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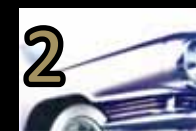
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*Inside 'COVER Caddy' - Yann and Gita Saunders fabulous Eldo in that special colour, 'Heather Poly!'*





# Rendezvous!

## F O R E W O R D

Hi there. Before I start, our thoughts are with our Australian CLC friends/ members and their families if you have been caught up in the most devastating Nationwide fire situation ever. Steve and I do hope you will be at Mudgee with your Caddy or LaSalle.



Banners - what is it with 'Banners?' As you may know, FINZ has displayed a different one each year during my Editorship. This year I was betwixed and between several, hence this issue features an alternative alongside 'stately grey' tonings. So you are not seeing things, the February banner is different from last month!

February sees Valentines Day (Happy 33rd Wedding Anniversary Andre - R) and there's plenty to love in this month's issue: Coverage of Xmas runs here in Tauranga; Plenty of love in Bali; Lovely old Ford collection in Taupo and lots of Love needed in Oz at this time >>>>

Our feature Caddy cover this month is a bunch of CLC NZ Caddies at the recent NZ Nationals in Taupo (Photo Jason Curry) whilst the inside image is the very romantic '60 Eldo of Yann and Gita Saunders. Her name was 'Lily' and she was finished in a very romantic lilac colour, officially called 'Heather Poly'. We featured this fab example in our December 2019 issue. It's such a great romantic colour I thought it deserved to be shared at Valentines!

Well the summer here where I live has been anything but usual this past month. Even here in NZ we have endured the smoke from Australia on some days turning the skies orange! According to the weather boffins, the smoke has prevented the normal summer temps getting through, meaning about 5-6c below what we generally get. As I type this, New South Wales, Queensland and Victoria are getting rain (adverse/ torrential - unbelievable) but here in NZ our skies have cleared, they are blue again and temps are in the upper 20s -

Now here's a sneak-peak of what this issue is all about...



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# Fred's FAMILY of old cars!

For the Holidays, its an excellent time to take a look back at photos in the "Kodachrome Images Series". Hope you like the attractive woman posing on an equally good-looking Cadillac convertible. She is very well-dressed and is wearing a headband or hat with a veil, a black dress, high heels, and gloves. The Cadillac is finished in a pleasing hue of gray with a red wine-colored leather interior, tell us all about the car and its the optional equipment. The photos are via 'This Was Americar'.



In Memory of Fred Bausch, here's a couple of pages of memorable old rides! Ed

Pacific Auto Laundry Hollywood California - The Pacific Auto Laundry branch location one was of three modern car washes constructed by silent screen actor and director William Beaudine and his cousins Albert and William Russell. A.A. Redford, the patent holder of the conveyor belt system used at the facility, was the managing partner of the new enterprise that opened in 1931 based at 901 North Vine St. in Hollywood, California. The three plants washed as many as one-thousand cars a day and, in addition, offered polishing, vacuuming, and a lubrication service at the end of the line. The vehicle in the doorway appears to be a 1928 Cadillac. Pickup and delivery services were available by a rider on an Indian "Dispatch-Tow" three-wheeler.





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At right these images includes a fleet of 1958 Dodge's at speed passing a stationary 1958 Dodge Royal sedan parked in the middle of the Chrysler Engineering Proving Grounds track located in Chelsea, MI. Construction of the facility began in 1953, and the grand opening ceremonies were held on June 16, 1954. As a part of the event, the following day, a Chrysler New Yorker completed a 24-hour endurance run after covering 2,836 miles at an average speed of 118.18 mph.

The line-up for 1958 Dodge. Photos courtesy, of the National Automotive History Collection



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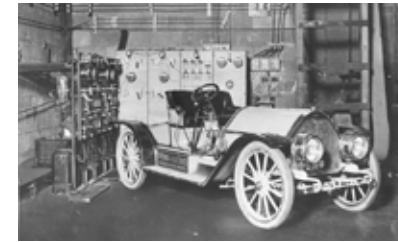
**FRED Memories: Nothing New Under the Sun**  
**Department:** Early-1900s Electric Vehicles - The EV (electric vehicle) is in the news today and out on the roadways, and many believe that it is a new form of transport invented in the late-1900s. In actuality, it is reported that the first known EV was constructed by Anyos Jedlik, a Hungarian priest in 1828, a year after he built an electric motor. By the late-1880s in the UK, and Europe electric cars and the storage battery had been developed enough to become useable for short-range trips. The US Energy Department reported that "William Morrison, from Des Moines, Iowa, created the first successful electric vehicle in the U.S. His car is little more than an electrified wagon, but it sparks an interest in electric vehicles." The first commercially produced EV's in the US became available in the late-1890s to 1900 and were popular for short trips up until the 1920s. "Boss" Kettering had developed the electric starter enough by 1911 that it came as standard equipment on the 1912 Cadillac, and generally acknowledged to be the first American car to be so equipped.

