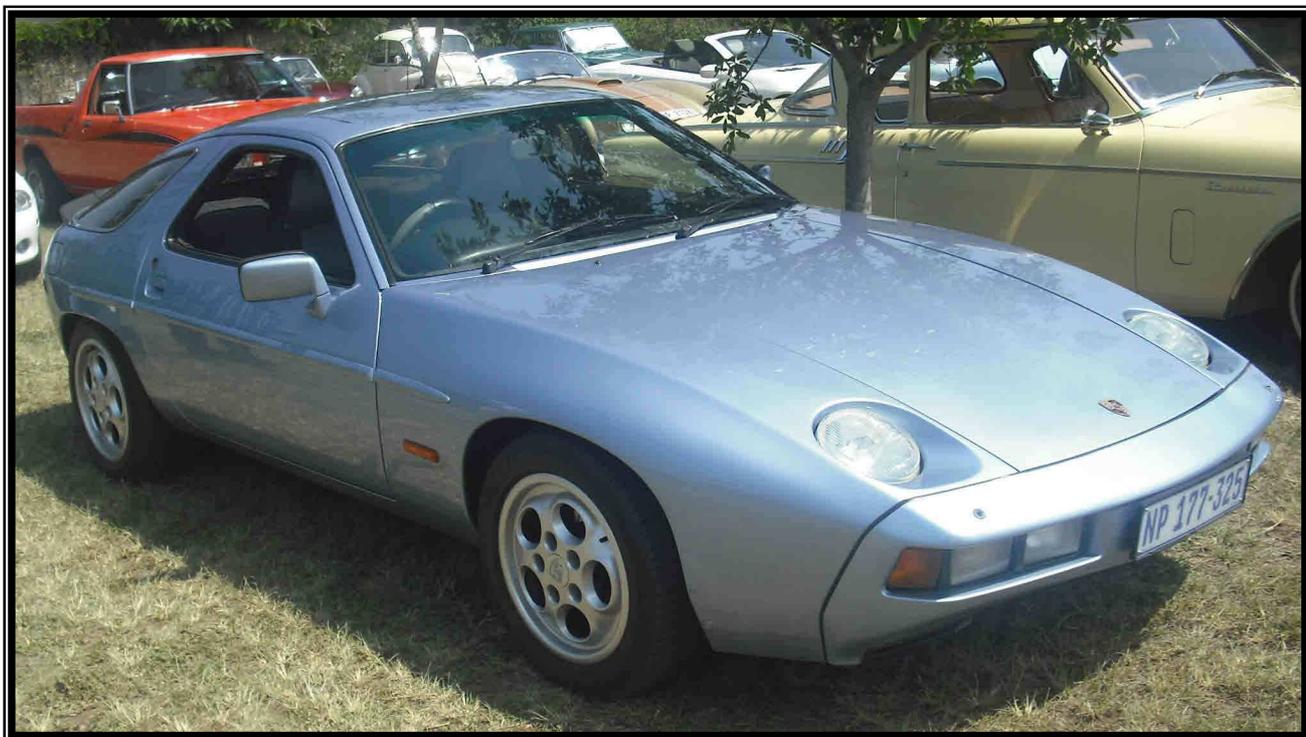


# The Hornblower



APRIL 2015



Vintage Sports Car Club



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P O Box 11709, Dorpspruit, Pietermaritzburg 3206

***"Forward into the Past"***

This is the newsletter of the Vintage Sports Car Club. Opinions expressed herein do not necessarily represent those of the Committee, the Editor, or of the Club.

Regular gatherings are held at the Clubhouse, Oribi Road, Pietermaritzburg, and as per the schedule of events published in this newsletter.

Visitors are welcome in the care of a Member and should be signed on by that Member.

On Bonnets-Up and Club Open Days, parking in front of the Clubhouse is reserved for Club Qualifying Vehicles Only, and you are requested to park modern vehicles behind the Clubhouse.

## **Office Bearers: 2014/2015**

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### ***Club President***

Clyde Wyatt

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## EDITORIAL

The year is moving on and April Fools day has just come and gone. The witness ran a story on how to generate electricity for Eskom using an exercise bicycle. It was the best April Fools story I had read in a long time.

Cars in the park in coming soon. Our location is changing so we have hatched a plan. On the web page we have a short video of the grounds that are to be used from this year. If you wish to familiarise yourself with the area, just have a look at the video.

Easter's here so here's wishing you all a great Easter.



*Gillian*

**Short** items of interest are always wanted for inclusion in our newsletter (max between one half and two pages) Contact Gillian at [gillian2@telkomsa.net](mailto:gillian2@telkomsa.net)

## ON THE COVER

A Porsche which was seen at March's bonnets up.

## INDEMNIFICATION

**Members, guests, visitors and any other persons' attention is drawn to Indemnity requirements in the VSCC Constitution and posted in the VSCC Clubhouse bar and main hall.**

### **SAVVA collector's vehicle insurance scheme**

For Full comprehensive cover

Contact person - Glenn Broadhurst or Madelene Wiese at FNB Insurance Brokers

Phone - 087 736 2222

Fax - 011 699 0783

E-mail- [madelene.wiese@fnb.co.za](mailto:madelene.wiese@fnb.co.za)

## MEMBERSHIP

Subscriptions 2014/2015 Club Year (based on Membership type & due 1 July).

