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Favourite is a grand old lady



Now he is retired, George Baxter spends as much time as he wants on his cars. PHOTO: SHARYN O'NEILL ROK080313SHUMBER1

Retirement gives George time for his passion: cars

WHAT is your name? George Baxter

What is your current job?

Self-funded retiree, with cabins on the river.

When and where did your passion for cars start?

All of my life, on and off. How many vehicles do you own and how many have you owned?

I have five registered and two works-in-progress, one being a 47 Studebaker, which I've owned in the past, and Marion's Humber Super Snipe, as she also had one in the past.

What is your mechanical specialty?

Garage owner and steering specialist quite a few years ago.

What was your first car and why did you choose it?

An HP Singer Ute and 39 Willys. Being an apprentice I could only afford old bangers that needed to be

What has been your

most memorable experience in any vehicle you have owned?

When I was young, I was hooning, when my axle broke and I had to push my car off the road in front of all my mates.

Where is the best place to go in CQ for a spin?

The Yeppoon to Emu Park circuit, with a fish and chips lunch on the beach.

Tell me about your favourite car. What is it and why do you love it?

Our 1967 Humber Super Snipe, as it is a grand old lady, and the 1984 Nissan 300 ZX that I have always admired. It makes me feel like a teenager again!

How much do you think you have spent on your car obsession?

Too much. We have quite a few old cars and I will have to live to 100 to restore them all!

How many hours/weeks/years of work has gone into your featured car?



PASSION FOR CARS: George Baxter with his beloved 1967 Humber Super Snipe.

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George **Baxter**

I could only afford old bangers that needed to be rebuilt.

Plenty but it's always great to have an interest and something to do in my retirement.

How many hours each week do you get to work on your cars?

All day, every day when necessary, as the mood takes me. Except for nanna-naps and maintenance on the cabins.

What has been the best thing anybody has ever said about one of your cars?

"Love your car". What about the worst? Someone once said "get a real car" - little do they











know!

Have your cars ever helped you win over the opposite sex? Any particular memories?

Only my wife, Marion. What cars are on your wish list and why?

Marion wants a Morgan 4X4. We called our dog Morgan instead.



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