At that point, the "writing was on the wall" spelling the end of the EV, although the Detroit Electric Car Company continued on to as late as 1938 when at that time it was rebuilding its earlier machines. The image at RIGHT, a Studebaker contains a Cuyahoga EV, and a GE mercury arc rectifier battery charger. It was produced by the Cuyahoga Motorcar Company in Pennsylvania from 1908 to '09, and 1910 to '11 by the Cleveland Electric Vehicle Company. These General Electric Co. images courtesy of New York Heritage.

BELOW - 1900 General Electric EV owned by Jesse Lovejoy the GE Secretary in front of the Schenectady, NY plant.

A woman with a runabout (BELOW RIGHT) and a coupe (RIGHT - Black) both with GE chargers made for use in the home garage. Similar 'Baker EV' was used as a daily car by Henry Lelands wife!

- 1914: Schenectady Illuminating truck and a GE mercury arc rectifier battery charger - FAR RIGHT
- 1916: ABOVE RIGHT CORNER General Electric EV battery charging set in front of a gas-powered car at the Fitch Electric Garage, located in Fort Wayne, Indiana.





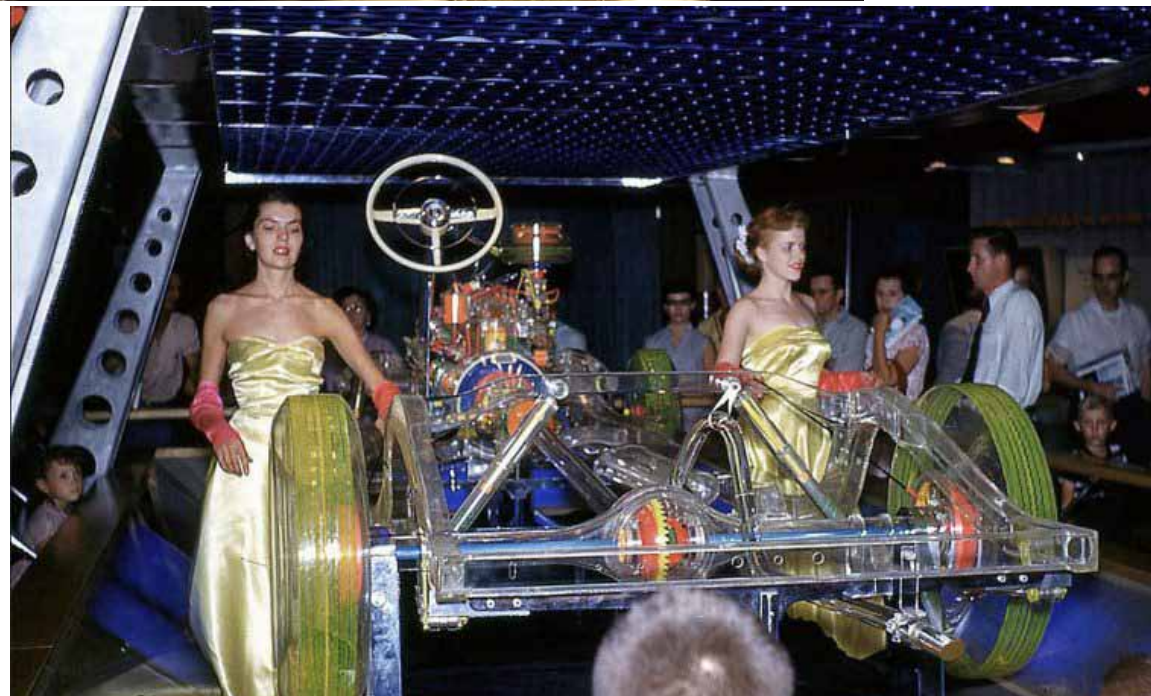
# Fred's FAMILY of old cars!

## Plastic Fantastic Plymouth on the 1952 Auto Show Circuit

This great colour image of a "Kodachrome" slide taken at an auto show in the early '50s after viewing other 'Black & White' photos of the same or a duplicate 1952 Plymouth chassis that are in circulation.

The black and white press photo of this Plymouth display chassis that for the most part was constructed out of clear plastic. Never in the websites wildest dreams did they imagine it was highlighted with internal parts painted in such brilliant colors. Matt Novak posted this photo on Paleofuture recently, in color, but with different models."

