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DAGSÊ VRIENDE / GOODDAY FRIENDS

Die winter is nou amper op sy rug en nou kan ons weer lekker kuier . Sterkte aan almal wat die laaste tyd nie wel was nie, ons wens almal n spoedige herstel toe. – Dircolene

Bethlehem verloor nog 'n Historiese gebou

Dis met groot hartseer wat ons hierdie week verneem het van die brand wat die Bethlehem stasie se hoofgebou in puin gedompel het. Voorlopige ondersoeke dui daarop dat dit hawelose mense se skuld was. Intussen het dit aan die lig gekom dat 'n groep misdadigers die afgelope 2 weke hul intrek in die gebou geneem het en voetgangers in die omgewing beroof het.

Die spoorlyn is in 1905 geopen en die gebou was reeds in 1920 in gebruik soos hieronder gesien kan word.



Bethlehem Station - 1920 "Travel in South Africa". SARH in 1924.

Submitted by Richard Niven

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A car-obsessed dentist who has amassed Britain's biggest private car collection is selling the whole lot for £100 million.

James Hull, 53, who founded the James Hull Associates chain of dentists, owns more than 450 rare and classic cars, ranging from multi-million pound rare Jaguars to Winston Churchill's Austin, and a Bentley once owned by Elton John.

With no room to park them all near his home in Kensington, west London, he garages them in vast warehouses in Herefordshire, but has now decided to sell up because of health reasons.



All yours... if you've got deep pockets: Dr Hull's 457-strong car collection is currently kept in warehouses in Herefordshire

Planes (no trains) and automobiles: Dr Hull has collected Bentleys, Rolls Royces and Jaguars, as well as some aircraft from the First and Second World Wars

None of the cars is cheap, but a buyer with particularly deep pockets is needed, because Dr Hull says he is determined to sell the 457-strong collection as a whole.

He is hoping a buyer will come in with a £100 million-plus offer, making it the highest value car sale in Britain .

With cars represented from every decade since the 1930s, the collection includes a Jaguar D-Type, worth in excess of £4 million, a similarly valuable Jaguar C-Type, and Lord Mountbatten's Mini Traveller, as well as a super-rare 1950s Jaguar KXSS.



The collection also includes a Humber which was owned by the judge presiding over the Profumo Affair and a 1961 Jaguar E-Type which belonged to Britain 's world motorcycle champion Mike Hailwood.

Dr Hull, who made his fortune pioneering cosmetic dentistry in the UK , has battled cancer three times in the past four years, earning him the nickname Lazarus to friends. He travelled around the world to track

down some of the rarer models in his collection, shipping them back to Britain and then having them stripped down before rebuilding them.

He said: 'It's the culmination of a life-long hobby. Each car has its own story and all have played a part in the history of British motoring. It's part of our heritage.

'I'm merely a passionate custodian of this hugely significant part of British history and, with luck, I will succeed in finding a home that can not only be enjoyed and treasured by the British public but also be admired by visitors from across the world.'

A number of Dr Hull's cars have appeared at motor shows around the world, competed in the Mille Miglia Italian road-race, and even been used for the Queen's 80th birthday parade.

There are also dozens of cars which have won concours awards, and a collection of British campervans from the 1940s, 50s and 60s, as well as early Land Rovers, classic Range Rovers, and a Sinclair C5 from the 1980s.



The collection, which is being sold privately, has already had a 'huge amount of interest' from private buyers and consortia, from overseas as well as nearer to home, but Dr Hull hopes it will remain in Britain ..

Graham Searle, from the Jaguar Enthusiasts' Club, said: 'Dr Hull is a well known Jaguar Enthusiasts' Club member with an immense passion for Jaguar cars.

Stamp-collecting next? Once he has sold his cars, including this classic Jaguar XK, Dr Hull says he will need a new hobby, but he hasn't picked one yet

'Most of his cars are very original or restored to original specification with great attention to detail, and over the years he must have won more concours awards than any other Jaguar collector.

'He does immense service to the classic car movement in keeping these cars in top condition, and the sale of the collection will attract enormous interest from around the world.

'We of course hope that whoever buys them allows them to be seen and enjoyed by enthusiasts for years to come.'



James Hull made his money after founding James Hull Associates in 1987, becoming the market leader in cosmetic dentistry, specialising in teeth whitening, veneers and implants.

He was devastated in 2006 when vandals broke into one of his warehouses, before hotwiring the Jaguars and crashing dozens of them. Police later said they had 'treated the cars like dodgems'.

