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Lots of News to follow soon

In the mean time click on new spares and feel your mouth watering.

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RE: HOMOLOGATION

Basil Green:

The homologated parts that he needed to have his V8 Capri homologated were unavailable from overseas so, in desperation, he produced his own homologation special for motorsport. It featured a Ford 302 Windsor V8 engine, a four-speed top-loader gearbox and a locked differential, plus a few other mods. I hope that answers all the questions on whether the car was FIA approved.

These cars below were entered in the LONDON - SYDNEY MARATHON and are Homologated as Class K

LONDON-SYDNEY MARATHON 2004

1	Richard Martin-Hurst	GB	Tony Devantier	NZ	Capri Perana	Class K
18	Paul Darrouzet	AUS	Paul Williamson	AUS	Capri Perana	Class K

FIRST NEWSLETTER THIS YEAR - 2005

Well does one believe it or not. I am actually In the frame of mind to write a newsletter. As some of you know I have taken a bit longer than expected to write a newsletter. I suppose the death of my brother and having two stomach operations plus having all my teeth removed at nearly 60 years old is more of a shock to the system than expected. Hey what's in the past is in the past and nothing on this planet is going to change that. What amazes me is why I was ever born into the Lunatic Asylum of the Universe, this planet called Earth. I never asked to be born, like the millions of children all over this sick, depraved planet.

If I was GOD I would eliminate it immediately as I cannot see one good reason for it's existence.

HOW IS THIS FOR ONE GOOD REASON:

Nestled into the heart of the area of heaviest oil concentration in the world is Iraq, overflowing with low-hanging fruit. No permafrost, no deep water. Just giant pools of oil, right beneath the warm ground. This is fruit sagging so low, as it were, that it practically touches the ground under the weight of its ripeness.

Not only does Iraq have vast quantities of easily accessible oil, but its oil is almost untouched. "Think of Iraq as virgin territory This is bigger than anything Exxon is involved in currently It is the superstar of the future," says Gheit, "That's why Iraq becomes the most sought-after real estate on the face of the earth." So where are the W.O.M.D. You know they bulls*/+/* us the layman in the street. But the truth will prevail in the end. So why not stop and give it to Saudi Arabia now, and stop all the poor Americans from dying each day. (That is really sick) Vietnam all over again!!!!

My URL is changing to <http://www.capri-perana.co.za> even if you have the old URL you will be redirected to the new one for about a month. So please Bookmark it. (Add to it your Favorites). I have been told lately that someone here in Johannesburg has the actual blue Prints for the "Perana" . Now getting them out of him might prove to be a little difficult. Maybe I will have to make him a partner or something. Although I pay for everything on the Website, it's maintenance and yearly fee. **BUT THEN FORD RULES, OK! I have never made one cent profit out of it.**

Take a look at this link and read the article where the Perana is still the fastest Historic racing Car in its class.
<http://www.motorsport.com/magazine/feature.asp?C=Mirrors&D=2002-02-15>

8th Of JUNE 2005

You know I wonder why I even bother with keeping this webpage up at all, I ask for a simple request as to whether anyone knows of a panel beater to respray my bonnet, the only reply I got was from Garreth Tarr but then again I have met Garreth and have spent time with him, he is a great guy.

I ask an Australian any question I want and I get an instant reply. I get E-mails from people like Drean Du Preez asking if I can find him Capri Side Panels (Mud guards) which I do, but does he bother to reply to my e-mail or phone me **NO**.

I get an e-mail from Charles Lowings asking for a windscreen which I find for him, only to have all his e-mails bounced back to me.

OK guys I am angry, but how about having the decency to reply to my e-mails, I spend a lot of money on phone calls finding

spares and that really tick's me off, I don't care whether you take the spares just let me know what you are doing. In future if I don't receive a return e-mail I will give the spares to someone else. Check out the **FOR SALE** tag.

So go and buy a fake "Perana" and I will see, that if you try to export it, that you are charged with fraud. This is also a promise and not a threat. I have a friend in SARS fraud section and Customs falls under SARS. Check it out on the Internet.

18th Of JUNE 2005

[Gallery's](#) have been updated

Take a look at some really fast Fords all locally up rated mostly by a friend of mine Clive Joseph, Clive has had 17 Capri Perana's and is a really helpful and nice person all round.

8th JULY 2005

Thanks to my Internet Service Supplier which failed to notify me that my Trash Can had exceeded 500mb and so they bounced all my e-mails. In 2002 Pres .Mbeke signed into Law a new code when dealing with e-mails which are considered the same as normal post, and any one found tampering with would be Prosecuted to the Full Extent of the LAW. I have handed the matter over to my Attorneys who will prosecute the above offender.