Manufacturers were very clever considering this was nearly 70 years ago! ED





# Our Global FAMILY

BAY of PLENTY, NZ - Due to work commitments I don't get out often but when I do, I look for the cars I like most. Over the last few months my treks not far from where I live has taken me to some wonderful car events. Let me share with you images I loved most! ED



Images here are from the Annual BoP Vintage & Veteran Car Club held every October in Tauranga. At left and below, home-made racer with a Merlin 12 Cyl. engine. You can imagine the sound of it when started and it did! Below, beautiful Ford V8 'Woody'. Amazing restoration



The thing I like about this show is the variety. T-Bird and Spitfires at left. Original Studebaker. Fabulous Packard. Home-built bike looking like out of Thunder-dome! The 'Rotorua grill Badge' is very rare. Most Regions in NZ had them. Popular in the 1950s and 60s. Valuable nowadays.



It says 'Natures Wonderland'.

Beautiful spring day . ED





# Our Global FAMILY

BAY of PLENTY - Next up was the Annual 'All USA Day'. Held again at Classic Flyers, one enjoys old cars and planes. Another outstanding Tauranga spring day, mid November - ED



As with each Annual All USA Day, there are always lots of lovely American-Iron to admire. At LEFT lovely Corvette and rare Pontiac LeMans



This amazing Rod was registered as a 2019 32 L.V.V. Steel Replica Roadster. It was outstanding. Flat head V8. Modern upholstery. Period steering wheel. Period colours!



Far LEFT amazing 'Cuda! Sharp Mustang. Bronze orange Corvette was unmarked. I'm not into trucks but this early 70s Ford Ranger pick up was 'the Bees knees!' Tastefully restored only visual modification were the wheels that looked 'at home!' ED





# Our Global FAMILY

BAY of PLENTY - Next outing was the Annual Tauranga Xmas charity Toy Run. A Toy or cash donation required to participate, given to Tauranga Childrens Hospital Ward or 'Cash Donation' to Tauranga Hospice. This year there was a change in venue and advertising profile was low! Yet a record 450+ entrants turned up on a warm Friday December summer afternoon. I have been to many 'Toy Runs' and for some reason this was the most 'buzzy'. The atmosphere was electric. Terrific selection of cars too. The run, as always ended at a Tauranga shopping Centre, 'Fraser Cove' which was overwhelmed by the arrival of 100's of cars! ED



There were some nice rides at Sulphur Point, Tauranga where some 450+ vehicles met up. 'Sweet Home Alabama' on above number plate. Old original black Ford V8. Fiat Bambino and matching Bambino trailer drew a lot of attention. Red Austin Healey was awesome. Very cool Packard at left. Most liked was a truly incredible bronze whaler '77 Thunderbird. This example was an unbelievable 'time traveller'. Crushed velvet interior of same colour. This example appeared perfect. A great event this year - ED





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BAY of PLENTY - And to finish 2019 I drove down to Taupo to pick up my disabled Brother-in-law (Mark) and bring him back to Tauranga for Xmas and New Year. Whilst there, Mark and I called on Bruce and Trish Jefferies. We met up at their shed and they proudly showed us their collection of fine cars plus one! Let me share these great pics with you - ED



The terrific thing about being invited to look through someones shed is that you'll never know what one may see. First up was a beautifully restored yellow Mercury Monterey. I really like this shape from the early 50s. Complete with a Flathead, everything was there and the upholstery was amazing. The Jail-Bar Ford pick up is what you don't see very often, not



unless it's 'rodded'. NZ-new, note the original black and silver number plates. Straight-as! '46 Ford Coupe convertible was like out of the Grease movie. Another all original, inside and out. Next up, '32 Model 'A' not long restored. Complete with 'dicky seat!' Note the clock embedded in the rear vision mirror (bottom left). '36 Ford 4-door, NZ-new and another restored by Bruce and Trish. Lastly, a friends '62 Porsche. Also restored. Great order, being minded.



Thanks to Bruce & Trish for showing us thru. Not pictured is their original MK5 Cortina Ghia. Their Caddy was elsewhere. Fab Ford collection in my mind! ED

At the back of the Jail-Bar and the Coupe was a great selection of Ford and Elvis memorabilia incl. Jukebox - Cool. ED





# Our Global FAMILY

AUSTRALIA- Hi Ron. Thanks for sending your magazine via email, we have always read through it, but this was so special to us. Wow, we couldn't believe we made it in your mag!!!

Thanks so much for including us, and our Caddy - You're a legend!! Can't wait to get back there one day. Kindest regards, and best wishes for 2020

Deb n Andy Zuks - South Australia

Hi Ron. Congrats on another good magazine. I find the photos and stories very interesting. It is great to read you are coming across to Mudgee to our 50th Anniversary Rally. I like your tribute to Fred Bausch. I have asked the Australian Club to rename the American trophy in his name and honour, or make a new special calling it the Fred Bausch trophy. I really miss him but I have many lovely memories to cherish. Your 50th Rally looks interesting and all being well I would like to attend it. NZ is one of my favourite Travel destinations and what better reason could I have than to come and visit you guys and see your lovely Cadillacs. I look forward to catching up with you and any other visiting NZ Cadillac/LaSalle members at Mudgee. Happy New Year, Cheers Irwin