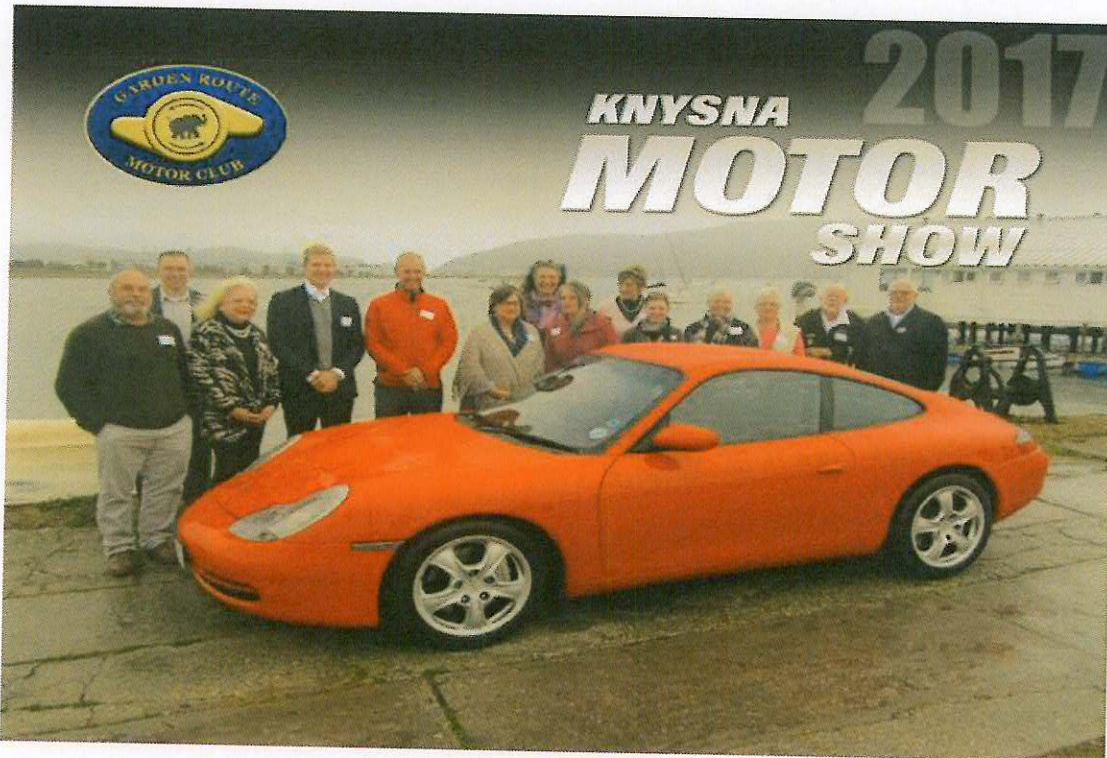
Over the past decade, prices for classic cars have shot up, outperforming every other investment and sending the value of the collection soaring.

If he finds a suitable buyer, Dr Hull will need a new hobby, but he's not yet sure what it will be.

He said: 'I'm a collector, so who knows what will turn up next. My wife hopes it will be something smaller like stamps.'



GOOD NEWS FOR KNYSNA AND PLETTENGERG BAY CHARITIES



The Knysna motor show sponsored by Sanlam Private Wealth and held at the end of April 2017 was a phenomenal success . Not only was a high standard of awesome cars on display with impeccable organisation , but a record crowd of more than 6000 people attended, resulting in record takings . We are delighted to advise that after accounting for the motor show expenses we were able to donate R100,000 to charity . The charities that benefitted from this generous donation are Knysna and Sedgefield Hospice, Knysna Animal Welfare , E-pap (feeding scheme for underprivileged children) , FAMSA (NPO specialising in relationship counselling) , Epilepsy , BADISA (Child Protection organisation) , Change for Change (NPO looking after destitute families) and the Sea Cadets . See the photo above . This donation has come at an opportune time when Knysna has been devastated by the raging fires at the beginning of June and the nominated charities have been under severe pressure to cope with the demands of the disaster .

This donation from the Knysna Motor show has only been made possible through the support of our sponsors , all the participants who displayed their cars, the motor trade , the public that came from across SA and the dedication of members from the Garden Route Motor Club. We salute all of them with a big thanks .

We look forward to build on this success when next year's **Knysna motor show is held on Sunday April 29 , 2018 .**

Kind regards,

Peter Pretorius.

Chairman – Garden Route Motor Club.

Wanted

Hi Tertius, I trust you are well. I am looking for an engine block for a Nuffield tractor. The engine model is a 3DL. Your help will be much appreciated.

