



# WHEELSPIN

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## COVER PHOTO

New Member - Ray Hartley at Manfeild  
Harbour Capital Car Club Clubnight

First Wednesday of the month Fireman's Arms, 313 Jackson Street  
(North End of Jackson Street, just South of Cuba St intersection) Petone

Committee Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month, Fireman's Arms, 313 Jackson St  
Petone, 7:30 pm. Note:— Anyone is welcome to attend committee meetings.

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## DEADLINE

The Deadline for Wheelspin articles is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month approx.

# Clubnight

## The Fireman's Arms Jackson Street, Petone

**Wednesday 2nd June 7:30**

A great month has galloped past at quite a rate of knots.

The DVD night at Motorsport House was really well supported with around 25 folk attending, including some people from other clubs, which was really good to see. I believe we can probably thank the Facebook group for that. There were a couple of folk who normally wouldn't attend such things, who were either prompted or reminded about the event.

I'm not sure which movie we will follow with next, but I'm quite sure we can manage to find something!

As a follow up to the Facebook group comment, currently on that group there are 21 people who have said that they will attend the next Photoworks Autocross challenge round on June 13th. That event has only been advertised there for a couple of days (at the time I write this article). It is another demonstration that the more we tell people about events and occasions the more people are inclined to attend.

That, and the fact that with our DVD nights, and the Autocross events we are offering a good fun event to attend. I suspect if we were advertising root canals without pain relief, then the attendance would be slightly down.

Round # 2 at Slipway was well attended with 37 enthusiasts braving the interesting weather conditions. While it was a touch damp down at the venue, the car park for doco and scrutineering was well and truly shrouded in clouds.

Webster brought along a very small but very evil bicycle, which a number of people fell off whilst attempting to pull wheelies on it. So that provided entertainment right from the start of scrutineering.

Apparently that the seat is slightly behind the rear axle line makes it just a fraction unstable.

Words cannot describe just how goofy tall people looked while riding it.

Ben had created a course for us that had a bit of everything in it. It had a long straight (during which I was cursing the lack of power in the Pulsar), a cone around which you could turn either left or right (which kept people guessing all day), a scary narrow alley of tyres, and a hairpin turn into a spiral.

It was great fun, and mixed up the results again. At the fast end of the field it was Al, followed by PC in the Corolla, Brian in the Roadrat, me in the Pulsar, Loren and Sam in Sti's, then Neil Roots driving Andrew Thomson's Corolla.

So we had a few more front skidders in the top ten this time, probably as some of the quicker rear drive cars weren't in attendance on the day.

Carnage was mostly of the mechanical failure variety. Webster split an oil line, Neil Tapp killed a CV, Stephen "Tallguy" killed the power steering belt, and a couple of Honda's ended the day with some front spoiler damage.

Luckily there wasn't the panel damage that happened last time, although there were some really narrow misses.

I was absolutely stoked with the Pulsar, as I'd had new (to me) suspension fitted the Thursday before the event, only to discover that the rear sway bar mounts didn't line up any more. So I was in the interesting situation of running beastly hard suspension, no rear sway bar at all, brand new semi's on the front, and semi's on the back that are I believe around ten years old.

I wasn't sure if the lack of rear sway bar was going to result in my understeering into stuff, or if the massive mismatch in the tyres from front to rear would result in my spinning backwards into something. In the event it turned out that the car was actually quite well balanced, and while a little bit tail happy certainly not that hard to control.

The day started out with water on the ground, but progressively dried out though it did turn bastardly cold towards the end of the day.

Brendon got beaten home by Stacey again (you knew I was going to say that Brendon!), Georgia Bartosh hounded her dad all the way to the finish line in the Capri and ended up only a whisker behind him. Leela was at her first ever Slipway event, and was wearing the face of a person who had discovered something a lot of fun. Pretty sure we have a new addict there.

Our next event up there is June 13<sup>th</sup>, and I'm sure it will be well attended and a whole bunch of fun. The one after that (July 31) is a Saturday event starting in the afternoon, and running into the dark. So watch out for that one, it should be scary but fun.

My next motorsport adventure was heading over the Rimutaka's to watch Tea Creek gravel sprint.

Although the weather was by all accounts miserable in Wellington that day, I got precisely one drop of rain on the camera screen all day.

It's a great venue to take photos at, as there is a neat series of relatively tight corners only a minutes walk from the start line, and about twenty different angles and places to stand.