"Howdy Mavaron, sitting inside in the cool reading your fine periodical as it's 42C outside today, been a run of them sorta temps and locally we recently set a new half-World's record (half world = Southern Hemisphere) of a mind melting 49.2C(121F). I like to live an old fashioned cowboy lifestyle but have to say thank goodness for modern A/C, solar electricity and insulation. Have been setting the alarm for 5.30 a.m. every day this Festive Season and am in the saddle before 6 a.m. to get in a couple of hours riding before the Lord's furnace fully cranks up. A special Aussie howdy to any North American folk who read this because I not only own a Cadillac, but I'm blessed to own the Cadillac of the entire Equine world, an American Quarter Horse. I've promised you a story for FINZ for a few years now Mavaron, might make it one about the equine Cadillac ha ha. Much looking forward to catching up with you 'n' Steve in Mudgee, who knows we might well get in a ride together at the Gooree hoss stud we're visitin'. Two photos for consideration: 1. Cody saddled up and ready even before the sun cracks the horizon. 2. The Shadow rides again. Cheers cobber, the Cadillac Cowboy."



USA - Thanks again for the FINZ. I didn't know the origins of the name Eldorado. Now I know it is golden and makes me feel better about spending so much money restoring mine. Cadillac continues to make a serious mistake by not having a gentleman's convertible since 1976. They took an Eldorado in 1984-85 and had the top cut off. It was actually a nice looking car. The problem was the engine which had an aluminum block and cast iron heads. The coefficient of expansion of the 2 metals was different and the car blew the head gasket at about 60,000 miles. As with many Cadillac drivers, they just put in the gas and drive until it won't drive anymore. So there were lots of expensive engine replacements. The aluminum blocks could not be saved. Consequently most of those Eldorados and Seviles that had that engine have either gone to the bone yard or have some Buick (I think) engine in them. There were many other problems with those cars.

But...in my opinion....convertibles are the signature cars of the brand. But American manufacturers have generally shied away from them. So if you want a nice gentleman's convertible, you have have to go to Mercedes, BMW, Lexus, etc.

Regards, Bill Overend, Peach Region, Atlanta

PS > There is a great article on 'Editors page' regarding 'Death of the Coupe' and 'Cadillac to drop Initials & Letters in favour of names!' - ED





# Our Global FAMILY

**AUCKLAND - NZ** - Submitted by Rex Findlay  
- The culmination of sleek Italian style and American excess, the 1959 Cadillac Eldorado Brougham was an exclusive luxury cruiser in its time, with just 99 examples of the body produced by Pininfarina. However, if true exclusivity is your bag, this example, up for sale at Barrett-Jackson's Scottsdale auction, is a truly unique proposition. CadMad is the result of a 15-year quest by Stephen Barton to claim one of the most prized achievements in the custom car world: The Don Ridler Memorial Award, given yearly to the top custom car of the Detroit Autorama. Stephen passed away before the car was completed, but he had shepherded it nearly all the way. Stephen's brother Craig Barton carried on his brother's wish to complete the car as scheduled, and the crew at Super Rides by Jordan in Escondido, California, finished the work they had started and brought Stephen's Ridler-winning dream to its ultimate conclusion. CadMad took the prestigious Ridler Award in 2019. The CadMad name, in case you haven't noticed, comes from the car's melding of Cadillac and Chevrolet Nomad sheet metal. A foot and a half of the Cadillac's length, including its rear doors, was removed and the body was sectioned and narrowed.

A myriad of subtle and not-so-subtle body modifications were also made, including the addition of the Nomad's signature roof, at least most of it. The top was chopped to give a long, low look, suitable for a grand touring luxury shooting brake.

Initially CadMad was to be powered by a pair of Northstar V-8s as an homage to Cadillac's early V-16 heritage. Instead, the plan was changed to embrace Cadillac's '60s legacy of monster V-8s. A 632-cubic-inch big-block Chevy from Nelson Racing Engines is twin-turbocharged to produce more than 1000 horsepower and it sends all the power to a rear-mounted Corvette automatic transmission and axle.

All told, more than \$2 million was spent to create CadMad, which is not out of the ordinary for a decade-and-a-half build that aimed to capture the Ridler—and succeeded. For the ultimate collector of coachbuilt cars, this amalgamation of American and Italian luxury with custom hot rod performance might be the ultimate prize.



**BAY of PLENTY - Tauranga** - From Steve GILL

(International Man of Mystery - Even Carol can't work him out!) Hi Caddie Cruisers, We are back from Bali Hot, Hot, Hot and what a blast. International members Stephen & Marion Clasholm are our extraordinary hosts that surely have their fingers on the pulse of all that Bali has to offer. The traffic was diabolic with cars jammed and scooters passing at ease. Temperature a cosy 32c with 110% humidity and it was running like a river. Thank God for Ice Cold beer, swimming pools and air conditioning. A good nights sleep, a hearty breakfast and we are away for a car show at the Garuda Cultural Park Bali.



