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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.

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EDITORIAL

Where did the year go? It is almost the end of the year and Christmas is officially around the corner – the supermarkets are decked in holly.

On a sadder note we have lost another club member. Graham Cain passed away from a sudden heart attack.

We are organizing a Christmas party at the VSCC. The poster is in the newsletter with all the details.

I have included an article on the changes in the motor licensing procedures. I hope it helps a bit towards making your vehicle licensing renewal a little easier.

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

ON THE COVER

A magnificent example of an Alfa Romeo GTV which was on display at bonnets up Italian Day, in October.

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 (please note name change, It is no longer Madeleine Wiese.)

For Full comprehensive cover

Contact person - Glenn Broadhurst or Yolande Erasmus at FNB Insurance Brokers

Phone - 087 736 2222

Fax - 011 699 0783

E-mail- yerasmus@fnb.co.za

A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.
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Energizer Bunny arrested—charged with battery.  
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Two silk worms had a race. They ended up in a tie.
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A dog gave birth to puppies near the road and was cited for littering.

## MEMBERSHIP

Subscriptions 2015/2016 Club Year (based on Membership type & due 1 July).

|                                      |                           |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Full Member                          | R240 including SAVVA fee  |
| Full member plus spouse/partner      | R300 including SAVVA fees |
| Country Member                       | R220 including SAVVA fee  |
| Country Member plus spouse/partner   | R270 including SAVVA fees |
| Associate Member*                    | R130 excluding SAVVA fee  |
| Associate Member plus spouse/partner | R175 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.**

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| Life Member (Principal) Newsletter postage *             | R45 + R20 SAVVA fees |
| Life Member (Principal) Newsletter e-mail *              | R20 SAVVA fees       |
| Life Member (Principal and Associate – Spouse/Partner) * | R45 + R40 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.

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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'

November 6th. 20th. 27th. December 4th. The 'KLINK' will be closed for the festive season after Bonnets Up on 12th December until Bonnets Up on 10th January 2016

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.

PAST EVENTS

October 2015

Saturday 10th October: VSCC Bonnets up / Open Day. Italian Cars

Sunday 18th October: 100's club mid-month ride to Wild Berry Guest Farm, Mooi River

COMING VSCC AND OTHER CLUB EVENTS

RED BOLD - Depicts VSCC Club Events**ITALIC- Depicts other Events**

November 2015

Saturday 14th November: VSCC Bonnets up / Open Day. Ford Day

December 2015

Saturday 5th December: VSCC Christmas Party. See poster

Sunday 6th December: Baynesfield Country Fair. See notice

Saturday 12th December: VSCC Bonnets up / Open Day. No theme

Bonnets up Events 2015

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

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

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Condolences

It is with sadness that we report that Graham Cain passed away in late October. We offer the family our sincere condolences.

New Members

New welcome the following new members to the club: Robert Green from Howick, Mark Maitland, Mike McCormack from Drummond and Mike and Lindsay Leisegang.

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.

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

The first batch of name badges has been received. If you placed an order, please collect yours from Ron, at bonnets up, or later, from the barman at the Klink.

We will be placing another order soon. If you do not have a badge, please 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

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

Members are requested to wear their name badges at club events.

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

Robin Phipson 033-345 0061

hipson@wandata.com

Saxon Murray.

Tony Psaila (1937 Cadillac)

tonytractor@tpstorage.co.za

Museum

We are looking for items for the club museum. If you have anything to donate to the museum please could you contact Junior Fouche on 076 095 0449.

BAYNESFIELD COUNTRY FAIR

Sunday, 06 December 2015

Historic Baynes house and museums will be open for viewing
Large craft market and food stalls
Jumping castle and pony rides for kids
As well as vintage tractor rides around the farm
Displays and demonstrations by the vintage tractor club and woodcrafters

Come and enjoy a fantastic family day in the country while browsing through various crafts and hobbies