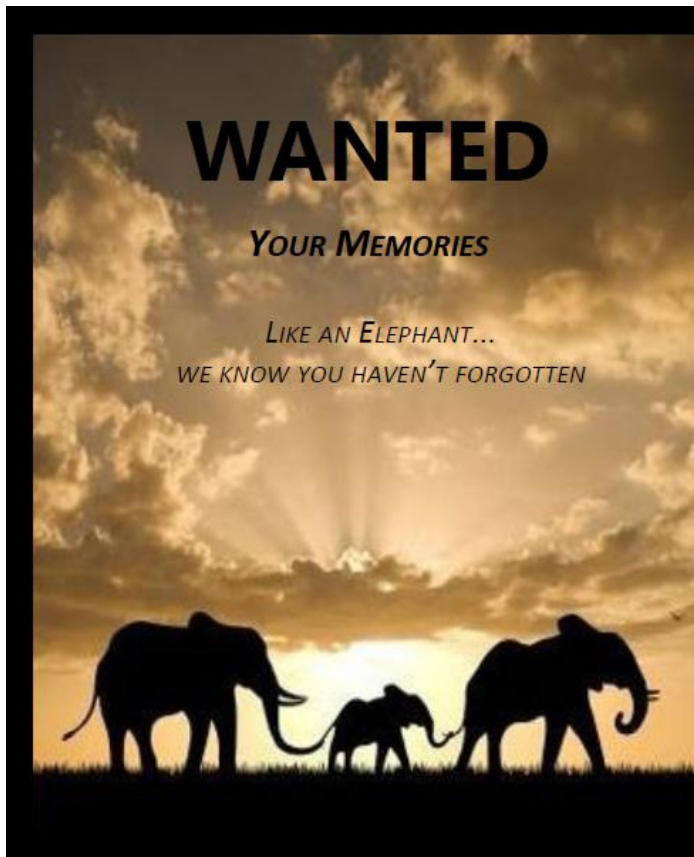
So I ripped off a couple of hundred shots, some of which I've hopefully remembered to email to Len!

Failing that, if you hit google and type in "Tea Creek" and "Photobucket" you'll no doubt turn up my "Kiwiscanfly" named photo album.

Stuff we've got coming up ... well, lots really. Go out there and buy a club car!

June 9 <sup>th</sup> HVMC Night Trial	June 13 <sup>th</sup> Photoworks Autocross Challenge # 3
June 20 <sup>th</sup> HVMC Silverstream A/c	June 27 <sup>th</sup> Kapiti Gravel Sprint
July 25 <sup>th</sup> HVMC Silverstream Competitor Coaching Day	July 31 <sup>st</sup> (Saturday!) Day/Night Photoworks Autocross Challenge # 4





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[www.photoworks.co.nz](http://www.photoworks.co.nz) Autocross Challenge, Round # 2 wrap up.

I'm pleased to report that despite there being more hits than Elvis at the first round, the "extra enthusiasm featuring crunchy noises" factor was a bit less at Round # 2. However, Stephen "Tall Guy Racing" did still manage to slightly adjust the front bumper of the Falcon following his power steering belt exiting stage left. Luke and Matthias also did a small amount of body kit alterations on a tyre, while Neil Tapp stopping his FXGT approximately one spark plug gap away from the tyre wall (your OTHER left Neil). Geoff saved his attack on the scenery until after the finish line, and managed to knock the glass out of his wing mirror.

Results from the pointy end of the field were interesting, with Al(baru) pulling five seconds out on his last run of the day to bring his Sti (now featuring a bigger turbo!) home nearly one full second clear of the field. A remarkable drive, and once again Al is demonstrating that his series win last year was no co-incidence. Pete fought him right down to the end, but eventually had to concede, taking out second place (and first Bum Dragger, in the front drive Corolla). Brian came home third in the Roadrat, just to show that just because the VW Beetle is known as "Hitler's Revenge" doesn't mean that the engines can't be put to use for good rather than evil. Your intrepid reporter has suggested that he should look at a turbo for the Rat. If nothing else it should mean he could wheelstand the Rat off the line. Leon was fourth in the hand brake sliding Pulsar (now featuring bone shaking suspension), followed by a pair of Sti's driven by Loren and Sam. Neil's "Wheels" Roots drove the borrowed FXGT (with three times the power of his usual Honda City) to seventh overall with Graham in another Pulsar one

tenth of a second behind. Andrew Thomson and Geoff rounded out the top ten. The fastest rear drive was newcomer Eric, in an immaculate S2000, ahead of Roger in the KP Starlet.