Full Member	R230 including SAVVA fee
Full member plus spouse/partner	R290 including SAVVA fees
Country Member	R210 including SAVVA fee
Country Member plus spouse/partner	R260 including SAVVA fees
Associate Member*	R125 excluding SAVVA fee
Associate Member plus spouse/partner	R170 excluding SAVVA fees

\* Applicable to members of another club and awarded at the committee's discretion.

**New applications for Membership include an indemnity that is valid for Life.**

Life Member (Principal) Newsletter postage *	R65 + R20 SAVVA fees
Life Member (Principal) Newsletter e-mail *	R20 SAVVA fees
Life Member (Principal and Associate – Spouse/Partner) *	R90 + R20 SAVVA fees
Honorary and Honorary Life Membership *	Free.

**\* Awarded at Committee discretion.**

There is a once off entrance fee of R100 on application for membership.  
A charge of R120 will be levied for posted newsletters.

**Banking Details:** Account name – Vintage Sports Car Club: Bank – Nedbank:  
Branch - Hayfields: Branch Number – 13 40 25: Account number – 13 40 505 339:  
Always include member's name on the deposit slip.

**REGALIA:** The club has caps, of the "one size fits all" type, embroidered with the VSCC logo, available for sale at R45 each. *See the 'Klink' attendant, for your Requirements.*

**VISITORS:** Visitors are welcome, but as we are licensed, please ensure that your guests are 'signed on' in the visitors register. This gives them temporary membership status, and entitles them to make purchases from the bar.

## CLUB TIMETABLE

Every Friday night: 'Klink'  
**April 17<sup>th</sup>. 24<sup>th</sup>. May 22<sup>nd</sup>. 29<sup>th</sup>.**

The AIR-CONDITIONED 'Klink' will be open from 17h30 until 21h00. Braai fires will be provided, and you are invited to bring your own braai meat and/or salads to enjoy at the Club..

**Second Saturday of every month: 'Bonnets Up' / Club Open Day:**

From around 12 noon until then 'The Klink' will be open, plus the availability of either boerewors rolls, hamburgers or an alternative being made available for purchase. Don't forget, tea/coffee, pancakes and/or other goodies are a regular option. The Library and Spares Department will also be open.

**Third Sunday of every Month:** Regular Club Outing. Motorcycles are most welcome at this run.

(Happens the weekend following after bonnets Up which becomes 4<sup>th</sup> weekend if 1<sup>st</sup> falls on a Sunday)

## PAST EVENTS

### March 2015

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March:** Any Dam Wheels Day.

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March:** **VSCC Bonnets up / Open Day.** Sports Cars

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March:** **Breakfast Run.** A run was made to the Eston Farmers Club.

## COMING VSCC AND OTHER CLUB EVENTS

**RED BOLD - Depicts VSCC Club Events**

**ITALIC - Depicts other Events**

### April 2015

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April:** **VSCC Bonnets up / Open Day.** No theme

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April:** **Breakfast Run.** To a B&B on the Otto's Bluff road. R55 per person. Meet at club 8:00 for 8:30 departure.

### May 2015

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May:** **VSCC Bonnets up / Open Day.** No theme

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May:** **Cars in the Park**

## **Bonnets up Events 2014**

<b>JANUARY</b>	<b>EUROPEAN CARS</b>
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>AMERICAN CARS</b>
<b>MARCH</b>	<b>SPORTS CARS</b>
<b>APRIL</b>	<b>NO THEME</b>
<b>MAY</b>	<b>NO THEME</b>
<b>JUNE</b>	<b>NO THEME</b>
<b>JULY</b>	<b>HOBBIES DAY AND BOOT SALE</b>
<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>AGM / NO THEME</b>
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>MOTORCYCLES</b>
<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>ITALIAN CARS</b>
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	<b>FORD DAY</b>
<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>NO THEME</b>

Please note that all cars/bikes are welcome regardless of the theme

# CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

## New Members

We have no new members for introduction.

## Spares Department

Note to non-local enthusiasts. Please be advised, we work on a select-yourself system and are unable to take orders or arrange delivery. It is advisable to bring a sample, as not all parts are identified.

The spares department is currently under reconstruction, and it is temporarily closed for business. Apologies for any inconvenience.

## Hoist

The rules for the use of the hoist are as follows:

1. The members use the hoist entirely at their own risk.
2. Members using the hoist must remove all old oils, fluids and cleaning materials from the site after they have finished and leave the site in a clean and tidy condition.
3. Members wanting to use the hoist should contact Rodney Davidson at 033-3964471 to arrange a date and time.
4. The cost will be R20.00 per lift for VSCC members and R40 per lift for non members

## Hire of Club Hall

If members wish to hire the club hall please could the form on the adjacent page be completed and handed in. Copies of the form are also available at the Klink.

## Club Members Name Badges

We will be placing an order soon for name badges. If you would like to order a name badge, please can you contact Ron Richmond on one of the following channels or leave your name with the barman at the Klink.

