



SOUTH AFRICAN VETERAN & VINTAGE ASSOCIATION

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NEWS LETTER

Dear Member Clubs,

Well this month has been extremely eventful and I must say that I appreciate all the comments received in support of what SAVVA is trying to achieve for its clubs and their members. Pierre Cronje and I have attended a number of meetings in regard to the Left Hand Drive concerns and I am in the process of compiling a draft presentation and report that we intend to present to the National Department of Transport.

I am also pleased to see how many members have registered their vehicles on the SAVVA Website; the majority seem to be from the Cape, Free State and Mpumalanga.

Please make every effort to register as soon as possible, so that we may have all the facts when we approach NDoT. I did mention that we should run the registration until the 15th April but it would be advantageous to finalise by the end of March.

This initiative is a combined effort involving SAVVA and SAMCA and we have been working extremely well together for the betterment of the members, we hope to have the A.A. on board soon with additional support from their membership even though it does not concern too many of their members.

We anticipate arranging a meeting with officials from NDoT in March whereby we will discuss the concerns and our proposals.

ITS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT RIGHT HAND DRIVE VEHICLES ARE NOT UNDER ANY THREAT SO YOU CAN RESTORE, REGISTER, ROADWORTHY AND LICENSE ANY RHD VEHICLE SO ANY RUMOURS REGARDING RHD VEHICLES CAN BE DISMISSED.

There have been a number of events that have taken place this year which were well supported. I was invited to attend the George Motor Show, regrettably was unable to attend due to a prior commitment. I have received excellent reports about the show and how successful it was. I must congratulate the organisers of this great event - well done!

The event generously donates to charity - many of these organisations depend on whatever contributions are received. I am a strong believer in supporting deserving charities that are in need and salute you for your generosity.

I have heard that the Crankhandle Club recently held a Veteran Run which was well supported, I always envy these runs in the Cape and wish that I could get down to participate in a few of them - beautiful scenery and so many places of interest to visit.

In regard to future events, one of the more popular ones coming up is the **Veteran & Vintage Club's Durban – Johannesburg Commemorative Run** to be held on the 10-12th March. Pierre the Clerk of the Course has informed me he has a record number of 136 entries for this event. Congratulations to Pierre and Gwyneth on their dedication - well done. To all the participants may I wish you a SAFE AND ENJOYABLE RUN.

I receive a number of the various club newsletters and find that so much is happening throughout the country in the individual clubs which is fantastic, to mention but a few the **Vintage Sports Car Club of Natal** are at full throttle to get the **Pmb 'Cars in the Park'** ready for 2011 which will be back in the same place despite the rumours of cancelation or a new venue. It will be back in Alexander Park as this is one of Maritzburg's 'Big Five' events, so let's continue supporting them.

For the Motorcycling fraternity the **Classic Motorcycle Club of Natal** are hosting the National Motorcycle Tour which should prove an exciting event, and the **Veteran Car Club of S.A.** are hosting the Edwardian – Veteran Run at Fouriesburg in the Free State from the 11 – 14 April which will be an interesting one visiting Sandstone Estate and running the James Hall Museum of Transport's 1896 Lawley Steam Locomotive. Queenstown Automobile Club have already circularized info for the Savva National which is to be a spider event held in Queenstown from 2nd to 6th October.

I sent out a request in November for clubs to supply us with a list of members from the individual clubs in order to build up a data base and hopefully be in a position to ascertain where members hold dual/triple membership, out of the 48 clubs I have received from 11 clubs. Please supply these membership lists to us as soon as possible.

Regards
Peter Hall.
Chairman

