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#### **Editorial**

Hi folks

I love it when Llew does a long Chairman's report then I do not have to write so much to fill this space especially nowadays when there is really not that much to write about except Covid.........

Slowly the club is coming back to life and activities should increase especially now that we are almost through the 3<sup>rd</sup> wave and an easing of lockdowns. Let's hope so.

Stay safe out there.

## Sue

#### From the Chair

Five years as the chairman of the EPVCC has flown by.

Since my last report the lockdown level has been eased and the club is now able to operate again. Friday nights are being well attended and Anel has been producing some awesome meals for our members. Remember to order early. Covid protocols are still in place, so remember your masks. Many of our members are now vaccinated and we are seeing more and more of them at the club. The last 18 months have been difficult to describe and seeing friends again feels so strange. The sooner the old normal returns the happier I will be. (I am just worried it never comes back.)

On a happier note, the club has a new junior member, George van Onselen. He must set the record as the youngest member at approximately 1 month old when he joined. One day, he will definitely be the oldest member of the club. So, welcome George, and we wish you many years of motoring, firstly as a back seat driver to your parents and later, on your own.

Please make a note of the AGM on the 10th October 2021. We will hold last year's AGM first followed immediately by the 2021 AGM. The braai fires will be lit, so bring your meat, and the bar will be open after the AGM. Please attend, this is your club.

The club will be running the Spring Trial on the 31 October, so all of you aspiring rallyists get practicing, George and his parents need a little competition.

We will also be organizing a rally school on the 16 October for anyone interested in rallying. This will take place at the club and start at 2.30pm.

On behalf of the club, I want to congratulate Riaan Hanekom becoming the Youth Awareness Officer for SAVVA. SAVVA held their AGM on 11 September and there is nothing new to relay. If anyone wants a copy of the AGM Powerpoint presentation, please contact me.

This is my last chairman's report for the newsletter, at the AGM I will be stepping down as chairman, I will still be available to stand on the committee. I wish to thank all of you for the support over the last 5 years. I can honestly say that it has been a fantastic wild ride with many ups and downs which I have enjoyed. They say variety is the spice of life.

The club is now definitely set on firm foundations all the correct protocols in place and the committee has worked tirelessly to ensure the longevity of the club. I thank them all for their enthusiasm and dedication over the last 3 years. It has been a pleasure serving as chairman of the EPVCC. Thank you for the opportunity.

We have club caps for sale at the club bar. They cost R 100.00. These can be bought from Devlin on a Friday night.

Stay safe and happy motoring.

Llew

# **IMPORTANT NOTICE – ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS**

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE CLUB'S 2021/22 NEW FINANCIAL YEAR COMMENCED ON THE 1ST OF JULY 2021.

PAYMENTS TO BE MADE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE INTO THE FOLLOWING BANK ACCOUNT:-

BANK: NEDBANK

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SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR THE PERIOD 1ST JULY 2020 TO 30TH JUNE 2021 ARE AS FOLLOWS:-

TOWN MEMBERSHIP: R460.00 plus SPOUSE if applicable = R520.00

COUNTRY MEMBERSHIP: R330.00 plus SPOUSE if applicable = R390.00

(Must live beyond 50kms of Port Elizabeth)

SPOUSE OF MEMBER: R 60.00

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP: R 90.00 plus SPOUSE if applicable = R150.00

(Under 30 years of age)

Member Applications forms are available on the website: www.epvcc.co.za



http://www.facebook.com/pages/Eastern-Province-Veteran-Car-Club/296587683705528

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# Did You Know.....

.....that the First Sports Car Race in History was Held Among Beautiful Sicilian Hilltop Towns

The "Targa Florio" from Sicily is the planet's first sports car race being founded in 1906. A touchstone for petrolheads, it's also world famous for its dangerous combination of high-octane thrills and stunning rustic locations. While the event no longer takes place the way it used to, it still holds a place in the hearts of Sicilians.

Devised by Count Vincenzo Florio, alongside Tour De France head honcho Henri Desgrange, its aim was to mix serious motor racing with picture perfect surroundings. Petrolicious describes Targa Florio as "a scene made up of roaring cars, dangerous curves, impossible ascents, racing heroes and business magnates, and pure energy."

Felice Nazzaro (who later won the race) driving a Fiat in the Targa Florio race, Sicily, 1907.



The Finish Line at the 1907 Targa Florio the first sports car race in history

For most of the 20th century (1906 – 77), classic gas guzzlers burned rubber through the island's Madonie mountain range. The 150 km mile route (revised to 72 km in later years) contained hundreds of tight corners and featured little in the way of protection for enthusiastic onlookers. Hay bales are mentioned as makeshift guard rails, together with "stone walls and other forms of sturdy private property."