Landline: 033 330 2563

Cell: 082 859 6376

Email: [ron.ruth@telkomsa.net](mailto:ron.ruth@telkomsa.net)

Please specify whether you would prefer a magnetic or pin attachment.

## Vehicles for hire

The following members are willing to hire out their cars for weddings and other such occasions.

Mike Westray      072 244 4272

[mikewestray@gmail.com](mailto:mikewestray@gmail.com)

Robin Phipson    033-345 0061

[hipson@wandata.com](mailto:hipson@wandata.com)

Saxon Murray.

Tony Psaila (1937 Cadillac)

[tonytractor@tpstorage.co.za](mailto:tonytractor@tpstorage.co.za)



# VINTAGE SPORTS CAR CLUB

PIETERMARITZBURG

P O BOX 11709, DORPSPRUIT, 3206, KWAZULU-NATAL

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## APPLICATION FOR USE OF THE HALL

To the Chairman:

Date:.....

Club member responsible for the function:.....

Date of function:...../...../..... Nature of function:..... No of guests:.....

Applicant:..... Land line:.....

Cell:..... Email: .....

Expected time to start:..... Expected time to finish:.....

Hire charge will be R500 and there will be a charge for breakages if incurred.

Will bar facilities be required? Yes No

Please note that the cost of staffing the bar is a private arrangement between the hirer and the barman. Requests for stock not normally carried must be made directly to the barman.

As there is a security system in place, the responsible club member must arrange for the opening and closing of the hall.

The applicant's attention is drawn to the indemnity notices on display in the clubhouse and it is a condition of this application that the hirer accepts these limitations.

Applicant's signature:.....

Date approved by the committee:.....

Chairman: .....

Cc: Treasurer  
Barman

**VRYHEID OLD WHEELS CLUB  
SAVVA EDWARDIAN-VETERAN RALLY 2015  
A RESTRICTED EVENT  
KNOWN AS "JOZINI RHINO EVENT"  
8 - 12 JULY 2015.  
THE VENUE IS MVUBU GAME LODGE  
NEAR JOZINI IN KZN**

This is an invitation to participate in the above Rally which is open to members of any club affiliated to SAVVA, with vehicles manufactured during the period 1st January 1905 - 31 December 1918. This is a once in a lifetime rally to break away from city life to enjoy a wildlife experience where it would be a great opportunity to share our passion for these remarkable old vehicles.

The entry forms and costs will be available towards the end of January 2015. Please note that one of the excursions would be a daytrip into Swaziland, where we will enjoy the hospitality of one of the sugar cane farmers of the area, and therefore you and anybody that accompanies you would require a valid passport. A limited number of entries are available due to accommodation restraints. If you would like to receive entry forms for this event please could you advise us by email to [elise@bundunet.co.za](mailto:elise@bundunet.co.za) by 19th January 2015. This will help in estimating our numbers and will be much appreciated.

Kind regards  
Gordon Lemmon-Warde (Vice-Chairman)  
Cell: 083 253 0176  
Vryheid Old Wheels Club  
Vryheid.

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The Sunday Tribune 1000 Paws Walk for SPCA – 12th July 2015:

With five years of ever-increasing popularity, attendance and support, the SPCA's annual 1000 Paws Walk is firmly entrenched as a highlight of the KZN Midlands' events calendar. It's a relaxed day enjoyed by animal-lovers, outdoor activity fans, and families looking for a good time in beautiful, safe country surroundings. The fact that by attending, their good time supports the three SPCA branches of the area is a heightened appeal!

The 1000 Paws Walk is the major annual fundraising event for the three branches of the SPCA that cover the central Midlands region: the Pietermaritzburg, uMngeni (Howick) and Mooi River & District SPCAs. Between them, these societies work towards preventing cruelty to animals, including domestic pets, livestock, wildlife, birds, reptiles, fish – any living creature. Please note that the SPCA receives no funding from national government and all SPCA branches are required to source funding from their own communities to survive.

The event takes place on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2015 at Hilton College, bring all your friends and family and don't forget your favourite pooches! It promises to be a bumper one this year! Watch the press and other social media platforms for all the details!

## SERVICES

*The VSCC is not responsible for the quality of the services provided by the above service providers.*

- **Silicon Brake Fluid** available at **Motorcycle Centre**, 265 Berg St. 033-394 6941 and **Race Spares Africa** 084 396 0285 Roger Veitch
- **Waterflow Plumbing cc** For general plumbing services, clearing blocked drains etc. Contact Clinton Hart on 076 194 4185 or 033 - 396 6953
- **New Parts.** Ford ignition coils 1937-41, 1952 ford stop/tail light lenses, Zephyr 1936- 39 rear light lenses, 1951-54 Ford V8 tail light lenses, 1959 Ford parking light lenses, Chrome tail light housing 1951/52 Zephyr & Consul.  
Flywheels – A30, Morris Minor, Taunus, Prefect, Anglia, Zephyr.  
Period wheel trims – Simca, Taunus and others. Rings, Fanbelts 1950's Chrysler.  
**Jansen's Motor Spares (Klerksdorp) 018 462 9121.**
- **Good weld** – Specialised welding; TIG & MIG, Aluminium, Magnesium, Titanium, Stainless, Cast Iron, Pewter, Etc. Turning, Spline cutting, General engineering. Run by enthusiasts. 4 Roger de Klerk Place, Mkondeni. Phone, 033 346 1207
- **Bearings & Seals** – 424 Greyling St. (Also 'O' rings, belts, roller chain etc.) Contact Dennis on 033-345 7739 or 082 656 4864, who will do his best to locate items needed, if not in stock.
- **Professional bead blasting** with proper glass beads, professional chassis clean, professional repairs and vacuum pulling/pumping of BMC hydrostatic suspension units. Contact Robin on 033-3450061, or visit 23 West Street.