I have to continue to report on some of the battles of the family, because there's some good stuff going on. Georgia was 0.8 behind her father Craig. No pressure Craig ... you'll only have to hand the keys to the grunty race car over if she starts beating you, I'm sure she'll still let you change the tyres and fix the car though even if she doesn't let you drive it. Stacey once again beat Brendon in the husband and wife battle in the FXGT, apparently getting an entire row of tyres stuck under the car doesn't make for fast times Brendon. Kerry Butters pulled out a great result with the leaning Corolla coming in 12th equal, with a safe margin back to Dick, then Zed. Once again, not many sports have three generations at an event, much less three generations who manage to have that much fun. Despite the draft results showing that Sarah brought the Supra home ahead of Jake, it turns out they'd swapped numbers. So Jake does retain his man card (especially after driving with a broken finger).

We had three newbies running on the day, all in silver Honda's. There must be some sort of conspiracy going on there I think. Matthias won that particular battle in his rare Integra Type R sedan, ahead of Eric in the S2000, and Roger in an earlier model Integra.

In the comedy reporting department, Luke now knows how much smoke happens when you overfill a Civic with oil by a substantial amount, Glen and Kat win the bang for buck leaning and sliding prize in the \$600 Datsun 280ZX, Chris (TazzieD) had more CV noise in the Celica than he did exhaust noise, Nick discovered where they'd hidden all the spin after turning up with budget tyres on the MX5, and Andrew Schlupp needs a new word to describe the level of understeer the Sunny was suffering from as there isn't currently a word in the English language that is strong enough. Neil Tapp finished his run under people power when a CV decided to make explode noises, but he got a DNF in that run because nobody was willing to push him around a complete second lap. Webster got jealous of the BBQ, and had to prove that a Starlet turbo can put out more smoke than mere burning sausages. Webster also brought his "pit bicycle" with him, in a fiendish attempt to reduce the competition by having all the other drivers eliminated by injuries incurred falling off the pit bicycle. Andrew Thomson apparently did one run of the course on the bicycle, which took quite some time, and would have looked amusing considering the bicycle is the same size as Andrew's shoe.

Our next event is June 13th, which will be a conventional event. The July 31st event that follows it is going to be a whole new kettle of ballparks though ... it's a Saturday afternoon Day / Night event. So, advance warning, you're going to be racing in the dark! Bring either brave or loony pills.

Thanks to our many helpers, and sponsors- [www.photoworks.co.nz](http://www.photoworks.co.nz) and Neil's Wheels

The third round of the Photoworks Autocross Challenge is on June 13<sup>th</sup>

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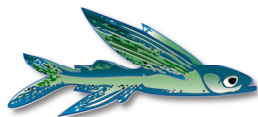
TEACHER: Maria, go to the map and find North America.

MARIA: Here it is.

TEACHER: Correct. Now class, who discovered America ?

CLASS: Maria.

