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## EDITOR'S NOTES.

Hi all,

This will be the last edition of our magazine before Christmas, it does seem early but even so we have been beaten by the Christmas adverts on TV!

Thank you all for renewing your membership, it makes sure we are able to continue maintaining the Club and the website. We are here to provide support to keep your cars running and provide advice and if required, verification of your Holden to ensure you are able to register it with the DVLA.

As editor I am always after interesting content for our magazine, so pictures of your car at events or progress of restorations are always welcome. If you do need parts, or want to sell your car, I can always upload adverts to our website, all at no cost to members.

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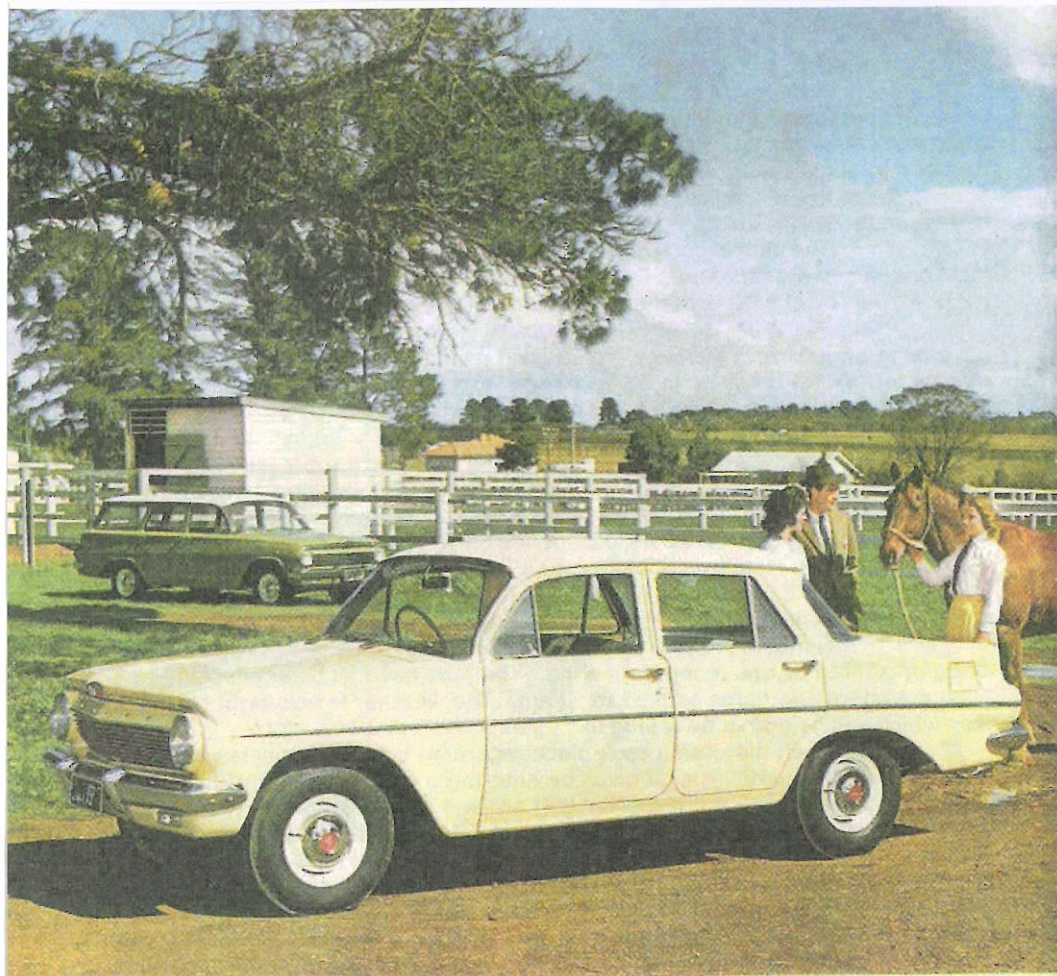
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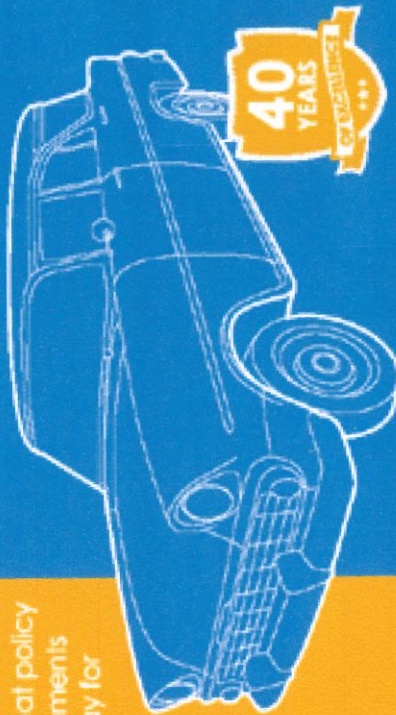
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# Dead end for Euro 7