One evening a family brings their frail, elderly mother to a nursing home and leave her, hoping she will be well cared for. The next morning, the nurses bathe her, feed her a tasty breakfast, and set her in a chair at a window overlooking a lovely flower garden. She seems OK, but after a while she slowly starts to fall over sideways in her chair. Two attentive nurses immediately rush up to catch her and straighten her up. Again she seems OK, but after a while she starts to tilt to the other side. The nurses rush back and once more bring her back upright. This goes on all morning. Later the family arrives to see how the old woman is adjusting to her new home. They ask, "So Ma, how is it here? Are they treating you good?" "It's pretty nice," she replies. "Except they won't let you fart!"

## FOR SALE

- **\*\*Yesterday I had a look at and took a couple of photos of a 1972 (first registered 1973) MGB GT for sale here in Howick. It is a runner, but as I haven't driven the car, I can't report further except to say that it looks to be in fair condition and with some attention and TLC would be a good car. The car has been resprayed at some stage to the same light brown colour (probably 'Bronze yellow') but I haven't inspected it in enough detail to give a report on rust. I understand that the engine has been recently overhauled.**

Engine No: 18V 582Y H 2954  
Chassis/Vin No: GHD5 271580 G

If you are interested, please contact the owner, **Steve de Gaspar** on **033 330 6268**. Steve is at 3A, Umgeni Road, Howick. If you do consider taking matters further, I would recommend that you appoint Mike Berry to undertake a valuation.

- **\*\*Golf scooter or disabled scooter for sale. Price: R9000 neg.  
Tel: 0343183970 Cell: 0711898620**
- **\*1928 Willys Whippet. 6 cylinder S.V wooden wheels. Licenced and running. R80000.  
1928 Chev. Two door 4 cylinder. OVH. Licenced and running. Disc wheels. R180000 or nearest offer.  
Robin Inggs 072 202 6598**
- **\*1983 1.6 Sierra Sedan. R12000 (or nearest offer). Phone Ken on 082 3734917**

Golfers never retire, they just lose their drive.  
Lumberjacks never retire, they just pine away.  
Accountants don't retire, they just lose their balance.  
Bank managers don't retire, they just lose interest.  
Vehicle mechanics? They re-tyre every day.  
Teachers don't retire, they just mark time.  
Roofers don't retire, they just wipe the slate clean.  
Engineers never retire, they just lose their bearings.  
Beekeepers never retire, they just buzz off.  
Musicians never retire, they just decompose.  
Farmers never retire, they just go to seed.  
Watchmakers never retire, they just wind down.  
Academics never retire, they just lose their faculties.  
Painters never retire, they just put a gloss on it.  
Tree surgeons never retire, they just branch out.



# Bike Chatter

## **HARLEY-DAVIDSON'S FIRST ELECTRIC MOTORCYCLE SURPRISINGLY DOESN'T SUCK**

Harley-Davidson is more than a motorcycle, or even a brand. It is an icon, one that brings to mind big, loud bikes ridden by burly men with tattoos and beards. The company has long been known for rumbling V-twin engines and the open road. All of which makes the idea of an electric Harley seem downright absurd.

It's actually pretty cool.

The LiveWire is the first electric two-wheeler out of Milwaukee. We spent an afternoon riding one amongst the weeds and broken glass of an abandoned Marine Corps runway outside Los Angeles last week and came away impressed. The Hell's Angels aren't going to be riding them anytime soon, but the bike offers an entertaining blend of power and comfort. It doesn't sound anything at all like a proper Harley—or a “fighter jet landing on an aircraft carrier” as Harley brass say—but it's got a futuristic sound that brings to mind an airliner taking to the air.

The LiveWire may not rumble like the Harleys everyone knows, and it doesn't perform like them. But it'll hit 60 mph in under four seconds and it's got more style than other electrics we've ridden. Now Harley has to find out if anyone actually wants the thing.

### **Cutting weight and potatoes**

If Harley-Davidson isn't the world's most famous motorcycle, it's close. The company has been building motorcycles since 1903, and typically subscribes to the bigger-is-better school of engineering. But even Harley-Davidson knows the times are changing, and it recognizes the need to diversify a customer base dominated by middle-aged white guys. Upstarts like Zero Motorcycles and Brammo have proven one way to attract younger, urban riders is selling small, compact bikes powered by batteries. Even major players like Yamaha are giving electrics a go. So Harley is trying it out, too.

