CLAIMS:

1. A foldable personal vehicle having an operational state and a storage state and having a longitudinal axis lying in a vertical plane of symmetry of the foldable personal vehicle, the foldable personal vehicle comprising:

a body member having an upper surface holding a seat, front and rear ends spaced from each other along the longitudinal axis, a right rear side surface and a left rear side surface both disposed adjacent to the rear end of the body member and spaced from each other in a direction perpendicular to the vertical plane of symmetry;

a front bar having a handlebar end and a wheel end with a front wheel mounted thereto, the front bar being at least indirectly pivotally articulated to the body member to enable the front bar to take an operational orientation and a storage orientation, in which the handle bar end is located above the seat;

a right rear leg and a left rear leg each having a leg distal end with a rear wheel and a leg proximal end, at which each leg is pivotally articulated to the respective rear side surface of the body member to enable the leg to take an operational and a storage orientation of the leg;

a connection arrangement connecting at least indirectly the front bar with the rear legs so as to connect pivoting of the legs with pivoting of the front bar; and

a backrest having a stationary backrest portion and a foldable backrest portion pivotable between a generally upright orientation of the backrest portion in the operational state of the vehicle and generally horizontal orientation of the backrest portion in the storage state of the vehicle such as to close on the handlebar end from above.

2. The foldable personal vehicle according to claim 1, further comprising a front assembly comprising the front bar rotatable about a front bar axis for steering the vehicle, and an articulating member, by virtue of which the front bar is pivotally articulated to the front end of the body member about a front pivot axis.

3. The foldable personal vehicle according to claim 2, wherein the front pivot axis is spaced from the front bar axis so that in the operational orientation of the front bar in the operational state of the foldable personal vehicle, the front bar is disposed in front of the body member, and in the storage orientation in the storage state of the foldable personal vehicle, the

front bar is disposed above and extends along the upper surface of the body member along at least a majority of the length of the front bar.

4. The foldable personal vehicle according to claim 2, wherein the articulating member has the following portions: a first, front-bar associated portion, which embraces the front bar in a manner allowing at least a portion of the front bar to revolve about the front bar axis; a second, rear-legs associated portion, to which each rear leg is connected at least indirectly so as to pivot along the respective rear side surface of the body member, between the operational and storage orientations when the front bar is pivoted between the operative and storage orientations; and a third, body-member associated portion, at which the articulating member is pivotally articulated to the front end of the body member.

5. The foldable personal vehicle according to claim 1, having a horizontal reference plane perpendicular to the vertical plane of symmetry, the foldable backrest portion being pivotable about an axis which is parallel to the reference plane and is spaced from the seat by the stationary backrest portion.

6. A foldable personal vehicle having an operational state and a storage state and having a longitudinal axis lying in a vertical plane of symmetry of the foldable personal vehicle and a horizontal reference plane, the foldable personal vehicle comprising:

a body member having an upper surface holding a seat, front and rear ends spaced from each other along the longitudinal axis, a right rear side surface and a left rear side surface both disposed adjacent to the rear end of the body member and spaced from each other in a direction perpendicular to the vertical plane of symmetry;

a front bar having a handlebar end and a wheel end with a front wheel mounted thereto, the front bar being at least indirectly pivotally articulated to the body member adjacent to the front end, to enable the front bar to take an operational orientation and a storage orientation in which the handlebar end is located above the seat, the front bar having a front bar axis about which the front bar is rotatable for steering the vehicle, and the handlebar end and the wheel end of the vehicle being aligned along the front bar axis in both operational and storage orientations of the front bar; and

a right rear leg and a left rear leg each having a leg distal end to which a rear wheel is mounted and a leg proximal end, at which the leg is pivotally articulated to the respective rear side surface of the body member to enable the leg to take an operational and a storage orientation, the legs and the front bar being connected so as to connect pivoting of the legs with pivoting of the front bar; and

a backrest having a stationary backrest portion integrally assembled or unitarily formed with the seat and a foldable backrest portion pivotable about an axis which is parallel to the reference plane and is spaced from the seat by the stationary backrest portion between a generally upright orientation of the backrest portion in the operational state of the vehicle and generally horizontal orientation of the backrest portion in the storage state of the vehicle such as to close on the handlebar end from above.

7. A foldable personal vehicle having an operational state and a storage state and having a longitudinal axis lying in a vertical plane of symmetry of the foldable personal vehicle and a horizontal reference plane, the foldable personal vehicle comprising:

a body member having an upper surface holding a seat, front and rear ends spaced from each other along the longitudinal axis, a right rear side surface and a left rear side surface both disposed adjacent to the rear end of the body member and spaced from each other in a direction perpendicular to the vertical plane of symmetry;

a front bar having a handlebar end and a wheel end with a front wheel mounted thereto, the front bar being at least indirectly pivotally articulated to the body member adjacent to the front end, to enable the front bar to take an operational orientation and a storage orientation in which the handlebar end is located above the seat, the front bar having a front bar axis about which the front bar is rotatable for steering the vehicle, and the handlebar end and the wheel end of the vehicle being aligned along the front bar axis in both operational and storage orientations of the front bar; and

a right rear leg and a left rear leg each having a leg distal end to which a rear wheel is mounted and a leg proximal end, at which the leg is pivotally articulated to the respective rear side surface of the body member to enable the leg to take an operational and a storage orientation, the legs and the front bar being connected so as to connect pivoting of the legs with pivoting of the front bar;

a front assembly comprising the front bar rotatable about the front bar axis for steering the vehicle, and an articulating member, by virtue of which the front bar is pivotally articulated to the front end of the body member about a front pivot axis, which is spaced from the front bar axis so that in the operational orientation of the front bar in the operational state of the foldable personal vehicle, the front bar is disposed in front of the body member, and in the storage orientation in the storage state of the foldable personal vehicle, the front bar is disposed above and extends along the upper surface of the body member along at least a majority of the length of the front bar.

8. The foldable personal vehicle according to claim 7, wherein the articulating member has the following portions: a first, front-bar associated portion, which embraces the front bar in a manner allowing at least a portion of the front bar to revolve about the front bar axis; a second, rear-legs associated portion, to which each rear leg is connected at least indirectly so as to pivot along the respective rear side surface of the body member, between the respective operational and storage orientations when the front bar is pivoted between the operative and storage orientations; and a third, body-member associated portion, at which the articulating member is pivotally articulated to the front end of the body member.