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Along with many others I am concerned with the climbing road toll, I wonder if it would be better to try and encourage good driving rather than concentrating on penalising those doing the wrong thing. Don't get me wrong they should still be fined and lose points. It may even be a good idea for the police to be able to note a good driver and hand them a slip that gives them a discount on their next registration, or some other small reward. I offered to join the Road Safety Board on the basis of not wanting payment, however, it seems you must come from senior management, rather than just have 70 years of driving and well over 1 Million Ks worth of experience, including 50,000k overseas. What we are doing is clearly not working so approaching the problem from another angle may well work, if not nothing to lose.

I have attached my thoughts.

Also on cars. I notice that when daytime running lights are on the tail lights are not on, Why? I had an experience in Canada with rain bucketing down and very poor visibility. You could not see the car in front until someone put their brakes on.

Everyone was doing 110ks and I had the choice of driving at 89/90km and risk being rear ended or going with the flow. I went with the flow, partially influenced by needing to cover 700k that day. Rear tail lights would have been good.

Better still would have been rear fog lights, however, for some reason they are taboo in Australia.

I have had several Mercedes and BMWs and they have rear fog light switches and indicator lights but for the Australian market they are not connected to the rear light assembly. Perhaps we do not have fogs in Australia and I am just the one unlucky person to encounter them.

Should you want to contact me you can do so on [REDACTED].

Just some of my thoughts.

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