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- Importers of Audi / VW parts
- Repairers of all vehicles
- Technicians trained in - VW... Audi ... Mercedes ... BMW

Vagn's Important Reminder !

Don't get caught out with the *silly season* approaching. Book early for pre-holiday servicing or vehicle repairs. Take advantage of our free loan vehicles and be organised for Christmas. If catastrophe does strike over the Christmas period, our workshop will be open with limited staff. **Happy safe motoring.**

Thank you to all our customers who recently completed our Customer Survey form. Your comments are appreciated, and we will shortly be contacting the lucky winner of the Christmas raffle.



*Merry Christmas & a
Happy New Year to all
of our customers.*

Our holiday hours are as follows:

22nd December 2007—normal Saturday hours

24th December 2007 **Parts only** 8am—1pm

Parts and Workshop

25th & 26th December— **Closed**

27th/28th 8am—4.30pm

29th/30th December—**Closed**

31st December 8am—3pm

1st/2nd January 2008 - **Closed**

3rd/4th January—7.30—5pm

5th January—**Parts only**—normal hours

7th January—normal hours resume

Drink/Driving

Now might be a good time to mention that the United States government and car safety groups are working on technology that prevents a drunk driver from starting a vehicle if their blood alcohol level is above a set level. This is by using a device which drivers blow into and it measures the alcohol level. Already four U.S. states have passed laws to require the use of the interlock devices for first-time offenders. It is estimated that drink-driving killed more than 13,000 people in the U.S. last year. Nissan is experimenting with systems that measure alcohol levels in a driver's sweat, from sensors in the gearshift.



The **2008 VW Nationals** will be hosted by the Waikato VW Club. The event will be held over the Easter break, 21st—24th March 2008, and activities will be centred around Cambridge, "Town of Trees".

If you have any questions you can phone Peter or Chris Hastelow on 07 846 3494, or check out their web page www.vwnationals2008.co.nz

VW'unveils the new up!.

(VW's version of the iPod)

The *up!* will be Apple-product



friendly, including iPod and iPhone* connections. BMW is also going the iPhone way. Volkswagen won't talk production dates, so at this stage it is still a concept. However it is expected to sell for around €6000.

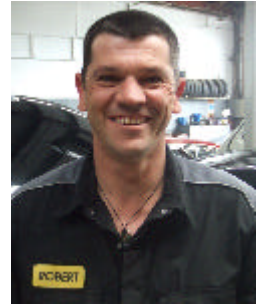
It is the first rear engined Volkswagen since the original Beetle. However, it is not a retro model, like the new Mini or new Beetle, but the *up!* is a clear and strong statement for future Volkswagen design, and they aim to keep the design clean and simple. A touch-sensitive screen, controls air-conditioning, entertainment and vehicle Controls. Vehicle information is provided by a second screen which shows fuel consumption and CO₂ emissions.

Volkswagen hopes this new vehicle will help them catch up with Toyota sales.

It seems that Apple and Volkswagen are looking at a "co-operation" relationship. No doubt this could have benefits to both companies.

- * The iPhone is one of the fastest-selling products of all time, even though it only goes on sale in the U.K. and Europe before Christmas.
(New Zealand will get iPhone next year)

We would like to welcome Rob Leak who has recently joined our staff in the Service Department. Rob is originally from South Africa, where he trained as an Automotive Technician. Since then he has also worked in Great Britain, before coming to New Zealand. Rob has a Kiwi wife, and a 10month old daughter. We hope Rob will enjoy working with the team at Qualitat.



Don't forget, - if you would like to receive future newsletters by email, please send us your name, and email address to - **office@qualitat.co.nz**

Service Record Books

If your vehicle does not have a Service Record book, MTA have made one available so you can keep a record of your vehicle servicing. If you wish to have one of these, please ask at our Reception counter.



Holly and Ian's new arrival. Charlotte arrived safely in August. Holly and Ian are now very proud parents and enjoying their new role as parents. After a short maternity break, Holly will be back at Qualitat on a part time basis, and we welcome her back.



Welcome to this world !!!!



Jamie, (our mechanic who loves the old air-cooled beetles), also has an addition to his family. He and his wife Sam now have a daughter called Ruby, who arrived in September.



Happy holiday, and don't forget—Drive safely



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