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Crafted By Hand: Hunt Skateboards

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At first glance, these boards look similar to the Skee Skate by Tresco but with a contemporary, hand crafted finish and a set of trucks and wheels that look like they could handle far more than the metal wheeled contraptions of decades

When you think of old school-styled cruiser boards made in Australia, it's tough not to have the name Penny come to

mind. However, the crew behind Victoria-based, Hunt Skateboards has a completely different project on their hands

that combines modern versatility with the glory of 50s/60s skate nostalgia.

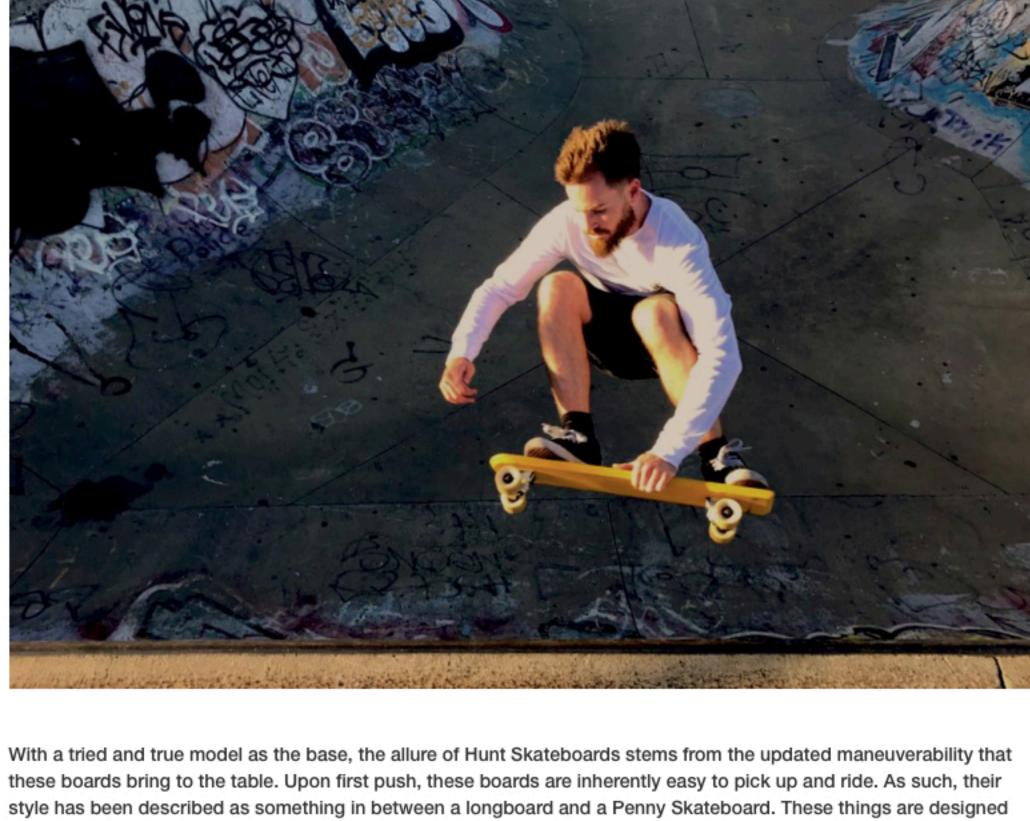
past. Nevertheless, Founder Alex Hunt claims that it was not one specific board that inspired their hallmark shape, but rather a general appreciation of skateboard manufacturers from that era that has given Hunt Skateboards their direction.



when we were developing our concepts back in 2014. We had tried everything; every shape, style, type as a means of

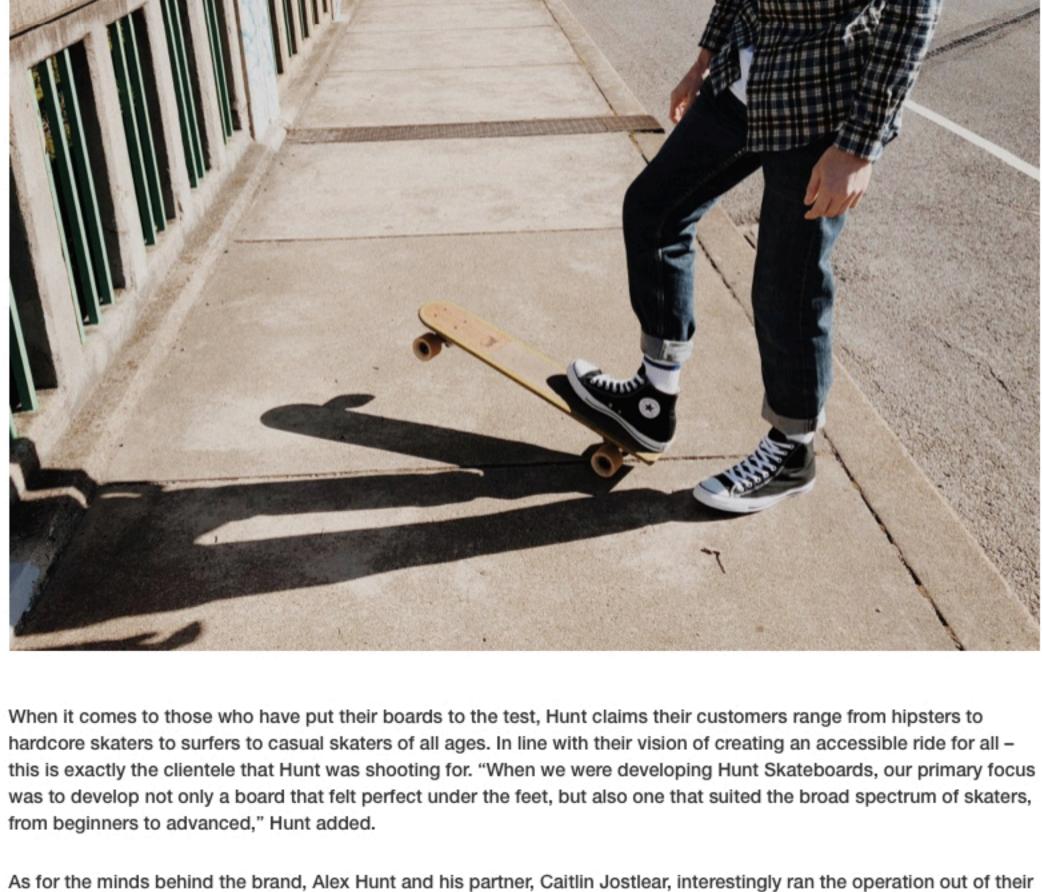
being innovative but we were always drawn back to the basics – the hardwood cruiser – I guess it has a nostalgic