“Any business has always got to look ahead to see where customers are interested in going, and see where society might be going,” says Mark-Hans Richer, Harley's top marketing guy.

That said, this isn't a production model. Not yet, anyway. Harley is taking a few dozen LiveWires on a tour, dubbed Project LiveWire, of the United States and Europe. It will invite people in each city to check out the bike and provide feedback. The tour starts Monday in New York.

The key challenge in building the LiveWire was the shift from building a bike around an engine to building one around a battery. A battery is heavy—Harley wouldn't say what the pack weighs, but one EV expert told us something with the range and recharge time Harley claims would be around 250 pounds—so engineers had to cut weight elsewhere. The cast aluminum perimeter frame wrapped around the battery box weighs just 14 pounds, which makes it a full eight pounds lighter than the Zero's frame. The wheels have hollow spokes, and Harley claims they're among the lightest aluminum wheels it's ever produced. There's no need for an exhaust system, which not only saves weight but gives the bike a sleeker look. The result is a clean, tightly

packaged bike without frivolous details.

Harley did most of the chassis work—it's been building bikes since the dawn of internal combustion, so it's got that down pat—but brought in experts like Mission Motors for help with things like the motor controller.

Speaking of the motor, the LiveWire marks quite a departure from Harley's signature sound. You don't get the syncopated "potato, potato, potato" that is synonymous with a 60-degree V-twin engine. But even though it's electric, and therefore has no engine, the LiveWire had to live up to Harley's "look, sound, and feel" mantra. That took a lot of work, but company president and COO Matt Levatich insists the result is "not contrived."

The high-pitched whir of the longitudinally-mounted, three-phase AC induction motor reverberates through the chassis, amplifying the sound. It starts off quietly, then builds in pitch and volume as the bike gains speed. It's louder than you'd think, and though it's not going to set off any car alarms, it'll definitely make you smile.

### **What customers want**

The LiveWire offers 74 horsepower, 52 foot-pounds of torque and a (governed) top speed of 92 mph. It's more powerful and quicker off the line than the \$13,000 Zero DS, but it's got less torque and range. That said, it's got more torque and power than Harley's Iron 883.

Still, Harley execs and engineers don't like talking about specs. They don't want potential customers making judgments based on what the LiveWire offers right now. The LiveWire is a work in progress, based on "what we think our customers are looking for," Richer says. The company hopes to glean more info during the LiveWire tour, and iterate accordingly to suit consumer tastes. Think of this as LiveWire v1.0. Harley isn't saying much about the drive train beyond saying the bike uses a lithium-ion battery with a range of 53 miles. It charges in 3.5 hours at 220 volts. Assuming the bike has a 3.3 kw charging system like other electric motorcycles, some back-of-the-envelope math suggests the LiveWire uses a 10 kilowatt-hour pack. Twist the throttle and the bike leaps forward with authority. Roll off the throttle and the regenerative braking kicks in, bringing the bike down from speed with due efficiency. Harley emphasizes its excitement over the LiveWire, but downplays its importance. An electric bike is just an idea, something that could draw younger, urban buyers to the brand. Companies like Zero have had some success with that strategy, and even convinced a few police departments to add electrics to their fleets. "This is just part of us understanding where the world might want to go," Richer says. The upside of so cautious an approach, of course, is there's less fallout if the bike is a flop.