At the car show, met a local policeman that owns a large orange Toyota land cruiser on steroids.

Viewing the cars, we came across an automobile from the USSR?? Waving the Malaysian flag. The locals tell me the Indonesian president travels in this car while in Bali on official business. Hmmmmm .

Moving right along on our expedition we found some lovely 57 & 59 Chev's along with various Holden's and other 4x4's and the rare find of an old Toyota corolla rally car. Stumbled over a Chev 3100. Can anybody tell me what year this is? So until next time Caddie Cruisers keep the pedal to the metal. As always we are satisfied with the very best. - PS And for the finale we found this wonderful son of a gun on the right side of a jeep!

Cheers, Steve. [More photos next page]





# Our Global FAMILY

BAY of PLENTY - Tauranga - More Bali photos -  
ED



Thank goodness these cars  
are under cover, 32c and  
110% humidity is worse than  
Auckland!  
At left the 'Two Steves!'





# Our Global FAMILY

BAY of PLENTY - Tauranga - More Bali photos -  
ED



At far LEFT - dig the Jeep with gun! ABOVE,  
American Diner looks cool. LEFT - Steve Gill and  
Maz. BELOW - The 'Fab Four' plus the 'Two  
Steves!'



# Our Global FAMILY



USA - CLC New England Region - Thanks to our friends for allowing us to reprint the following articles. Long may the 'names' return! ED

## CADILLAC WILL GO BACK TO NAMING ITS CARS WITH ACTUAL WORDS INSTEAD OF LETTERS AND NUMBERS

Might Eldorado and Fleetwood return? Maybe ... but not until 2030, and they'll probably be electric.

By Jake Lingeman of Autoweek

Cadillac is finally dropping the alphanumeric names from its brand—or at least it will have by 2030.

"The rollout of the electric vehicles is the time we'll start to move back toward naming," Cadillac president Steve Carlisle said.

Carlisle also said that the majority of, if not all, Cadillacs sold by then will be battery-electric vehicles. The current crop will go through another midcycle refresh in between now and then, but after that, bring back Eldorado!

Back in the teens, then-Cadillac president Johan de Nysschen changed the naming scheme to its current form, following brands like BMW and Mercedes. Since then, it seems public opinions have turned on that, with brands like Lincoln going back to names as opposed to MKX and MKT.

With its huge brand recognition, the Cadillac Escalade was exempt from the naming convention, and that will stay as is. Carlisle also noted a new 'Escalade is coming in February and will feature the company's Super Cruise hands-free driver-assist system, possibly including automatic lane changing, which would be new.

Regardless, we'll have to wait to see what names Caddy comes up with. Hopefully they're both a nod to the past and a look to the future. Brougham EV anyone?





# Our Global FAMILY



USA - CLC New England Region - Thanks to our friends for allowing us to reprint the article at right. Time will tell I guess! ED

## The Cadillac Coupe is Dead

By Jonathan Lopez, Cadillac Society

With the ATS Coupe discontinued in July, Cadillac no longer offers any two-door models. The circumstance is quite the turn of events for a brand that built its reputation on producing high-luxury vehicles in a variety of body styles, many of which incorporated only two doors. Indeed, it would appear as though the Cadillac coupe is dead. But how did we get here?

It's certainly not because the public refuses to buy coupes. In fact, Cadillac's competition offers loads of 'em. If we include two-door roadsters, BMW currently offers four – the 2 Series, the 4 Series, the 8 Series and the recently-released Z4. Meanwhile, Mercedes-Benz has a whopping six two-door models to choose from, including the C-Class, E-Class, S-Class, SL-Class, SLC-Class and AMG GT, each with at least three different performance variants, to boot. Granted, the SLC, previously known as SLK, will soon be discontinued, but it will likely be replaced with a bespoke product from AMG, again, with just two doors.

From the Audi camp, we find three two-door models, including the A5, the TT and the R8. Word is the TT and R8 are going away by 2020, but we wouldn't be surprised to see some kind of replacement offered with battery power under the hood and two doors in the body.

Hell, even Infiniti has the Q60 Coupe.

Meanwhile, the Cadillac coupe has gone the way of the dodo with the death of the ATS line. Although the brand is still offering cars, including the new CT5 and CT4, both will remain four-door sedans, even in their new top-tier go-faster iterations, as confirmed by CT5's Chief engineer, Mike Bride.

To make matters worse, we know that, at one time, a new Cadillac coupe was in the cards, as evidenced by a series of blueprints uncovered in 2018. Originally, this mystery two-door was believed to be a Cadillac CT5 Coupe. From what we currently know, the project is dead in the water.

