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FIRST QUARTER / EERSTE KWARTAAL 2017

LID VAN VETERAAN MOTORVERENIGING VIR SUIDER AFRIKA (SAVVA)

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En so nader ons die einde van die eerste kwartaal. Tyd vlieg darem. During December we went Nowhere Slowly in order to enjoy the tradition of padkos. The baskets were packed and we sat off towards Clarens. Met buite Bethlehem het Dircolene en Miemie die Morris Minor omgedraai nadat elektroniese probleme hulle terug gehou het. Daarna het hulle met 'n moderne motor by ons aangesluit. Tertius het met die Triumph Spitfire gery, terwyl Kobus die VW Beetle op die langpad geneem het. Manie het die agterhoede gedek met sy bakkie.

Towards Clarens, Charles and Susan joined with their BMW Convertible. From Clarens we went towards Fouriesburg. The plan was to stop at Surrender Hill for our padkos. But the sun was scorching and the trees no longer stood next to the lay byes. Ralph came to say hello before departing back to Clarens as he had visitors. Jors en Ann he took hier by ons aangesluit. Op hierdie stadium het die Spitfire genoeg gehad en het die verkoeler oopgebars van die hitte en drukking.

Daar word toe besluit om aan te stoot na Fouriesburg, waar ons somer op kerkplein piekniek gehou het in die koelte. The trip home was filled with roadside stops to relieve the Spitfire's pressure and to refill the coolant bottle.



During January we had a Breakfast Run at the Dihlabeng Spur. Dircolene arranged it, and six cars pitched. Myself and Rob visited the Zwartkops Raceway on the same day to enjoy the David Piper Passion for Speed event. Historic Racing at its best.



Gedurende Februarie he tons die eerste Drive-in Night gehou. Die film wat vertoon is, was Grease. 16 mense en 7 motors het dit bygewoon. Charles se Valiant stasiewa was die mees gepaste motor vir die funksie. People seems to have enjoyed it, opening the way for us to do it more regularly. The idea of a cafeteria also surfaced.



Die volgende kwartaal beloof ook 'n besige een te wees met die Stars of Sandstone en ons Vadersdag-ete wat die hoogtepunte behoort te wees.

Groetnis

Tertius du Preez

Voorsitter



Subject **FW: FW: Knysna motor Show - April 30th
INVITATION**
From Peter Pretorius <peterp@afrihost.co.za>



KNYSNA MOTOR SHOW 2017



PRIVATE Wealth

Dear Tertius,

It will be appreciated if you can please forward the below mentioned invitation to your members who have cars / motorcycles that would fit the Knysna motor show criteria .

Your assistance is greatly appreciated,

Regards,

Peter

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

The planning for the annual **Knysna motor show (KMS)**, sponsored by **SANLAM PRIVATE WEALTH**, is now in full swing. The event will take place on Sunday April 30 in Knysna, at the Knysna High School grounds, located on Waterfront Drive. With Monday 1 May and Thursday 27 April being public holidays it provides those from out of town the opportunity of enjoying a wonderful long weekend in the beautiful Garden Route. In addition you could consider staying over for the very popular Jaguar Simola Hillclimb taking place on Friday 5 May (Classic Cars Friday) and Saturday/Sunday 6/7 May (King of the Hill). It is guaranteed to be a motoring extravaganza week in Knysna together with everything else that the Garden Route offers.

The KMS is organised by the Garden Route Motor Club (GRMC), and is now recognised as one of the premier and best organised motor shows in SA. The 2016 motor show turned out to be a real blockbuster with the most fantastic cars and motorcycles on display. The motor show continues to grow in stature and has attracted interest from across SA. In 2016, 430 cars and motorcycles were on display including vintage & veteran cars, classic sports cars, vintage and classic motorcycles, all of top quality and not often seen in SA. The strategy adopted by the organisers of personally selecting and inviting participants has clearly been successful. The maximum number of cars and motorcycles to be displayed at this year's show has been fixed at around 500. The KMS vision is to stage a motor show where quality and interesting displays are the key objective, rather than the number of cars and motorcycles on display. The objective for 2017 is again to lift the motor show standard and make it a motor show with a difference by providing the opportunity for owners of high quality and unique cars to display their vehicles in a country style and relaxed atmosphere. With the popularity of the KMS growing and with the show taking place over a long weekend we expect that the record number of 5000 visitors to 2016 show to be exceeded.