Kind regards,

Rob Knowles (Mobile: 081 001 2615)

Please Note

Good day,

We hereby would like to invite your club to our Annual Cars in the park on the 7th of October 2017. It will be a great pleasure to have your club be part of our event.

Please find attached for your kind attention.

We hope to hear from you. Please get in contact with us do you have any quires.

Kind regards,
Old Auto Club

Hi Tertuis

As requested earlier today when we spoke over the phone I explained that CANSA will be hosting our annual 'Relay for Life' in Senekal on Saturday 30 September 2017.

Our Chairperson Hentius Vosloo and Committee members have chosen to present the relay with the theme of "GREASE"-the movie with John Travolta & Olivia Newton John.

With this they asked me if there is any chance that we could perhaps be able to arrange the antique or classic car clubs to perhaps come showcase there pride and joy, as it would set the stage for the chosen theme.

The Committee and staff partners at CANSA have been preparing for this event for the last 6 x Months as the Relay for Life is for the whole community to come share and honor those who are battling the struggle against CANCER, to commemorate and pay respect for those who have been lost to this dreaded DISEASE.

Through this emotional and heartwarming evening teams register to take part in an all night relay and many added features and activities and by selling foods and various products funds are then generated. As you are aware that

to be able to provide service delivery for our CANSA patients in our region this is then crucial to generate and income, or at least not spend any funds by asking for donation and sponsors.

As you being President of the the Maluti Antique car Club and many of the members are known to me and have had many successful projects in the past I feel comfortable enough to ask you if you could join us for the evening or at least part of it.

I understand that there would be costs and that it would be incurred from yourselves, thus I am confident that the Senekal Committee would be able to prepare each member with a meal and something to drink for the evening and there won't be any extra registrations or entrance fees applicable to the club.

Please find our invitation respectfully wanting and we would be honored if you were to come join us on this evening, as you implied that your committee is to meet now early September we shall then await your response as soon as convenient.

Please feel free to contact myself or our Chairperson Hentius Vosloo - 083 453 9334.

Sincerely thanking you

Kindest Regards

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KNYSNA AND PLETTENBERG BAY FIRE STORM

The dreadful fire storm that engulfed the Knysna and Plettenberg Bay areas over the period June 7 to 10th has left a trail of total devastation . 7 lives have been lost, more than 400 homes raised to the ground ,up to 10,000 left homeless ,possessions, treasured cars , infrastructures destroyed , animals died and forests and vegetation destroyed. It is hard to put into words the extent of the destruction caused by the ravaging fires. 1100 Brave firefighters were involved and an early estimate is that the damage and loss of property will exceed R4 billion !! It is a memory that will not easily be raised from the people of Knysna and Plettenberg Bay. As the reality and the scale of the loss sets in many people will have to deal with the trauma that follows. Knysna area has also now been declared a disaster area.

The Garden Route Motor Club and MG club members have unfortunately also felt the effect of this devastation. 9 members have totally lost their houses and possessions with many more suffering damage and loss . Fortunately no life was lost of our club members. To compound the sadness at least 16 treasured cars have been lost in the fire and these will be extremely hard to replace them. We have also just learnt of the loss of an irreplaceable collection of motorcycles (Vincent's and others) outside of Plettenberg Bay. The fire was so fierce and moving at such pace that the effected members had to flee with only the cloths that they had on. -- very , very sad. The spirit of our club members have been unbelievable and all those members effected have been accommodated. The road ahead is going to be a long one as these members battle how to move forward and to rebuild their lives . Our prayers and thoughts remain with them.

The very blackness of the devastation , the burnt out houses, cars, powerlines hanging on the ground , water spurting out of the odd pipes can truly make you weep , but the magnitude of the generosity of people in the community and throughout SA, the selfless and tireless of others reaching out is just so amazing.

The shared interest of classic cars among car clubs and individuals in SA have rallied around GRMC and the MG club with ongoing messages of support and offering assistance. The messages to those who have suffered the terrible loss of cherished homes, possessions and cars have been so heart-warming. To quote some of these - "We as a club and individuals, wish to convey our very best wishes and words of support to the classic car fraternity in the Garden Route. " We will hold you in our thoughts in the difficult weeks and months ahead as you rebuild your lives " -- " On behalf of our members and friends we wish you all well and strength in rebuilding your lives after the devastating disaster " .The interest and support has been overwhelming. It is just over a month ago that the very successful Knysna motor show was held and most of the cars destroyed were at the motor show. Who would have foreseen this disaster?

We continue to reach out with prayers and support to the greater community as well. Thank you very much for your concerns, prayers, best wishes and support. This is greatly appreciated by the GRMC and MG Club.

Kind regards, Peter Pretorius, Chairman Garden Route Motor Club.

