the battery. It's possible the earth strap is missing, broken or even loose. If in doubt, try hooking a heavy temporary lead from the body of the starter to the negative terminal of the battery and see if things improve.



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REPORT BACK TO MEMBERS

From the Chair,

Dear Enthusiasts,

It's official, the old adage of time passing faster as one gets older, is true! Another busy year has passed, and one wonders if it is just that one is cramming a lot more into our days, or if it is the pace of modern communication that has overtaken us?

The topic that is frequently discussed by clubs across the country is how to attract younger members. Whilst I'm not advocating doing nothing, I do find it quite amazing that there seems to be a constant feed of new and younger recruits to our old car movement. With entry to the movement requiring an input of spare cash, one then understands that a young, prospective member has first to arrive at the point in his life of "disposable income" before acquiring an old car. This bolsters the acceptance into the movement of newer, drivable classics which can double as a daily driver as well.

Another much discussed topic is the decline of entrants into regularity rallies and whether this indicates a decline in interest in the movement in general. I wonder if the time and

financial pressures of modern life has not resulted in a subtle change in activities. A few weeks ago our neighbor, Dickon Daggitt, Di and I held an open day where we invited the Crankhandle Club and some suppliers to come and view progress (or lack thereof) on our many projects. We estimate that over 200 people in total passed through our workshops. No lack of interest there! Look at the attendance at events like the George Motor Show, Pietermaritzburg Cars in the Park, Piston Ring swop meet, etc, and I think that we have an extremely healthy hobby.

On behalf of the entire SAVVA committee I wish each and every one of you and your family safe motoring and a happy festive season. May the New Year bring plenty of opportunities to enjoy the use of your classic vehicles.

Yours in Motoring

Dave Alexander

WEBSITE – SAVVA Webmaster: Peter Hall

We have taken note that our website provider has made contact with various clubs requesting that they could provide you with an updated website or create a website for your club. I would like to point out that clubs are under NO obligation to go into a website unless you feel that it's to your best interests. I must also point out that Afrihost gives a good rate to clubs and their service is excellent.

PLEASE VISIT THE SAVVA WEBSITE FROM TIME TO TIME AND KEEP YOURSELF UPDATED OF THE CHANGES.

PLEASE SEND ANYTHING YOU WISH TO PLACE IN THE SAVVA AutoNews. SEND DIRECTLY TO:

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TECHNICAL TIP - NO: 79

Electric fans

The hot weather is with us again, or just around the corner. Hurrah, but think of your cherished oldie – they don't appreciate the warm weather like we do.

Our older cars were never made to sit in the heavy traffic we experience today and the old fan turning at idling speed isn't going to help very much. One needs a good gust of wind through the radiator to keep it cool - which can only be accomplished by the fitting of an electric fan.

I've just had a radiator cleaned out and whilst it was out I thought it may be worthwhile investigating the possibility of converting to an electric fan and the cost thereof. A trip to the local Silverton radiator shop soon answered my curiosity. The proprietor knew exactly what I required and placed in front of me a fan switch (thermostat) and a brass receptacle that needed to be soldered into the bottom of the radiator. They apparently do this on a regular basis.

Installation of the electric fan is very simple and no special expertise is required. You must however check how much space you have available at either side of the radiator then decide which type of electric fan would best fit - a "push" or "pull" fan. Pull fans are used in most front wheel drive cars and are obtainable from various spares outlets. Push fans can be a bit difficult to find - the best source are the car aircon dealers and they carry them in stock. They usually come in 10" 12" 14" sizes. The cost of a 10" is around R310.00. A warning however - the contacts in the thermostat switches are extremely light and cannot take much current so it is imperative that

a relay be used – at least 35 amps or even heavier if you can find one.

Attached is a picture of a typical thermostat switch and the brass receptacle (socket) which fits into the bottom of the radiator. The black unit is an alternative receptacle which can be fitted into the bottom hose (rather than taking the radiator out) and takes the standard thermostat switch. If you can't find these sockets in your part of the world they are available from Silverton's in Greymont, Johannesburg and sell for R150.00 each. They can be ordered by contacting them on 011 022 7056 or 078 633 4770.

Total cost of an installation, including the switch, socket, relay and the fan, should be between R500.00 and R600.00.



SIX LOVELY OLD MOTORCARS



Peter Mandis' 1949 Cadillac Coupe de Ville.



The only 1907 Nordenfelt in the world in Cape Town.



