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### From the Chair

First off I'd like to welcome some new members, David Tomlinson and partner Fleur. He approached us at the Car Show with a wish to join us and as he owns a Rolls Royce Silver Shadow II, how could we refuse! Also William and Gillian Piper have joined us who own a 1964 Ford



Thunderbird Convertible. It will be good to see these cars on our runs.

At the last club night we had a full-on evening with a representative from St John Ambulance, Ross Burns the Area Chairman, whom we presented a cheque for \$1000 being proceeds from our recent Car Show. He gave us a run down on the latest developments regarding the Rotorua Ambulance Station. We then had the privilege of having Warren Harris's 1924 Maxwell on display with a presentation by Cliff Wickham. The early motor industry was certainly in a state of flux with all the mergers, takeovers and splits. Following on from this, Mel Cooper provided a very detailed explanation of a tunneling project in Japan, all from memory which isn't too bad for an octogenarian! Of course, this was all followed with our customary refreshments provided by our wonderful tea ladies Pat Burr and Pat Mackay.

If you have a pulse, you have probably noticed that some of us have been on the committee for far too long. It is not healthy for a club to have members as permanent fixtures on a committee.

So at the next AGM in May we will need a new Chairman, Treasurer, Club Captain and Side Curtains Editor. And possibly a Secretary! Also Rocky and Rebecca Fiske have indicated that they will pull back from organising the Mid Weekers and Mel Cooper wants a break from organising the guest speakers.

I will stay on as Past Chairman, as required, however I hope that the new committee continue with the Side Curtains standard that has been set over the last 8 or 9 years and also the continuation of the Website. It is time for some of the younger / newer members or those that have never been on the committee to step up.

For the Chairman's run on 15th March we have the bus trip up to the Roycroft Trophy Vintage Festival at Hampton Downs. Details are elsewhere in the magazine. Recently Mary's normal car has been playing up and has sometimes refused to start.

### From the Club Captains desk

It was pleasing to see so many cars out for our February run, with such a stunning day for a drive with two interesting places to visit. Hopefully someone has reported on this run elsewhere in this mag. Also further on there are the questions and answers for this run.

It is amazing how much is on in these autumn months of March and April. It certainly keeps us all busy.

I hear the Gisborne run, (Three rivers) was again another success with a good number of participants, with several of our members attending. Also the Art Deco weekend in Napier was again a good one.

Our AGM is upon us in a couple of months and many of the positions are available. As Pat and I will be away for several months this year I don't think it is fair to the club for me to continue. I have enjoyed the job with its challenges but will be glad to hand it on.

With the wet weather starting, drive carefully.

Cheers, Denis

### From the Chair (continued)

On the last occasion it refused to start whilst in Auckland. Mary has been a member of AA since I don't know when but we cannot fault their road rescue service. Not only did they transport the car back to Rotorua but provided a hire car for Mary to return to Rotorua, (even a taxi to pick up the hire car). I was so impressed that I have now joined up. So I can now display my late fathers' AA badge that was issued from London in the 1950's when AA Patrol men on their motorcycle combinations would salute oncoming members!

As this weekend has been wet I took the opportunity of fitting a new steering wheel cover to the MG. It was supplied / manufactured by Roger Honey, a VCC member from Gisborne. It is of the traditional lace up type and I elected to have perforated black vinyl and it fits well and looks smart. Thoroughly recommended but you do need about an hour to thread it up. He advertises them on Trademe and in the Beaded Wheels.