SAVVA Technical Tip 121 -Fuel stabilisers

Years back, living in a country that had seriously cold winters one mothballed vehicles that weren't in use. I recall adding an additive of some sort to the fuel tanks of vehicles. Evidently this was to stop the petrol from deteriorating leaving gunk behind and also to stop rust forming in the tank. One had a choice of either emptying the tank or filling it to the top with petrol and adding what must have been a stabiliser of some sort. If I remember correctly non ventilated filler caps were also used to stop evaporation.

Fortunately, in those good old days, South Africa had petrol that didn't go "vrot" so quickly and the use of stabilisers wasn't necessary. However in more recent times since the introduction of the "witches brew" we get today it may be necessary as it appears petrol has a limited life.

The use of stabilisers became a topic of conversation recently so I contacted a few suppliers to find that they are now freely available from companies like Motul, Wynn's, Castrol, Briggs & Stratton to name a few. The following is from the brochure of one of the major manufacturers. To Quote:

"In as little as 3 weeks, fresh petrol can start changing its chemistry due to oxidation, often accelerated by the presence of dissolved metals in the fuel. This process presents itself in the formation of gums and varnishes which clog up the jets in carburettors making starting difficult, as well as peroxides which can eat away metals and rubber."

Incombustible deposits foul up the combustion chambers while the oxidised fuel (often darker in colour) becomes denser making the air to fuel mixture too rich leading to running problems. By using a stabiliser in the fuel when the engine stands over prolonged periods, this prevents oxidation as well as corrosion allowing better combustion and performance."

Maybe the time has come for us to consider using these products when "mothballing" our cars, lawn mowers, outboard motors etc for winter.





The recently-formed *Model T Ford Club of South Africa*, in a joint effort with the Southern Cape Old Car Club, is planning a four-day tour of around 800 km in the George surrounding area.

Please come and enjoy the camaraderie of like-minded enthusiasts in the beautiful Garden Route, and celebrate 200 years of Ford vehicles. In 2018, the Model T Ford celebrates its 110-year birthday, and the Model A Ford celebrates its 90th birthday, thus combined 200 years of exceptional motoring experiences.

The tour is planned to run from Monday 5th February 2018 to Friday 9th February 2018. The annual George Old Car Show takes place on Saturday 10th February and Sunday 11th February 2018. What a bargain opportunity – two great veteran and vintage gatherings within a week in the Western Cape!

The closing date for entries to this tour is 7th December 2017

The organising committee kindly requests you to seriously consider participating in this tour. If you have any questions please contact Philip on 082 856 5152.

Ford greetings

Philip Kuschke

Chairman: Organising Committee

SAVVA Technical Tip 122 – Fuel cut-out solenoids

In response to Technical Tip 118 on the use of fuel cut out solenoids as a security item Ron Gush sent in the following.

