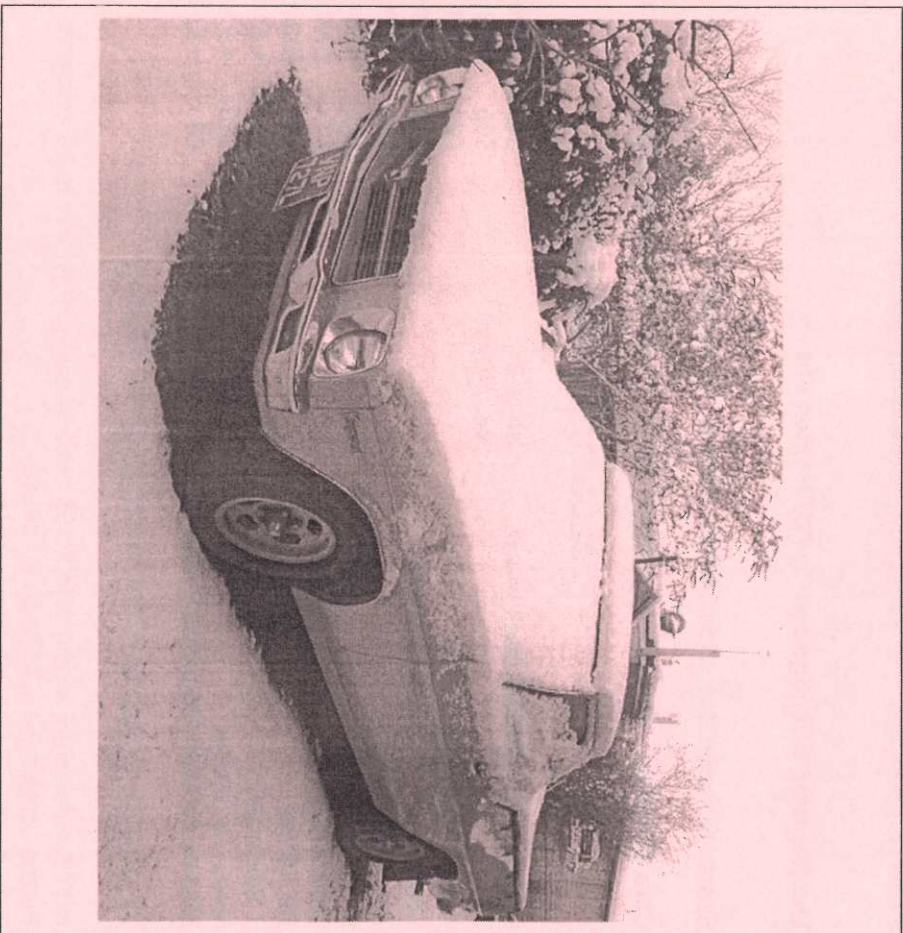


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FRONT COVER - Seasonal picture! The Chairman's ute.

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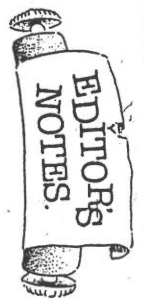
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Hi all,

Happy New year to you

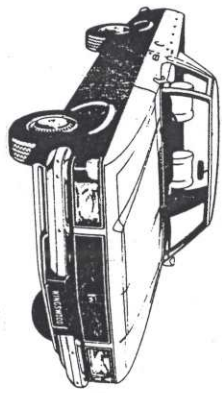
all.

As I write this we are all in the grip of the worst winter weather for about 30 years. Snow and freezing temperatures everywhere and of course the usual transport disruption.

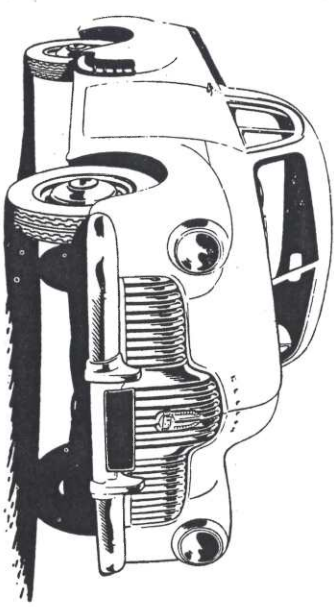
If the weather is back to normal by the end of the month try and get along to the annual Australia Day gathering at the Ace Café just off the North Circular Road in London on Sunday 24th January.