### **New direction**

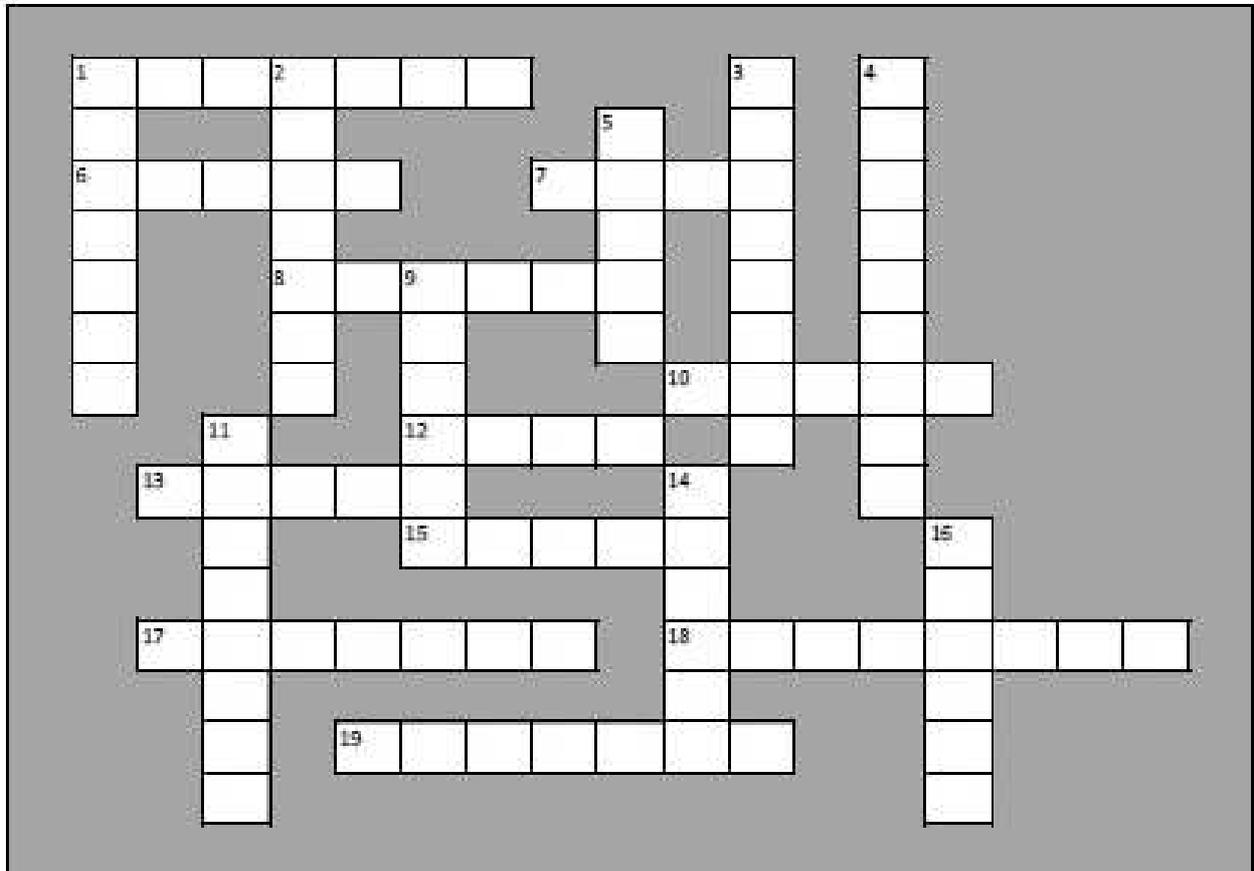
That's not out of the question. Harley's past forays into the potentially lucrative market for smaller, city-focused bikes have ended poorly. That hasn't kept it from trying again this year with the launch of the Street, a simpler, cheaper, bike made for city riding. The LiveWire is another step in that direction.

"Why can't Harley do some of these other cool things, too, and see where it takes us?" Levatich says.

*www.wired.com*

# PUZZLE

**CHRYSLER**



## ACROSS

- 1 One who journeys
- 6 A beam
- 7 A vegas sign
- 8 Almost brave
- 10 A tree
- 12 A young horse
- 13 In fashion
- 15 Part of the Monarchy
- 17 Distant edge of the earth
- 18 Of the Empire
- 19 Military officers horse

## DOWN

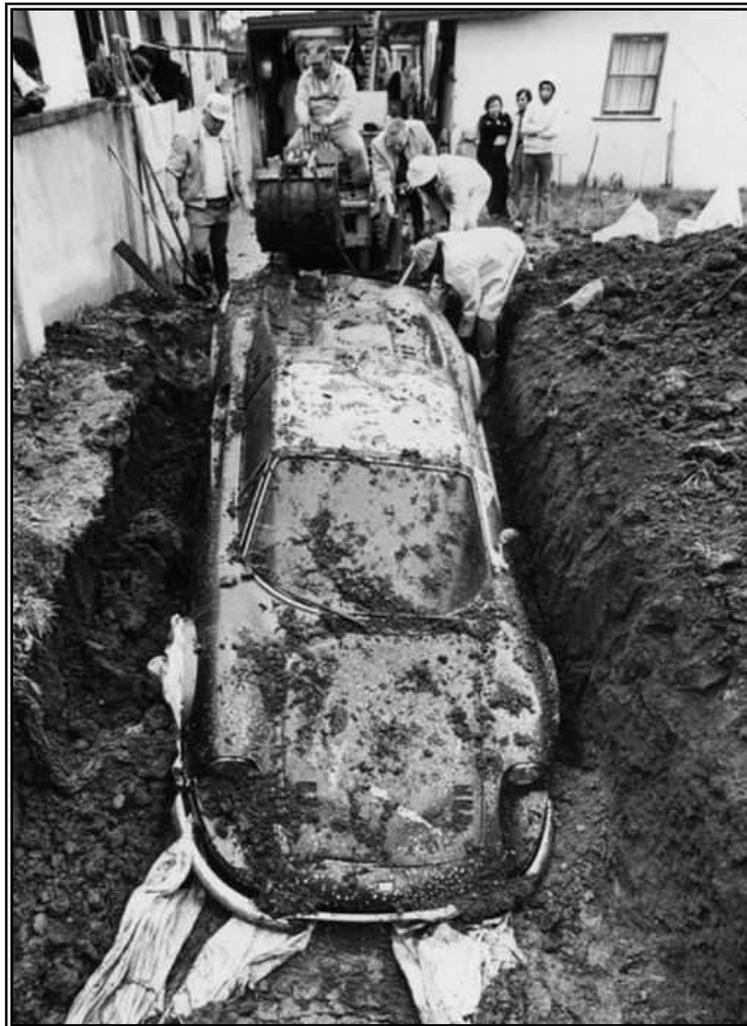
- 1 Being courageous
- 2 One who takes vengeance
- 3 Act of defeating one's enemy
- 4 High altitude airflow
- 5 Found at river mouth
- 9 Mounted soldier armed with lance
- 11 A supersonic plane
- 14 Of the Alps
- 16 A type of cloud

The answers are models of the Chrysler marque. Remember that the names are creative and don't always stick to correct English spelling. The answers are on the page 15.

