

(c) A car that has not moved under its power for the last two decades.

(d) A car that has only gone a ¼ mile at a time.

ORIGINAL MILEAGE: (a) All mileage was originally accumulated on this car. Not one of its 360,000 miles has been borrowed from another car.

(b) The speedo has been turned back at least twice, but the condition of the car still reflects the actual miles travelled.

GROUND UP RESTORATION: (a) Picking all the parts up off the ground, that have fallen off, and reattaching them to the car.

(b) Failing to thoroughly clean the road dirt off a vehicle before painting it will result in a “ground up” paint job.

NEEDS MINOR RESTORATION/NEEDS EASY RESTORATION: (a) A car that needs a small amount of work so as to get it to the point where it looks like it needs a major amount of repair.

(b) The car requires the removal of fibreglass flares, replacement of pink and green velour trim and repainting with automotive paint sprayed on rather than brushed on house paint. Note. There is no such thing as an EASY restoration.

RUST FREE: (a) No extra charge for the rust. It is free.

(b) As everything that was metal has now rusted away to nothing, the car is now rust free. No metal, no rust!

ALL PAPERWORK: (a) All fast food packaging, chocolate wrappers, empty chip packets and cigarette butts are still in the car.

(b) All parking and speeding tickets go with the car.

REGULARLY SERVICED: (a) Has been serviced as regularly as “clockwork”. Unfortunately the present owner’s clock broke in 1987 which was the last time the car was serviced.

(b) Oil and water are checked once per year.

LOG BOOKS: (a) As car has never been serviced the original logbooks are in unmarked/unused condition and go with the car.

(b) Beautifully completed logbooks showing regular servicing. Unfortunately they do not belong to the car for sale. Be especially wary of logbooks showing hours rather than miles, especially if propellers are mentioned—this is probably from an aircraft!

And to finish some more “Do you love words?”

- Venison for dinner again? Oh deer!
- How does Moses make tea? Hebrews it.
- England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool .
- I tried to catch some fog, but I mist
- Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.

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JUNE 2020 NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT’S MISSIVE

I trust that in this difficult time for all of our Club members you are all well and keeping active at home.

At our Committee meeting this month we once again had no option but to continue the postponement of all activities for June and July. There will be a Committee meeting in mid-June to review the situation but at this stage, even with the expectation of further relaxation of Social Distancing rules, it is likely that we will have to postpone again for the month of August.

This June edition of our Newsletter has been prepared by Col Short and will be distributed to members by Email only. With no activities of any kind (except for the Presidents Coffee Club and the Old Codgers meetings using Zoom) underway Col has once again included some articles and humour from our members to enlighten your spirits.

As an optimist I believe that we may be in a good position to resume our general Meetings and all of our normal activities in September. I do hope that comes to pass for then we will complete the 2020 year on a bright note.

SECRETARY’S REPORT

Slowly, COVID-19 restrictions are being eased!—though not yet enough for most of our regular activities. By the time you read this, The Old Codgers Music Group will have had four ZOOM get-togethers—the presenters are getting quite professional at this! We have had a successful President’s Coffee Morning by ZOOM on 16 May and hope to repeat these fortnightly. And the Wobblies have been cleared to recommence cycling (Probus Insurance is OK). There will be a Guest Speaker presentation in August, perhaps via ZOOM. Please keep involved when possible, keep active and well, and have fun as you can.

Here are some useful links from Ken Fletcher’s email:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLSYQLfO12OcLb7R5PRLPeczsSy5ohZqg>

<https://www.austria.info/en/virtual-austria>
<https://www.klook.com/en-AU/blog/destination-isolation-recreate-disney-magic-at-home/>
<https://www.thechinaguide.com/destination/great-wall-of-china>
<https://www.google.co.uk/maps/about/behind-the-scenes/streetview/treks/petra/>
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<https://www.youvisit.com/tour/machupicchu?pl=f>
<https://www.youvisit.com/tour/brazil/>
<https://www.virtualangkor.com/360>
https://samsungvr.com/view/Wv_0tcndBO
<http://www.museivaticani.va/content/museivaticani/en/collezioni/musei.html>

WELFARE REPORT

Ray has made contact with the following non-active members and all say they are coping with isolation during this COVID 19 pandemic: Keith Butler, Ian Campbell, John Cox, Malcolm Crapp, Laurie Fuller, Arthur Goswell, Owen Harrison, Brian Howard, Gordon Lidgett, Tony Malin, Ron Macintosh, Don Marshall, Dick Nicholson, John Webb and Paul Woodward.

The following active members: Philip Jones, Bruce Cunningham, Doug Sneddon, and Alf McDermott have all been contacted and are reporting progress in their recovery.

Celebrations: Our non-active member, Ron Macintosh, turned 96 on 20 May and our good wishes are conveyed to him.

WASHING THE CAT

1. Put the lid and the seat up and add 1/8 cup of pet shampoo to the water in the toilet bowl.
2. Pick up the cat and soothe him while you carry him towards the bathroom.
3. In one smooth movement, put the cat in the toilet and close both lids (you may need to stand on the lid).
4. The cat will self-agitate and make ample suds. Never mind the noises that come from the toilet, the cat actually loves this treatment (you may need to stand on the lid).
5. Flush the toilet three times. This provides the “power-wash” and “rinse” (you may need to stand on the lid).
6. Have someone open the front door of your home. Be sure that there are no people between the bathroom and the front door.

7. Making sure that you are not in front of the toilet; quickly lift both the lid and the seat.
8. The cat will streak out of the toilet, across the bathroom (so as not to leave water inside the house) and run outside to dry itself off.
9. Both the toilet and the cat will be sparkling clean.

COMPREHENDING ENGINEERS

An architect, an artist and an engineer were discussing whether it was better to spend time with the wife or a mistress. The architect said he enjoyed time with his wife, building a solid foundation for an enduring relationship. The artist said he enjoyed time with his mistress because of the passion and mystery he found there. The engineer said, “I like both”. “Both?” the architect and the artist questioned. The engineer replied, “Yeah, if you have a wife and a mistress, they will each assume you are spending time with the other woman, and you can go to the office and get some work done”.



THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Finish every day and be done with it. You have done what you could. Some blunders and some absurdities no doubt crept in; forget them as soon as you can. Tomorrow is a new day; begin it well and serenely with too high a spirit to be encumbered with your old nonsense. This day is all that is good and fair. It is too dear, with its hopes and invitations, to waste a moment on the yesterdays (courtesy of Ralph Waldo Emerson).

BUYING A USED CAR?

Have you been searching the classifieds for that special car? Perhaps the following lexicon of terms will help you understand these advertisements.

RARE: (a) Present owner has never seen another car like it. From the collection of bumps and scratches on the car there is a lot this owner has not seen.

(b) Rare, as opposed to well done.

ORIGINAL: (a) Has never been washed or serviced.

(b) Has all the parts on it that it had when the present owner purchased it, including fluoro wiper blades, nodding dog on parcel shelf and pom-poms around rear window.

LOW MILEAGE: (a) A broken speedo that has not been replaced in 20 years.

(b) The speedo has been replaced with one from a car that has done far fewer miles than this car.