For more information regarding this exceptional motor show please click on the YouTube link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gUfAeG206X4> or visit the GRMC website, www.grmc.co.za .

Besides providing the fellowship enjoyed by likeminded people, exhibitors and the public, the KMS has been the source of much needed funds for local charities. In 2016 we distributed R60,000, with the main beneficiaries being Hospice, Animal Welfare, E-Pap (Children feeding scheme) and FAMSA. Over the past four years more than R200,000 has been distributed to charities.

We are very proud that **SANLAM PRIVATE WEALTH** has agreed to be the main sponsor of the 2017 KMS. Vincent Vermaak , the Southern Cape Regional Manager , commented as follows." We are very excited to be associated with the high calibre of the Knysna motor show and look forward to a fantastic event on April 30. With the high number of retirees settling in the Garden Route, with many of them being classic car and motorcycle owners , the KMS clearly fits our target market. Sanlam Private Wealth offers holistic, integrated, wealth management services to high and ultra-high net worth private individuals and their families in SA , Africa, UK , Western Europe and Australia ".

Recognising the quality and passion that you have for your car / motorcycle , the organising committee herewith extends an invitation to you to be part of this awesome motor show.

All registrations are personally vetted to ensure that the KMS's criteria is maintained and you will accordingly be advised of your acceptance. The vehicle classification will be :

- All classic cars with the emphasis on sports classics
- Modern potential classic cars, sports and super cars
- Veteran & Vintage cars built prior to 1945
- Classic and collectable motorcycles including road , off road and racing motorcycles.

Registration is on line and will be processed electronically. Please click on this link [2017 Knysna Motor Show Registration](#) and register your details. Alternatively, go to the website www.grmc.co.za and click on 2017 Motor Show registration . Complete the personal and car detail and click "Submit" . The necessary confirmation and approval communication will follow.

NB – PLEASE REGISTER EARLY AS REGISTRATIONS WILL CLOSE ON APRIL 14 OR WHEN THE MAXIMUM OF 500 CARS /MOTORCYCLES HAS BEEN REACHED.

Accommodation for out of town visitors.

- Special KMS deals have been concluded with the Knysna Protea Hotel (limited accommodation available) and the Conrad Pezula Hotel Knysna. Both hotels offer excellent accommodation .
- Alternatively go to the GRMC website - www.grmc.co.za and click on the "accommodation" button. Then follow the link to the official **Knysna Tourism booking portal** and search for the accommodation that will suit you.

This is a unique opportunity to showcase the best on an unforgettable day for the owners and public, while improving the livelihood of the underprivileged and needy in our area . I feel confident that you will not be disappointed and that with your participation we can again make this event a surefire success . So please join us and live the dream of this mega event !!!

Please feel free to contact me should you require further clarification.

Kind regards,

Peter Pretorius

Chairman – Garden Route Motor Club

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Hi Tertius,

Please see below our latest Press Release. Further information will follow.

Kind regards,

Peter



KNYSNA MOTOR SHOW 2017



PRIVATE Wealth

Media release. Knysna Motor Show: 21 February, 2017

Pre-War MGs, micro-cars, and a very rare Bentley for the Knysna Motor Show

Although the organisers are expecting a turnout of more than 500 exceptional vehicles, the Knysna Motor Show sponsored by Sanlam Private Wealth promises three very special appearances this year.