Photoworks Autocross Round Two, May 9th 2010								
Number and Driver	Car	Class	Club	Fastest	Place Overall	Points	Place Class	Points Class
29 Al Groves	Sti	4WD	HCCC	00:53.19	1	40	1	40
16 Peter Collins	Corolla	EOD	HCCC	00:54.03	2	39	1	40
5 Brian Worboys	Roadrat	EOD	HCCC	00:54.48	3	38	2	39
50 Leon Cast	Pulsar	EOD	HCCC	00:55.34	4	37	3	38
1 Loren Brooks	Impreza	4WD	HCCC	00:55.67	5	36	2	39
30 Sam Duncan	Impreza	4WD	HVMC	00:55.96	6	35	3	38
11 Neil Roots	Corolla	EOD	HCCC	00:56.36	7	34	4	37
2 Graham Heath	Pulsar	EOD	HCCC	00:56.47	8	33	5	36
31 Andrew Thomson	Corolla	EOD	HCCC	00:57.05	9	32	6	35
13 Geoff Warren	Legacy	4WD	HVMC	00:57.74	10	31	4	37
3 Stacey Glendinning	Corolla	EOD	HCCC	00:58.17	11	30	7	34
23 Webster Gough	Starlet	EOD	HCCC	00:58.19	12	29	8	33
25 Kerry Butters	Corolla	EOD	HVMC	00:58.19	12	29	8	33
33 Brendon Glendinning	Corolla	EOD	HCCC	00:58.25	14	27	10	31
17 Matthias Zeller	Integra	EOD	new	00:59.99	15	26	11	30
10 Eric Tang	S2000	ENOD	new	01:00.02	16	25	1	40
66 Dick Butters	Pulsar	EOD	HCCC	01:00.59	17	24	12	29
22 Cathy Reid	Charade	EOD	HVMC	01:00.92	18	23	13	28
12 Roger Lyon	Starlet	ENOD	HCCC	01:01.04	19	22	2	39
20 Craig Bartosh	Capri	ENOD	HVMC	01:01.13	20	21	3	38
26 Leela Copping	Corolla	EOD	HCCC	01:01.35	21	20	14	27
19 Roger Wong	Integra	EOD	new	01:01.76	22	19	15	26
32 Georgia Bartosh	Capri	ENOD	HVMC	01:01.93	23	18	4	37
101 Neil Tapp	Corolla	EOD	HCCC	01:02.32	24	17	16	25
8 Luke Kelly	Civic	EOD	HCCC	01:02.77	25	16	17	24
4 Haydn Perkins	Mirage	EOD	HCCC	01:03.36	26	15	18	23
6 Paul Barnes	Corolla	EOD	HCCC	01:03.60	27	14	19	22
14 Andrew Miller	Primera	4WD	Manawatu	01:03.95	28	13	5	36
21 Glen Clemas	280ZX	enod	HVMC	01:04.50	29	12	5	36
7 Jacob Boyd	Supra	ENOD	HCCC	01:04.59	30	11	6	35
15 Zed Butters	Corolla	EOD	HVMC	01:04.98	31	10	20	21
27 Chris Rosedale	Celica	EOD	HCCC	01:05.44	32	9	21	20
28 Nick Turner	MX5	ENOD	HCCC	01:08.77	33	8	7	34
18 Sarah Hinder	Supra	ENOD	HCCC	01:12.02	34	7	8	33
24 Andrew Schlup	Sunny	ENOD	HCCC	01:12.10	35	6	9	32
35 Katrina Millman	280ZX	ENOD	HVMC	01:12.68	36	5	10	31
9 Stephen Heise	Falcon	ENOD	HCCC	01:16.16	37	4	11	30
Clerks of Course: Andrew Thomson, Leon Cast								
Scrutineering: Aaron Tasker, Brendon Glendinning, Al Groves, Cam Garthwaite								
Helpers: Cam Garthwaite, Aaron Tasker, Neil Tapp, Chelles Roberts, Stacey Glendinning, Neil Tapp, Neil Roots, Chris Rosedale								
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JOHN: You told me to do it without using tables.



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Eleven people were hanging on a rope under a helicopter - 10 men and 1 woman. The rope was not strong enough to carry them all so they decided that one had to leave, because otherwise they were all going to fall.

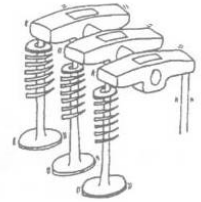
They weren't able to choose that person, until the woman gave a very touching speech.

She said that she would voluntarily let go of the rope, because, as a woman, she was used to giving up everything for her husband and kids or for men in general, and was used to always making sacrifices with little in return.

As soon as she finished her speech, all the men started clapping

# Tappet chatter

Just so you know: - We don't miss much and we will print everything. We never let the truth get in the way of a good story and we will not be intimidated. We can however be bribed, but we can't guarantee that it won't be published anyway!



Note: We trust our informants' 100% and would never question their reliability!

Just returned from a trip to Ireland, they have a simple answer to aggressive drivers in their road signs:

We saw many saying "Traffic calming" by schools etc. then instead of the aggressive "GIVE WAY" their signs say a friendly "Yield" and finally I came to a sharp bend, on the road it said the usual "SLOW", but a little further on, it said "SLOWER".

## New Members for 2009/10

A big welcome to some new members who have joined the car club in 2010. We hope to see you out at the upcoming events.

Ray Hartley. Ray has been involved in most forms of the sport for many years, including technical officer at NZV8 level and is a licenced scrutineer, he has raced MG's, Jags, Escorts (Lotus & BDA) even an Anglia and currently owns and races a ex Lighting Direct Porsche 911 RS. Once a Wellington Car Club member, Ray has ben a long time member of the MG car club and supporter of the MG Classic events. Recently Ray saw some video footage of the Slipway autocross events and noted that a large proportion of the competitors (including most of the Committee) were Ray Hartley Motors customers and decided he need to join & support the club. We hope to get Ray along to a clubnight to tell us tails of his many years in the sport some time soon.

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TEACHER: Glenn, how do you spell 'crocodile?'