Gordon Lemmon-Warde's 1930 Buick Model 30-57



Godfrey Berry's 1936 Oldsmobile Sedan



Willie Boltman's 1948 Buick Special Sedan



1937 Buick Speedster now for sale at Bonhams

INTERESTING STORIES

STEVE MCQUEEN'S 1938 HARLEY-DAVIDSON SOLD ON 23 NOVEMBER

No one will ever be as cool as Steve McQueen, but owning his Harley-Davidson might be the next best thing. McQueen's 1938 Harley WLD Solo Sport was sold at a Mecum Auctions event in Anaheim, California for \$125,000. The bike still wore its original factory paint, and its odometer shows 21,000 miles. The Harley's pedigree is fully documented, including a certificate of authenticity from McQueen's 1984 estate sale. It also comes with a few of McQueen's own tools, which were found in a frame-mounted tool box when the bike was first sold. The last major McQueen motoring artifact to cross the auction block was a 1951 Chevrolet Styleline DeLuxe Convertible McQueen drove in his last film, *The Hunter*, and purchased after shooting wrapped. Subsequently bought by Rick Harrison, of the History Channel show *"Pawn Stars,"* the Chevy sold for \$88,000 at an Auctions America event last January. Seemingly everything associated with the King of Cool attracts money, and this Harley wasn't any different.



Steve McQueen's 1938 Harley WLD Solo Sport

HUMPHREY BOGART'S 1940 CASABLANCA BUICK SOLD

The 1940 Buick phaeton driven by Humphrey Bogart in *Casablanca* came up for auction on 25 November. The car was part of Bonhams "What Dreams Are Made Of: A Century Movie Magic" auction in New York City. Buick in question is a Model 51C trunkback convertible phaeton, reportedly one of just 230

made for the 1940 model year. It currently shows 42,000 miles on the odometer, and was the recipient of a mechanical restoration in the 1990s. This is a car from a time when no one had heard the words "crossover" or "four-door coupe," but buyers still had plenty

of choices when it came to body styles. Other than a bit of movie magic, got a 320-cubic inch inline-eight engine, three-speed manual transmission, and Aztec Brown paint. The car was owned by Warner Brothers until 1970, when it was sold to the first of a series of private owners. It last sold in June 1995 for \$211,500 and this time it went for \$461,000.



The 1940 Buick Convertible Sedan used by Humphrey Bogart in *Casablanca*.

VIRTUAL TOUR OF THE LAMBORGHINI MUSEUM IN BOLOGNESE

It's now possible to take a stroll through Lamborghini's official museum in Sant'Agata Bolognese from the comfort of your own home, thanks to the magic of Google Maps. Using the same technology as the Google Maps street view function, you can simply click your way through the two floors of the Lamborghini



museum and even peer inside many of the cars. That's right, the virtual experience includes a feature that allows users to access an interior view of a select few models. Highlights include the Reventon, Sesto Elemento and Estoque concept car.

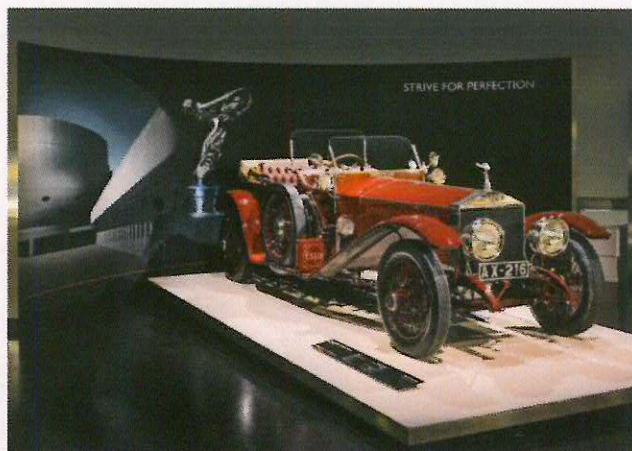
Spread across 1,500 square meters of show space, the museum's collection also includes a selection of Lamborghini legends such as the Miura, Countach, Diablo and Murcielago as well as many prototypes, limited editions, one-off models, racing cars and marine engines. Unique scale models of original styling taken from Lamborghini's Centro Stile can also be found on display along with some of the legendary V-12 powertrains.



ROLLS-ROYCE EXHIBITED AT THE BMW MUSEUM IN MUNICH

While Rolls-Royce can trace its roots back more than a century, Rolls-Royce's automotive unit in its current form has only been building cars for the past decade. Yes, it was only ten years ago that the first of the latest-generation Rolls-Royce Phantom sedans was delivered to its owner, marking the reign of the prestigious British brand's ownership under German automaker BMW. Now, to mark ten years of success running Rolls-Royce, BMW has opened a new exhibition at its official museum, located next to its headquarters in Munich, Germany. The unique exhibition, entitled 'Strive for Perfection,' also commemorates yet another key

milestone in the history of the Rolls-Royce brand—the 150th anniversary of the birth of one of its founders, Sir Henry Royce (he was born on March 27, 1863, and died on April 22, 1933). The displays tell the story of Rolls-Royce in chronological detail; from the meeting of the company's founding fathers, Sir Henry Royce and Charles Stewart Rolls in 1904, through to the present day.