"While we welcome everyone to come along to see and enjoy the vintage and veteran cars and motorcycles, and the super cars, classic sports cars, and new-era electric vehicles on show, we're very selective about the exhibits we allow - which appear by invitation only. This keeps the show fresh and interesting every year," said the chairperson of the Garden Route Motor Club, Peter Pretorius.

"As one of South Africa's most prestigious motor shows, the Knysna Motor Show naturally attracts the attention of the owners of the most prestigious and unusual vehicles on the road, and we're proud to announce that this year's event will feature one of the most desirable cars of all – a Bentley MK VI Special – as well as displays by the MMM MG Club of South Africa, and the Micro Car Club of South Africa."

MMM MG GATHERING

Mr. Pretorius said that the bi-annual gathering of South Africa's MMM MG Club will take place in the Garden Route this year, and that the club has entered 17 cars for the show.

According to MMM MG Club chairperson, Rodney Green, "MMM stands for Midget, Magna, and Magnette - which were some of the names given to the bewildering array of performance model MGs in the 1930s, when the marque dominated the 750 and 1100 cc classes on the international racing circuit."



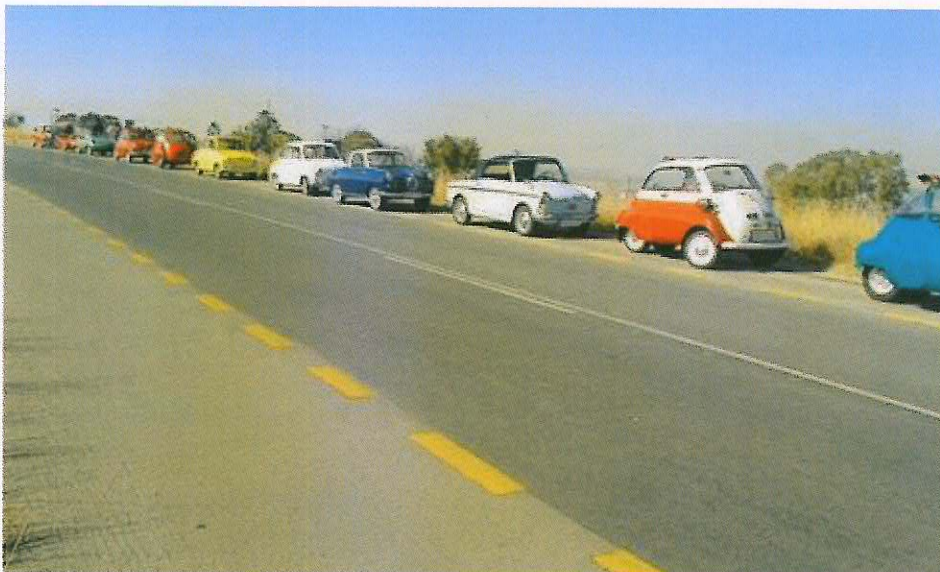
He said that the club's display at the Motor Show will include an early M-type, as well as various 4- and 6-cylinder models - some of which are supercharged.

"Of special interest will be a supercharged C-type Monthlery Midget with a 4 cylinder, 746 cc power unit; and a 1935, 6 cylinder, 1271cc MG ND."

MICRO CAR CLUB

"We're pretty sure that the Micro Car Club's display of Goggo Mobiles will be a real hit at this year's Motor Show," said Mr Pretorius. According to Micro Car Club chairperson, Lothar Frohlich, the club register is open to cars of 700 cc or less that were built any time until 1967.

Like the MMM MG Club, the Micro Car Club will hold its gathering in the Garden Route this year, and will exhibit a number of vehicles at the Motor Show.



"Although they're remembered in history as curiosities, the Micro Car was a first step towards owning a full-size car for many people in the 1950s and 60s," said Mr. Frohlich. "As with all classic cars, it's often difficult to obtain spare parts - but gatherings like these allow Micro Car enthusiasts to network with each other to keep these unique vehicles alive."

