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DAGSÊ VRIENDE / GOOD DAY FRIENDS

Welkom terug almal, hoop julle is uitgerus en dat 2014 vir elkeen 'n voorspoedige en geseënde jaar mag wees.

Welcome back everyone. I hope you are well rested and enjoyed the holiday and may 2014 be a prosperous year.

Jaarprogram /Yearprogram

6 February – Maluti maandvergadering

20 February – Show meeting

6 Maart – Maluti maandvergadering

8 Maart – MALUTI MOTOR SHOW

Gelukwensings /Congratulations

Verjaarsdae/ Birthdays

01/01 Koos de Beer

23/01 Elria Kinghorn



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!

Hartlik geluk ook aan Duimpie en Hannatjie Swart wat 'n kleinseun ryker geword het asook aan Elria Kinghorn wat 'n skoonseun ryker is.

Plaas Uitstappie

Danie het vir ons die 21ste Desember 'n lekker uitstappie gereël, so voor Kersfees, na Denmar Dairies en Die Bloukruin Landgoed Hoenderplaas. Daarna het ons 'n lekker ontbyt by die Fouriesburg Hotel gaan geniet. Ek moet sê, na die uitstappie kyk ek met ander oë na melk en eiers. Dit verg harde werk agter die skerms om vir ons die produkte op die rakke te sit.

Educational Outing on Saturday 21 December 2013

by Richard Lewis

17 members in 9 cars turned up bright and early at 7.30am on the Saturday morning where they proceeded in convoy towards Fouriesburg for a visit to Denmar Estates owned by Denton Osler. They bottle 50 000 litres of milk a day – 1,3mil litres per month. Peter van der Westhuizen who manages the dairy and fruit juice section gave us a very informative lecture on how the process, from collection from local farmers to distribution of the bottled products, takes place. Thereafter we were given a detailed tour of the production line where it was clear that their values of quality and service was paramount. The technology is incredible and the speed at which it is all done was remarkable. Our vice – chairman Danie Poggenpoel works for Denmar and our thanks to him for organising this tour.

Danie also organised a tour of the BloukruinLandgoed Estates owned by Gilly Scheepers where we again were taken on an informed tour of the process involved in the production, sorting and distribution of eggs, again at production levels that completely boggles the mind.

All members left very informed on the production of both milk and eggs – and we then headed off to a brunch at the Fouriesburg Country Inn where we had an incredible meal and some good interaction between members. Danie unfortunately suffered problems with his wheel bearing but he sorted for it to be carted back home and the rest of us headed off home all agreeing that the combination of a trip out linked to an extra benefit such as the educational tours we had experienced made for a valuable day out.

Those of you who did not come along really missed out.



Cuba Car Import Restrictions To Be Lived Soon



The communist island country of Cuba is a paradise for classic car lovers from outside the country. That's because almost every car that runs on the streets of Cuba are decades old American classics, many of them over 50 years old! This unique sight is made possible due to the communist government which had imposed restrictions on car imports some 50 years ago. Cubans though this is no less than a nightmare. Being a communist country, citizens can only buy cars from the government, however, very few new cars are imported. While citizens have been allowed to trade used cars among themselves for the last two years, those who want to own new cars are required to get a permit card from the government. Obtaining the said authorization card, however, is next to impossible. These cards are issued in extremely limited numbers and most of the time they cost more than the car itself.

The restrictions have led to corruption and underground sales of cars. People with plenty of money to spare bribe officials to obtain permits and these cards have also started being issued illegally at higher prices. The Washington Post quotes: "It's become clear that while private sales of cars between individuals has developed smoothly, the sale of cars using 'authorization cards' has been inadequate and obsolete," the Communist Party newspaper Granma declared. "The card, apart from being overly bureaucratic, became a source of speculation and illicit self-enrichment." The import restrictions have thus started to hurt the government financially and is one of the reasons why President Raul Castro has decided to change the half a century long rule. Soon, permit cards will no longer be required to purchase new cars and anyone with enough money will be allowed to buy them from the government. The Cuban government will soon start sales of new and used cars, motorcycles, small trucks and minibuses to its citizens. Having said that, the cost of these cars will continue to be steep, enabling only the affluent to purchase new rides while the remaining population continues to struggle to keep their old cars running. But still, some change for the good is better than no change at all.