## Euro 7 emissions regulations all but axed for cars and vans as EU ministers agree to relaxed rules

By MATT BROGAN

EUROPEAN Union ministers have agreed to water down a European Commission proposal on Euro 7 vehicle emissions after vehicle manufacturers and eight countries said the changes could divert investment from electric vehicles toward developing cleaner versions of soon-to-be-obsolete internal combustion technology.

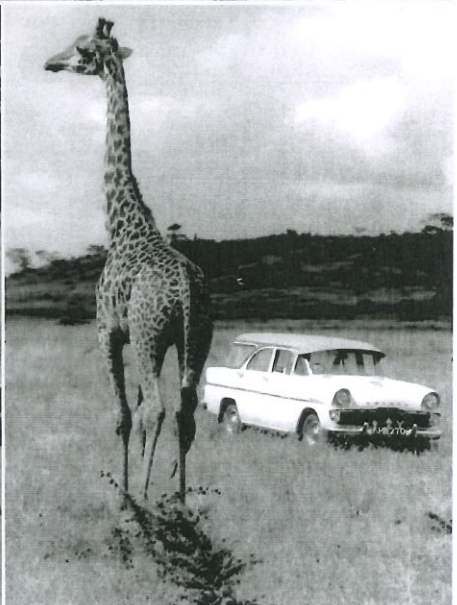
According to a *Reuters* report, the bloc has agreed not to change the existing Euro 6 test conditions and emissions limits for cars and vans, but supported lower limits for buses, trucks and heavy vehicles.

The same countries also accepted new particle emissions limits for friction materials (brakes) and tyres.

Spain, which currently holds the rotating presidency of the European Union, presented a compromise text last week that was agreed upon by the Council of the European Union, which comprises government ministers from each European Union country.

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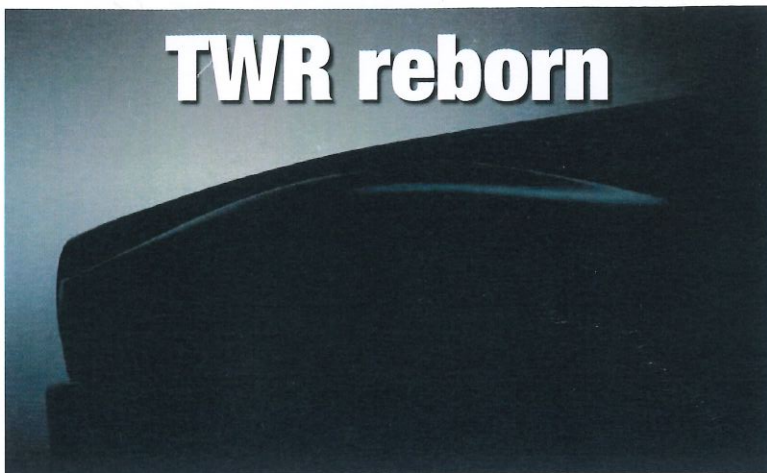
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## New model teased as Fergus Walkinshaw and John Kane revive famous TWR marquee

By MATT BROGAN

ONE of the most famous names in high-performance automotive engineering is set to make a comeback as TWR (Tom Walkinshaw Racing) begins a new life as a “bespoke creator of automobiles”, continuing a legacy that aims to “stretch the famous name into the modern automotive world”.