BENTLEY

Bentley MK V1 Special that'll appear at this year's show started out as a 'project' 1951 Bentley MKV1 Sedan – but when a previous owner abandoned the project, it was obtained by a Cape Town collector who commissioned Charles Goodman Restorers in Johannesburg to complete the build.

"It took two and a half years to complete this magnificent vehicle with its 4.9 litre Bentley straight-six, F-type, fuel injected engine, and its wood frame and metal skin.

"It really is something worth marvelling over," said Mr. Pretorius.



GOOD CAUSE

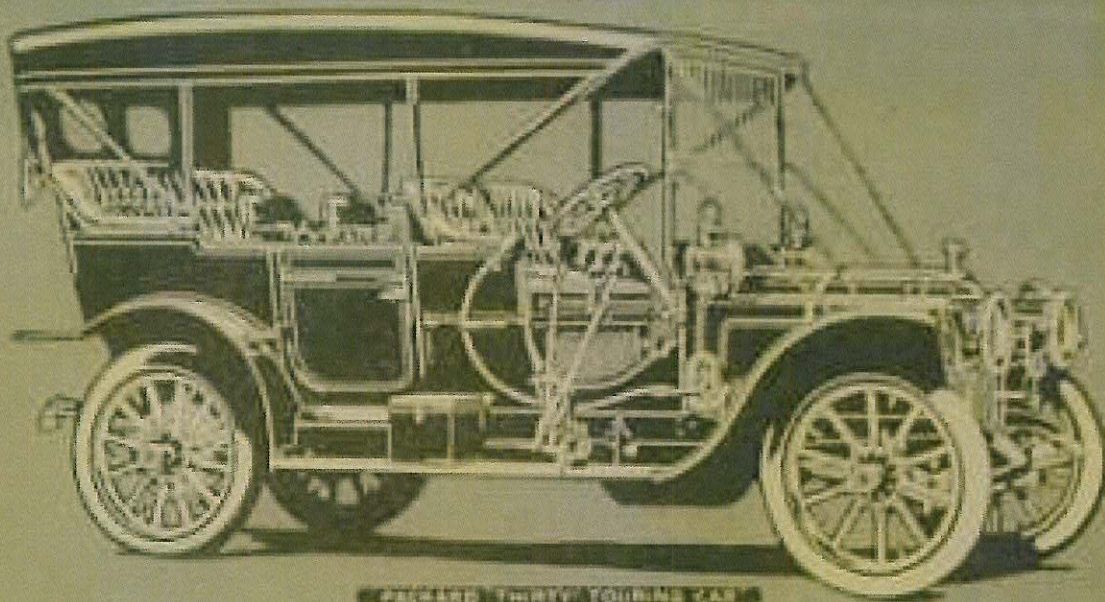
"Last year's show attracted over 5,000 people – and we're confident that the number will grow again this year, as it has every year.

"The event is known for its country atmosphere, excellent food stalls, and festive beer garden – so there's always something for old and young to enjoy. But it's also an event with a heart, and proceeds will benefit Hospice, Knysna Animal Welfare, E-pap and FAMSA, said Mr. Pretorius.

The Knysna Motor Show sponsored by Sanlam Private Wealth will take place on the Knysna High School sports fields (on Waterfront Drive) from 09:30 to 16:00 on Sunday, 30 April, 2017. Tickets at the gate.

More information

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MOTOR CARS

SAVVA VETERAN RUN : GOLDEN GATE
3-7 SEPTEMBER 2017

The OFSVCC will host the SAVVA Veteran Run from Sunday 3 to Thursday 7 September 2017, in the picturesque Eastern Free State, with the Golden Gate Hotel as base.

The Veteran Run will be a three day fun filled leisure event in the vicinity of the Hotel, perhaps visiting Sandstone Vintage Trains and a Lion/Cheetah experience. Eligible for vehicles manufactured before 1919 (might be amended at a later stage to vehicles manufactured before 1930 if quota of entries not filled).

Accommodation, breakfast and dinners will be enjoyed at the same venue for the duration of the event.