GLENN: K-R-O-K-O-D-I-A-L'

TEACHER: No, that's wrong

GLENN: Maybe it is wrong, but you asked me how I spell it.

This Month's Photos — Slipway & Tea Creek from Leon





**Richard Kelly after race at Manfeild**

**Ray Hartley catching Warwick Neal**



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A public school teacher was arrested today at John F. Kennedy International Airport as he attempted to board a flight while in possession of a ruler, a protractor, a compass, a slide-rule and a calculator.

At a morning press conference, the Attorney General Eric Holder said he believes the man is a member of the notorious Al-Gebra movement.

He did not identify the man, who has been charged by the FBI with carrying **weapons** of math instruction.

Al-Gebra is a problem for us', the Attorney General said. 'They derive solutions by means and extremes, and sometimes go off on tangents in search of absolute values.' They use secret code names like 'X' and 'Y' and refer to themselves as unknowns', but we have determined that they belong to a common denominator of the axis of medieval with coordinates in every country.

As the Greek philanderer Isosceles used to say, 'There are 3 sides to every triangle'.

When asked to comment on the arrest, President Obama said, 'If God had wanted us to have better weapons of maths instruction, he would have given us more fingers and toes.'

White House aides told reporters they could not recall a more intelligent or profound statement by the President. It is believed that the Nobel Prize for Physics will follow...

TEACHER: Donald, what is the chemical formula for water?

DONALD: H I J K L M N O.

TEACHER: What are you talking about?

DONALD: Yesterday you said it's H to O.

# Wellington Motorsport Association Calendar 2010

Contact the HCCC convenors if you want to find out more about an event (like regs and entry form) for email updates of the WMSA Calendar contact the secretary [wayne.gair@kapiticoast.govt.nz](mailto:wayne.gair@kapiticoast.govt.nz)

Month	Date	Steward	Event Type	Club	Venue	Status
<b>June</b>	5		Rally – Targa Rotorua			
	6		Race	Manawatu	Manfeild	Nat
Queens Birthday	7					
	9		Night Trial (Gandy)	Hutt Valley	Petone	NT
	12					
	13		Autocross	Harbour Capital	Slipway, Brooklyn	
	19		Rally – Taranaki Tarmac			
	20		Autocross	Hutt Valley	Silverstream	
	26					
	27	WG	Hillclimb (Gravel Sprint)	Kapiti		GS
<b>July</b>	4		Race Sealed Sprint	Manawatu Levin	Manfeild Kaihinau Road	DM
	14		Night Trial (Atkins)	Sunbeam	Petone	NT
	18	SM	Intermarque Sprint	Capri	Manfeild	IM
	19		WMSA Meeting			
	22	All	Stewards Meeting		Stokes Valley	
	31		Autocross	Harbour Capital	Slipway, Brooklyn	KN
<b>August</b>	1	GG	Hillclimb (Gravel Sprint)	Kapiti	Valley View	GS
	7		Rally of Gisborne			
	8		Race	Manawatu	Manfeild	
	11		Night Trial (McDonald/Gair)	Harbour Capital	Titahi Bay	NT
	14		Autocross (Day/Night)	Hutt Valley	Silverstream	
	15	BS	Intermarque Sprint	Alfa	Manfeild	IM
	29		Autocross Sealed Sprint (tentative date)	Levin Wellington	Shelley Bay, Wellington	GS
<b>September</b>	5		Race	Manawatu	Manfeild	
	8		Night Trial (Reid)	Hutt Valley	Petone	NT
	11		Rally Wairarapa		Wairarapa	Nat
	12		Rally Wairarapa		Wairarapa	Nat
	19		Autocross	Harbour Capital	Slipway, Brooklyn	
	20		WMSA Meeting (AGM)			
	25					
	26		Autocross Sealed Sprint (alt tentative date)	Levin Wellington	Shelley Bay, Wellington	GS
<b>October</b>	3		Gravel Sprint	Levin	Waiorongomai Road	GS
	10		Intermarque Sprint Bathurst	MG	Manfeild Bathurst	IM
	13		Night Trial (Jennings)	Kapiti	Paraparaumu	NT
	17		Gravel Sprint	Wairarapa	Puketiro Road	GS
	24		Sprint (sealed)	Hutt Valley	Port Road	DM
Labour Day	25		Autocross / Motorkhana	Hutt Valley	Silverstream	
	25-31		Rally	Targa		
	30		Rally – Manawatu	Manawatu		Nat
	31		Autocross	Levin		
<b>November</b>	7		Sealed Hillclimb	Wairarapa	Admiral Road	DM
	13		Classic Race	MG	Manfeild	Nat
	14		Classic Race	MG	Manfeild	Nat
	14-20		Rally (Marathon)	Marathon Rally	Silver Fern	Nat
	22		WMSA Meeting (Calendar)			
	28		Autocross	Harbour Capital	Slipway, Brooklyn	
<b>December</b>	5		Intermarque Sprint	IMC/Fiat	Manfeild	IM
	12		Gravel Sprint	Wairarapa	Dorsets Road	GS
	19		Autocross	Hutt Valley	Silverstream	
	25		Too much food to eat day.			