quality that can't be tainted."

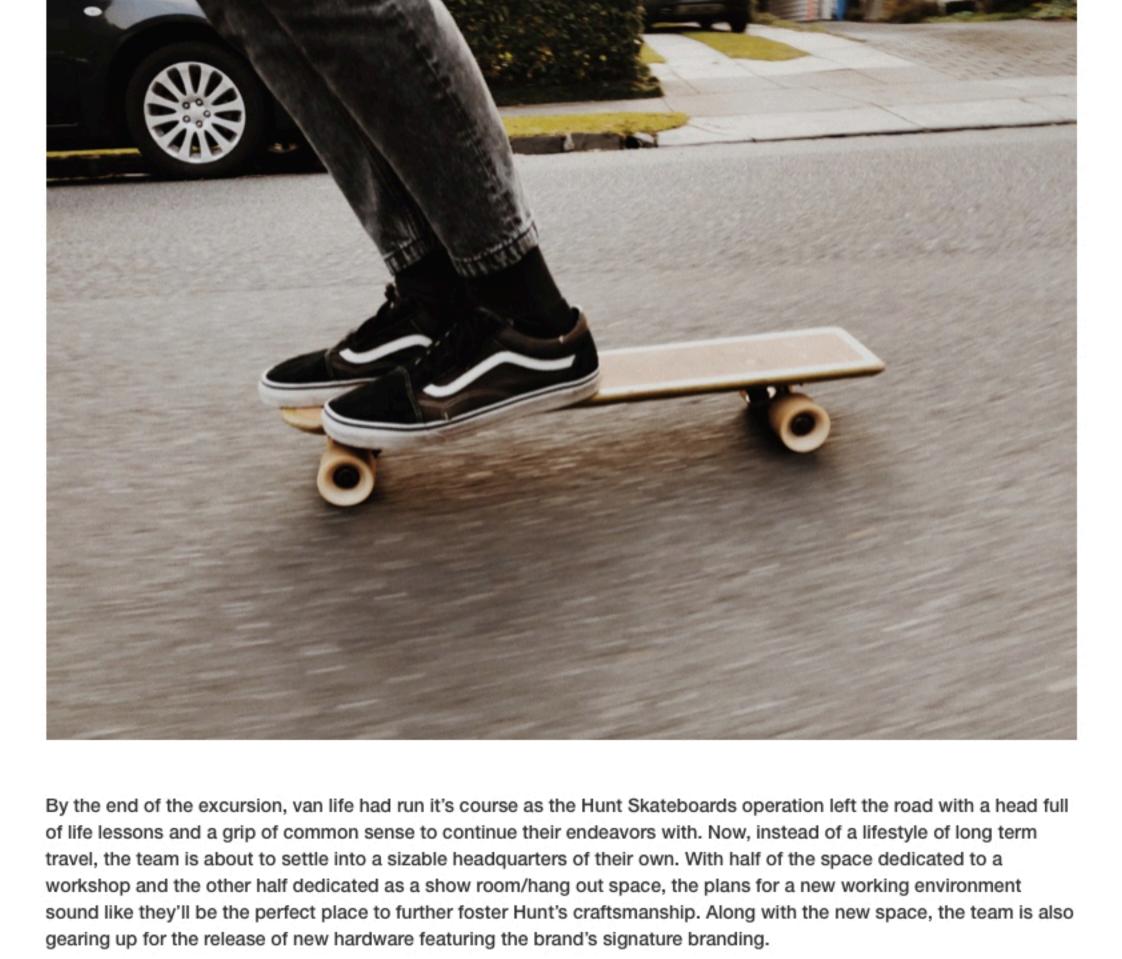


responsiveness and are resistant to speed wobbles. For a casual cruiser, Hunt Skateboards check all the right boxes.

with speed in mind and come with all the carving abilities to make it happen. They also handle with optimal



van for the entirety of 2017. Equipped with a batch of blank decks, the pair set off on a 12 month road trip across the country, putting the finishing touches on boards and selling them as they went. Through their travels, they were able to remarkably get their boards under the feet of skaters in every state in Australia.



From there, the future of Hunt Skateboards will be driven by the pursuit of finding good times and celebrating the means of reaching them. To sum this vision up, Hunt concluded by telling us, "We are deeply engaged in what has

always fueled the overall culture of skating/surfing and that is its creative, laid-back attitude to seeking a good time and release. With respect to the innovative, forward thinking skateboard manufacturers - to us, it is about keeping it simple

the skateboard was fist invented; it wasn't about designing something new, rather finding an alternative to surfing when there were no waves. This is what we celebrate - a collective that is about enjoying life and appreciating something that

and staying true to the core values of the industry. That is, as we have said to others before you, to the likes of when

allows one to do so."

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