Formed by Tom Walkinshaw’s son Fergus and business partner John Kane, the ‘new’ TWR seeks to “pioneer technological advances both on road and track”, while seeking to preserve and protect the analogue driving experience.

“It gives me a great amount of pride that the TWR name will live on for a new generation,” said TWR founder Fergus Walkinshaw.

“High-performance engineering runs in the blood of the Walkinshaw

family, and ever since the original TWR closed its doors I have longed to find a way to continue the family legacy. Through this new iteration of TWR we can not only celebrate the history and heritage of the original TWR, but also push the boundaries of our projects further than ever before.”

While a separate entity to the original Tom Walkinshaw Racing, and seemingly having no connection with Australian-headquartered Walkinshaw Group run by Fergus Walkinshaw’s half brother Ryan, the new company will share what the former described as “much of the DNA and spirit that helped the original TWR brand to become a world leader in performance and motorsport engineering”.

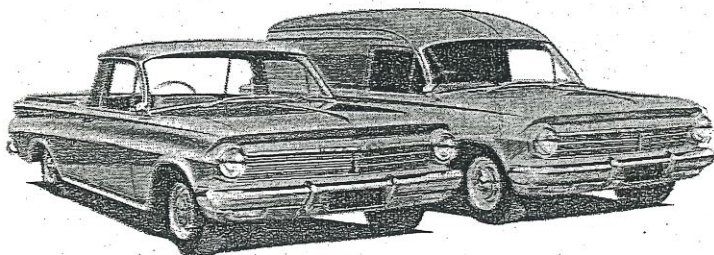
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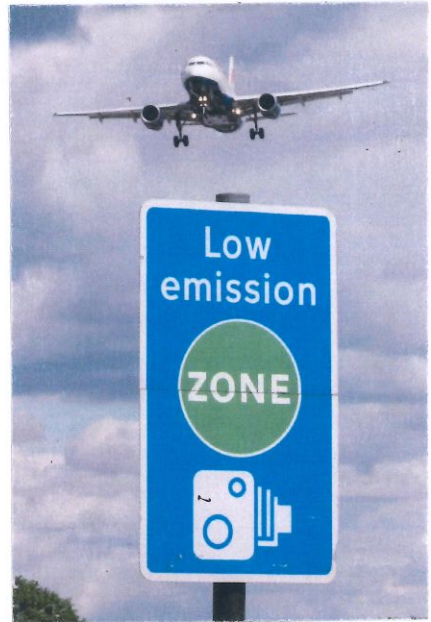
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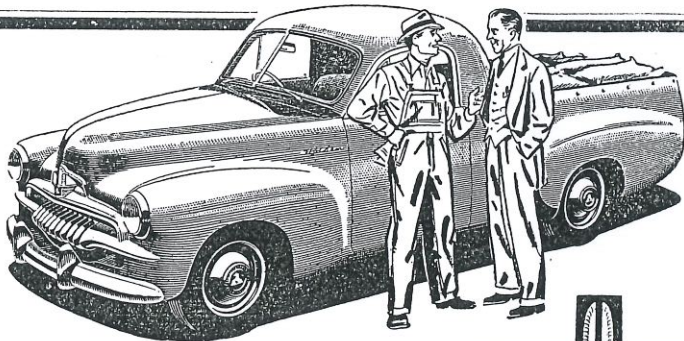
# How you save with Holden

**"51,000 MILES  
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*Mr. P. N. Sharpe, a mailman, of Narromine, N.S.W. writing in February this year said "I have covered 51,000 miles on all types and conditions of bush roads and track, and no days have been lost through any kind of mechanical breakdown."*

**"73,000 MILES  
.. averaged 32 m.p.g.!"**

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\*AS2077 test.

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45mpg (6.5/100km) Highway cycle

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**DIESEL**

**56**

**MPG**

AS2077 TEST: HIGHWAY CYCLE



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