	Abbreviations:		Stewards:		Organising Club:
KN	Kim Naylor Autocross Series	AW	Alan Wright	HC	Harbour Capital
DM	Duncan MacKenzie Sealed Sprint Series	BS	Barry Swanerton	HV	Hutt Valley
ST	Stewards Trophy Motorkhana Series	GG	Gordon Gandy	W	Wairarapa
VB	Vesta Battery round of ST Series	GM	Gus McMillan	K	Kapiti
GS	Gravel Sprint Series	JR	John Rapley	WG	Wellington
RS	Rally Sprint Series	PT	Paul Te Punga	M	MOWOG
CR	Central Region Rally Series	SM	Stephen Marks	T	Triumph
IM	The Surgery Intermarque Sprint Series	WG	Wayne Gair	MG	MG

TEACHER: Now, Simon, tell me frankly, do you say prayers before eating?

SIMON: No sir, I don't have to, my Mom is a good cook.

You have to be old enough to remember Abbott and Costello, and too old to REALLY understand computers, to fully appreciate this.

If Bud Abbott and Lou Costello were alive today, their infamous sketch, 'Who's on First?' might have turned out something like this:

COSTELLO CALLS TO BUY A COMPUTER FROM ABBOTT

ABBOTT: Super Duper computer store. Can I help you?

COSTELLO: Thanks I'm setting up an office in my den and I'm thinking about buying a computer.

ABBOTT: Mac?

COSTELLO: No, the name's Lou.

ABBOTT: Your computer?

COSTELLO: I don't own a computer. I want to buy one.

ABBOTT: Mac?

COSTELLO: I told you, my name's Lou..

ABBOTT: What about Windows?

COSTELLO: Why? Will it get stuffy in here?

ABBOTT: Do you want a computer with Windows?

COSTELLO: I don't know. What will I see when I look at the windows?

ABBOTT: Wallpaper

COSTELLO: Never mind the windows. I need a computer and software.

ABBOTT: Software for Windows?

COSTELLO: No. On the computer! I need something I can use to write proposals, track expenses and run my business. What do you have?

ABBOTT: Office.

COSTELLO: Yeah, for my office. Can you recommend anything?

ABBOTT: I just did.

COSTELLO: You just did what?

ABBOTT: Recommend something.

COSTELLO: You recommended something?

ABBOTT: Yes.

COSTELLO: For my office?

ABBOTT: Yes.

COSTELLO: OK, what did you recommend for my office?

ABBOTT: Office.

COSTELLO: Yes, for my office!

ABBOTT: I recommend Office with Windows.

COSTELLO: I already have an office with windows! OK, let's just say I'm sitting at my computer and I want to type a proposal. What do I need?

ABBOTT: Word.

COSTELLO: What word?

ABBOTT: Word in Office.

COSTELLO: The only word in office is office.

ABBOTT: The Word in Office for Windows.

COSTELLO: Which word in office for windows?

ABBOTT: The Word you get when you click the blue 'W'.

COSTELLO: I'm going to click your blue 'w' if you don't start with some straight answers. What about financial bookkeeping? You have anything I can track my money with?

ABBOTT: Money.

COSTELLO: That's right. What do you have?

ABBOTT: Money

COSTELLO: I need money to track my money?

ABBOTT: It comes bundled with your computer.

COSTELLO: What's bundled with my computer?

ABBOTT: Money.

COSTELLO: Money comes with my computer?

ABBOTT: Yes. No extra charge.

COSTELLO: I get a bundle of money with my computer? How much?

ABBOTT: One copy.

COSTELLO: Isn't it illegal to copy money?

ABBOTT: Microsoft gave us a license to copy Money.

COSTELLO: They can give you a license to copy money?

ABBOTT: Why not? THEY OWN IT!

(A few days later)

ABBOTT: Super Duper computer store. Can I help you?

COSTELLO: How do I turn my computer off?

ABBOTT: Click on "START"





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