Indeed, it's a sad day when you can't get a new Cadillac with just two doors. The history books are filled with famous Cadillac coupe models, including the Coupe deVille and Eldorado. More recently, the ATS Coupe and ATS-V Coupe, as well as its direct predecessor – the CTS Coupe and CTS-V Coupe – were quite the machines.

It would seem that the German competition soaked up all the sales. Meanwhile, Cadillac's parent company, General Motors, is diving head first into electric and autonomous vehicles, both of which are very expensive undertakings with little to no return in the short-term. Hence, some "fun projects" – such as coupes – suffered as a result.

Even so, we'd love to see some kind of new Cadillac coupe make the scene. There's something about mounting two doors on a well-made luxury car with a solid engine up front that feels just so right. In fact, Cadillac is one of the luxury brands that is so well-positioned to deliver a two-door vehicle thanks to the presence, style and opulence the brand's vehicles can often carry. Alternatively, we'd also settle for something with a focus on performance, such as a halo Cadillac sports car based on the upcoming mid-engine C8 Corvette.



## Editor's choice

Wherever possible I look for interesting articles and pics to share with you!

From Ron's own Personal Hemmings E-mail feed: Some people think that cars might be too dangerous, expensive, and bad for the environment. What may surprise you is that some people thought that back in 1966. The Great Love Affair, preserved and presented on YouTube by Periscope Film, "looks at the impact cars have made on families, the U.S. economy (including the process of purchasing a car), marketing and media, and entertainment during the mid-1960s." Narrated by CBS News correspondent Harry Reasoner, the various aspects of automotive culture are looked at through a curious, almost anthropologic lens. The film starts by noting that 9 million cars were made the previous year, while only 4 millions babies were born. "You might conclude that we love cars more than twice as much as babies," says Reasoner with an extra-dry delivery. From there, The Great Love Affair covers everything from traffic, drive-thru services (including a church), youth culture, and the various aspects of the car economy in an attempt to understand "this thing we have about cars." This being 1966, the car as the primary means of transportation wasn't yet considered a fait accompli. The film features a dinner party scene featuring David E. Davis Jr., John Fitch, and Tom Wolfe all in thoughtful conversation. Davis questions, "Why should anybody be allowed to drive a car in and out of New York City?" and Fitch theorizes that the automobile could be reduced to a means of sport, similar to the fate of horses and boats. More than 50 years ago, the same questions we have today about the purpose, benefits, and future of the automobile were being asked. Even car commercials received a critique that's still valid in modern times

– the cars are always depicted without any other traffic around it. The Great Love Affair doesn't provide any answers, or cast any judgement, it just looks at all the ways the automobile has worked its way into the fabric of American life. It's not just an entertaining walk through the past, it's also a reflection of our present.

>>> Funny quotes I noted in the video are:

- \* At the 'Drive-in Church' - any denomination is welcome...Ford, Chrysler, Chev, Cadillac, Pontiac, Rambler...!
- A new car is like a new member of the family. It even has its own room (garage)!
- Everyone should risk their life once in a while, it keeps the juices flowing!
- The nation is making more cars than babies. I guess we like cars more than babies...!

[https://www.hemmings.com/blog/2019/12/29/good-sense-has-never-had-anything-to-do-with-love-americas-affair-with-cars/?refer=news&utm\\_source=edaily&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=2019-12-29](https://www.hemmings.com/blog/2019/12/29/good-sense-has-never-had-anything-to-do-with-love-americas-affair-with-cars/?refer=news&utm_source=edaily&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=2019-12-29)



IMPORTANT - Worth a read: An alliance has been established to lobby against issues that hot rodders have been encountering with the Wisconsin State Patrol. Interpretations of 1990s laws have put in question hot rods that have been legal in the past. The fenderless car pictured above is a prime example of what many consider it being an off-gender of the rules. This sort of conversation and opinion could over-flow into the 'old car fraternity' - ED [https://www.oldcarsweekly.com/blogs/wisconsins-new-alliance?utm\\_source=hs\\_email&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=80916121&hsenc=p2ANqtz-962bGZ3RPLhxx58efhnnMWodLleATeU-eqTuFrzEnSR\\_qdP3\\_qZ1VZ5fxPTY1vzZU\\_NwIX\\_HELEZGpU9Bs9orOwQ2myw&\\_hsmi=80916121](https://www.oldcarsweekly.com/blogs/wisconsins-new-alliance?utm_source=hs_email&utm_medium=email&utm_content=80916121&hsenc=p2ANqtz-962bGZ3RPLhxx58efhnnMWodLleATeU-eqTuFrzEnSR_qdP3_qZ1VZ5fxPTY1vzZU_NwIX_HELEZGpU9Bs9orOwQ2myw&_hsmi=80916121)