Cheers, Andy

Editor under pressure

It's just what we need, paint that self-cleans and paint that glows in the dark. After driving around all day in the sun light and glowing all night, the car paint is cleaning itself, or does it only clean itself as it gets dirty? Just think how good it would be, if you did not have to clean your car again, but wait, what about the inside? Oh yes that requires a vacuum



cleaner; (a woman's tool) so we all know who should perform that job! (Yeah Right!! Proof-reader)

On reading through the operating information book in a new vehicle, one has to learn what all the letters and symbols stand for, ie IGNM (ignition node module), KIN (keyless ignition node) then there is RKE (remote keyless entry) and ALR (automatic locking retractor), EDR (events data recorder). Once you have learnt what all the letters and symbols stand for, you can then set up the climate control, radio, phone and media settings. You also have the choice of what you want to see displayed on the instrument panel, KPH, L/100, tyre pressure etc, and then there is the choice of do you want the headlights to come on when the windscreen wipers come on, and do you want the headlights to dip automatically. (Choices, choices!)

It's all so exciting just setting it up with so many options that you almost forget that the driving experience is still to come.

Editor

### Our Website

Our website is www.rotoruavintagecarclub.org.nz.

This is updated monthly with our newsletter and upcoming events.

If you are happy to either read our magazine "Side Curtains" from our website, or receive an e-mail version and not a hard copy by post, then advise the Editor by e-mail, letter or phone.

### A PICTURE IS WORTH A THOUSAND WORDS

### SUPPLYING PHOTOS FOR INCLUSION IN SIDE CURTAINS

It's great to include photos from RVVCC events in Side Curtains, however to ensure the best printing result there's a few things you need to do.

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### **DIARY DATES**

Next club night: 11 March, 7.30pm

Next committee meeting: 16 March, 5.30pm

### **RVVCC Events 2015**

DATE	WHAT	DETAILS
15 March 2015	Chairman's run	Set by Andy and Mary
12 April 2015	Night Run	Set by Andy and Mary
17 May 2015	Club Run	Shed view and a wander through rural area

Subject to change, check your latest copy of Side Curtains or our website, www.rotoruavintagecarclub.org.nz for the most up-to-date details.

### Other Club Events 2015

DATE	WHAT
14-15 March 2015	Commercial Rally, Waikato
15 March 2015	Taupo Rally
21-22 March 2015	Maunga Moana Rally
25-29 March 2015	Beach Hop
27-29 March 2015	Easter Rally, Wellsford
3-6 April 2015	Commercial Rally, Fielding. P.N.V.C.C.
30-31 May	Double Fifty, Waikato

### Club Night

### Wednesday 11 March

The car on display will be Denis Burr's Dodge DD and our guest speaker is Wayne Hendrikes, a Police forensic photographer.

### Mid Weekers

#### Wednesday 18 March

This will be a longer trip of approximately 280kms around Lake Taupo. It will be ideal for those of us who love driving our cars. We will need to leave a bit earlier, so be at the clubrooms at 9.30am for morning tea to be on the road at 10.00am.

Bring a picnic lunch as we will be stopping for lunch at the picturesque Pukawa Bay at the southern end of Lake Taupo, which is approximately halfway.

Bring your maps as there are alternative routes to return home if you wish.

Rocky and Rebecca, phone 333 1883 or 021-446 486

### **Event Helper**

The event helper is going to be used on all club runs, and it is up to you or your navigator to make sure that your name, navigators name and your vehicle make and year are registered. If your name is not on this Event Helper, then no points will be given to you, and you will not appear in the participants in the Side Curtains.

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# Chairman's Run Coach trip to Hampton Downs

#### **Sunday March 15**

Hampton Downs racetrack for French fashion and flair of Yesteryear

Action on the track planned for 2015 includes race grids of Pre War & Pre 1960 Vintage Sports cars, Historic Single seaters, Sports Racing cars and Classic Saloon/ GTs joined by demonstrations from pre 1963 Vintage Motor Cycles and side cars.

Sunday's highlight is the "Tour de France" cycle race. 2015's French theme is celebrated through displays and race participation by famous French car marques such as Darracq, Delage, Citroen and Renault. Included of course is the famous Roycroft Bugatti. Enjoy at your leisure the infield displays of Vintage cars and motorcycles. Hampton Down's pavilion will host a live band and a collection of trade stands with antiques, vintage clothing, books, and art work. Dress up in 1960s period costume – French style – and add to the atmosphere. Enjoy delectable French cuisine at the market stalls.