## Ferrari dug up in back yard

We all grow up digging around in sand boxes hoping to strike it rich and find some hidden [ancient treasures](#). What we typically find is a rusty, old Matchbox car or a present left behind by a cat. Either way it's very rare to find something desirable. Well, that's not quite the case with a young group of boys in California. They were [digging in their yard](#) when they found something that would make anyone's jaw drop and their mouth start drooling. In 1978, these kids were digging around in their yard when they came across something big, something metal, and something very, very valuable. A buried Ferrari!

The boys actually discovered a 1974 Ferrari Dino 246 GTS buried just a few feet underneath the dirt in their yard. The family had just moved into the house and immediately called authorities after the discovery. Authorities came and roped off the area for investigation. A team of investigators arrived and carefully unearthed the rare car.



After exhuming the Italian sports car, it was obvious that someone had planned on returning to retrieve the vehicle at some point in time. It was very crudely mummified

with towels in the vents and tape on many of the seams however the windows weren't fully closed causing a lot of interior damage.

Farmers Insurance was contacted and because of the VIN number they were able to trace the last owner. After the investigation, it turns out that the owner of the car had actually hired thieves to steal the car and dump it in the ocean so he could claim insurance on it. The thieves buried the car with the intention of returning to pick it up for themselves.

The buried Ferrari was then auctioned off after being on display with the incredible story being reported across the nation. It was purchased by a young mechanic who owned his own automotive shop in California. The going price was estimated to be between \$5,000 and \$9,000.

He fully restored the buried Ferrari and often enters the car into car shows. Here are the pictures of the car after the complete restoration.

Everything on the car has been restored to the exact factory condition. However, this car comes with some incredible history and an awesome story.

The car even has a vanity plate which reads "DUG UP". How perfect is that?



#### *ANSWERS*

1A VOYAGER, 6A LASER, 7A NEON, 8A GALANT, 10A ASPEN, 12A COLT  
13A VOGUE, 15A ROYAL, 17A HORIZON, 18A IMPERIAL, 19A CHARGER  
1D VALIANT, 2D AVENGER, 3D CONQUEST, 4D AIRSTREAM, 5D DELTA  
9D LANCER, 11D CONCORDE, 14D ALPINE, 16D CIRRUS,

# ***Cars in the Park 2015***

19th March 2015

Dear Car & Bike Enthusiast, Club Members and Families,

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

The “Sunday Tribune – 40th Cars in the Park” Ashburton, Pietermaritzburg is rapidly approaching and to manage an event like this takes some careful organizing and planning. With the number of exhibitor’s vehicles, and a new venue it is important that we get the correct number of participants, so that we can accommodate everyone in an orderly manner, and to ensure a pleasant day for all. We therefore kindly ask you to assist us by registering as early as possible.

### **Registration**

To simplify the registration we have implemented a new online system which we believe will make the whole process a lot simpler and smoother.

The system works as follows:

1. Log onto Cars in the Park Web Page <http://www.carsinthepark.net>
2. There you will get the choice to either, go to the Vintage Sports Car Club (VSCC) webpage, or to register for the Sunday Tribune - Cars in the Park (CITP) webpage.
3. Proceed to the “To register your Vehicle for the Sunday Tribune Cars in the Park 2015” webpage.
4. If you have already registered you can log in, alternately go to the page to register, and on this page enter the details required your First Name - Last Name – Password – Email Address – Phone Number
5. Once all this information is entered correctly click on “register”. An email will then be sent to you and ask you to activate your account. Click on this and your account will be activated. The email sent should be with you in a few minutes, if it does not arrive within an hour please check that it has not been caught in your spam or junk mail.
6. Go back to <http://www.carsinthepark.net> and log back into the webpage with your email address and password.
7. Click on My Vehicles in the left top corner and a new page will appear, there click on “Add record”.
8. Add all the required information then click on “save and go back to list”
9. As soon as this is done an email is sent to the administrator, who will register your vehicle. An email will be sent back to you to confirm that your vehicle has been registered, with an attached PDF file, print this form which will have your information on it, including the stand number to indicate where you will be situated at the venue.
10. This is your identification and registration for the event. Please make sure you have it on your vehicles windscreen when you arrive at the event.
11. If you have made a mistake with your information, or you want to change the vehicle that you want to bring, add a new vehicle with the correct information. Then go to your vehicle that you want removed and click on request delete, the administrator will be informed and will delete this vehicle for you. A new registration form will be sent to you for the new vehicle you registered. Every time a modification is made to the vehicles that you have registered you will be sent an email with the updated information.

12. This will save you registering your vehicle at the venue, and assist the Marshall's to direct you to your stand, which will be on your registration form, without any delays. The original registration system at the venue will still be available on the day of the show.

13. If your club is not loaded, go to clubs and add a record with the relevant information for your club, and the administrator will authorize the club.