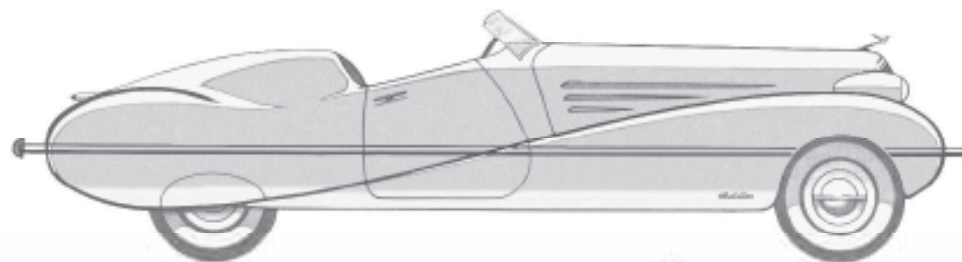


Throughout the late nineties, the CLC(NZ) Magazine published a monthly cartoon created by member Jason Curry.

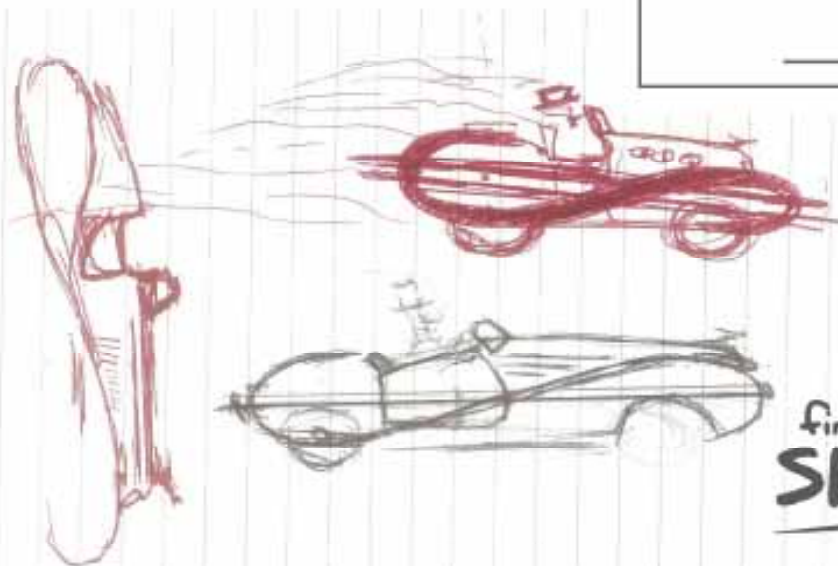
Twenty years on, we look back on some of the highlights of the series with the very best of *Cadillac Arrest*...

*Cadillac Arrest*

DESPITE BEING  
CREATED FOR THEIR INDIVIDUALITY,  
WHAT'S THE ONE THING THAT  
ALL CUSTOMISED CADILLACS  
HAVE IN COMMON?



*Jason Curry 5/97*



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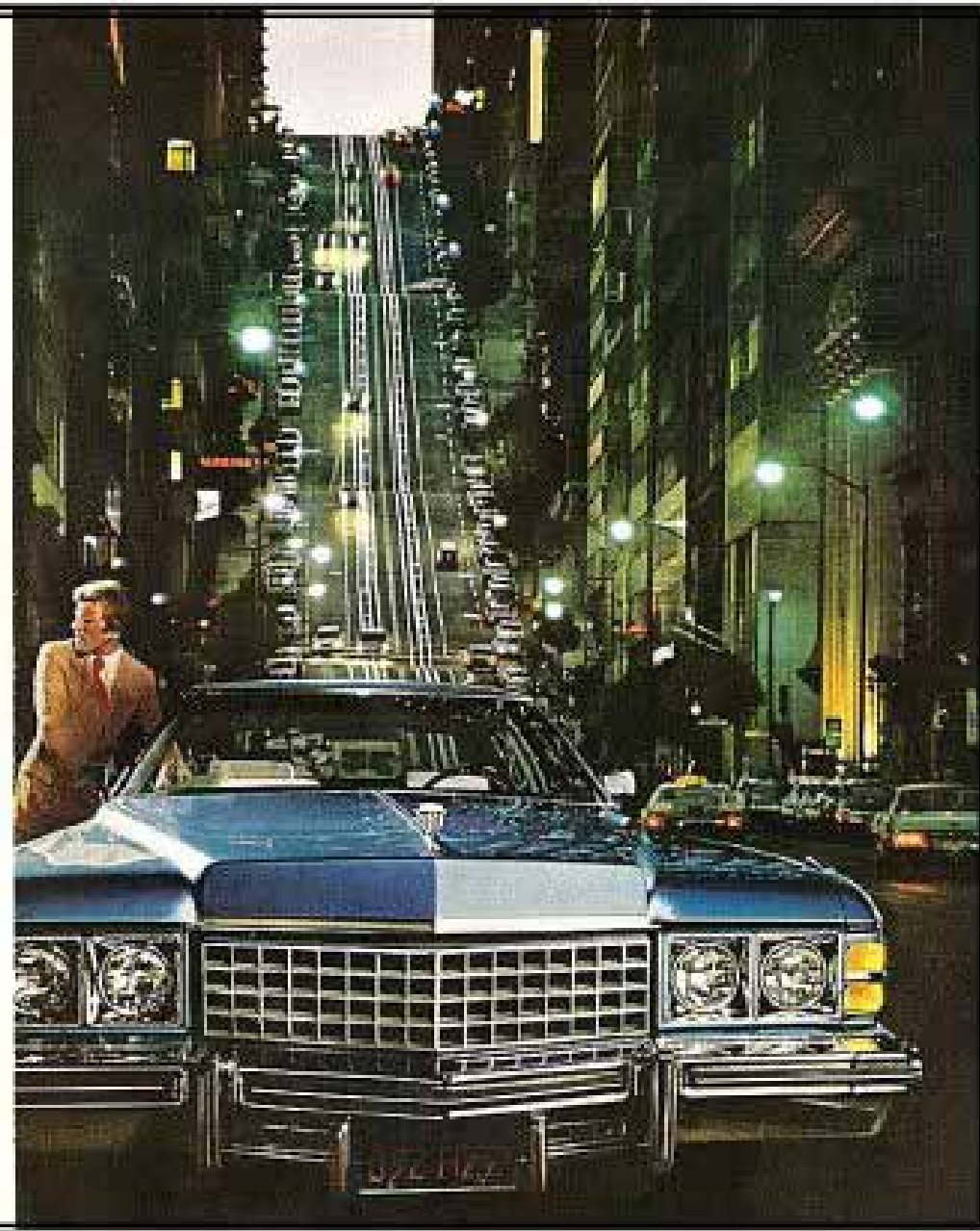
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WOW, look at that San Fran road in the background! ED





