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Today

Welcome to the first newsletter of the Holden Register, yours and all Practical Uiasistas late last year the original cry for help appeared in Laos and bounds, until it emerged from its cocoon, like several Holdens themselves, on the 15th February, with your help and involvement the Register will continue on an ever-stronger basis assisting Holden owners in keeping these unusual and truly practical vehicles on the roads of Britain. What better way to help Australia collaborate her vicentenary than by showing off her products?

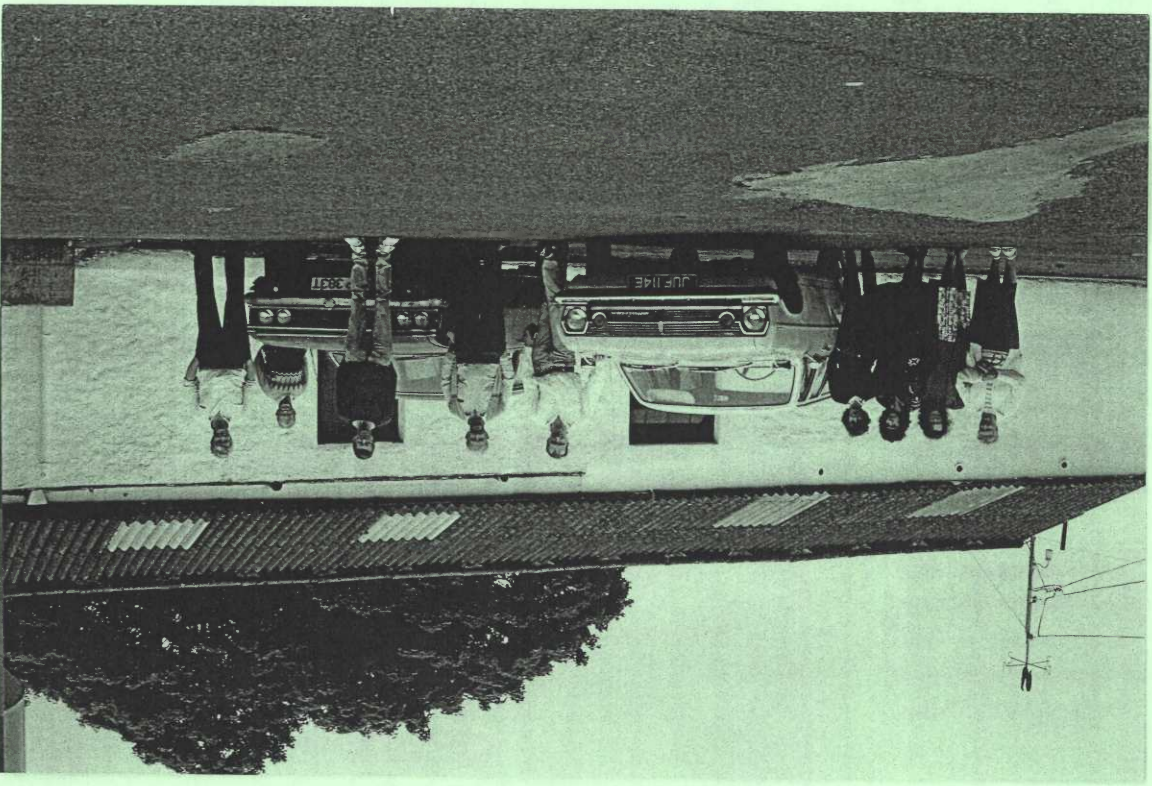
Keep writing to the Register - the content of "Holden business" depends on YOU and don't be afraid to write to us. The editors to write to us: Patrick Hampall, 6 Stour canyon Drive, Sturminster Newton, Dorset DT10 0JN. And why the title, "Holden Business" in the first place? Well, for those of you who models were offered - "Skinnard", "Special", and "For those of you who are "business", reflecting a proper roadster body style designation. Now read on...

We bid a warm welcome and a happy association with the Register to the following members:-
Allen Harris, of 56 Moore Walk, Forest Gate, London E7 0JY, who started the Register with rolling; he is about to restore his 1929 VC Special. It has been in store for some years but was in very poor condition prior to being put in motion. "Good on you, Allen".
Iain Brinkley, of "Upstairs", 44 Hargrave Road, Hobdon Bridge, west Yorks who runs a 1956 VC Special in excellent condition. His story will hopefully appear in "Holden business" No.2.

Guy Henry, of Nether Hall Farm, Salford, Nelson County, Texas. He is restoring a 6.1970 Chevrolet Komando wagon (extra car to this unit), This is a "badged" Holden built in Port Elizabeth, South Africa which appears to have found its way to the U.K. in the late '70s. It uses a local engine of 3800cc (210 cu in) mated to an Australian-designed Triatic box.

Also enthusiast Ken Garner, who has written several times to the Register enclosing a Holden brochure and lots of interesting photocopies for our files. He has also offered to do some printing for us - thank you for your support, Ken.
Finally I will emerge from my shell to reveal that I own a 1968 HK Kingswood, undoubtedly the "business" car in a class of Holdens. If you see a Vauxhall Viva and while monstrosity, drive up in front of your door this year, be merciful!

Our First AGM



FRONT COVER -

The front page of the first edition of Holden Business.

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Hi all,

Well we finally did it...reached our 100th edition. It seems like only yesterday that.....

Patrick, thank you for the excellent article starting on page 9, taking us back over those years. Patrick, of course wrote the very first edition of Holden Business.

Also inside you will find a report on our recent AGM held at the Ace Café. There was a good exchange of information and views on the future direction of our Club.

We now have a new Events Officer: Rob Apsey, so if you have any suggestions for suitable venues, please get in touch with him. See page 2 for contact details.



Rather belatedly! I have enclosed membership renewal forms. If you have already paid please ignore it, otherwise I would appreciate you returning it with your remittance as soon as possible.

Many of you will remember my gold coloured VL Calais, a regular at many shows over the years. This has now been sold to Dominic Lembo. Hopefully we will see it at future shows, probably with shiny new paintwork!

Regards

Ken