So if by chance you sent me an e-mail from Monday morning the 4th July and had it returned to you PLEASE forward it to me again as I need it as evidence (with All attachments). Thank You....

I have recently discovered some horrifying NEWS re all Capri "Perana's" more details to follow this week as soon as I have Pictures for proof.

7th AUGUST 2005

Please check your chassis where it starts to bend upwards toward the motor, and see that it hasn't developed a crack there, mine had and has been repaired using angle iron 3mm thick.

Well at last I have got my car back from the garage where they fitted a T5 Borg Warner V8 gearbox (5 Speed). I now have an overdrive of .87 ratio. This was the most difficult thing I have ever seen done. The engine had to be moved back three inches and a new gearbox mounting made. The prop-shaft was shortened to accommodate the change, and then the fun started I had a Stainless Steel Exhaust System fitted at the beginning of the year and it is all one piece, so its a double exhaust system with balance pipe all in one, so we had to drop the diff to get the Gearbox in and out. We had to change the clutch pressure plate as well so the clutch fork would work correctly, then after the first test run we found oil pouring out of the rear seal and the bush had been pushed right in, so new rear seal and bush and that meant dropping the box again as

the bush had gone right into the tailgate. When I bought the gearbox I was assured the it was in perfect working order, you really can't test a gearbox on the floor of someone's living room. So I took them at their word.

Well again I see myself getting involved with Lawyers, which have done nothing for me so far, except send large bills of R3,600.00 the last time I saw them and they never got back a penny, because they lost the originals and by the time they found them, the culprit had moved with no forwarding address. I gave up after that. "How do you sue a Lawyer". You don't because basically they are all dishonest, so I handed them over to the Receiver of Revenue for a Forensic Audit, as my son does a lot of programming for them and he introduced me to their Fraud Team who said they were investigating 196 Lawyers already and they would add them to the list. When the Receiver of Revenue in South Africa does a Forensic Audit he closes your business for a minimum of 6 months no excuses accepted. That's the only guy you don't want to get on the bad side of because he is like a Pit bull and will never let you go even after the audit is completed, he puts you in his **Black Book**, so at the end of every financial year, your file gets very special attention until you die. They have a complete separate section just for this.

Enough of this, as I have been car-less, I haven't been able to go to any of the Motor Events here in South Africa . I will have to rely on guys like Gareth Tarr to tell me all about them. I also spoke to Basil Green a weak ago on the phone and asked if he had done any modifications to the flywheel and clutch assemble, he said no they are stock standard for any 302 Motor. I am going to ask him for an Interview which I will record and put it up on the website in Mp3 format for downloading. That will stop a lot of the BS that is floating around.

I hope from now on to bring you more news, more regularly. I am going to Cape Town for my 60th Birthday thanks to my very special wife (2nd September - 6th September) we are going for three nights and four days and are aiming to hit the Wine Farms big time. We are flying there and back as it would cost more in Petrol, than an airfare and accommodation. My birthday is on the 5th of September.

Last but not least a big thank you to Simon McGrath in Australia for all the info you sent me and of course to JoE in Germany for putting that article on his webpage about my Capri "Perana" <http://www.capriv8.de> (The Kalahari Ferrari) .

14 SEPTEMBER 2005

Well I am back from Capetown and the Wine Route, where my wife did all the driving and I did all the drinking. It really is a spectacular Route, but unfortunately it rained all the time so I did not take any pictures of the actual route. I did on the last day which was the only sunny day manage to get a picture of the Famous Capetown Waterfront.

CAPETOWN WATERFRONT



I recently received this e-mail can anyone help:

I recently purchased a 68 Cortina "Perana" #43. do you know of any other in existence or how many were manufactured? I contacted Basil Green and he was unable to help. I also need spares for a total restore could you please help me. Regards, Yunus. [Yunus don't forget to send the Picture of the Car \(my comment\)](#)

Once again I have to remove my Gearbox as it grates going into third, I spoke to a guy by the name of Burry Burger who use to work for Borg Warner when they were in South Africa. He now has his own Company called Vaal TRANSMISSION'S and has all the spares for Borg Warner you could need. I am taking my box out there on Thursday and he is going to fit a new Synchro ring for me. I hope this will be the last time I have to remove the gearbox. I will be putting **Royal Purple MAX** in the Gearbox which is a totally synthetic oil and is used exclusively in the Daytona race cars. Its not cheap it sells at R118.00 per 950ml and I need two litres. I will also ask him about the Borg Warner Limited Slip diff the XB1 that was fitted to the Capri "Peranas". If you want to use **Royal Purple** products please contact me by e-mail and I will send you the spec sheet.