Maurice Fabry in an Itala, in the Targa Florio, the first sports car race, Sicily, 1907. The town of Petralia Sottana in the background.

#### (Photo by National Motor Museum/Heritage Images/Getty Images)

What was up for grabs? Ferrari Magazine writes, "The prize was initially set at 50,000 lire, as well as an art nouveau-style number plate designed by René Lalique."



The town of Collesano, which was on the Targa Florio circuit since its inception in 1906.

Photo by Carlo Columba

The island's villages took a national holiday of sorts, in order to relax and watch the roadsters zoom by. The Targa Florio covered one lap, and sixty needed to be completed before drivers got their heads around the terrain. When practicing off the clock, potential drivers had to swerve to avoid unfortunate obstacles such as children, adults and farm animals.



Alessandro Cagno (1883-1971), winner of the first Targa Florio in 1906.

Pictured here at the 1907 event.

That said, the race became part of the island's fabric. Locals were generally happy to see the cars, and the competitors were happy to see them and their beautiful country. Ferrari quotes timekeeper Gilbert Morley who said to British radio, "it's like racing inside the most beautiful work of art."



Vincenzo Trucco, winner of the 1908 Targa Florio driving an Isotta Fraschini

Website Messy Nessy Chic refers to that unique combination of petrol fumes and local flavor: "It was the kind of race where if a car broke down, the driver would have been invited inside by locals for spaghetti."



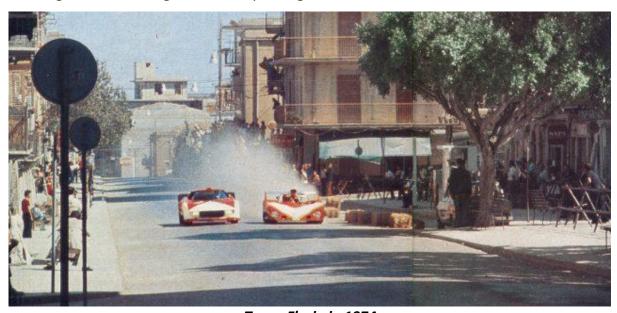
Two Maseratis at the Targa Florio in 1961. (Photo by Klemantaski Collection/Getty Images)

The first winner of the Targa Florio was Alessandro Cagno. Though his victory showed ominous signs of things to come. Ferrari writes he was "the most adept at navigating the tangle of small roads and trails". Yet he was also "the luckiest, having succeeded in narrowly avoiding a donkey that had strayed out on to the circuit."



Crowds watch competitors in the Targa Florio race on 9 May 1965, as a red Ferrari races through the Sicilian village of Collesano. Photo by David Lees

Some of the biggest names in motoring could be seen zipping between those mountains. Enzo Ferrari took to the wheel in 1919, passing the finish line in 9th place. His legendary cars would soon screech into view on Sicily for future races. Porsche named one of their cars Targa in honor of the race. Ferdinand Porsche himself won the 1924 event, driving for Mercedes in a self-designed vehicle. Native competitor Nino Vaccarella fared less well, running into a wall having been too busy waving at the crowds in 1962.



Targa Florio in 1974

It was only a matter of time before things got more hazardous. Surprisingly, only 9 people lost their lives throughout the race's seven decades. 2 of those were in 1973. Then 4 years later the disaster occurred that shut down the Targa Florio for good – driver Gabriel Ciuti crashed into spectators, resulting in 2 fatalities. Ciuti wound up in a coma. The race was halted part way through.

A sad end, though the Targa Florio has lived on as a regular rally. It undoubtedly left its mark on the people and landscape of Sicily. Petrolicious writes how it became "one of the cradles of racing". On the other side of the world, Australians and New Zealanders hold their own version of the iconic rev-fest.

Sep 13, 2020 Steve Palace

# Just for a laugh

Me: I hit an animal and my car is totalled. Am I covered?

Insurance: Yes. What did you hit?

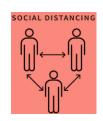
Me: A fish.





## Remember to always adhere to the Club's protocols!!!







## NEW MEMBERS

We would like to wish a hearty welcome to the following new members of the club.

Cachet van der Walt Mari & Chris Norton Arny Harri Naas & Charlene Marais Dianne Penlington Anel, Brett & Lane Johnson Steven Phillips



....and our newest and very youngest member, baby George van Onselen who is already travelling in the classic cars.

## **CONDOLENCES**

Our sympathies and deepest condolences go to the families and friends of the following members or ex members who have passed away recently. Our hearts and prayers are with you all.

Ettiene van Rooyen, an ex-member who lived in Yzerfontein.

Wynand Stander, son of Hennie Stander passed away due to COVID, aged only 43.

Mike Cavanagh, an ex-member who lived in the U.K.