This is an ideal opportunity for you to enjoy the vehicles you cherish, whilst admiring the beautiful countryside and experiencing the Free State hospitality.

Please email René Greenland at mwvandup@mweb.co.za or call her on 0733080827 should you wish to receive an entry form, or require any further information. Entry forms will also be available from 1 May 2017 on our webpage www.fsvcc.co.za.

We look forward to seeing you there!



SAVVA NATIONAL TOUR
INCORPORATING THE C&F MOTORS SPARES
CLAUDI VAN ROOYEN MEMORIAL RENDEZVOUS TOUR
GOLDEN GATE
3—7 SEPTEMBER 2017

The OFSVCC will host the SAVVA National Tour, incorporating their annual Rendezvous Tour, from Sunday 3 to Thursday 7 September 2017, in the picturesque Eastern Free State, with the Golden Gate Hotel as base.

The National Tour for vehicles manufactured up until 1997, will comprise a three day sealed odo competitive tour or non-competitive drive along the same route for entrants not interested in the rally process.

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Cars in the Park 2017

The Sunday Tribune Cars in the Park Pietermaritzburg, is the highlight event on the Vintage Sports Car Club calendar.

Held annually, this year's event will be held on Sunday 21st May 2017. This extremely popular event, the largest of its kind in KZN, and the oldest of its type in the country, and is a draw card for motoring enthusiasts from all over South Africa with up to 14 000 people attending the show.

The event is a large gathering of enthusiasts from numerous clubs and features a wide variety of makes of motor cars, trucks, tractors and simply fascinating vehicles. There are over 1 300 different exhibits, so there is ample to see and do as you meander around the Gold Circle Ashburton Training Centre Park, an ideal setting for this event. Over 30 Vendors provide food, drinks, coffee, ice cream, etc and over 40 flea markets stands provide for an interesting shopping arena. A beer garden, live band, and a free children's playground area certainly makes for an entertaining and fun-filled family day.

Many interesting vehicles can be seen at Cars in the Park, and in recent years it has featured antiques, veteran, vintage cars, vintage steam vehicles and tractors, Ferraris and even Formula One racing cars and the latest and greatest motorcars that manufacturers offer. Some special events will also be held on the day, details to be announced.

Cars in the Park, PMB, attracts a multitude of enthusiasts from various clubs favouring such well-known names as Alfa Romeo, Chevrolet, Ford, Jaguar, MG, Morris, Triumph, Mercedes, BMW, Volkswagen and Volvo to name but a few. Industrial and farm machinery is also displayed as well as a fine selection of veteran, vintage and classic motorcycles.

Entry fees: Adults: R 50.00 Pensioners and Children above 5: R 30.00 Children 5 to 10 get R 40.00 free playground vouchers. Gates open at 7.00am and the show closes at 4.30pm. Various Charities financially benefit from the event.

Car Club members, car owners (pre 1980 models), bikes, special vehicles, etc, enthusiasts are welcome to enter their vehicle, motorcycles, etc for the show by going to our registration web page <http://register.carsinthepark.net/> and registering their vehicle for the event. A registration form will be emailed to you, to place on your vehicles windscreen, for free access to the event.

The venue of the event is at the **Ashburton Training Centre**, directions are as follows:
GPS 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.

Should any further information be required please do not hesitate to contact us.

Regards,

Carl Habermann.

082 447 3355 or emails admin@carsinthepark.net or citp@satweb.co.za

Venue GPS co-ordinates: 29°38'43.23"S 30°28'8.62"E

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

Web Page: <http://www.vsc.co.za/> and <http://www.carsinthepark.net>

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SAVVA Technical Tip 116 - Getting that shine back

I pulled a car out of the garage after giving it six months rest and was very aware that over the 30 years of it's existence the original white paint had taken on a "yellowish" glow. I was also very aware that no amount of polishing would bring it back to life regardless of what the directions or claim to fame the packaging on the polish tins say. The only way was to strip the top gunk off and re-polish it with a good wax – as the body shops and used car dealers do.

