

## THAT WAS US!

A little house with three bedrooms one bathroom and one car on the street.

A mower that you had to push to make the grass look neat.

In the kitchen on the wall we only had one phone. And no need for recording things, someone was always home.

We only had a living room where we would congregate, unless it was at mealtime in the kitchen where we ate.

We had no need for family rooms or extra rooms to dine. When meeting as a family those two rooms would work out fine.

We only had one TV set and channels maybe two, But always there was one of them with something worth the view.

For snacks we had potato chips that tasted like a chip. And if you wanted flavour there was Lipton's onion dip.

Store-bought snacks were rare because my mother liked to cook and nothing can compare to snacks in Betty Crocker's book.

Weekends were for family trips or staying home to play. We all did things together – even go to church to pray.

When we did our weekend trips depending on the weather, no-one stayed at home because we liked to be together.

Sometimes we would separate to do things on our own, but we knew where the others were without our own cell phone.

Then there were the movies with your favourite movie star, and nothing can compare to watching movies in your car.

Then there were the picnics at the peak of summer season, pack a lunch and find some trees and never need a reason.

Get a baseball game together with all the friends you know, have real action playing ball -- and no game video.

Remember when the doctor used to be the family friend, and didn't need insurance or a lawyer to defend?

The way that he took care of you or what he had to do, was because he took an oath and strived to do the best for you.

Remember going to the store and shopping casually, and when you went to pay for it you used your own money?

Nothing that you had to swipe or punch in some amount, and remember when the cashier person had to really count?

The milkman used to go from door to door, And it was just a few cents more than going to the store.

There was a time when mailed letters came right to your door, without a lot of junk mail ads sent out by every store.

The mailman knew each house by name and knew where it was sent; there were not loads of mail addressed to "present occupant."

There was a time when just one glance was all that it would take, and you would know the kind of car, the model and the make. They didn't look like turtles trying to squeeze out every mile, they had streamlined, white walls, fins and really had some style.



One time the music that you played whenever you would jive, was from a vinyl, big-holed record called a forty-five. The record player had a post to keep them all in line and then the records would drop down and play one at a time.

Oh sure, we had our problems then, just like we do today and always we were striving, trying for a better way.

Oh, the simple life we lived seemed like so much fun, how can you explain a game, just kick the can and run?

And why would boys put baseball cards between bicycle spokes and for a nickel, red machines had little bottled Cokes?

Life then seemed so much easier and slower in some ways. I love the new technology but I sure do miss those days.

So time moves on and so do we and nothing stays the same, but I sure love to reminisce and walk down memory lane.

With all today's technology we grant that it's a plus! But it's fun to look way back and say, Hey look guys, THAT WAS US!

From Leoni

## A Plea From Our Anne

WELL I am totally GOB smacked just heard on the news that our wonderful PLAYFORD COUNCIL is taking back the land that houses the Munno Para Bowling Club which also houses other organizations like GAWLER



COUNTRY MUSIC. The clubrooms are lovely and after moving to the area I was so pleased to learn of the place and have made many friends.

GAWLER COUNTRY MUSIC who uses the venue has a great following and many family and disabled people use the rooms. I ask all my friends to lobby the council and stop this, as after all, they will only put houses there to make more money. Good on you PLAYFORD ALIVE you are killing everything important.

## How Many do you Remember?

1. Potato Chips with a twist of salt in them
2. Candy cigarettes
3. Soft drink machines that dispensed glass bottles
4. Coffee shops or milk bars with juke boxes
5. Home milk delivery in glass bottles with Silver tops
6. Newsreels before the movie
7. Blue flashbulbs for attachable camera flash Adapters
8. Telephone numbers with 2 letters and 4 numbers
9. Peashooters
10. Wash tub wringer & Wood Fired Copper Boilers
11. 45 & 78 RPM records
12. Using hand signals for cars without turn signals
13. Bread, Ice, Milk & Fish delivered by horse and cart
14. Head lights dimmer switches on the floor
15. Ignition switches and starter Buttons On the dashboard
16. Wood Fired stoves
17. Real ice boxes
18. Trouser leg clips for bicycles without chain guards
19. Soldering irons you heat on a gas burner
20. Why not give your kids and grandkids a fun history lesson

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