Depart from 109 Western Road at 7.00am (Don't be late the bus won't wait). Return at approx 7.30pm.

Cost per person \$54.00 (subsidized by RVVCC) includes coach and entry to Hampton Downs.

Contact Angie Brunton to book a seat or more information.

Phone 027-475 4054 or 07-347 7880 or email: dabrunty@hotmail.com









# THAMES HERLIAGE FESTEVAL 14 MARCH 2015

### Calling all Veteran and Vintage car owners CAR PARADE AND DISPLAY

Let's make this the biggest display of Veteran and Vintage cars to be seen – in Thames. Parade through the main street of Thames to Victoria Park where we will park the cars for a public display. Meet at Rhodes Park at 9.30am.

There will be plenty to see and do in Thames while your cars are on display:

- Grahamstown Market School of Mines Bella Street Pumphouse
- The Treasury for anyone interested in genealogy Small gauge railway
  - Boat trips down the Waihou Stationary engine display
    - Historic Kopu Bridge walks

Further details will be notified closer to time of event.

#### For further information:

Mary Thomson, mary.davidthomson@xtra.co.nz or phone: 07-868 5699

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### How Dumb is That!

Reminds me of a few years ago my farm ute got stolen and I knew it had only been gone 5 minutes while I was down the farm.

I rang a neighbour who said that he saw it revving down the road.

I quickly rang the cops and told them that they would be able to intercept it heading towards town.

They said they can't take a complaint over the phone and you will have to come in to make it an official enquiry. (How dumb is that!)

So I went in and reported it stolen and they took all the details.

I rang the insurance company and they said "you won't see it again".

A week or so goes by and the manager at paradise valley raceway rings me to say my ute was there.

He had towed it off the road a week earlier as it had hit a bank. He rang the cops.

They came and had a look, but never even got out of their car. (How dumb is that!)

So he had a look in the glove box and the WOF paper was in there with my name on it so he looked me up.

In the meantime still no word from cops.

So I rang the cops and told them, and then went and picked it up. It still went fine but had a bent mudguard and the battery had become disconnected, so I drove it home.

In the meantime the cops found the Guy who had stolen it, (a 15 year old) and said they would make him pay for the repairs, which were only \$55, and send a letter of apology.

Six months later I traded it in on a later model.

Next day the car firm rings to say this ute you traded in is reported as stolen (dumb cops again hadn't removed it off the stolen list) (How dumb is that!)

The moral of the story is this:

If I had been caught driving my own vehicle over that last 6 months while it was still reported as stolen I would have been charged for being in possession of a stolen Vehicle.

(How dumb would that be!)

Farmer

### Club Run

### Sunday 15 February

A clear but cool day for February, but ideal conditions for a cruise in the country as we set out from the clubrooms one by one under instruction from Denis and Pat Burr.

A few questions, anagrams and silent checks lead us to the shed/workshop of Kevin Gahan in Waikite Valley.

There are a lot of old and some not so old vehicles in different states of repair hiding

in this shed. Not only is this a shed, but it is also a

full mechanical repair shop which includes issuing of warrants of fitness, an asset to the district. As you could see, Kevin was a busy man, even at work on Sunday.

Kevin is well known throughout the Rally and Motor racing fraternity in New Zealand. He has been the sweep on every major Rally in New Zealand including the Silver Ferns, which last eight days, since 1974, that's 41 years of voluntary service, an amazing record to say the least. He also runs the recovery vehicle at Taupo race track and at times Hampton Downs, which include the 12 hour endurance races.

As well as all of that he was the Scrutineer for three years for the Mazda RX7's . He has a love for Rotary Engines, is a Rotary engine specialist and has rebuilt many Rotary engines. A big thanks to Kevin for opening his doors to us, he loved seeing all of the old cars and often talks of maybe one day slowing down and coming on some of our runs.

