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check out -  
[www.vwownersclub.co.nz](http://www.vwownersclub.co.nz)  
[www.audi.com](http://www.audi.com)  
[www.volkswagen.com](http://www.volkswagen.com)



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### Reminder from Vagn :

Remember the VW Nationals are to be held in and around Ore-wa this year. Hosted by the VW Owners Club in Auckland, a variety of events have been organised over the Easter weekend. Drag Racing at Meremere, BBQ, Show and Shine, rounded off with a Prize Giving Dinner, and a Farewell breakfast on Easter

Monday.

If you just want to have a general look at the variety of VWs, come along to the Ore-wa Domain on Sunday 24th April between 9 am and 3 pm. I am sure you will find plenty of people to talk about the club and its events. If you think you may be inter-ested in joining, check out the following:

[www.vwnationals.co.nz](http://www.vwnationals.co.nz)  
[www.vwownersclub.co.nz](http://www.vwownersclub.co.nz)



**Qualitat**  
European Motors Ltd

Proud to be the major sponsor for  
the 2011 VW Nationals to be held at  
Easter 2011 and based at Orewa.

Celebrating 21 years of supporting  
this great event in the calendar of  
any self-respecting VW enthusiast.

For more details, or if you think you  
might be interested in becoming a  
member - visit

<http://www.vwnationals.co.nz>

All Shapes and sizes - there is a vehicle  
for everyone, old and new, but with a  
common thread at the heart of every VW  
member - Volkswagens! We love them.

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21 YEARS  
**VW NATIONALS**



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## ATTENTION:

**We have a new and improved website, which you may like to check out.**

**Same address =** [www.qualitat.co.nz](http://www.qualitat.co.nz)

## Specials !!!



### March Special

**Book your VW, Audi or Skoda for a  
FULL Service in March and you will  
RECEIVE A 10% DISCOUNT**

Only if you mention you saw this ad in the newsletter!

Conditions apply



### April Special

**Book your VW, Audi or Skoda for a  
FULL Cambelt replacement\* in  
APRIL and you will  
RECEIVE A 10% DISCOUNT**

Only if you mention you saw this ad in the newsletter!

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**\* Recommended replacement period  
for a cambelt is 100,000 kms, or 5  
years. Cambelts can break with no  
warning, which can result in serious  
engine damage.**



### **Warrant of Fitness reminders by email:**

For customers who would like to receive their **warrant of fitness reminders** by email instead of by post - please contact us on

[office@qualitat.co.nz](mailto:office@qualitat.co.nz)

**Please ensure you supply your** - **full name**  
**car registration number**  
**email address**

**Palo Alto** (population around 60,000) - may not mean very much to most of us. However, it is the birthplace of Silicon Valley. It is where Bill Hewlett and David Packard began their business in 1930 in a garage. It has also been the incubator to other companies such as Google and Facebook.



*The Hewlett Packard garage*

More recently, it is where the **Volkswagen** Group has chosen to set up its Electronics Research Laboratory (ERL). In 2009 in collaboration with Stanford University's School of Engineering, VW took a further step in its commitment to the automotive industry - (VAIL - Volkswagen Automotive Innovation Lab) became housed on campus at Stanford University.

In 2005 Stanley was born here. Stanley is an autonomously driving Volkswagen Touareg. (driverless) Stanley has undergone rigorous testing in the desert, and is currently on display at the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C.

In 2007 Junior was born - a Volkswagen Passat wagon. Junior can sometimes be seen driving around the Palo Alto area - with or without a driver.

The aim, of course, is not to have driverless cars filling our roads, but to enhance our vehicles with the utmost in technology, to make them safer, more efficient, and comfortable.

Added to this is Shelley, also born at VAIL. Shelley is one hot little number in the shape of an **Audi TTS**. Shelley has been tested on the Bonneville Salt Flats in Utah, reaching a top speed of 209 km/h. Just to prove it could also manage corners Shelley successfully climbed the famous Pikes Peak racecourse in Colorado five times - 156 turns, and to an altitude of 1,500 meters. Shelley is even smart enough to recognise the difference between asphalt and dirt roads. It knows to slow down for a turn, and then step on the gas as it comes out.

As if all of this were not enough, the goal is a vehicle that knows about traffic jams and detours before the driver does. Also a vehicle that can determine where the parking spots will be on its destination, and even reserve a space.

This all sounds like a lot of digital 'things' on the dashboard, however, they are even working on that. They are trying to create a 'friendly robot' that lives on the dashboard, and becomes the driver's friend.



*Shelley -  
the Audi TTS*

[www.spotter.co.nz](http://www.spotter.co.nz)

This web site offers rewards starting from \$150 for information leading to the recovery of stolen vehicles. They work with several insurance companies, and the police are also showing an interest in the results of this novel recovery method.

Keep your eyes open!!

### **Pre-Purchase Vehicle Inspections**

**Qualitat** offers a comprehensive pre-purchase inspection service so you can be informed about your next purchase.

Pre -purchase inspection is priced at \$180.00 incl. g.s.t.

### **Free W.O.F check**

If you have a **FULL** service when you have a Warrant of Fitness check done you will receive a free WOF check worth \$45.00 plus g.s.t.

Phone (09) 579 3710 now, for an appointment.

**FREE OFFER**



**2011 Dakar Rally** - Volkswagen Race Touareg 3 has blitzed the Dakar rally again with first, second, and third placings, claiming the overall victory of the 2011 event. This is the third time in a row that VW has won the title. This is obviously one rugged beast of a vehicle.

First place - Al-Attiyah/Gottschalk  
Second place - de Villiers/von Zitzewitz  
Third place - Sainz/Cruz



Here it is at last - the new **Polo GTI**. Available now. This vehicle has been awarded a 5-star safety rating, and "World Car of the Year 2010". A pretty good pedigree. It comes with an impressive 132kW of power and 250Nm of torque, and can sprint from 0 - 100km/h in just 6.9 seconds. Smart looking as well with 17" 'Denver' alloy wheels, red trimmed radiator grille, complete the sports styling.



## **Volkswagen Golf R**

"Hot Hatch of the Year 2010" is the honour the UK *Top-Gear* presenters awarded this vehicle. It has taken the award from the Golf GTI which won the Hot Hatch category in 2009. Clearly the Golf R is one spectacular set of wheels. In a way it is a 'wolf in sheep's clothing', as from the exterior it is quite inconspicuous, however take over the driver's seat and it is a very different story.

It is an all-wheel-drive Golf R and can sprint to 100km/h in 5.5 seconds. Half a second better than the GTI and R32.

There has been keen interest for this model in the New Zealand market - Kiwis love hatchbacks.



Below - Mass Planting?? VW Beetle taxis in Mexico - This is the Sedan Taxi!



**EASTER HOURS** -

**Qualitat** - will be closed from

5pm on Thursday 22nd April, and resuming normal hours on Tuesday 26th April.

**HAPPY EASTER**

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