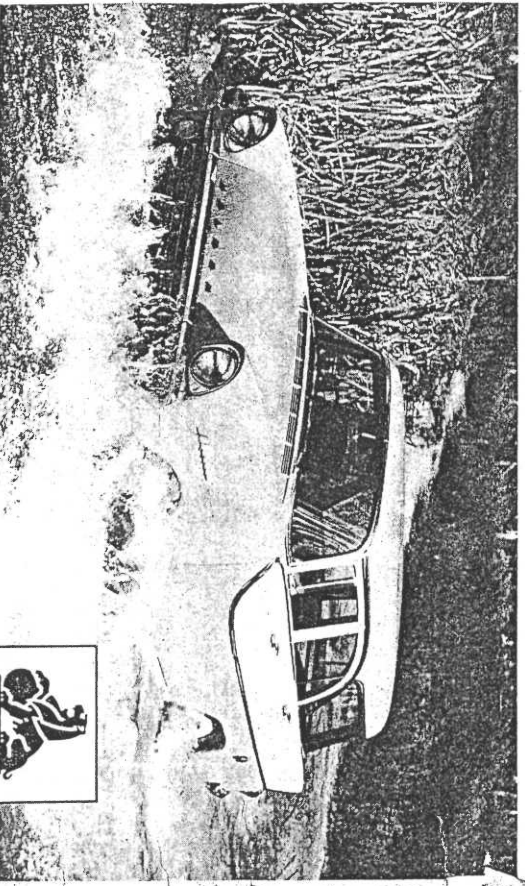
Regards

Ken



If any of you are interested in owning a rather fine 1983 WB Statesman, have a look at the letter on page 7.





Jack Opaton of the Evening Standard gives the Holden a really tough work-out.

Supplement to Republic, October 26, 1939



WHAT THE MOTORING EXPERTS SAY ABOUT HOLDEN

RAND DAILY MAIL:

Dixson Jones—this is the verdict on the Holden car. Briefly—It has its notable passenger comfort, its high speed, its freedom of movement, its ability to take its own way, its ability, its lack of road and engine noise; and I live in the case of handling...

EAST LONDON DAILY DISPATCH:

Press conference of Automobile Rally... 300 miles... a car practically non-stop at maximum possible speed... suspension, shear off exhaust system and petrol tank... bind up brakes and suffer from a variety of mechanical... safe and tough, and as rugged as motor-cars should be for South Africa.

STAR:

Henry Hobbs will not back... This car he said after a rigorous test which failed to reveal any weaknesses.

CAR AND LIGHT DELIVERY EFFECT:

A Commercial Traveller's Car... combination of style and performance... durability in performance under... evening post.

EVENING POST:

The comfort of the car over corrugations and polished country roads was exceptional... I noticed the... the car had been hammered over some atrocious surfaces.

EVENING STANDARD (Rhodesia):

The Holden will be popular in the Union... when the going is tough... a really reliable... "robust" Jack Opaton

DAGBREEK en SONDAGNUTS:

The Holden will do well in the Union... a tough car with a good fuel tank...

THE FRIEND:

The Holden car cope with anything that looks remotely like control... remarkable torque range... which means control of pull at low engine speeds.

THE SUNDAY NEWS (Rhodesia):

The Holden is a car which is built like a tank and yet has a performance which would shame any other car... it is unique... really comes into its own on the rough going.

SUNDAY TRIBUNE:

Major motor test to prove... the car's competence in dust-proofing. The Holden... really comes into its own on the rough going.

VOIKSRIAD:

The Holden starts the imagination of all South African motorists... it is so well suited in South African conditions.

WEEKEND:

The Holden will be popular in the Union... the "V8" engine... stability on the road and nothing to touch it for cramping with soft soil.

CONSTITUTION:

The Holden is the sort of car that South Africa needs... it behaved beautifully over badly corrugated and gullied roads... on very bad roads averaged 35.4 miles per gallon.

HUISGENOOT:

The Holden is definitely a car to see and drive... I have seen Holden... and design of detail... For people who will certainly prefer the Holden car for... "Passer

The Holden Special de Luxe Sedan and Special Station Sedan are booked by General Motors Service and Sport throughout Southern Africa. Ask your Holden dealer about the General Motors Owner Protection Policy.

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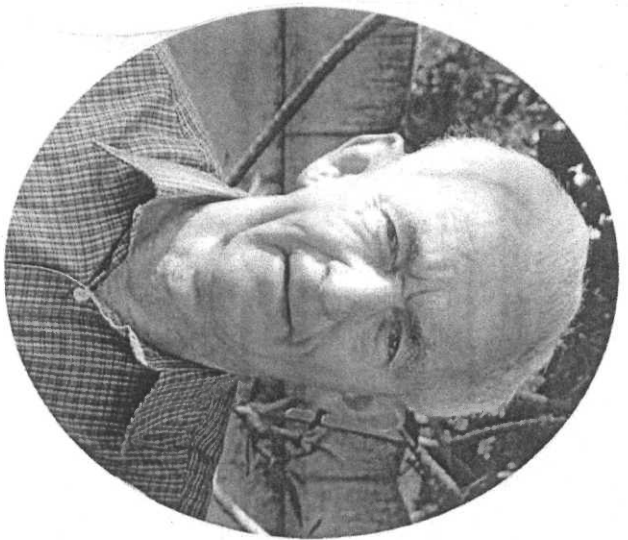
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It was with great sadness that we learnt of the death of Ian Saxton in November. Ian was a great supporter of our Club for many years, and a personal friend to many of it's members, including myself. He was a frequent visitor to the UK from his home in South Africa and in between working in Ireland, managed to visit some of us and attend the odd Club meeting. Our condolences go out to his family in their sad loss.

Thank you Ian for your friendship and all the detailed Holden information you were able to provide us with over the years.

Ken



Ian Saxton

2 January 1939 to 17 November 2009