Then it was on to a picnic lunch in four acres of gardens at the home of John and Marion Sandrey in Waikite Valley. Obviously many years of hard work has been put in here over the last 40 plus years. John and Marion have lived there since 1966 and have both had this constant love of gardening. I was their immediate neighbour in the late seventies and their garden was very much talked about back then.

After lunch we had a wander through the gardens before heading home.

Thanks to Denis and Pat for a great day.

Rocky





### Club Run - again

#### **Sunday 15 February**

On leaving the clubrooms at approximately 10.15am (after morning tea) we had a not too taxing rally, but had to keep our eyes open, then it was out to the rural area of Ngakuru and Waikite. Our first stop was at Waikite to visit a working garage where the owner has a rather large collection of cars, some stored in the shed and some outside, not vintage but at a guess the ones outside are good for parts only and more the modern era. In the shed, I believe one of the vehicles, a Riley, was once Ron Roycrofts.

The Triumph station wagon outside, certainly took the interest of one of our members, and tells me that the wagon is a bit of a rarity. On my observation, but not too much knowledge, most of the vehicles would be about 1950-60s. I was actually quite happy wandering around the yard and seeing the number of vehicles that obviously weren't able to get parts for (something like that) and having the big area has had the room to store them up.

On our arrival we were met at the gate by the four legged transport era, a very friendly "pleased to see you" chestnut coloured horse.

Leaving the garage we travelled further into the Waikite Valley to our picnic lunch venue, "Sandara Gardens" on Hossacks Rd, a wonderful park- like four acres of gardens with some lovely big old trees that were planted by an early settler, a previous owner. The work that is involved (7 hours a day) is a credit to Marion and John Sandrey, certainly a labour of love. There were bits and bobs about the garden, like sculptures, old farm machinery etc, all placed about strategically, adding much interest and humour. One that did take my eye- at the base of a tree was an electric jug, coffee pot, tea pot and a large coffee cup "time for tea", but someone must have pulled the "PLUG"!! In a far bottom corner there were wild flowers, although we were told not at their best just now they did add some lovely colour. Being another hot day, it was so pleasant to be able to sit in this lovely garden and enjoy our picnic lunch.

Thanks to the hosts of both venues we visited, as being a club we have access to many interesting and beautiful places that most folk don't get to see or hear about.

Another thank you to Angie for the lovely cheese and date scones she made for our morning tea. She is surely a real whizz on making these scones, always enjoyed by all. (Yes keep it up Angie. Ed)

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### Club Run - Answers

#### **Sunday 15 February**

All answers are on the left. No tricks. Some silent checks.

- Leave club rooms and turn right
- Left at round-about
- Left at lights
- Q1 Who are the power lines people? Unison
- Q2 What apartment? Atsala
- Left at round-about

The advertising of cigarettes was banned on TV. When did the ban come into force? 1965 / 1970 / 1975

The founder of the scouting movement was? - Sir Baden Powel

In what year did he die? - 1941

- 3rd right onto Tumunui Rd, with caution. Roche
- Q3 Member of what? Vet Club Lada, M.G
- Q4 Unscramble. Usbuoclrssnoth School bus turns
- Q4 How many Ha, at Kapenga M? 330 Dodge
- Right at T Ford, Reo
- Q5 What is the dairy no? 78633
- Left at T
- **Q6** Beware of what? *The dog*
- Q6 What colour trough float? Orange
- Left at T
- Q7 What Trust? Kirriemair
- **Q8** What day is mobile library here? *Tuesday*
- Q9 When was the Ngakuru hall established? 1945
- Q10 What is the studs no? 1205
- Q11 What reserve? Whirinaki Valley Road
- Left at T (Mangatete Rd.)
- Q12 What was Muhammed Ali's name before he changed it? Cassius Clay
- Right at crossroads