I have some really nice pictures from Chris Smit of his Escort 2000 "Perana" which I will be adding to the Gallery soon.

I also wrote to FORD USA trying to find Ronnie Rosin, to my surprise they replied and suggested that I get hold of FORD (RSA) which I have done, so begins the waiting game.....

4 OCTOBER 2005

Into everyone's life must come some of the most stupid people, by this I mean:

1. They don't read what is written correctly, dyslexia????
 2. They are so arrogant that they know everything - yet they know nothing.
 3. There are those who have money, and think they are immortal.
 4. There are those who accuse, but are so chicken, they can't even face you on the phone. (never mind face to face)
 5. They offend people, but are not enough of a man to apologise. (they have balls the size of mustard seeds)
 6. The classic (The Anal Retentive)
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I have **FOR SALE the fastest Capri Perana in South Africa over the quarter mile (400 Meters) 10 Seconds.**

Now to achieve this certain modifications have to be made before you are allowed to participate.

1. Adequate braking power. Disc's all round
2. Racing Seats
3. Fire Extinguisher
4. Oil blow by into the Carb
5. Racing seat belts

These are mandatory.

The car belonged to Andy Walker and won many Drags on Legal drag strips, no illegal street drag racing. The car vanished after Andy was tragically killed while driving a Fiber Glass Chev Corvette. I managed to track his "Perana" down just the other day. Here is the history of the car.

**IN MEMORY OF
ANDY WALKER**

"It's not easy, but it can be done"

**will always live with me until its my time
to get the one way ticket.**

ANDY WAS LAID TO REST - ON THE 30th of NOVEMBER 2001

The modifications to the car are:

Ford Cleveland 351 Motor
Isky Cam 298
4 Valve, Roller Rockers
Holley 750Cfm Secondary Vacuum Carb
Borg Warner T5 gearbox from the factory produced FORD/Sapphire V8
Ford 9" Limited slip diff Ratio 3:0
BMW Vented & Slotted front disc's 4 Pot Caliper
Rear Disc's Toyota Skyline
Seats "Recaro" racing seats
Split 3 Piece Compomotive Mags 13" Front - 15" Rear

Now to fit all this into the engine compartment required a lot of skill which Andy had. He reverted to the Standard Capri Steering rack as the engine has a Camel sump which allows you the clearance to fit the right hand drive steering rack. Most of the "Perana" Owners here, have converted to this system, as the cars are over 30 years old and getting a left hand Rack is a problem. It has to be imported and you have no idea, what condition the main bearing on the steering shaft is in. It also has to have the one ty-rod end re-threaded otherwise the car has a good turning circle to the left, but hardly anything to the right. I know, because that is exactly what happened to me with the rack I imported from Holland.

Needless to say I now have a Camel sump and the correct rack for right hand drive cars, the car even steers better. Camel sumps were not available in the early Seventies. Thanks to Ronnie Rosin's genius, they over came the problem at Basil Green Motors by fitting an inverted left hand rack in those days. But things wear out over a 30 year period.

Back to ANDY'S Capri "PERANA"

The body was reworked and flared to take the wider rims both back and front and adjustable Gas filled shocks were fitted at the back to stop axle tramp on pull off. The front shocks were also modified for the Cleveland Motor. The motor has been completely over hauled and has only done 100 Kilometers, the car was also resprayed Black. Like all cars in South Africa the dashboard has taken a beating from the Harsh South African sun especially at the altitude of Johannesburg (3000) Meters above sea level. You can either get a replacement from [Team Blitz](#) or any of the shops that do Plastic Bumper repairs can also re-skin the dash. That is how I had mine done.

Below are thumbnail pictures of the car (Click to expand).

Was Red has now been Sprayed Black



THE CAR HAS BEEN SOLD (He who snoozes, looses) BG135

Local racing fans in for Grand Prix treat

September 28, 2005, 18:45

South African motor racing fans are in for a special treat when past Formula One greats take over Kyalami in a Grand Prix Masters series in November. The event will pit old champions against each other in similar racing cars.

The Altech Grand Prix Masters series will see the likes of Nigel Mansel, Emerson Fittipaldi, Alain Prost and Ricardo Patrese take each other on. The event to be staged at Kyalami will be a coup for South Africa, and a special treat for local racing fans.

Angelo Copola, the event organiser, says judging from the discussions held with some of the drivers, the event is being highly anticipated.

The event will be used to raise money for charity. Linda Bam from Unite Against Hunger says she believes the effort will raise approximately R1 million. Bam says the Nelson Mandela Children's Fund is also associated with the event and it is hoped another R1 million will be raised for them.