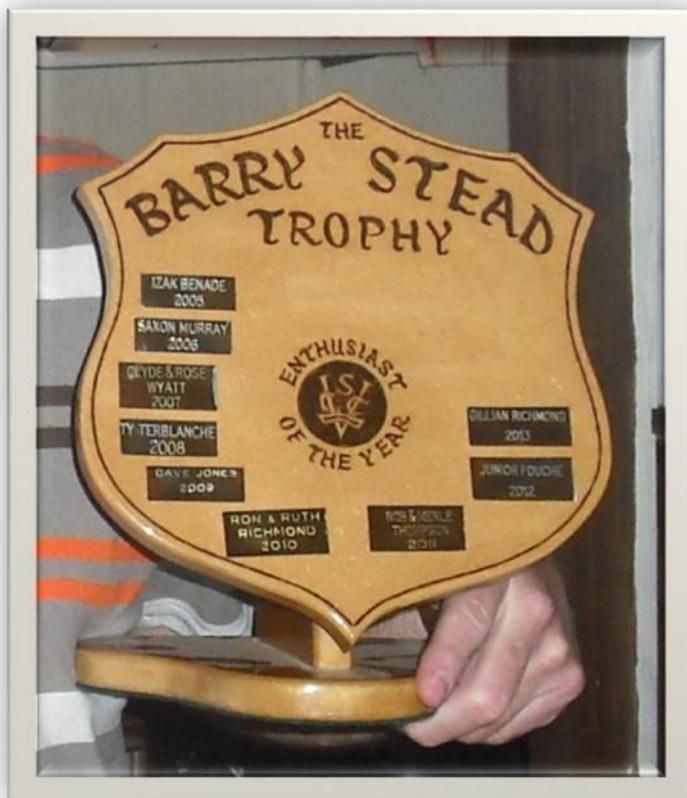
Gates open at 10h00

Entrance fee: Kids under 12 free, Pensioners and kids 12 years and over R20.00, Adults R30.00

For more information contact Delaine Reddy on email : info@baynesfield.co.za or
Tel: 033 2510001

MISSING BARRY STEAD TROPHY

As has been previously publicized, the club's Barry Stead Trophy for "Enthusiast of the Year" has gone missing.



The trophy has no commercial value, and was specifically made for the club, in memory of the late Barry Stead, and donated to us. It has value other than monetary value and we would like to recover it.

A picture of the trophy appears alongside.

If you see the trophy or know something of its whereabouts, please inform one of the committee members so that steps can be taken for its recovery.



VSCC CHRISTMAS PARTY
Saturday 5th December 2015

MENU

Roast Pork (served with crackling, mustard and apple sauce)
Chicken A La King and Rice
Baby Potato's cooked in garlic and parsley butter
Creamed Spinach and Baby-Marrow Bake
Butternut Bake

Cold Meat Platter (served with feta, olives, gherkins, cherry tomato's & stuffed eggs)
7 Layer Veg Salad with mayo, cheese and bacon topping
Copper-Penny Salad
Cocktail Bread Rolls

Apple Cake and Custard/Ice-cream

Dress: Smart Casual, definitely no shorts/slops
Members are welcome to bring along guests.

Bookings: Janice McKenzie on 031 783 4768 or
084 5577259 or
Take bookings/collect monies at Bonnets-Up



THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN VETERAN & VINTAGE ASSOCIATION

SAVVA Technical Tip 102 – Modern fuel filters

Many of us, very wisely fit modern fuel filters to our early cars and bikes. These filters are inexpensive, extremely efficient and ideal for cars and bikes that stand round a lot building up muck in the tank.

Once on a National rally I ended on the side of the road with a blocked filter. Any speed above 30 kph the car shuddered and shook. Fortunately, a passing competitor saw my plight and came to the rescue. Unlike me, they were wise enough to carry a spare which they kindly gave me so I was able to get going. The lesson learned was to carry a spare – they are small and cheap enough. Under normal conditions with vehicles that are used regularly these filters last a long time but they don't have that much capacity and block fairly easily if you have gunk in the tank.

Reading a US vintage car publication they offered the following advice:

“Very often fuel filters are fitted into the line between the pump to the carburettor, which could be very dangerous. The pump is pumping the fuel at around 3 to 6 psi and if the rubber hose perishes – as they seem to do prematurely nowadays, fuel is going to spray all over the engine causing a potential fire hazard”.

Their advice is to fit the filter before the pump where if a rubber fuel line perishes it will only suck air and not cause a major catastrophe. The fuel line from the pump to the carburettor should be solid metal.

“Pieter du Toit, from the Early Ford Car Club has added the following good advice to the Tip on fuel filters.

Something you also need to know about modern fuel filter paper is that the paper is gel impregnated, enabling the filter paper to absorb water in the fuel. The problem is when the gel gets saturated with water the filter blocks, even though the filter looks clean.”

Mahatma Gandhi, as you know, walked barefoot most of the time, which produced an impressive set of calluses on his feet. He also ate very little, which made him rather frail and with his odd diet, he suffered from bad breath. This made him what? A super callused fragile mystic hexed by halitosis.

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Did you hear about the Buddhist who refused Novocaine during the root canal? He wanted to transcendental medication.