John Deere Tractor History

Deere & Company was founded in 1868 by blacksmith John Deere. Deere had achieved great success in 1837 when he built a plow from highly polished steel. Deere & Company entered the tractor manufacturing business in 1918. Deere sold a small number of tractors designed by Joseph Dain, with limited success. That same year, Deere purchased the Waterloo Gasoline Traction Engine Company, that built the Waterloo Boy tractor. In late 1923, John Deere introduced the Model D, which remained in production for the next 30 years. Deere became a dominant force in tractor production with the 4020 in 1963.



Meet Tucker 1052, the 52nd car of 51 built

Of the 51 [Tucker](#) automobiles built, John Schuler's car is number 52.

It's not new math, but Schuler's car will be a new addition to the roster of whole Tuckers. However, its parts have been around since Tucker stopped assembling cars in the Windy City in 1948.

When the inventory of the Tucker Corp. was counted car by car and piece by piece under court order on March 3, 1949, the company listed 38 drivable cars, an additional 13 more cars that awaited final assembly and truckloads of parts: test chassis, and new interior and body and mechanical parts that were intended to be used in construction of new cars that never were — at least until 2013. Parts such as a chassis and firewall stamped with the serial number "1052."



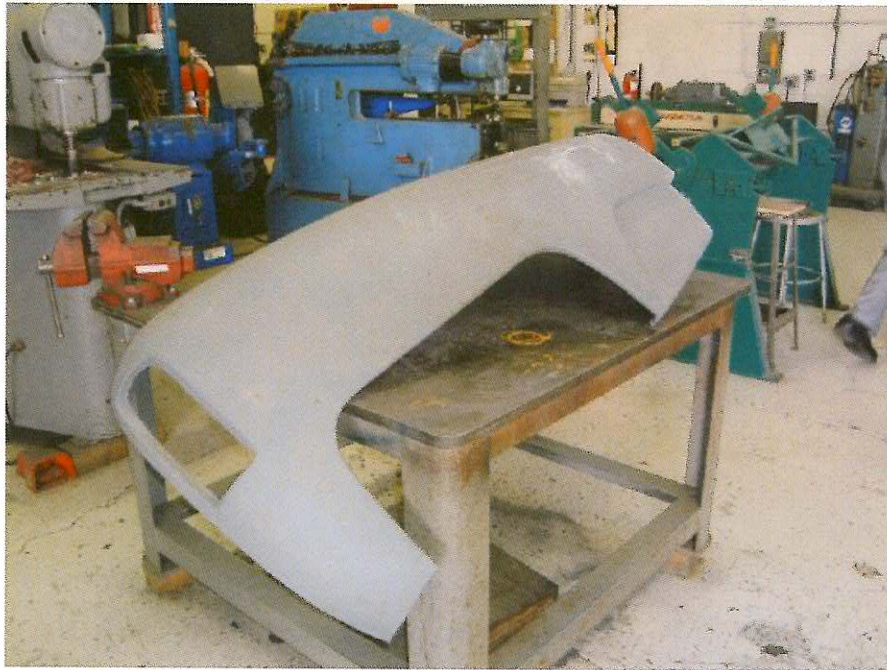
Never-used and used 1948 Tucker parts are being assembled to the cowl of what was to be Tucker 1052, thus creating a new Tucker with almost all Preston parts.

A group of those Tucker parts floated among well-known hobbyists for decades, including in the hands of [Tucker Automobile Club of America](#) co-founder Stan Gilliland. When they landed with Schuler about four years ago, they finally began to come together as one.

"I think it's pretty great that somebody is taking the effort [to assemble this car] 65 years after the fact," said Jay Follis, former president of the [Tucker Automobile Club of America](#) Inc., and director of the [Tucker Historical Collection and Library](#) at the [Gilmore Car Museum](#) in Hickory Corners, Mich.

Schuler has charged [Classic & Exotic Service, Inc.](#) of Troy, Mich., with the assembly of his Tucker, which also uses some used parts in its construction. The foundation for the car is test chassis No. 3, which Follis said was shown in Tucker film footage driving around the plant with passengers on its two bench seats behind a cowl. This chassis was used to test an automatic transmission, although a Tucker Y1 unit will be employed in Schuler's soon-to-be-completed car. The front clip for Schuler's Tucker came from Tucker No. 1018, which was wrecked in Pennsylvania during the 1950s, and the engine is a used unit from another Tucker that received a new powerplant unit during its restoration. The vast majority of the remaining parts are never-used parts from the Tucker Corp. parts bin: a hood, front doors, quarter panels, engine cover, bumpers, speedometer, etc.