14. To make things easier one club member can register all the vehicles for their club, they will then need to print all the registration forms and hand them to the individual vehicle owners. The registration form is sent to the person who's email is linked to the vehicle registered.

Very simple, we trust that it won't cause you any frustration, if you have any problems please give me a call.

### **Venue**

The **new venue** for this year's event is the **Ashburton Training Track**, details are as follows:

Co-ordinates are: 29°38'43.23"S 30°28'8.62"E

Coming from either Durban or Pietermaritzburg turn off at the Ashburton N3 off ramp, and on the road over the highway, Pope Ellis Drive, turn right and follow the road for +- 2km to the Ashburton Training Centre on the left.

This is +- 11km from the original venue.

Go to our Facebook page to view a short video on the new venue.

### **Entertainment**

The day will be a family fun day with a free kid's playground - entertainment area, a flea market for the ladies, food stalls for the hungry, a beer garden for the thirsty, with a live band, parachute jumpers, lucky draws and other prizes, and best of all a full range of vintage cars, sport cars, exotic cars, bikes, tractors, steam engines and a special 1975 - 40 year old car stand, for the men. **DO NOT MISS THIS GREAT DAY.**

If you have any queries or problems please do not hesitate to give me a call. Thank you so much for your understanding and co-operating, and making this a great event.

Regards,

Carl Habermann

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**Clubhouse GPS co-ordinates:** 29°38'12.55"S 30°23'40.55"E

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**Q.** How do Biblical scholars know that King David rode a motorcycle?

**A.** Because in the Bible, it says that David's Triumph could be heard throughout the land...

# MARQUES THROUGH THE AGES

## Maserati

Maserati was created in 1914 by five of the Italian Maserati brothers (Alfieri, Bindo, Ettore, Ernesto and Mario) in Bologna. The company concentrated on producing racing cars when the company was incorporated.

The trident was chosen as the emblem for the company. Mario took the trident from the statue on the Fountain of Neptune in Bologna's Piazza Maggiore. Neptune represents strength and vigour and the statue is a symbol of the company's home town.

By 1932 Alfieri had died in a racing accident and Mario had left the company to pursue his art.

In 1937 the business was bought out by Adolfo Orsi. He moved the factory in Modena, which was his home town. He retained the Maserati brothers under a consultancy contract for ten years. He replaced their design talent with Gioacchino Colombo who had experience with Alfa Romeo and Ferrari.

During World War II car production ceased. Race car production resumed after the cessation of war.

In 1947 the move towards road cars started with the release of the A6-1500. They continued on the road car trend and by 1966 there were three road car models on offer. All the cars were front engine and to compete with Ferrari they needed to produce a mid engine model. Their answer was the Bora V8 which was released in 1971. The company continued making V8's into the 1980's and also made a series of V6 models in the 1980's.

Maserati had had a series of owners over the years. In 1969 Citroën bought out the company with its eye on the high-performance engines. Their use of the engines in their Coupé did not work out and they decided to sell their investment. They could not find a buyer and in 1975 announced the liquidation of Maserati. Alejandro de Tomaso decided to take over with financial backing from the Italian Government.

The company was in financial trouble again in the early 1990's and it was bought out by Fiat in 1993. The Bi Turbo was updated and the Quattro Porte was bought out in 1995.

In 1997 Ferrari took over partial ownership of Maserati and by 1999 had taken over full control. This change of ownership was a breakthrough. They injected cash into the business. Ferrari also reequipped the Modena factory with new equipment. This made it one of the most advanced factories in the world. Maserati was made the luxury division of Ferrari. Another breakthrough was to expand the market to be more global. This was applied especially to the USA market which has become its largest market.

The ownership change led to the update of the 3200GT but it was replaced in 2002 by the Coupé and Spyder, which was equipped by a new V8 engine. The range of new models has expanded.

Another change was the re-entry into racing car production.

This article was written with reference to Wikipedia and "The Encyclopedia of Cars" by Peter Henshaw.

*Gillian*

# TAILPIECE

## RETARDED GRANDPARENTS

After Christmas, a teacher asked her young pupils how they spent their holiday away from school.

One child wrote the following:

We always used to spend the holidays with Grandma and Grandpa.

They used to live in a big brick house but Grandpa got retarded and they moved to Batemans Bay where everyone lives in nice little houses, and so they don't have to mow the grass anymore!

They ride around on their bicycles and scooters and wear name tags because they don't know who they are anymore.

They go to a building called a wreck center, but they must have got it fixed because it is all okay now. They do exercises there, but they don't do them very well.

There is a swimming pool too, but they all jump up and down in it with hats on.

At their gate, there is a doll house with a little old man sitting in it. He watches all day so nobody can escape. Sometimes they sneak out, and go cruising in their golf carts!

Nobody there cooks, they just eat out. And, they eat the same thing every night - early birds.

Some of the people can't get out past the man in the doll house. The ones who do get out, bring food back to the wrecked center for pot luck.

My Grandma says that Grandpa worked all his life to earn his retardment and says I should work hard so I can be retarded someday too.

When I earn my retardment, I want to be the man in the doll house. Then I will let people out, so they can visit their grandchildren.

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**Drive Carefully! See You at the Club.**

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