# FROM THE DESK OF SAVVA - 21



#### To All Club Committee's, SAVVA Delegates & Club Members

As you are aware, we recently finalized negotiations with Cross Country Insurance Consultants/Puma Insurance Brokers – Renasa, for an extremely affordable new "SAVVA Car Collector's Insurance Scheme", which is now available to all SAVVA Affiliated Club Members.

This new scheme's premiums are extremely competitive at favourable rates, with vastly improved terms of use, such as 8,300 kilometers per annum, as well as cover for:

- Occasional use
- Weddings & Matric Dances
- Displays
- Historical Re-enactments & Film Shoots
- Discounts for larger Collections
- Waiver of Policy Excesses on Claims for Member / Spouse over 65 x years of age

The former FNB Insurance offering – is no longer linked to SAVVA – nor is it described as or known as "The SAVVA Car Collector's Scheme".

However, the FNB Scheme currently available and being offered to SAVVA Affiliated Club's and their Members - in no way whatsoever detracts from any current policy you may hold, in your personal capacities with FNB Insurance Brokers. Such Policies will remain in full force and effect for the duration of the period of Insurance - until renewal date.

Thereafter, you may wish to exercise your personal preference, of remaining with FNB – or switching to the "New SAVVA Collector's Insurance Scheme" via CCIC/Puma.

For ease of reference, we have attached an Advert for the "New SAVVA Scheme" – which we would appreciate you featuring in your Club Newsletter – thereby informing your Members of the option available to them.

Your understanding, and assistance in advertising the "New SAVVA Scheme" is appreciated.

Gavin Allison 16th July 2021

President



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## **SAVVA Technical Tip 168 – Windscreen Wiper Blades**

So often one sees a well-prepared car spoiled because it is fitted with black replacement wiper blades?

It's understandable because the original stainless-steel ones are very difficult to find. They are available from the UK – at a ridiculous price, but with the Rand to Pound exchange as it is, and the non-existent postal service it's not a proposition to try and import them. The question is – what is the alternative?

Last week I was faced with this problem and had to find an alternative. The black wiper blades fitted to chrome arms looked terrible. The only alternative was to paint them with Silver Chrome paint and a comparison of a the black and a newly painted one can be seen in the photo – the result was successful and very pleasing.



# **SAVVA Technical Tip 169 – Covering Electrical Wiring**

Recently, I was busy taping up the wiring on a 1930's bakkie with shiny electrical insulation tape when a friend commented that it looked terrible and out of place on an early vehicle and suggested I rather use cloth tape. As usual, I'm the last person to know about things like this so off I went to an electric supply store and there it was, freely available, a bit expensive at about R100 per roll. It didn't take long to replace the plastic tape with this new one and all I can say is the result was excellent. I must confess that in some places I just covered the plastic tape with the cloth. Maybe the result wasn't as perfect as an imported loom costing a few thousand Rand but to the lesser experienced eye they wouldn't know the difference.

Below is a picture of a roll of plastic and cloth tapes.



# Random Photos from the Friday Night Noggins

Our Friday night noggins are back on again now that we are under Level 3 lockdown. Here are a few random photos of the cars that have graced our lawn.













# Tsitsikamma Tour 27th - 29th August

Finally, after a previous postponement because of lockdowns, the Tsitsikamma Tour eventually took place over the weekend of the  $27^{th} - 29^{th}$  August. As with all events, the weather is something we unfortunately have absolutely no control over, and we were hit with what could only be described as the coldest, wettest weather that we have had all winter. But that did not deter us from having a good time, catching up with friends that we have not seen since lockdown started and also exploring the area. Accommodation was at the Tsitsikamma Lodge and Spa in log cabins that were set in lovely gardens. The food was excellent with a roaring fire going strong in the restaurant at breakfasts and dinners to keep us warm.



Meeting at the wind farm for those who wanted to travel in convoy



Heavy skies and a rather chilly morning



Following the leader via the scenic route



Breakfast at the Gamtoos Ferry Hotel



Next stop, shopping at Oude Bosch Farmstall



Our final destination - Tsitsikamma Lodge & Spa



Very cold & wet



Nothing like a roaring fire to lift one's spirits



Exploring the back roads through the beautiful forests

Due to Covid no group events were planned for the Saturday. Everyone could choose what they wanted to do or were they wanted to go.

Plenty to see and do in Tsitsikamma and the surrounding areas.

Visit our Facebook site for all the photos taken.



Or the Mohair shop in the Craggs for socks to keep those poor toes toastie warm tonight



....and of course one could have lunch at Marilyn's Diner



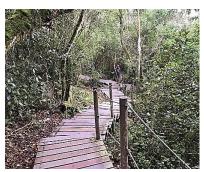








A Visit to Storms River mouth



.....or a lovely walk



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1990 ??? LML

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