Q13 What do you look out for? - Horse and rider

Q14 What can you buy? - Free range eggs

Q15 When was Waikite Hall built? - 1957

- Go past school and turn left into building/yard by yellow mail box. Approx. 100 meters past school.
- On leaving shed turn left and proceed to first left into Hossack Rd.
- Proceed to 351 Hossack Rd., (about 2 km.) and turn right into Sandara Gardens





#### Those who took part were:

Ronald and Gloria Mayes

Des and Angie Brunton

Roger and Keitha Couchman

Maurie and Shirley Crowe

Albert Littin and Marina Jenkins

Peter Stanaway

John Peters and Jenny Gill

Bob and Pat Mackay

Mel and Colleen Cooper

Terry and Chrissy Wadsworth

Roger and Diana Nelson

Terry and Sandra Fitzpatrick

Rocky and Rebecca Fiske

Iim Maud

Bill and Adelai Skelton

Andrew and Sheryl Thomson

Triumph 2000

Morris 8

Austin A35

Holden EI

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Modern

Triumph Stag

Triumph Vitesse

Merc

Holden Ute

Triumph Stag

BMW 2002

Triumph Herald

Aston Martin V8

Austin 7

Modern



### Mid-Weekers - Lake Okaro

#### Wednesday 18 February

Thirty one members gathered at the club rooms at 10am for a longer than usual morning tea, which allowed an increased amount of discussion about nothing in particular. During this period I learnt that our bulletin editor is a bully, he does not ask one to write a report, just picks me out of the crowd and demands that I should write the report for the day. Being without my hearing aids I tried not to hear, just ignore him, but that did not work, he just kept hounding.

Well with that all settled we moved outside where Rocky gave the daily instructions before sixteen club cars and two modern cars left on a short run for a picnic lunch at Lake Okaro. On arrival at the Lake, our picnic chairs and tables were set up on the grass reserve under the shade of the willow and oak trees overlooking the lake, where we were joined by Dennis and Pam Kenny in their 1935 MG.

After lunch many of us walked the track around the lake. On our return we were entertained by Reg Munro with his radio controlled scale model launch and of course more of all that important discussion.

A pleasant and enjoyable day was had by all and by mid-afternoon members were drifting off home, so it was time for the stragglers to leave only to meet again at Waimangu for ice creams.

#### Bullied

(Somewhat exaggerated Bob, but it's a shame the Editor has to encourage members to help fill the magazine. Ed)





#### Those who took part were:

Ronald and Gloria Mayes

Bill and Adelai Skelton

John Peters and Jenny Gill

Graeme and Dorothy Buchanan

Roger and Keitha Couchman

Roger and Diana Nelson

Terry Fitzpatrick

Bob and Pat Mackay

Valerie Martin

Ralph and Joan Bennett

Les and Gail Costar (EBOP)

Albert Littin and Marina Jenkins

Evan and Wyn Dorrington

Darryl Stretch Peter Stanaway

Reg and Annette Munro

Maurie and Shirley Crowe

Rocky and Rebecca Fiske

Dennis and Pam Kenny

Triumph 2500

Α7

Austin 12/4

Modern

Austin A35

Triumph Stag

BMW 2002 T11

Triumph Vitesse

Modern

Buick

MGB Roadster

Chrysler

Morris 1000

Triumph 2000

Modern

Austin 12/4

Vanguard Ute

Triumph Herald

MG

### Books for Sale

#### SURPLUS LIBRARY BOOKS PRESENTLY AVAILABLE

The books are free, but postage and packaging will be charged. This is on a first-come-first-serve basis. I will hold onto them until the end of April 2015.

