### Newsletter, February 2020



### President's Report:

2020 is off to a great start with a fabulous day from the weather man and a very impressive turn out of members for the annual president's picnic. The first lady and I appreciated all the positive comments from members who said they had a pirfic day and really enjoyed the first event for the year. Thanks again to all the committee who helped on the day; your help was very much appreciated.

On Sunday we enjoyed Music in the Garden .... Wow what a hot day, great turn out & lots of fun.

Keep ya motor running, and have a Pirfic day......

Bill Stanley President

### Club Captain's Report

The first event for 2020 kicked off well with a great turn out for our annual President's Picnic. 27 cars in total and 58 people attended.

We assembled at The Yaldy at 10.30am and set off for a 20 minute drive to Lincoln at 11am.

Our destination was in a cul-de-sac and had plenty of parking for our members. We ended up at our President's residence which was set out to accommodate all of us in his outside welcoming area. We were all seated from the patio to the back yard. The club supplied a BBQ lunch for everyone, with sausages, bacon, salads and cake.

There were four games for us to play in the back yard, and all of our members were trying to get the best score, including mini putt, connect four, quoits and throw the horse shoe. After all the scores were in, Bill presented the winners with prizes.

One of the main attractions was Bill's Model Railway, which is built in a garden shed. He has been working with the railway for many years and slowly building it up to what it is now. Bill built the shed for the model railway and decided it wasn't big enough, so he extended the track to link up with the outside and he built an outdoors track around the garden. The shed is full of not only battery operated trains, but also die cast cars / trucks, miniature figurines, and out buildings. He has a special place for the out buildings, which are placed at specific areas when the trains are marshalled from the shed to the garden area for the day. Bill has moulded the outside area with a tunnel and 22 scale railway track, with different themes as the train travels around. He also has a miniature lake, which he fills with boats and fish.

All the members enjoyed the day and thank you again for your hospitality Bill & Maggie.

The second event for 2020, we assembled at The Rolly Inn at 10am and headed on our 35 minute drive to Whitecliffs at 10.30am. This year we invited the Studebaker Club to join with us. There were 6 Studebaker cars amongst our convoy. The blue Chevy led the way and took the long way to our destination; the guys who followed instructions got there and were out of their cars just as the Chevy convoy got there. Cathy Martin organized parks for all of the cars and we went in to enjoy rest, recreation and good tunes for the day. Graeme & Cathy really put on a great day for all and the temperature reached 31deg at one stage. They had arranged gazebos all around the garden and there was also a lot of tree shelter. Just as well for that! Everyone had some sort of shade from the sun. They also had food and drinks for those who didn't bring their picnic lunch. One of their friends from Central Otago dropped off cases of peaches and apricots, which were available (for a small donation) to all.. There would have been about 150 people who attended, which was split between locals and visitors from town, including our and the Studebaker Clubs.

The music included instrumental, folk, Jazz, modern and rock music, so there was a wide range of music to suit the audience.

Safe cruising

Ray Bewley - Club Captain

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President's Picnic 26th Jan.







#### Welcome to new members:

- Warren Newbury with 2015 Chevrolet Camaro 2SS RS
- Douglas & Judy Payne with 1968 Chevrolet Camaro
- Michael (Mike) Cross with 1982 Excalibur Series 4 Phaeton

### Secretary's Report:

It is with much sadness that one of our very valued club members and friend passed away last week. Moreen Parker fought a courageous battle and will be deeply missed by us all. Our sincere condolences to her husband Doug, and the family. RIP Moreen  $\times \times \times$ 

We have had a great start to the year with two remarkable events - both in very hot conditions. Bill often tells me, he orders the weather ... so Bill can we please have the next few events just a few degrees less please.

This year the President's picnic will be remembered for being something different, fun and most entertaining. The BBQ supplied by the club was superb, thank you to the chefs on the day and to Maggie especially for making and providing the "extras" .... It was so yummy. I am sure the many penguins enjoyed all the attention bestowed upon them as well ...



Music in the Garden hosted by Cathie & Graeme Martin was once again a beaut start to February... great music and poetry and a fantastic atmosphere. Cathie & Graeme very kindly host this event every year and once again our club were made very welcomed and our members enjoyed a great day out. Cathie tells me that proceeds this year will be donated to the Australian Animals Fire Rescue.

We have one more event in February on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> (Leap Day): Hanmer Motorfest: It's shaping up to be great car show. There is still time to register. Sun block is a must and if you have a gazebo I am sure the shade would be appreciated.

March 19<sup>th</sup> - 22nd: Caroline Bay Rock & Hop: This event is also looking like a great weekend for car enthusiasts. On Saturday 21st we will meet up at the Pac n Save car park at 9am then travel to the venue in convoy to enable us to park together as a club. More on this in the March newsletter.

One more very important thing I need to bring to your attention and for you to mark in your diaries is the change of date for the AGM ... it is now on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

Below are some dates to mark on your calendars .... Come along, join in the fun and chat with like- minded people.

Stay safe and have a good February

Regards, Jimmi

## February Event

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2020 - Hanmer Motorfest (Pre-registration advised)

We will meet at the Hanmer Springs Service Station, 154 Hanmer Springs Road at 10am to drive in convoy into the Domain.

### Club Upcoming Events: Save the Dates -

19<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2020 - Caroline Bay Rock n Hop - Timaru (registration required)

19th April 2020 - Poker Run - further details in the April newsletter

Sunday 28th June 2020 - ACCC AGM

# Music in the Garden - Sunday 2nd February 2020







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

#### 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 8<sup>th</sup> February 2020 – Top of the South Motorfest –** Hosted by Nelson Holden Club 10am – 3pm at the A & P Showgrounds, Nelsn

#### Sunday March 8, 2020

Twin Rivers Motoring Extravaganza from 10am. A & P Showgrounds Curletts Rd. Major Sponsor:-Paul Kelly Motor Co Ltd. Organised by the Rotary Club of Avonhead. Entry fee is \$15.00 for entrants and for spectator's cars. Eftpos is available. Electric cars will be available for view in the Arena. Not only cars, but the Vintage Machinery Club will be there showing off their vintage tractors, as well as an engine building competition by Christchurch workshops. Food and drinks available. All makes, models, types, shapes, styles and ages are welcome, if it has wheels – bring it. Prizes for the best British, American, Japanese, Australian & European cars. For more details follow the Twin Rivers Facebook page: www.facebook.com/TwinRiversCarParade