## SERVICES

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

- **PMB Carburettor Centre:** Contact Robin on 033-3450061 for all carb and distributor spares and repairs back to about 1920. If they haven't got it, they can usually make it, or import it. Proper computerised gas flow rig also available for test/development purposes for anything through which gasses or liquids flow.
- **Silver Wings:** For silver plating and expert welding, soldering and brazing repairs. Polishing of brass, copper, aluminium and stainless steel. Contact Robin or Sue on 033-3453650.
- **Magneto Repairs:** Offered by Rod Thomas of Waterfall. He can be contacted on 031-762 1509 or 073-365 6494
- **Gearbox Shoppe:** Gearbox and diff specialists. 14 MacFarlane Street, PMB. Contact Graham Keir. Phone 033-3427543 / Fax 033 -3450479 / Cell 0828938782.
- **Silverton radiators.** Radiators, auto air-conditioning and fuel tanks - sales, service and repairs. 299 Boom Street, Pietermaritzburg. 033 3422604.
- **Piston rings** of any size made up to suit your engine. – H.W.Godwin & Son. Phone: 011-622 2546. Speak to Andrew or David.
- **Peter Malherbe** does very good job of making up brake hoses - any type. Phone 082 682 8142
- **Colour restoration** and repair of leather – vinyl – plastic – velour, and carpets. Contact: Sonette van Niekerk. 033 330 3352.
- **Wood burnt Art:** Commissions undertaken, portraiture, ethnic, plus the Big 5 Showroom: 524 Bulwer Street, Pietermaritzburg. Tel: (033) 342 2513
- **Old car engine Spares.** "If it's available I'll find it for you." Telephone Lionel on 072 146 9543. Cape Town.
- **B-Secure:** For your alarm and security needs contact B-Secure on (033) 3424 222.

A three-legged dog walks into a saloon in the Old West. He slides up to the bar and announces: "I'm looking for the man who shot my paw."

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Have you heard about the cat who ate some cheese, breathed into a mouse hole and waited with baited breath?

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Have you heard about the dyslexic, agnostic insomniac? He stayed up all night tossing and turning, wondering if there was a dog

## FOR SALE

- **\*\*1972 MGBGT.** R65 000. Contact Paul on 0824877369.
- **\*\*\*1998 Mercedes-Benz SLK 230**Kompressor . 47 000km, Excellent condition, Metallic Silver. R130 000. Contact Neville 033 396 4484 or 082 569 2530 or Email [lorvil@telkomsa.net](mailto:lorvil@telkomsa.net).

## WANTED

- \*Parts for a **BSA A50 or A65** rebuild, I would be interested in any parts that you may have, at the moment I am urgently looking for a swinging arm or a full frame with the swinging arm. Please call Colin on 0723819877.

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I have come across a 1926 Chev Tourer (soft top) in very good nick. It is parked in a closed shed on blocks and apparently only needs a new battery to get it going. Has not run for some years though, but it looks clean. I do have a few photos.

If anyone is interested please contact me.

Rex Boreham

033 - 342 9174 (w)  
082 - 835 1293

I have also received this form the same source



1986 Grenada

Immaculate 1 bedroom cottage, fully furnished, cleaned daily, maintained by owner, beautiful view. Suitable for retired couple. R3500  
Call Frank Lupke  
072 143 2572

## NEWSLETTER MAILINGS TO OTHER CLUBS

Newsletter printing costs are not cheap and postage is expensive. We have thus taken the decision to discontinue sending newsletters to the clubs that are not currently sending us postal copies. Those clubs can continue getting their newsletters by email or download the newsletter off our website. If you are a club representative and would like us to email you a copy, please email me with your club name and email address so that I can add you to our emailing list.

We thank you in advance for your co-operation. The saving will result in a significant drop in printing costs, as well as an even bigger saving in postage.

*Gillian*

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An anthropologist is studying a primitive society in the middle of the jungle when he develops constipation. Finding he has run out of medicine for that particular type of dysfunction, he tells the medicine doctor of the tribe he is studying. The medicine man tells him not to worry; his people sometimes suffer from the same malady but they simply chew the leaves of a particular fern. The anthropologist, figuring that he has nothing to lose (the fern wasn't poisonous), decided to try this herbal medicine. The next morning he bumps into the medicine man, who asks if everything came out all right. The anthropologist replied that ferns had, indeed, worked very well, adding, "With fronds like these, who needs enemas?"

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The roundest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference. He gained his stature from pi.

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The friars were behind in their belfry payments, so they opened up a small florist shop to raise funds. Since everyone liked to buy flowers from the men of God, a rival florist across town thought the competition was unfair. He asked the good town fathers to close the friars down, but they would not. He went back and begged the friars to close. They ignored him. So, the rival florist hired Hugh MacTaggart, the roughest and most vicious thug in town to persuade them to close. Hugh beat up the friars and trashed their store, saying he'd be back if they didn't close up shop. Terrified, they did so, thereby proving that Hugh, and only Hugh, can prevent florist friars.