Regards, Jan Dearlove, Branch Secretary/Librarian, Waikato VCC

- Anglia & Prefect 1953 to 1959 Instruction book
- Austin maxi 1750 1500 Handbook
- Austin and Morris 1800, Wolseley 18/85 1964-71 Autopress
- Austin Maxi 1500/1750 1969 to 1972 Owners workshop manual Haynes
- Austin Maxi 1500/1750/1750HL 1969-78 (poor condition)
- Austin Maxi 1969 to 1981 All models Owners workshop manual Haynes
- Austin Morris 1800 1964-71 Autobook Autopress
- BLMC 1100 & 1300 1962 to 1974 Owners workshop manual *Haynes*
- BLMC 1800 & 18 85 1964 on Owners workshop manual Haynes
- BLMC 1800 MK I & MK II Workshop manual
- BMC Half-ton van and pick-up Workshop manual
- Chrysler Workshop manual for Avenger and Sunbeam 1250/1500
- Colt RB/RC/RD/ Series Service manual (some pages missing)
- Commodore VC Series 1980/81 Service and repair manual *Gregorys*
- The Consul Instruction book [1957]
- Datsun Bluebird 160B & 180B 1972 to 1978 Owners workshop manual Haynes
- Datsun Cherry 1971 to 1974 Owners workshop manual Haynes
- Falcon Fairmont ZD Series Service and repair manual 1979/82 Gregorys
- Fiat 125 1967-73 Owner's workshop manual x 2 Autobooks
- Fiat 128 1969-75 Owner's workshop manual x 2 Autobooks
- Fiat Serviceman's Digest [1963]
- Ford Cortina Mk II 1966 to 1970 Owners workshop manual Haynes
- Ford Cortina III 1970 to 1976 Owners workshop manual Haynes
- Ford Escort 1100 & 1300 1968 to 1974 Haynes (poor cover but complete)
- Ford Monarch Mercury Lincoln Meteor Master repair manual (no cover)
- $\bullet$  Hillman and Commer Express Delivery van Mark VI and VII x 2
- Hillman Hunter 1966-72 Autobook x 2

- Hillman Minx Instruction book (poor condition)
- Hillman Minx Mark II, IV & V Workshop manual [1952] (poor condition)
- Hillman Super Minx Mark III Owners handbook
- Honda Civic 1500 1975 to 1977 Owners workshop manual Haynes
- The Humber Hawk Marks III IV & V
- The Humber Hawk Marks II IV V & VI X 2
- The Humber Ten Mark VI Owners handbook
- The Imp and Chamois Workshop manual (poor condition)
- I nternational Motor trucks K6 & KS6 Owners and drivers manual
- Laser 1981/82 Service and repair manual Gregorys
- Mazda Pick-ups Chilton's repair & tune-up guide 1972-75
- Mitsubishi gasoline engine 4GS Workshop manual
- Morris 1100 Drivers handbook
- Morris J2 Light van Light pick-up Minibus Drivers handbook
- Morris Minor Series MM and Series II Workshop manual (old but usable)
- Morris Oxford Series II Operation manual
- Morris Oxford Series II Service manual
- Morris Oxford Six Owner's manual 1930 (poor condition)
- Peugeot 504 Repair guide
- Renault 16 1965-72 Autobook Autopress
- Rootes Model 35 Automatic transmission Workshop manual
- Rootes manual WSM 149
- Skoda 100, 100L, 110L (deluxe) 1070-71
- Skoda 100, 100L, 110L (deluxe) 100LS (super deluxe) 1973 1975
- Skoda 1000 MB 1967
- The book of the new Standard Eight, Ten and Pennant 1948-58
- The book of the new Standard Eight, Ten and Pennant 1948-61
- Subaru 1600 1400 Service manual supplement Engine and body 1978
- The book of the Suzuki by J Thorpe
- Torana 6 LC, LJ Specifications, repair and maintenance data
- Torana 1900 LH LX Workshop manual
- Toyota Corolla 1971-75 Owners workshop manual Autobooks
- Triumph 2000/2-5PI Repair guide
- Vauxhall Cresta and Velox 162cu in Gasoline engine and clutch(1 in poor condition)
- Vauxhall Model E Shop manual Group 1