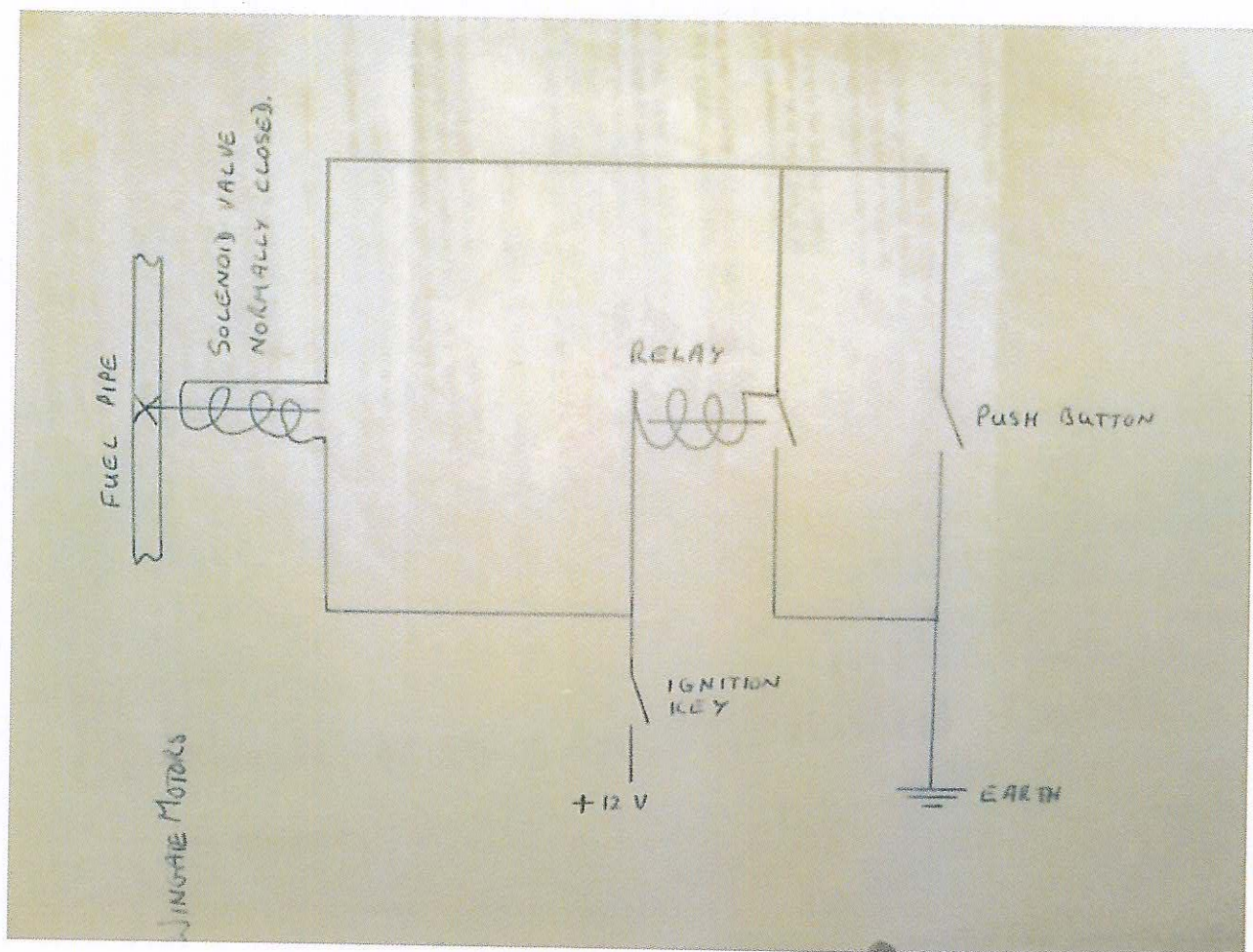
Thanks Ron,

To quote:

“Tech Tip 118 is very good but the problem is that, if you are like me, you switch the tap on when you start up and then, when you switch the ignition off, you forget to switch the tap off. So the thief drives away blissfully unaware that there is a clever immobilizer installed.

This wiring diagram, was given to me by my electrical engineer cousin Andrew Gush. After you have switched the ignition on, you press the hidden button. The tap opens and the relay maintains the circuit closed and the tap stays open and off you go. When you switch off, the tap closes automatically. The thief then starts the car, drives until the carburettor is dry and abandons the stalled car so that you can sleep soundly and still find it in the morning.

Ron Gush”





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Ons sien uit daarna om u te verwelkom met 'n lekker warm koppie koffie.

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SAVVA Technical Tip 123 - Anti-seize compound

Recently, a club member admitted to being a bit impatient and causing a horrible botch-up on his nice shiny sports car. That was to strip the threads in a spark plug hole on an aluminium cylinder head – bless him! The spark plug had decided it was a nice place to be and refused to come out. Instead of being patient and using penetrating fluids or even running the engine to warm the head up he used brute force and ended up with a serious problem on his hands. He now has a choice of either taking the head off for repairs or fitting a Helicoil.

If you haven't, or don't use it, may we suggest you invest in a tube of Anti-Seize compound and coat the treads of plugs when fitting them. It will save a lot of aggravation at a later stage when they have to be removed.



SAVVA Technical Tip 124 – Priming carburettors

Priming carbs after a car has been standing for some time has always been a problem. A solution often used is to fit an electric fuel pump to prime the system. However, on very early cars this can be difficult especially if they have a six volt system or an early carb with a needle and seat of dubious quality.

A solution has been forwarded by Ian Otridge – it's so simple. To quote Ian:

"I got around the problem of priming the carb on my 1929 Chev by fitting a rubber bulb, the same as fitted to outboard motors. I fitted it between the tank and fuel pump. I now just squeeze it until it gets firm and the car starts at the first turn. It was cheap, simple to install and easy to hide, and works like a dream."

Many thanks Ian.

For those of you who haven't owned outboard motors -

You have a petrol tank which stands somewhere in the boat and is connected to the engine with a length of flexible rubber hose. To prime the system there is a "squeezy" rubber bulb in the line. One simply squeezes the bulb which sucks petrol from the tank and in turn pushes it into the carb. When the carb is full the bulb becomes firm. Basically, it is a rubber bulb with a non-return valve much the same as fitted to a mechanical fuel pump. It does the same job but without having to crank the engine.