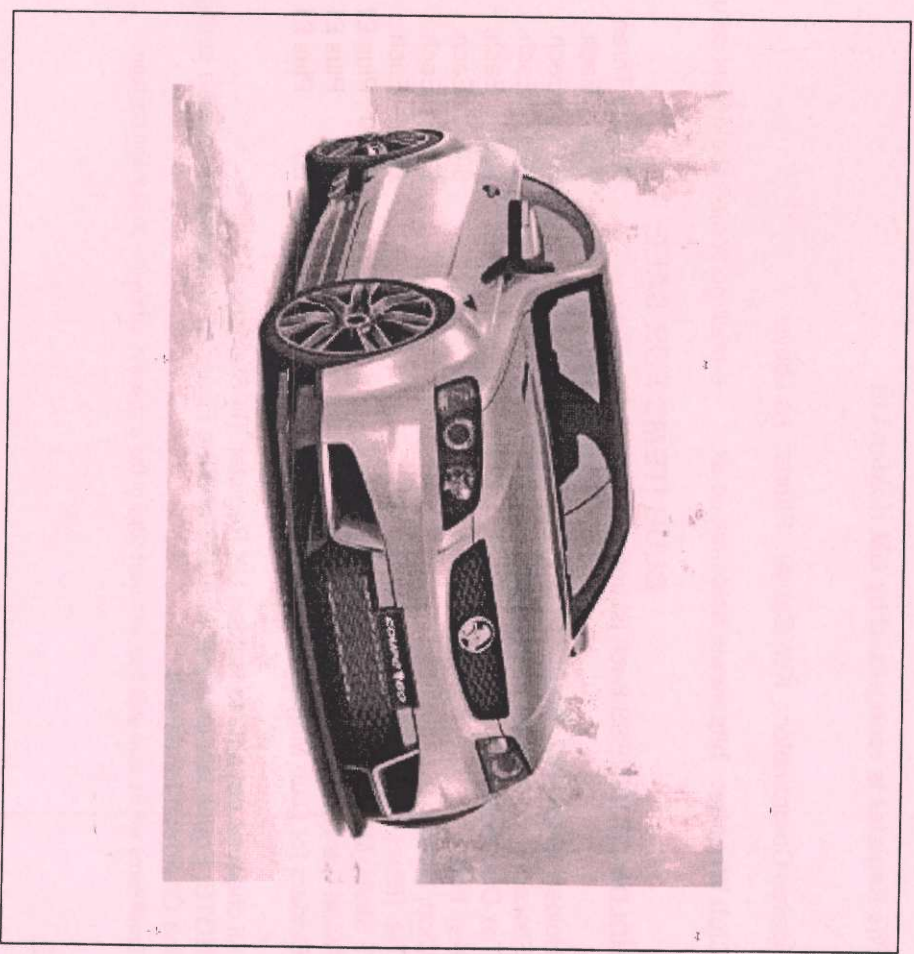
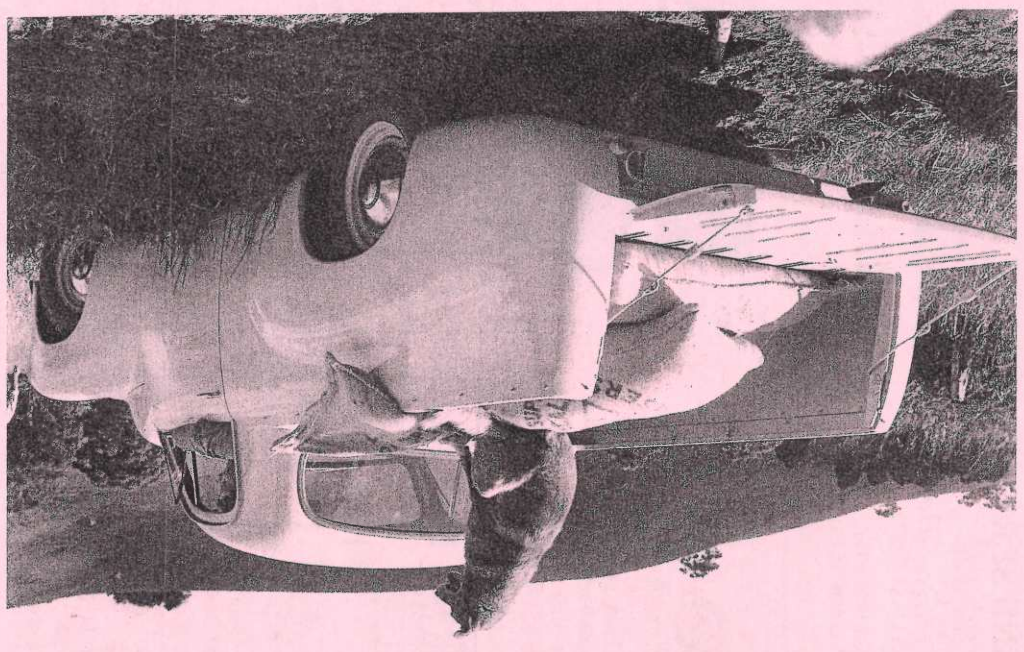


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Holden 1948-1962 Book Stickers (With Club Logo)	No. 1-3	50p the Three
Key Fob	..	£8 Each.
Cloth Badge	..	50p Each.
Tie (Blue)	..	50p Each.
T Shirts (M/L)	..	£7 Each.
Metal Car Badge	..	£8 Each.
Binders for Club Magazine (holds 12)	..	£6.50 Plus £1 p&p
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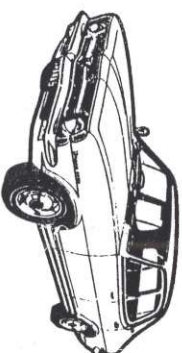
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Small items will be sent post free with next copy of the magazine, otherwise please add postage.