"It was pretty much in pieces," Schuler said, "it was a basket case."



The rear fenders are the few new parts being used in the build of Tucker 1052.

Brian Joseph of Classic & Exotic Service, Inc. is masterfully bringing the parts together. The floor and roof had to be made new, but the front doors are new-old-stock. Joseph had to make the rear doors from scratch, a formidable accomplishment.





The “52” stamped on the new-old-stock cowl being used in the build of Tucker 1052.

There are thousands of pieces to an automobile, so fortunately, the car came with many of the small parts, too, such as door handles and windshield wiper motor. However, a few parts had to be made in the restoration.

“I believe the most difficult part [of the restoration] was making the rear doors and the sheet metal for the roof,” Schuler said. “Brian Joseph made that and has done a good job on it. He had Gilmore’s [Car Museum] Tucker there [at his shop] and they used templates and patterns off of it to build these parts.”

Once the Tucker is completed in early 2014, Schuler will have finally fulfilled his lifelong dream of owning a Tucker.

“I have been fascinated with buying a Tucker since I was a kid,” he said. “I saw their ads in the newspaper and they were neat. I wish I had gotten involved in the Tucker earlier. I would have had a car years ago.”

With the completion of Schuler’s car, Follis believes the inventory of remaining original Tucker parts cannot support the build of another new Tucker. Schuler’s car will, effectively, be the last Tucker. Like the “Tin Goose” Tucker prototype, the last will be maroon.

“The reason for painting it that color is the singer Sofie Tucker, who was the last of the Red Hot Mommas,” Schuler said. “So my wife thought we should call our car ‘Sofie’ because she will be the last of the red hot Tuckers.”

SAVVA Technical Tip 80 – A very special tool

It's Christmas time and most clubs don't publish a newsletter for December, so for those that do, I think we can take a bit of license.

This tip is aimed at us oldies who:

- a. cannot afford to go on holiday, or who
- b. can afford to go on holiday but don't want to.

The tool in question is a "must have" for those of us who have a tendency to drop nuts, bolts and spanners down past the engine or other vital innards. As most of us have experienced - when things fall, two things happen:

- 1. For some unknown reason, they disappear, never to be seen again, or
- 2. they roll midway under the car where one has to lie flat on ones tummy to retrieve them.

It's the latter we will address, the problem of getting up and down.

Before starting on a project you should arm yourself with the special tool pictured below, commonly referred to as a "broom". When spanners, nuts and bolts etc fall down under the car one takes the broom and "sweeps" the offending item to the side of the vehicle where it can be easily retrieved. I have a friend who is a bit smarter than me and has gone one step further and developed a stick with a magnet attached to the end which enables him to retrieve the items from the floor or that are stuck halfway down the engine bay. They say 'necessity is the mother of all inventions'.

May you and your loved ones have a Merry Christmas a great New Year. Happy motoring in 2014.



Maluti Cars at the Airport Bethlehem, 8 March 2014

Mean Machines

**Ticket prices: R30 for adults
R20 for children**

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Dear Sir/ Ma'am

You are cordially invited to the 7th annual motor show in Bethlehem, hosted by the Maluti Antique Auto & Machine Club. This year the theme is 'Mean Machines'. Forming part of Bethlehem's 150th year birthday celebrations, it promises to be an exciting day with entertainment for the entire family.

Since its inception in 2003 and the hosting of motor shows since 2008, our motor club has grown exceptionally in members and the motor shows have gained invaluable exposure nationwide. This was evident in the 2013 motor show which saw close to 3 000 people attend the event.

The theme selected for the 2013 event was "A Tribute to Carroll Shelby". It was hosted in association with the South African Cobra Owners Club as well as the KwaZulu- Natal GT40 Club. An astounding 369 vehicles participated which lead to the event being the first and largest commemorative event of its kind in South Africa for this marque of cars.