- Vauxhall Model E and Bedford Model CA Shop manual Group 2 x 2
- Vauxhall Model E and Bedford Model CA Shop manual Group 3 x 3
- Vauxhall Model E and Bedford Model CA Shop manual Group 4 x 3
- Vauxhall Model E and Bedford Model CA Shop manual Group 5
- Vauxhall Models H & I 10 & 12 HP Shop manual X 2
- Vauxhall Velox & Cresta series PB 1964 (poor condition)
- Vauxhall Victor FD 1967-72 Workshop manual Autopress
- Vauxhall Victor FD Series Victor and Victor 2000 from 1967
- Vauxhall Victor Series Owners handbook [1968]
- Vauxhall Victor Series Owners handbook [1969]
- Vauxhall Viva HA 1963-66 Autobook
- Vauxhall Viva HC 1970 to 1974 Owners workshop manual x 3 Haynes (2 in poor condition)
- Volvo 343 & 345 Owners workshop manual Haynes
- Yamaha XS750 3 cylinder models 1976on Owners workshop manual
- AutoServ Book V 1965 (poor condition)
- AutoServ Service manual 1957
- Dykes Automobile and gasoline engine encyclopedia (poor condition & some front pages missing)
- The Austin A40 Mk I Service parts list
- Ford Car Owners handbook
- Mitsubishi Motors Chariot '92 Parts catalogue
- Mitsubishi Motors Chariot '92-'94 Parts catalogue
- The Mini and Morris 1100 Series power units Parts list
- The Morris Eight illustrated list of spare parts (poor condition)
- The Morris Oxford Series MO Service parts list (poor condition)
- Rootes Parts list Chrysler UK Manual
- Skoda [1973-75] Catalogue des pieces detaches!
- Subaru 1400 Series Parts catalogue 1975
- Thames Trader Commercial vehicles Spare parts list (poor condition)
- Toyota Master catalogue Dyna Coaster Feb 1969-
- Vauxhall F Series 2 Service training manual 92cu in gasoline, engine and clutch
- 1959 Catalogue Carburettors and carburettor parts (a little eaten!)

### For Sale

#### 1937 Austin Goodwood 14/6 DeLuxe

in largely original condition. Metal sliding roof still in place and in working condition, some repair needed, full leather upholstery in good condition, reconditioned and uprated motor, with greatly enhanced durability, new king pins and bushes, good tyres, Rego on HOLD!

Not so good parts: minor rust in rear door/wheel-arch area.

Check out the pic, an excellent easy restoration, or keep it original, (my preference!)



And the best part, this car can be yours for only \$3500 or very near offer!

Please contact the owner, Lester Arnold on 07-5444 640, evenings but before 9pm!

#### 1952 Morris Minor 4-door, side valve

One South Island family ownership for decades, original paint, very well maintained and original throughout. Asking price is \$5000.

Contact Ronald Mayes for further details 07-347 8490 or randgmayes@gmail.com

### ROLLS ROYCE SUV

Luxury carmaker Rolls-Royce says it will jump into the highly competitive SUV market by offering a completely new all-terrain vehicle.

Chief Executive Officer Torsten Muller-Otvos said the announcement marks a "seminal moment in Rolls-Royce's 111-year journey."

Rolls-Royce follows BMW, Porsche, Mercedes-Benz and other high-end carmakers into the lucrative SUV market.

The company has long been known for its stately, expensive sedans and convertibles. Rolls-Royce says the new aluminium SUV will have exceptional elegance as well as the toughness needed to cross any terrain. It did not announce a target date for production or the cost of the vehicle.

### Avoiding a rear-impact crash

The most common car crash in the United States is a rear-impact crash - 32.9 per cent of crashes involve a vehicle ploughing into the back bumper of another.