Hi all,

I hope some of you managed to get to the Ace Café for the Australia Day event last month, unfortunately I was laid up with a cold so couldn't make it myself. It was a good event I was told.



As members will see from the enclosed flyer, we are offering you all a free T-Shirt to celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our club. Try to send your size details back to Guy as soon as possible so that we can place the order, and get the items out to you all in good time. If you prefer you can simply forward your request to Guy's e-mail address.

Now that Spring is almost here the number of events being advertised is increasing, so time to check your cars out and make it along to some of them. If you are based in the South of England the Wheels Day show on Good Friday is a good season opener, it should be a huge event if previous years are anything to go by.

Regards

Ken



# Your Letters

29/12/07

David Hart  
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Dear Ken,  
Just a short note to let you know in classic American, Jan 2008 issue they run a 2 page feature on the 2007 Vauxhall Monaco VXR 500, showing plenty of pictures and spec.

regards



PS. CLASSIC CARS FOR SALE, DEC 2007.  
Ran an article on the Holden/Vauxhall Monaco about its future classic status.

## News



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### Holden Fans Get 60th Anniversary Present

GM Holden today marked the diamond anniversary of its first all Australian car by unveiling a stunning two-door performance thoroughbred called *Coupe 60*.



*Coupe 60* celebrates the six decades since GM Holden built the 48-215 at its Fishermans Bend plant in Port Melbourne, Victoria, and provides a glimpse of Holden's future directions in design, engineering and emerging engine technologies.

Exemplifying sports luxury, *Coupe 60* is a pillarless concept car that explores the limits of Holden's current rear-wheel drive capabilities, combining racing looks and technology into a road going sportscar experience.

Its sophisticated appearance is delivered through simple and powerful design, highlighted by the pillarless construction and V8 supercar inspired cockpit layout and side-exiting chambered exhaust system with billet alloy tips.

Almost 60mm shorter than the VE sedan, and sitting on 21-inch centre-lock alloy wheels with unique design Kumho high performance semi-slick tyres, *Coupe 60* captures all that's exciting about the Holden DNA.

Other racing-derived enhancements include full flat under body, rear underbody air diffuser and functional rear deck-lid spoiler with unique designed LED tail lamps.

The interior also has several unique features. They include one piece carbon fiber bucket seats (featuring leather and suede pad design) and a sports-inspired flat bottomed steering wheel with integrated shift light display and LCD sports instrument cluster.

The high gloss carbon fiber carries through to doors and rear trim providing a contrast to the leather trimmed instrument panel and black suede trimmed pillars, headliners and parcel shelf.

Details and accents are picked out with a distinctive red high shine leather on the seats and dark gunmetal finish and satin chrome on the consoles and doors.

Front seats are adjustable fore and aft to allow easy access to the rear, with four-point race harness restraints for all seating positions.

Under the bonnet is just as forward looking, with a 6.0 litre V8 engine incorporating the latest technologies such as active fuel management and calibrated for E85 ethanol fuel.

Even the paint is a one-off. Called 'Diamond Silver' by Holden designers, it gives a liquid aluminium finish that almost slides off the bodywork.

GM Holden Chairman and Managing Director Mark Reuss said, "Coupe 60 is Holden's 60th anniversary gift to its fans worldwide.

"It highlights Holden's heritage of rear wheel drive performance whilst looking ahead to the potential offered by new technologies and materials.

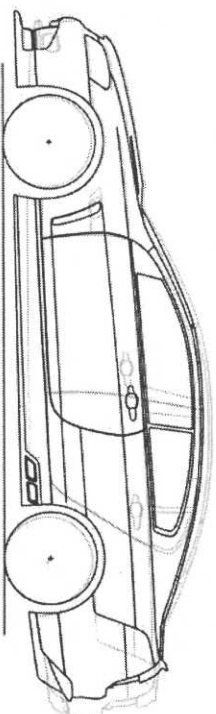
"This is a vehicle I know our designers would dearly love to see go into production, but for the moment it has to remain a concept only," he said.

Project Designer Manager, Peter Hughes, said, "We were looking to mark the diamond anniversary with a car that captured the Holden DNA and took the current VE range to an exciting next step.

"Even in the early stages of VE development, we knew there was a sensational coupe waiting to get out and the 60 th anniversary has given us the chance to explore that.

"With Coupe 60 we think we have designed a car that has the potential to write another chapter in the book of Holden icons."

**Coupe 60 – Specifications and Features (Coupe 60 overlaid on VE Sedan)**



	LENGTH	WIDTH	HEIGHT	WHEELBASE	OVERHANG FRONT	OVERHANG REAR	TRAIL FRONT	TRAIL REAR	TYRE FRONT	TYRE REAR
Coupe 60	4837.0	1895.0	1400.0	2915.0	912.0	1010.0	1678.0	1613.0	P245/35R21	P285/30R21
VE Sedan	4994.2	1888.7	1459.0	2915.0	946.3	1132.9	1602.0	1620.0	P225/60R16	P225/60R16

**Main Features:**

Pillarless coupe body;  
Derived from flexible GRWD platform;  
VE sedan wheelbase.

**Powertrain:**

6.0L V8 with Active Fuel Management, calibrated for E85 Ethanol fuel;  
6-speed manual transmission (SS specification);  
Engine oil cooler.

**Exterior:**

- Unique "Diamond Silver" paint colour;
- Electrically dropping front & rear side windows;
- Racing-derived aerodynamic down-force enhancements:
- Rear under-body air diffuser;
- Full flat under body;
- Functional rear deck-lid spoiler;