Building forth on this, our show will present **vintage-, muscle-, exotic-, tuner-** and new cars as well as various kinds of **rods & unique items**, such as a 1940's military tank from WW2, **tractors** and **stationary engines**. Apart from displays, you will get the chance to have your vehicle take part in the "Spectator Drive" on the terrain. A television crew will be present and interviews held with participants. Your Mean Machine may even strut its stuff on Ignition TV or feature in one or more of the numerous motoring magazines we advertise in.

- The event will take place on **Saturday the 8th of March 2014** at the **Bethlehem Airfield**, with the gates opening at 07:00.
- All classic cars and exhibitors receive 2 admission passes free of charge. Admission for adults is R30 per person and R20 for children. This includes a free cup of coffee or tea.
- The 'Chairman's Bring & Braai' will be held on Friday evening, the 7th of March starting at 19h00.
- Terrain security is arranged for the entire weekend and visitors wishing to park their vehicles under cover for the evening can do so at a once-off fee of R100 per car or R500 for 5 or more vehicles from the same club. A shuttle service is included in the fee. Booking is essential as there is limited space.

- Entertainment will cater for men, women and children with stalls providing food and beverages as well as flea market items for sale. Children's activities include jumping castles, tractor rides, paintball and more.
- A beer tent is available for thirsty enthusiasts.
- Club merchandise will also be for sale.
- Certificates will be issued to exhibitors and participants.
- Accommodation is available and should be booked in advance. See attached list.
- Visitors wishing to stay longer in the Eastern-Free state can gladly visit the surrounding towns of Clarens, Golden Gate, Fouriesburg and Paul Roux. The route is one of the nicest and safest in the region with very low volumes of traffic. It winds through the Sandstone cliffs of the Maluti and Witteberg mountains. Many historic places are found along the route and a breathtaking view of the Mountain Kingdom of Lesotho together with the rural atmosphere will ensure an unbelievable visit to the area.

Directions:

Visitors take the N5 in the direction of Kestell/ Clarens (Hospital Road) and turn right at the last traffic light into Lughawe street. Immediately turn left onto the Preekstoel road. The terrain will be 1km ahead on the left hand side.

GPS Co-Ordinates: 28°14'55 S ; 28°20'10 E (Next to the new Dihlabeng Mall)

We look forward to welcome you at our show.