Imagine for a second a world in which no driver ever gets rear-ended. That may sound impossible, but it shouldn't. For perspective on the blistering rate of technology's advancements, remember that a few months ago mankind launched a probe from a satellite and it landed on a comet that was traveling at a whopping 84,000 mph.

Today it's possible and relatively inexpensive for us to make cars and trucks that identify an imminent collision and automatically brake, preventing or lessening the severity of an accident.

Ragunathan Rajkumar, a professor at Carnegie Mellon who is developing self-driving car technology, says that for \$700 or \$800 the parts can be bought to build such a system.

After markups, he estimates that consumers will pay an extra \$2,000 or \$3,000 for the initial cost of their vehicles. That up-front cost probably would pay off down the line through lower insurance premiums and greater safety.

"We don't have to wait for a perfectly autonomous car," said John Capp, director of global vehicle safety at GM. "There's a lot of great features of driver assistance now that people will really enjoy."

The impact of these technologies could be huge. Worldwide, 1.24 million people die in car crashes each year. Consider that during the four deadliest wars the United States fought in the 20th century, 39 per cent more Americans died in motor vehicles on US roads than on battlefields.

The most common car crash in the United States is a rear-impact crash - 32.9 per cent of crashes involve a vehicle plowing into the back bumper of another. Cameras and radar can be used to identify when such a crash is imminent, warn a driver and then automatically brake if the driver fails to. Although these systems aren't yet mainstream - 27 per cent of 2015 model-year vehicles can be purchased with an auto-brake system (and the per cent of registered vehicles with these systems is much lower) - real-world research shows their potential.

A 2014 Insurance Institute for Highway Safety study found that Honda Accord drivers with a system that warns of imminent accidents had a 40 per cent drop in claims for bodily injury liability. Although these drivers still rear-end people collision claims dropped only 4 per cent - the drop in bodily injury liability suggests that drivers are braking and lessening the severity of these crashes.

"Even when the systems fail to prevent a crash, they are preventing injuries because they've slowed the speed of the crash down," said David Zuby, chief research officer

at the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

While systems that beep, flash lights, tug a driver's seat belt or vibrate the seat are useful, automatic-braking systems are even more potent.

Automatic-braking technology became a standard Volvo offering



in 2008. It's designed for the low speeds of someone driving

around a city. A 2013 institute study found that Volvo XC60 drivers filed 20 per cent fewer accident claims than drivers of other midsize luxury SUVs. Drivers of the Volvo S60 filed 9 per cent fewer claims than drivers of other midsize four-door luxury cars.

These technologies aren't perfect and there are many accidents they aren't preventing. Automakers have been careful in their implementation of the technology because they are wary of false positives.

"We will miss some scenarios because of this balance between intervening right and not intervening when needed," said Erik Coelingh, senior technical leader at Volvo. "In this gray zone, we make the decision not to intervene because it's more important to not disturb the driver and gain acceptance of this type of technology."

Volvo has set a goal that by 2020, no one should be killed or seriously injured in a Volvo. It has developed a more advanced crash-avoidance system that works at all speeds.

"All indications on the test track indicate it's working really well, but we don't have the actual proof based on real world statistics," Coelingh said.

It's not possible to see the full benefits of these technologies until drivers clamour for them, and are comfortable with the higher prices.

"It's not just the customers, it's also what the dealer thinks his customer wants," Zuby said. "In the United States, most people go to their local Ford dealership or Volvo dealership and they buy a car off the lot. What I have found in trying to buy cars for our test program, or for my personal use is that a lot of dealers don't stock cars that have these systems. You have to do some pretty extensive searching to find somebody who's got that car."

This also raises another question. If consumers aren't jumping to buy automatic braking systems, will they ever pay for a self-driving car, which is sure to be even more expensive?

- Washington Post

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You don't need to be the next Shakespeare, just someone with a bit of passion for the topic.

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