



THE 2018 KNYSNA MOTOR SHOW AIMS FOR 400 CLASIC CARS AND MOTORCYCLES ON APRIL 29

Held in prime holiday season in the heart of the glorious Garden Route, the **2018 Knysna Motor Show** will be hosted for the seventh successive year on April 29, 2018. With sponsorship once again from **Sanlam Private Wealth**, the event is set to surpass all records once again and the target for this year is 400 classic cars and motorcycles of all categories.

Last year the show drew close to the magical 400mark of very exclusive machines and over 6 000 visitors to the splendid venue at the **Knysna High School Sports Grounds**. The machinery entered all comes under the “classic” heading, and there are a number of sub categories.

These include sports classics, modern classics, veteran and vintage machines built up to 1945, and collectible road and racing motorcycles in both on and off-road guise.

Organised by the Garden Route Motor Club, this is an invitation-only event, which makes the growth in the motor show all the more remarkable. It ensures that the standard is extremely high, and part of its success is due to the fact that some of the country’s finest classic and vintage and veteran machines now reside in lock-ups and barns located along the famed Garden Route.

Last year the event attracted a diverse of top-quality machines, ranging from Veteran models such as a unique Hispano Suiza from 1926 to a totally-restored Porsche 911 race car as campaigned by Gary Dunkerley in the classic Wesbank Modified series in the early 1990s. Later

model classics included Ferraris and Lamborghinis, as well as some delectable Ducati two-wheeled machinery.

“While the aim this year is to attract 400 cars this year, but keeping the event manageable, especially in terms of quality, we have a bigger aim this year,” says Peter Pretorius, Chairman of the Garden Route Motor Club (visit the club’s site at www.grmc.co.za)

“Last year, shortly after our wonderful show, fires devastated the Garden Route, affecting areas from Knysna, Sedgefield, and surrounding areas even as far as Plettenberg Bay. Some 8 000 people were left homeless, leaving families from formal and informal suburbs seeking urgent relief, supplies and support.

“With the huge success of the Knysna Motor Show last year, and with the support of our sponsor Sanlam Private Wealth, we were able to donate an amount of R150 000 to charities, as well as to car and motorcycle enthusiasts who lost everything in the fire.

“**This year we aim to raise more than that amount**, to donate to needy charities still suffering, as Knysna gets rebuilt. To achieve that, we need the support of participants to enter cars and motorcycles in even greater numbers and for the public to visit what we believe is one of the best car shows in the country.”

While the Knysna Motor Show is an invitation-only event, the Garden Route Motor Club is encourage enthusiasts to contact the club with a view of entering the event.

The Knysna Motor Show is a one-day only event, held at the Knysna High School sports grounds, with elegant food and drink stalls providing refreshments in keeping with the glamour of this top-quality classic car event. Nevertheless, the show is extremely family orientated, with a relaxed atmosphere a key note. There is a beer garden and a food court to cater to all culinary tastes.

The show also falls just one week before the Jaguar Simola Hill Climb in Knysna, making it ideal to combine these two top quality events into an unbelievable Petrolhead Family Getaway!

The show runs from 9 am to 4 pm on Sunday, April 29, 2018. Admission prices are very family orientated: Adults R50, Children 12-18 R10, and children under 12 free!

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