



Owner Drivers Australia

If You're Talking to the Driver, You're Talking to the Owner

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Press Release

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A story appears in the Melbourne *Herald Sun* today by Gerard McManus making certain allegations against ODA as follows:

- That there is no phone contact on the Website.
- That we have no owner-drivers as members.
- That we have a \$100,000 campaign.
- That we want total deregulation.
- That we did not respond to email requests for information.

The facts are as follows:

- A contact phone number is clearly stated on the front page of the Website.
- Mr McManus sent an e-mail late afternoon yesterday, 24th May. We replied to that email at 5.32pm giving him another contact phone number. He sent another e-mail early evening asking for a list of our members. We replied to his second e-mail at 7.32pm supplying information and advising that, for privacy reasons, we would not supply lists of members.
- The assessment of the funding of our campaign is speculation on the part of Mr McManus. Lots of people are putting in a lot of time for nothing.
- We do not want deregulation. We want appropriate regulation under commercial law and don't believe in regulation that causes price-fixing.
- As of a few weeks ago, we had around 500 members.

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