Newsletter, December 2019 President's Report:



ANOTHER VERY BIG THANK YOU!

Again to your committee, this time for organising a very relaxing, enjoyable Xmas picnic / party. Unfortunately for me having just had surgery the day before, I was unable to participate as planned, but more importantly I was in no fit state to help in any way. Which also meant that Maggie was required to play nurse for me rather than help as planned on the day. However you are very lucky that we have a dedicated core group on committee that pulled together to make sure you all had a Merry American Classic Car Club Xmas party. In particular I want to thank Jimmi, Ray, Wendy and Murray, who went well above the call of duty to ensure the day was the success it was. Fortunately we were able to attend for a short time and enjoy the festive atmosphere along with the very tasty ham in yummy buns and the always popular traditional Xmas cake. Again thank you, very well done.

On another positive note, from the proceeds of USA Day, Jimmi and Ray have been and presented the club cheque of \$5,000 to Ronald Mcdonald house. This was well received and will be put to good use by this very worthwhile charity. I'm sure Jimmi and Ray will report more on this later in this issue. Once again many thanks to Jimmi and Ray for taking the time and making the effort to ensure this happened in good time following USA Day.

Finally its very clear now that Xmas is bearing down on us all and Santa will soon be with us delivering lots of goodies, increasing the waist line and making some of us drink far too much. Please make sure you all have a fantastic festive and safe silly season, very best wishes to you all, and look forward to seeing you all at the next club run which is the President's Picnic on Sunday 19th January 2020.

Keep ya motor running, MERRY XMAS, HAPPY NEW YEAR, and have a Pirfic day......



Bill Stanley President





Presidents Picnic – Venue TBC Sunday 19th January 2020 (Further details in the January newsletter)

Club Captain's Report:

Saturday 30th November - CHRISTMAS CRUISE & PARTY

Our Christmas party took place on November 30th and we had a great turnout of 19 cars. We met at the Yaldhurst Tavern and travelled the back roads to a quaint place called Killinchy. The Christmas dinner and setting was being prepared while our members were on their cruise and ready when we arrived, thanks to Wendy & Murray Marshall and Jimmi. When all the cars had arrived, we had a formal greeting and settled down to our end of year Christmas lunch. The club supplied ham & buns with all the condiments and also Christmas cake, and other Christmas treats.

The weather started off cool, but not long after we arrived at Killinchy, the sun come out and it turned out to be great day. We set up a large gazebo, which was kindly loaned to us from one of our members. This served as a good sun cover for our president, who had had major leg surgery the day before. Everyone else took advantage of the sun and dined in the heat of the day. Some ducked for cover under the trees when it got too hot.

After lunch, our jolly Santa arrived and started distributing presents to the kids first, then all of our members that participated. He must have had a rough ride from the North Pole, because by the time he arrived here, he was a bit tattered and torn. He had the knee out of his trousers. Wonder what he was up to on his way?

We had our club members Phil & Debbie, (Downforce Photo Journalism)
there, who took some great shots of the cars and made a video which you
can see posted on our facebook page https://www.facebook.com/AmercianClassicCarClubCanterburyInc/

Until next year safe cruising Ray Bewley - Club Captain



Ray and I had the privilege of presenting the club's donation to Ronald McDonald House this week. We were assured this donation will provide a "home-away-from-home" for families so often stressed by their situation. What impressed us was that every staff member and volunteer was smiling and very welcoming. They make a difference to many people



and this became very evident as we spoke to some residents. The day we visited the house, it was filled to capacity and three families were relocated to nearby motels. RMH cover the cost of this as well. It was a very humbling experience made possible by the efforts of our members at USA Day. So thank you to you all for your contribution to make this happen.

I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a wonderful New Year. May your holiday be a most enjoyable time with family and friends. Merry Christmas to you all

Cheers, Jimmi Anderson. Secretary / Treasurer

















Club Events Dates to mark in your diary:

Sunday 19th January 2020 - Presidents Picnic - Venue TBC

Sunday 2nd February 2020 - Whitecliffs Music in the Garden

Sunday 29th February 2020 - Hamner Motorfest (Pre-registration advised) - see below

 19^{th} - 22^{nd} March 2020 - Caroline Bay Rock n Hop - Timaru (registration required)

Non-Club Events you might like to diary and attend:

Sunday 29th December:

Rods at Methven 10am – 3pm

1st Sunday of each month:

Rodder's Breakfast meeting at the Kustoms Car Club McLeans Island 8.00am

BellaRat's Gas & Gander:

On the last Friday of each month at 7pm. Meet at the NPD, 740 Jones Road, Rolleston.

Good food for sale ... show up in your rat rod, hotrod, classic or whatever. All welcome.

Saturday 8th February 2020 – Top of the South Motorfest – Hosted by Nelson Holden Club

10am – 3pm at the A & P Showgrounds, Nelson