The Altech Masters Grand Prix will take place on the weekend of November 11. A field of 16 former Formula One stars has already signed up. SABC 3 Website

2005

Wishing all the readers a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year

I will update the Newsletter again between Christmas and New Year

DECEMBER 20th 2005

See what its like in this country (SOUTH AFRICA) over the Christmas Season

Has everyone gone Stark Raving Mad

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Motorists urged to buckle up

December 20, 2005, 18:15

Buckle up - was the message to inland road users making their way to the coast at the largest roadblock, involving various law enforcement agencies, in KwaZulu-Natal. This follows reports that at least **(747) people have died in 457 fatal road accidents since the start of the festive season**, compared to 827 fatalities over the entire period last year.

About 340 vehicles per hour have been recorded on the busy N3 freeway between Durban and Johannesburg. A reason why a roadblock was mounted at Van Reenen's Pass today with a cautionary word from the physically challenged. "We feel that it's the time of the year where people are using the roads extensively, and we owe it to the public as a provincial programme of ours to encourage the use seat belts so that they do not become spinally injured on our roads," said Ari Seirlis, the national director of QuadPara Association of South Africa.

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Authorities say they will be in full force to keep fatalities down and prosecute offenders who disobey traffic laws.

Jeff Radebe, the transport minister, says: "We are saying one death is too many, that is why this campaign has to be intensified, not only to motorists, but also to other road users as we know that quite a sizeable number of deaths are actually pedestrians

More than 1,000 die on SA roads in December

December 30 - 2005 - 16:15

Over 1 000 people have died on South Africa's roads since the beginning of December, the department of transport announced. The total to date is **(1,111) dead**. This time last year, the figure was 1 184.

Collen Msibi, a traffic spokesperson, said pedestrian deaths were still a problem. Of those who died, 474 were pedestrians.

Over 1 000 have died on the roads

KwaZulu-Natal has recorded the most road deaths. Among these were five members of a family who were killed on Christmas Eve when their car rolled down an embankment in Matubatuba. The provincial death toll stands at 219. Some 179 people died on Gauteng's roads so far.

Tshepo Machaea, an Eastern Cape traffic spokesperson, said yesterday's accident on the N1 between Humansdorp and Port Elizabeth, which saw 10 people die, had increased the Eastern Cape's death toll to 142. In the Western Cape, the death toll has reached 116, and in Mpumalanga 114. The total in Limpopo stands at 105, while the North West recorded 104 deaths.

The Free State's toll is 97 and the Northern Province recorded 35 deaths. - Sapa

Holiday road deaths at 1 162

January 02, 2006, 19:00

My Comments:

What a subject to write about at the beginning of a NEW YEAR:

1,162 are DEAD that means they will never come back, there are still hundreds of holiday makers who haven't returned home as yet. The highest amount of arrest's were for DRUNK DRIVING, I cannot myself believe it. Give me two drinks and my reaction time has slowed even if it is above normal. Drinking and Driving should have the death penalty, even Drinking and walking on a Major Highway should carry the same penalty. Do you think it will ever happen, when all the Ministers are also culprits. I will be long gone from this planet when they eventually enforce that Liquor is a DRUG. AS DEADLY as COCAINE and the rest.....

About **1 162** people have lost their lives on the country's roads during this festive season. Arrive Alive says it is intending to intensify its campaign about road safety, as more than **499** pedestrians perished on the roads.

KwaZulu-Natal has the highest death toll of 228 and 36 people died in the Northern Cape, 192 in Gauteng, 144 in the Eastern Cape, 123 in Mpumalanga, 120 in the Western Cape, 114 in Limpopo, 105 in the North West, 100 in the Free State and 36 in the Northern Cape.

Collen Msibi, a spokesperson for Arrive Alive, says the total deaths are lower compared to those in 2004.

Holiday death toll on the increase (1248) DEAD

January 05, 2006, 14:45

The death toll on South Africa's roads over the festive season had risen to **1,248** by today, said the transport department. Collen Msibi, the transport department spokesperson, said **529** of those killed were pedestrians, 421 passengers and 298 drivers.

In KwaZulu-Natal, 255 people died on the roads; in Gauteng, 208; the Eastern Cape, 152; Western Cape, 125; Mpumalanga 125; Limpopo, 127; North West, 112; Free State, 105; and Northern Cape, 39. Officials were still following up on 144 cases reported to the police,

Msibi said. The government was extremely concerned about the number of deaths, he said. It has called for tolerance and patience as holidaymakers make their way home this weekend. "Until we take responsibility for our actions on the roads, until we understand that a traffic infringement is a serious offence - and not a socially condoned activity - we are unlikely to make any serious headway in curbing road deaths," Msibi said. - Sapa

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