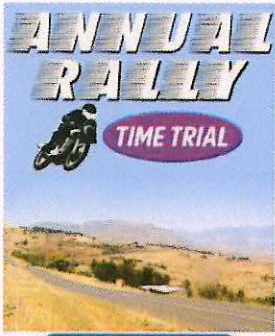


CALENDAR OF RALLYS FOR JANUARY- MAY 2014

February 8 - 9	18th Midas George Old Car Show	Southern Cape Old Car Club  	The 18th Midas George Old Car Show will take place on 8 and 9 February 2014 at the PW Botha College in York Street, George. The main purpose of the show is to allow like-minded old car and motorcycle enthusiasts to share their passion with each other as well as with the public. In addition to the large selection of vintage, veteran and classic cars and motorcycles, the Midas George Old Car Show also features some of the latest new models on the market as well as a large selection of vintage tractors, stationary engines and modified cars or street rods which will also be on display. One of the largest displays of model cars in the country will also be featured. The special exhibition for the 2014 show will be Micro Cars, small cars with an engine capacity of less than 850ccs. So come and enjoy an outing for the whole family and reminisce on the days gone by at the 18th Midas George Old Car Show.
February 16	The Kalk Bay Run	The Crankhandle Club 	The Kalk Bay Run commemorates the first ever organized motoring event in South Africa which was run from Greenmarket Square to Kalk Bay in 1901. The 2014 event, organized by The Crankhandle Club, the largest and most active old car club in Cape Town, will run from the Crankhandle Club clubhouse in Wynburg to Simonstown. Only veteran vehicles manufactured on or before 31 December 1918 may take part. Twenty-one vehicles attended the 2013 run. For further information contact: Hilton Franz 083 270 9172 hilton@diel.co.za Harvey Metcalf 083 415 1066 hmetcalf@telkom.net
March 6 - 8	DJ Run. The Durban - Johannesburg Commemorative Run	Vintage and Veteran Club	A highlight of the Classic Motorcycling Calendar is the annual Durban to Johannesburg Commemorative Run. It is a Reliability and Regularity Trial over a total distance of approximately 700km. If your motorcycle or sidecar combination was manufactured on or before 31 December 1936, you may be eligible to enter. It is extremely well organized and supported and entries are limited to the first 150.

			The DJ Run website contains a comprehensive history of this famous event. DOCUMENTS FOR DOWNLOADING DJ Run 2014 Supplementary Regulations This document contains the following: - Supplementary Regulations - Entry Form - Financial Report - Accommodation Form - Marshals & Tender Vehicles - Declaration by Driver/Rider/Official - Medical Information - Documentation Check List DJ Run 2014 Additional Accommodation – Contact details for Bed and Breakfasts: Hillcrest/kwaZulu-Natal.
March			
8	Cars at the Airport	Maluti Antique Auto and Machine Club  	To be held at the Bethlehem Airport, Free State. The theme is Mean Machines and the show will offer a memorable experience for the whole family. On display will be veteran, vintage and classic cars and motorcycles, tractors, stationary engines plus street rods and muscle cars. All relevant documentation, listed below, is available for downloading from the Maluti Antique Auto and Machine Club website www.maamc.co.za.

March			
22 - 23	17th O.D. INGGS Memorial Run	Albany Vintage and Classic Motor Club (AVCMC) Port Alfred 	The OD Inggs Memorial Run is held annually in honour of classic automobile enthusiast Oliver Douglas Inggs who passed away at the age of 88 in 1997. Inggs ran a funeral business in Grahamstown and was one of the greatest collectors and restorers of old automobiles in Southern Africa. The run is entered by members of the Albany Vintage and Classic Motor Club (hosts), the Queenstown Automobile Club, the Border Vintage Car Club and the Eastern Province Veteran Car Club. Although an officially registered motorsport event, this regularity run rewards driving accuracy rather than speed. Competitors receive route schedules half an hour prior to their departure times, at one minute intervals. The schedules indicate numerous required speed changes and times at which certain landmarks must be arrived at along the way, often only seconds apart. Speedometers are covered up with tape, and the average speed required never exceeds 90 km/h.

			Marshals are dotted along the route, dishing out penalty points for each second that a competitor is early or late. Penalty points accrue for each second the competitors are early or late so the crew with the least penalty points wins the event. Vehicles entered come from locations like Port Alfred, Grahamstown, Queenstown, East London, Port Elizabeth, George and further afield. The event is restricted to 40 entries. The run is officially approved by the Southern African Veteran and Vintage Association (SAVVA) and is for cars and motorcycles manufactured on or before 31 December 1980. All relevant documentation is available on the AVCNC website www.avcnc.co.za For further information contact: Charles Pellew pellewcwh@3i.co.za 076 849 0549 or 046 624 4563	
MAY				
23 - 24	Fragram 29th Natal Classic Motorcycle Club Rally – Time Trial	Natal Classic Motorcycle Club   	HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO..... Ride your classic motorcycle in the heart of the beautiful Drakensberg? Ride in beautiful, tranquil surroundings on carefully chosen roads where traffic is at a minimum? Ride from a resort where major attractions are easily within reach? Take family or friends along to enjoy a resort that has activities for all? Enjoy the company of fellow classic motorcycle enthusiasts participating in a great time trial? And with great prizes to be won! INTERESTED? Then book your place now on the Classic Motorcycle Club of Natal's annual rally (time trial). Contact: Andrew Mather 083 309 0233 086 596 8565 (fax) andrewmather@telkomsa.net	

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