Maluti Regards

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AARON'S LANTERN B&B	7	40 Wessels Street, Central Town	(058) 303 8922 / 072 142 5174
BIRCH BUSH B&B /Self-Catering	6	25 Plein Street, Jordania	(058) 303 7518 / 082 457 6743
BIRD'S HAVEN B&B/Self-Catering	8	8 Senekal Rd, Bethlehem West	083 630 8283
BOKMAKIERIE B&B/Self-Catering	16	10 Thoi Oosthuizen Street, Panorama	(058) 303 7144 / 082 776 0322
BREAD HOUSE B&B	10	14 Pres Vorster Street, Panorama	(058) 303 4329 / 082 490 7326
BRUWERSHOOP COUNTRY Chalet Self-cat.		10km on Kestell/Harrismith Road	082 564 3795
CAMBRIDGE GUEST HOUSE B&B	28	273 Cambridge Street, Eureka	(058) 303 8843 / 082 770 7635
COTTAGE B&B	8	16 Bruwer Street, Central Town	(058) 303 4374 / 084 835 0061
DE ACKER B&B	6	10 Broster Street, Eureka	(058) 303 5061 / 082 347 8094
DENNEGEUR CHALET B&B Self-Catering	5	43 Eden Small Holdings Paul Roux Rd	(058) 303 4427 / 083 633 6533
DE ZONNEBLOEM GUEST HOUSE	13	8 Van Riebeeck Street, Jordania	082 497 7537
DIE NES B&B	8	3 Van Raalte Street, Eureka	(058) 303 4073 / 083 310 9257
DORPSWERF Self-Catering	12	17 Turner Street, Bethlehem West	(058) 303 1863 / 082 293 0680
FACES GUEST HOUSE B&B	10	14 Lombard Street, Panorama	(058) 303 9960 / 083 417 8295
FISANT B&B/Self-Catering	10	10 Thoi Oosthuizen Street, Panorama	(058) 303 7144 / 082 776 0322
FRONTIER INN & CASINO	28	Johan Blignaut Drive, N5, Bethlehem	(058) 307 6080 / 058 307 6000
GABLE PARK GUEST HOUSE/B&B	12	Kerk Street en Route to Bloemfontein	(058) 303 2386 / 083 395 1804
DUNLIN B&B	10	40km on N5, Paul Roux	082 970 6479
GOOSBERRY LODGE B&B	11	44 Baartman Street, Panorama	(058) 303 6319 / 083 628 5049
GRACELAND GUEST LODGE	80	14km Bethlehem en Route to Clarens	(058) 303 1695 / 072 837 6607
HOEP-HOEP Self-Catering	11	De Leeuw Street, Hospital Hill	(058) 303 7144 / 082 776 0322
HOME SWEET HOME GUEST HOUSE	8	53 Pienaar Street, Mōrelig	(058) 303 0021 / 082 217 3260
HOOGLAND B&B/Self-Catering	18	47 de Leeuw Street, Hospital Hill	(058) 303 3633 / 082 417 3621
HUNTERS RETREAT LODGE & CARAVAN	30	14km En Route to Fouriesburg	083 308 5562
ILANGA LODGE B&B/Self-Catering	18	Kerk Street en Route to Paul Roux	(058) 303 1221 / 072 191 1554
JASTELLE COUNTRY COTTAGES/Self-Cat.	18	16km En route to Clarens	(058) 303 1289 / 082 335 3691
MALUTI HOOGLAND SCHOOL DORMITORY	20	Kerk Street, Central Town	(058) 303 4519 / 082 820 9620
KRUISVALLEI COUNTRY SELF-CATERING	16	On R712 between Clarens & Beth	074 893 3174 / 073 734 6785
LA CROCHÉ GUEST LODGE	43	Cnr. Theron & Kerk Street	(058) 303 9229 / 082 771 7314
LA MONTANARA GUEST FARM/Self-Cater	22	26km on Warden Road follow signs	(058) 304 3317 / 082 780 1218
LA MOTTE COUNTRY B&B	5	En Route to Kestell/Harrismith	(058) 303 1304 / 082 453 9777
LAVENDER HILL COUNTRY ESTATE	30	4km En Route to Kestell/Harrismith	(058) 303 1673 / 084 405 1086
LIONSROCK LODGE B&B/S-Catering	34	En Route to Warden	(058) 304 1691 / 083 408 0473
LOCH ATHLONE SELF-CATERING	7	Cambridge Street, Loch Athlone	082 772 7739
MADELEINE'S PLACE B&B/Self-Catering	10	40 Wessels Street, Central Town	(058) 303 8922 / 072 142 5174
MANHATTEN SQUARE B&B	9	3 rd Floor, 26 Muller Str, Centr Town	(058) 303 7797 / 083 628 5058
MARTELLE'S B&B	12	38 Oxford Street, Central Town	(058) 303 3550 / 083 236 9246
MURASIE GUEST FARM Self-Catering	18	En Route to Warden	(058) 304 2431 / 082 923 4984
NEW PARK HOTEL	80	23 Muller Street, Central Town	(058) 303 5191
NIX PUB B&B	11	12 Kerk Street, Central Town	(058) 303 0722 / 083 627 8366
PETRONELLA B&B/Self-Catering	36	3km on N5 to Kestell/Harrismith	(058) 303 4360
ROYAL TERRACE GUEST LODGE	30	9 Pres. Boshoff Street, Central Town	(058) 303 9335 / 079 873 5119
SABBATISMOS Self-Catering Chalets	7	6km on R26 to Fouriesburg	(058) 303 3020 / 082 835 1682
SKERPPUNT GUEST FARM Self-Catering	7	± 45km on Lindley Road	083 288 6437
SUNNY AFRICA Self-Catering	8	17 Kloof Road, Eureka	(058) 303 0399 / 083 693 6058
THE CROWN B&B	8	16 Kroon Ave, Panorama	(058) 303 5115 / 082 855 8522
THE LOFT B&B/Self-Catering	72	15 Pres Burger Street, Central Town	(058) 303 0871 / 082 417 3621
ROSENHOF EXCLUSIVE COUNTRY LODGE	24	40km on N5, Paul Roux	082 490 2104
UITZICHT GAME FARM Self-Catering	28	On R26 to Fouriesburg	(058) 303 6621 / 082 856 7181

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