This can be a D.I.Y. task and done by hand but a far more civilized method is to use a fine burnishing compound (often called tooth paste by the trade) and a **slow** speed buff fitted with a foam pad. This is a messy operation so it's best to park in the middle of the lawn and either wear old cloths or go naked.

Modus operandi:

Wash the car to remove dust particles that can scratch the paint surface, then, spread some burnishing compound on the panel you are about to attack, wet the foam pad by dipping it into a bucket of water and keep it wet by occasionally dipping it in the bucket, go over the surface one panel at a time at a slow speed.

Once all the panels have been compounded the car can be washed and a final coat of **good** quality polish applied. Try to use good wax rather than the liquid "quick fix" stuff.

The above has always been a problem for us DIY types as multi speed electric buffing machines are very expensive, however, some manufactures have recently introduced smaller lighter variable speed DIY versions at a much lower price. The professionals would obviously prefer the fancy heavy models but being an amateur I prefer the lighter DIY unit as they are easier to use.



This variable speed buffing machine was purchased for just under R1000.00 and a tube of "tooth paste" at around R100.00 . The pads don't last long so buy a couple of replacements also at around R100 each .

SAVVA Technical Tip 117 – Welch Plugs (core plugs)

We once mentioned that overheating problems were invariably caused because of fan belt, water hose, or even thermostat problems. Whilst rebuilding an engine recently I was reminded of another possible problem – rusted and leaking Welch plugs. When did you last look at the Welch plugs on your oldies?

A few years ago I removed an engine from a Sunbeam Rapier, fitted a new clutch assembly, re-attached the gearbox and was about to fit the whole contraption back in the car when a friend came by and posed the question – did you replace the Welch plug at the back of the engine, it's inside the bell housing? Apparently this engine, like so many others, has a plug situated at the back of the engine. It was inside the bell housing which meant re-removing the gearbox, the clutch and pressure plate to get to it. After taking off all the things I had just replaced - there it was for all to see – a rather rusty Welch plug.

The old fashioned “saucer” plugs are getting harder to find so one often has to improvise by using a modern one and cutting most of the lip off and tapping it in with goodly dose of “Indian Head” sealer or some similar goo. If you are a purist and insist on an original type plug may we suggest before removing the old plugs in your engine you find replacements first. If you look around you can still find saucer plugs. It may take a bit of looking but they are out there waiting for you to find them.

Ideally, I know it's easy to talk (write), but if you have the time and ability, the answer is to make a plug out of a piece of brass and it's there for life. I believe some of the mining companies, when having engines rebuilt, stipulate brass Welch plugs. What do they know that we don't know?

P.S. I once had a model T and found a coin fitted perfectly.



On the left is the modern Welch plug with a lip and on the right the “saucer” type used on older engines.

SAVVA Technical Tip 118 – 12 volt petrol cut-off valves

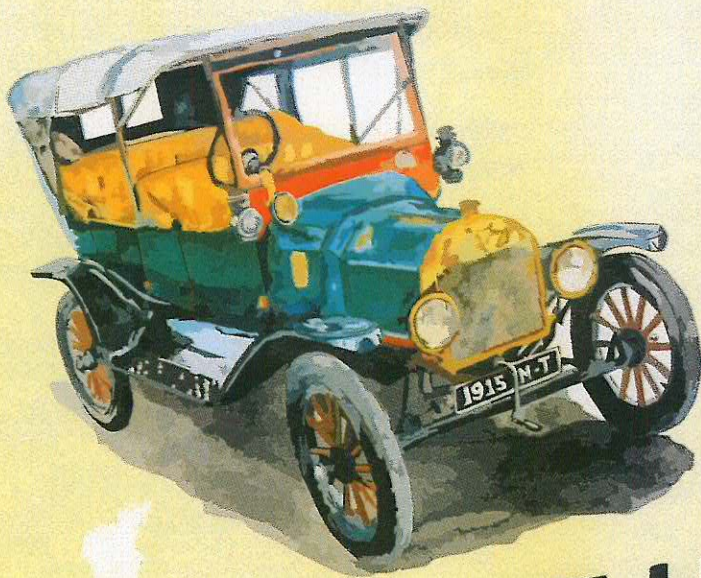
We don't often hear about collector cars being stolen however it has happened. Recently, I fitted a 12 volt petrol cut-off valve to a car and thought it may be worth mentioning that such things are available.