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Back during the days of the former Soviet Union, a fellow by the name of Gerald Chattington had a friend in the Soviet Embassy by the name of Rudolph Nosov, who would drop by occasionally. One evening, Gerald and his wife, Peg, were sitting in the kitchen chatting when Gerald looked out the window and said, "Look, it's snowing." Rudolph looked out and said very quickly, "No, I think it is just rain." "I'm sure it is snow," insisted Gerald. "And I am just as sure that it is rain," said Rudolph. At this point Gerald turned to Peg to settle the argument. Peg looked out the window for a moment, then said, "What can I say? Rudolph, the Red, knows rain, dear."

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Two vultures board an airplane, each carrying two dead raccoons. The stewardess looks at them and says: "I'm sorry, gentlemen, only one carrion allowed per passenger."



# Bike Chatter

## 100's Riders Training Day, 10<sup>th</sup> October:

Adrian Bloem assisted by Leon Jooste held a more formal training day on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October, at the Hesketh Track. Friends were allocated items for discussion such as staggered formation riding, emergency braking and how to be a good pillion, to name just a few. Where possible the theory was put into practice to improve group riding skills, this can only be achieved with practice and discipline. Thanks to all friends who braved the heat and attended. Special thanks to Hein Jonker for the use of some of his training material and to Mike Fogg for the use of the track.



## Mid-Month Ride, 18<sup>th</sup> October – Wild Berry, Mooi River:

Paul Gravett hosted our October ride to Wild Berry Guest Farm, Mooi River and was attended by 30 friends. The ride was along the alternate route with a short break at the Mooi River garage, a bonus was visiting the biltong shop then it was back on the bikes for the short trip to the venue. The Gravett family provided a delicious home-cooked breakfast and much needed coffee.



Facebook Link:

[www.facebook.com/pages/100s-Riders/339649839471](http://www.facebook.com/pages/100s-Riders/339649839471)

***100's Riders are committed to safer, slower riding and it is compulsory for all participants to ride with a high-viz jacket or vest. No alcohol is consumed on 100's Group Rides.***

## NEW MOTOR LICENCING RULES

In case you are unaware, there have been several changes made regarding license renewals of late.

The first issue is that the receipt of the license renewal notices has gone south along with the postal system. Do not wait for your renewal to pay. The penalty for late payment is steep and it is unlikely to arrive. Make a note of when all your vehicle licenses are due for renewal and visit the license office and renew them when they are due. You will need to complete the green renewal form on both sides and sign it. The form is available on the internet if you want to download and print it at home. If you have a copy of your previous license renewal receipt, the data you need to complete the form will be on it. You will need proof of ID if you are the owner. If you are not the owner, a certified copy of the owners ID will need to be provided if you can get the owner to sign. If the owner cannot sign, a proxy may sign and provide ID as well as written authorization from the owner to do so along with a certified copy of their ID.

As of 1 November 2015 another major change has occurred. All transaction with the motor licensing authority must be accompanied by proof of residence, usually in the form of a utility account. The newspaper article below explains the situation quite well, but does little to explain if the owner is not a natural person. i.e. a company or trust. I have had the experience of dealing with a trust situation and provided proof of residence for the trust as well as the representative to the trust and had a favorable outcome. The feedback from the public in response to the announcement seemed to indicate consternation on how to deal with difficult situations with proving residence such as living out of the country, a vehicle owned by a minor child or living in a rented house with no access to a utility account. I cannot help with those questions, but can only offer my best of luck in resolving the difficulty.

*Gillian*

### No address, no licence, says Department of Transport

WITH effect from November 1, all motorists will have to provide proof of their address to conduct any transactions with licensing authorities, including licence renewals.

That's according to Justice Project South Africa, which said yesterday that new regulations coming into force authorise officials to refuse to issue licence discs if proof of physical and postal addresses is not provided.

The new regulations mean that all individuals and organisations will have to furnish the following information to register vehicles, and renew licence discs and driving licences:

- Their full names, date of birth, identity number and business registration number, along with identification;
- Proof of postal and residential address, by means of any utility account. Where the utility account is not in the name

of the motorist, an affidavit or affirmation declaring that the motorist lives at the address is required, and must be accompanied by the account; and

- People living at informal settlements will need to submit a letter with an official date stamp from the ward councillor, confirming their postal and residential addresses.

In addition, motorists are also required to complete a "Notification of

Change of Particulars" form, which should be available at all licensing authorities or online.

However, Justice Project said it could not find the facility on the Transport Department's website, the eNatIS website or any traffic-related government website.

Attempts to get comment from the Department of Transport yesterday were unsuccessful. — WR.



## TAILPIECE

There was this really smart sheep down in Mexico who knew how to make butter and buttermilk.

One night she sneaked across the border and got a job working for a farmer, who set up a roadside stand and told her to try to sell the stuff. Unfortunately traffic was very heavy and the sight of this sheep making butter and buttermilk was so distracting that naturally there was an accident.

The police investigated and issued the farmer a citation for attempting to make an illegal ewe churn on a busy highway.

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

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