

# Newsletter, February 2022



## President's Report:

Happy New Year everyone and I trust you have all had a great start to 2022. Holidays are now over for most and back to work is again the new norm, covid permitting. January 16th was President's picnic day, and a great time was had by all under the trees in the shade at the Oval in Oxford.

Thank you to all those who attended and provided a spectacular display of fabulous American Classic vehicles.

We now move on to our February run, more details available in this issue. As with many events under the current circumstances, changes will /may occur at late notice and alterations could be required. We will do our very best to provide runs that can accommodate all members while doing what we can to comply with all regulations. As you will know the Timaru Hop has unfortunately been cancelled again, so we will also now have to revisit our event for March!!!!!!!!!!

Look forward to seeing you all at our next event.

Keep ya motor running and have a pirfic day.

Bill Stanley

**Presidents thought for the month,**

**"artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity".**





**to New members:**

### **Sam & Sally Newton with their:**

- *1957 Cadillac Series 62*
- *1969 Chev Corvette*
- *1967 Ford Mustang*
- *1937 Studebaker Dictator*

### **Club Captain's Report:**

*A great turn out for Santa on Sunday December 12, 70 adults and 7 children. The American contingency of 27 cars met at the Peg and cruised from there to the Pines Beach Kairaki Hall. The forward party (catering team) all took their everyday transport. Including the Girls from 'Fire & Ice'.*

*The committee catered for the team of 77 for an outstanding buffet lunch, dessert and Christmas cake.*

*Some chose to dine inside and others preferred to dine out. Murray and Sam marshalled the cars in a semi-circle facing towards the hall, which made the ambiance of outdoor dining more attractive.*

*We were serenaded by the 'Fire & Ice' girls again, who mixed the music between Christmas songs and popular music from our era. The hall is designed to cater for inside or outdoor entertainment and that's how we utilised the facility. Fire and Ice positioned themselves on the stage so the people inside and outside could get the best of their music.*

*We dodged the rain and the weather even turned into sunshine as the day progressed. A great big tank you to all of the catering staff for the exceptional Christmas meal.*

*We had a beautiful sunny day for the President's Picnic. 24 American cars left from the Rolleston District Council car park and headed to Pearson Park, Oxford. There was one everyday car as well, which Jimmi and I were travelling in. (The Chevy won't be back on the road until about mid-year, so it's our everyday Ford until then). We were the only group of people at Pearson Park, so we got the pick of the parking areas. We all nestled in by the trees, which gave us shelter from the searing sun. Check out ACCC Facebook page for the video. There was no wind and it was very serene. The members all gathered around in circles and formed small and large groups. It was BYO picnic basket day and there were quite a variety of food amongst the tables. This was a great drive and everyone enjoyed the scenery.*

*Drive safe and watch out for the other guy.*

*Ray Bewley – Club Captain*





## **Secretary / Treasurer's Report:**

We have had two really great days out since I last wrote ... The Christmas Party and the President's picnic. The Christmas Party at the Pines, Kairaki was so much fun. The venue, food, music, and the arrival of Santa all contributed to a really enjoyable day. Then mid-January we had the President's picnic which our President organised a great scenic run from Rolleston to Oxford. Bill & Maggie donated some spot prizes, which were very well received and appreciated. As I said to Bill, the only thing missing was a 1956 blue Chevy Bel Air!!! Thank you to all of you that joined us, these events would not be anything without you all making the effort to come along.



We know that many organisations have been prevented from holding events due to Covid restrictions, we were in the same boat as we were unable to have USA Day last year. The committee have been discussing other ways to generate some income for the club and a suggestion was made to offer advertising space in the monthly newsletter to promote your business or workplace. The costs would be on a monthly / issue by issue basis as follows:

**\$20 for a ¼ page per issue, \$30 for a ½ page per issue and \$50 for a full page per issue**

You would have to provide me with the advertisement – I am happy to help you create something suitable if required. Please feel free to contact me either by return email or on my mobile 021 2379637 to discuss your options.

It is back to school (work) for me this week and with RED RED RED lights everywhere, I will be working from home a lot more this term I think. We are all a little frustrated over the restrictions and I have to wonder if we will ever get to have a 'normal' anything again. I am confident that we can still have our monthly events as we don't usually exceed 100 people gathering.

I really look forward to the monthly catch ups with our members – you are such a great bunch of people, so please continue to come along and enjoy a cruise and chat with like-minded folks.

Have a great February and stay safe.

Jimmi Anderson

Secretary

## **Other Club Events - Save the Dates**

Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	Run to Amberley
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	Run to Ashburton - TBC
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Run to Kaikoura - TBC
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	TBC
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	AGM – Venue TBC



# *FEBRUARY EVENT*

## *Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> February*

*We are doing a lunch cruise to the new refurbished Amberley Hotel.*

*Meeting at: The Peg Hotel – Main North Road, Belfast*

*Time: 11am to leave at 11.15am*

***For catering purposes, can you please let me know if you are attending by return email or message me on 021 2379637***

***Please note: All Welcome, but a mask and vaccine pass is required for indoor dining.***

*(For those who wish to join the run and not dine indoors, there is the Golden Hat Take-aways attached to the hotel).*





# Christmas Party – Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2021





# President's Picnic – Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2022





# REMINDER



You will beware that the Government has introduced regulations which must be observed under their Traffic Light System.

ACCC will comply with those regulations while endeavouring to still maintain our monthly runs and activities.



***Hanmer Motorfest has been cancelled (26th February)***

***Hororata Swap-Meet has been postponed until further notice***

***Twizel Show ñ Shine has been cancelled (4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> March)***

***Twin Rivers Motoring Extravaganza has been cancelled (13<sup>th</sup> March)***

***Whitecliffs Music in the Garden has been cancelled (6<sup>th</sup> February)***