Originally they were designed to be part of elaborate security systems and were fitted in-line on the petrol pipe from the petrol tank to the carburettor. They operate on 12 volt and require 12 volts to open them to allow the petrol to flow and no voltage means no petrol flows. To protect our collector cars they can be operated by a hidden switch under the dash or wherever you wish it to be.

They can also be used for other purposes. For example, I recently fitted one to the tank of a little BMW Isetta. These cunning little vehicles had a mechanical tap which fed the carburettor by gravity. However, after 50 years these mechanical taps tended to corrode and leak and are extremely difficult to replace or repair. In this case, the solution was to replace the original tap with one of these electrically operated devices. Nobody in their right minds would think of stealing an Isetta so security wasn't an issue. To operate, I simply connected it to the wire from the ignition switch going to the coil. When the ignition is switched on the valve opens and the petrol flows, when the ignition is switched off – no petrol.

The car security shops keep them in stock and they cost about R150 each. Not much to pay for excellent security.

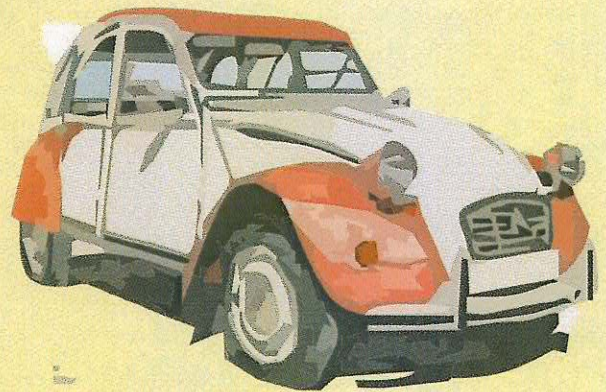




CARS @ HILLCREST HIGH SCHOOL

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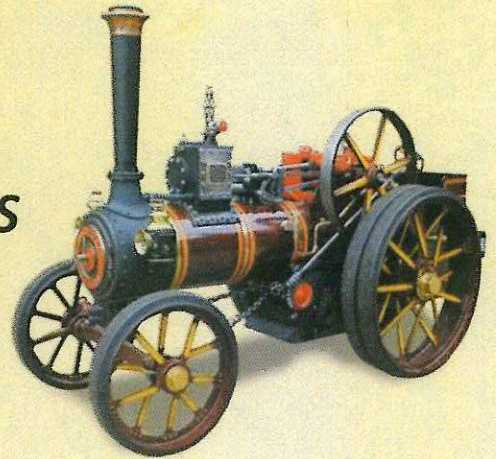
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**THEME PARADE: CARS THROUGH THE AGES
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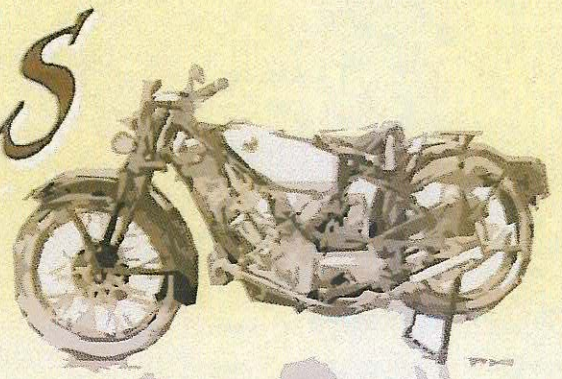
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