# Editor's choice

Wherever possible I look for interesting articles and pics to share with you!

It's the most expensive Mustang to ever cross the auction block. The day has finally come, and the original screen-used 1968 Ford Mustang GT from the film Bullitt has a new owner. That person paid handsomely for the privilege, too, because it sold for a whopping US\$3.4 million plus Buyers Premium! And yes, that's the most money ever paid for a Ford Mustang at auction. Not bad for a car that was originally purchased for just \$3,500. [From Ron Melville's own personal Hemmings.com 'Daily Email Feed' - Go to [www.hemmings.com](http://www.hemmings.com) and SUBSCRIBE today - ED]



NEWS FLASH - from CLC US 'Office' - Our Office Manager, Mike Book, was involved in an automobile accident on Friday, January 17. Nancy says that the Doctor indicated that his injuries are not life threatening. However, he has been unconscious since the accident and apparently has back injuries. Nancy has requested that we respect her and her families privacy and that they will update us as news progresses. Glenn Brown, President & Ronnie Hux Exec. VP. [Best wishes to Mike and Nancy from CLC NZ - ED]

AUSTRALIAN FIRES - The world watches whilst Australia burns. Terrible, simply terrible with loss of human and wild life plus thousands of homes. Our thoughts and prayers from CLC NZ to all our Australian CLC Members and their families and friends. We hope not too many of you are caught up. Great to hear that so many countries have provided Fire Fighters to help out the Australian 'Fires'. Aid and equipment/ Fire-fighting planes also being sent to Oz. Latest is, the Australian 50th Anniversary in Mudgee is still 'go' albeit the Blue Mountains maybe a charcoal blue by time Steve and I get there. This interesting link is well worth watching. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-fLAL5CyHkg&feature=youtu.be>

Image at right depicts Fires burning! Below image says it all!







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## What's on the FRIDGE?

FEBRUARY>>> 2 All American vehicle Day

Trentham Racecourse, Wellington

2 Classic Car Meet And Classic Boot Sale at  
Classics Museum Hamilton

8-9 Morrinsville Motorama.

8-9 Leadfoot Festival, Hahei, Coromandel

14 Classics at Ohope beach, Whakatane

19-22 Americarna in Taranaki

22 Swap Meet hosted by the Nelson Vintage  
Car Club Richmond.

FUTURE Diary pencillings: MARCH

25th - 29th, Beach Hop Whangamata

Twentieth Anniversary Event

30th March to 3rd April --> 'The Golden

Mudgee Muster', CLC Australian 50th

Anniversary, Mudgee, NSW Australia

## Stuff -4- Sale

MRS PRZLEY  
**PRSCLA**

Hi Ron - Could I include this in magazine?  
\$800.00 and I can transfer entitlement of  
the personalised plate to purchaser. Bought  
it years ago with the intention of another  
Cadillac for me. Wayne's (husbands) plate is  
PRZLEY. Regards Frances. 027 688 0677  
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*Tail Lights*

